



**NANTICOKE CITY**  
**WORK SESSION and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**CITY HALL 7:00PM Wednesday, April 5, 2017**

Call to Order: President, William Brown  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Invocation: City Clerk, Mary Cheshinski

The following were present: Councilors William Brown, Kevin Coughlin, John Pietrzyk, and Nicole Mackiewicz, City Clerk, Mary Cheshinski, Interim City Manager Donna Wall, Finance Director, Jennifer Polito, and Solicitor, William Finnegan. Excused, Lesley Butczynski

**WORK SESSION**

**Discussion of Council Meeting Action Items**

Donna Wall informed Council that LCCC will be installing a fence, a gate and cameras at the Lower Broadway parking lot dedicated for student parking.

The City Clerk, Cheshinski read the Mayor's Proclamation, proclaiming, April 2017, Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month.

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Pietrzyk, second by Mrs. Mackiewicz, motion carried.

**REGULAR MEETING**    Comments from the Public (agenda items only) none

**OLD BUSINESS** (none)

**NEW BUSINESS**

A motion to approve the March 22nd, 2017 meeting minutes was made by Mr. Coughlin, second by Mr. Pietrzyk, Motion carried.

Mrs. Mackiewicz made a motion to pay bills, second by, Mr. Coughlin, in the amount of \$294,447.68 (Payables \$191,139.69) (Payroll \$103,307.99) motion carried.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

John Telencho stated the City receives millions of dollars in Grants. Why is there no demolition starting in the downtown area. He recently attended the Municipal Authority meeting and they say they don't have any interested businesses and don't know anything about demolition. What's going on, questioned Mr. Telencho.

Bill Brown replied there is a plan to demolish and he thinks deals with property owners will be encouraged in that area. He added the Mayor will be asked to attend the next Council meeting and inform us we stand on the downtown project and what progress there will be downtown summer. Donna Wall stated the 5.6 million in grants is earmarked for Street Scape not demolition.

John Telencho questioned if the City will be doing anything to honor the High School Basketball teams? Nicole Mackiewicz stated the Mayor has a plan, yes.

Mr. Marks stated his opinion on the high cost of our police department per man.

We are way above cost average for our area at approximately \$150,000.00 per officer.

We should have a department within our means.

Nothing is being done about saving money in the Police and Fire where the highest budget goes. PEL didn't do anything for the City he added.

Bill Brown replied it's all about safety.

Donna Wall added the PAWC are installing new water lines on Main Street this summer.

**Announcements-** A letter of praise was read by Council President Brown, from Ron Kamowski, City business owner, on how well the City handled the recent snow removal from storm Stella

The next Council meeting is Wednesday, April 19 2017.

Mr. Coughlin made the motion to adjourn, second by Mr. Pietrzyk. Meeting adjourned at 7:18PM.

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Mary Beth Cheshinski, City Clerk