



## CITY OF NANTICOKE

### **WORK SESSION and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, February 3, 2021

Via Teleconference 1-800-201-3962 Code 349057

Work Session/Council Meeting 7:00 pm

Call to Order: President of Council, William Brown

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation: Interim City Manager, Donna Wall

The following were present via telephone: Council Members, William Brown, John Telencho, Lesley Butczynski, Mike Marcella, Joseph Nalepa, Interim City Manager, Donna Wall, and Solicitor, Attorney Finnegan.

Excused: Finance Director/City Clerk, Jennifer Polito

#### **WORK SESSION-**

**Motion to accept** the resignation of Joseph Nalepa from the Planning Commission effective Thursday, January 21, 2021.

**Motion to approve Ordinance #1 of 2021, (Second Reading)**, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Nanticoke amending Section 480-3B of the City of Nanticoke Code of Ordinances relative to the time frame for the removal of vehicles.

**Motion to approve Resolution #4 of 2021**, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Nanticoke, approving the appointment of William Davis to the Planning Commissions of the City of Nanticoke due to the resignation of Joseph Nalepa.

**Motion to approve** the amendment of Article III: Supervisory Positions; Rates above Base Rate for Supervisory Positions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Nanticoke and the Local 2655 of the International Association of Firefighters AFL-CIO-CLC.

**Motion to award** the CDBG-CV Local Economic Assistance Program (LEAP) to Hailstone Economics.

#### **Administrative Updates-**

The Mayor has executed **Executive Order # 6 of 2021**, appointing William Davis to the Planning Commission for a 3-year term expiring 12/31/2023.

The Mayor has executed **Executive Order # 7 of 2021**, promoting Captain Mark Boncal to Interim Fire Chief under the terms of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Nanticoke and the Local 2655 of the International Association of Firefighters AFL-CIO-CLC.

The Mayor has executed **Executive Order # 8 of 2021**, hiring of James Hoffman as a Career Firefighter under the terms of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Nanticoke and the Local 2655 of the International Association of Firefighters AFL-CIO-CLC.

The Mayor has executed **Executive Order # 9 of 2021**, promoting the following Career Firefighters:

1. Captain Mark Boncal to Assistant Chief
2. Lieutenant John W. Polifka to Captain
3. Firefighter Gregory Grzymiski to Lieutenant

The Mayor and Council commended the DPW Department for the excellent job they did clearing the snow off the streets during the snow storm.

The Mayor thanked Grateful Roast for generously providing the City's Fire Department with coffee while they were digging out the fire hydrants after the snow storm.

**Donna Wall** updated Council and residents on the following:

- The City is now accepting applications for the Veteran Banner Program. The applications are due by April 1, 2021.

**A Motion** was made by Councilmember Telencho seconded by Councilmember Butczynski to adjourn the work session. Motion carried unanimously.

**REGULAR MEETING** Comments from the Public agenda items only.

None

#### **Old Business**

None

#### **New Business**

**A Motion** to approve the January 20, 2021 minutes was made by Councilmember Butczynski seconded by Councilmember Marcella.

Motion carried 4--1. Councilmember Nalepa abstained.

**A Motion** to approve the payment of the bills in the amount of \$330,074.80 (Payroll(s) \$99,329.52 and Payables \$230,845.28) was made by Councilmember Telencho seconded by Councilmember Butczynski.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Motion to accept** the resignation of Joseph Nalepa from the Planning Commission effective Thursday, January 21, 2021 was made by Councilmember Marcella seconded by Councilmember Telencho.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Motion to approve Ordinance #1 of 2021, (Second Reading)**, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Nanticoke amending Section 480-3B of the City of Nanticoke Code of Ordinances relative to the time frame for the removal of vehicles was made by Councilmember Nalepa seconded by Councilmember Butczynski.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Motion to approve Resolution #4 of 2021**, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Nanticoke, approving the appointment of William Davis to the Planning Commissions of the City of Nanticoke due to the resignation of Joseph Nalepa was made by Councilmember Nalepa seconded by Councilmember Butczynski.

Motion carried unanimously.

**A Motion to approve** the amendment of Article III: Supervisory Positions; Rates above Base Rate for Supervisory Positions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Nanticoke and the Local 2655 of the International Association of Firefighters AFL-CIO-CLC was made by Councilmember Telencho seconded by Councilmember Marcella.

Motion carried unanimously.

**A Motion to award** the CDBG-CV Local Economic Assistance Program (LEAP) to Hailstone Economics was made by Councilmember Nalepa seconded by Councilmember Butczynski.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC –**

**Mary Ann Lang** asked why the motion to award the CDBG program was not on the agenda on the website and why there are no accounts payable totals on the agendas that are posted on the website. Donna Wall explained that the CDBG Program was a last minute add on and Council was informed of the addition by email. Donna Wall stated as for the accounts payable totals, they are not available until Wednesday morning after all checks have been issued and Jennifer then updates Council with the totals and an accounts payable listing.

#### **Correspondence-**

Attorney William Finnegan read the Resignation Letter from Deputy Chief Mike Bohan. President Brown commended Mike Bohan for his years of service as the Deputy Fire Chief.

-GNA School District awarded a Certificate of Appreciation to the City of Nanticoke for their contribution to the school district's Annual Holiday Dinner.

#### **Announcements-**

The City of Nanticoke will be closed on Monday, February 15, 2021 in observance of President's Day.

#### **Councilmember Comments-**

Vice President John Telencho congratulated the firemen who have been promoted.

Councilmember Butczynski commended Mike Bohan for his years of service as the Deputy Fire Chief.

Councilmember Marcella thanked Mike Bohan and congratulated the firemen who were promoted.

Councilmember Nalepa congratulated the promoted firemen and Deputy Chief Mike Bohan on his retirement. Councilmember Nalepa expressed his opinion that William Davis is an excellent addition to the Planning Commission and he thanked Grateful Roast for providing the firemen with coffee while they dug out the fire hydrants.

President Brown congratulated the firemen who were promoted.

#### **Meeting Adjournment-**

Councilmember Butczynski made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Telencho, roll call.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.**

**Next Meeting, Wed, Feb 17, 2021 @ 7:00 pm.**

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**Interim City Manager, Donna Wall filling in for City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito**