



CITY OF NANTICOKE

**WORK SESSION and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

**Call to Order:** President, William Brown

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Invocation:** City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito

**ROLL CALL:**

**The following were present:** Council Members, William Brown, Joseph Dougherty, Kenneth James, Mark O'Connor via telephone, City Manager, Donna Wall, Finance Director/City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito, and Solicitor, Attorney William Finnegan.

Excused: Council Member, Joseph Nalepa.

**WORK SESSION: (action Items)**

**A Motion to approve** Ordinance # 2 of 2024, (Second Reading), AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL PERSONS, PARTNERSHIPS, BUSINESSES, AND CORPORATIONS TO OBTAIN A PERMIT FOR ANY CONSTRUCTION OR DEVELOPMENT; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH PERMITS; SETTING FORTH CERTAIN MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT WITHIN AREAS OF THE City of Nanticoke WHICH ARE SUBJECT TO FLOODING; AND ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR ANY PERSONS WHO FAIL, OR REFUSE TO COMPLY WITH, THE REQUIREMENTS OR PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE.

**A Motion to approve** Ordinance # 3 of 2024, (First Reading), AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NANTICOKE AMENDING CHAPTER 485-6(A) OF THE CITY OF NANTICOKE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLE AND AMENDING CHAPTER 485-48 PROHIBITING PARKING ON PROSPECT STREET IN CERTAIN LOCATIONS AND AMENDING CHAPTER 485-56(A) TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL DESIGNATED RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA IN THE CITY OF NANTICOKE ON ARCH STREET BETWEEN NORTH WALNUT AND BROADWAY STREET.

**A Motion to approve** Resolution # 5 of 2024, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NANTICOKE AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR A PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION ON CRIME AND DELINQUENCY GRANT FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE PURCHASE OF POLICE SIMULATOR TRAINING EQUIPMENT AND AUTHORIZING ENTRY INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH NEWPORT TOWNSHIP AND HANOVER TOWNSHIP WITH REGARD TO THE SHARING OF SAID EQUIPMENT, IF THE GRANT IS AWARDED, SUBJECT TO FINAL SOLICITOR APPROVAL.

**A Motion to approve** Resolution # 6 of 2024, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NANTICOKE AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (DCED), COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

**A Motion to approve** the purchase of a Generac Generator for the Police Department from Schaedler Yesco Distribution in the amount of \$11,698.75 (COSTARS Pricing) using the American Rescue Plan Funds.

**ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES:**

**Mayor Kevin Coughlin** has submitted the **February 2024 Department Reports** for Council's review and Jennifer Polito has posted them on the City's website at [www.nanticokecity.com](http://www.nanticokecity.com).

**City Manager, Donna Wall has updates for Council:**

1. Multiscape will resume construction of new storm piping & inlets, concrete curbs & sidewalks with ADA handicap ramps, highway lighting & signalization, benches & trash receptacles, bituminous pavement. decorative crosswalks and striping. Construction will begin April 1, 2024 and will be completed by September 30, 2024.
2. WVSA in 2023 replaced 23 storm basins.
3. Main water line work has been completed on 17 streets. There are 4 streets remaining for services and tie ins. All 17 streets will be milled and overlaid and ADA ramps will be installed as needed. The milling and paving should begin in early May. Sidewalk and tree lawn restoration has begun.
4. As of Friday, 3/22/2024, work is to begin on Depth Restoration for the Watermain Project.
5. In 2023 and 2024 the total new main water lines installed in the city was 25,000 feet.
6. Blacktop plants are set to open on 4/1/2024.

**A Motion** was made by Councilmember Dougherty seconded by Councilmember James 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 minutes from the March 6, 2024** Work Session/Regular Council Meeting was made by Councilmember James seconded by Councilmember Dougherty. Motion carried unanimously.

**A Motion to approve** the Payment of the bills in the total amount of **\$452,694.34 (Payroll) \$141,510.06 and (Accounts Payable) \$311,184.28** was made by Councilmember Dougherty seconded by Councilmember O'Connor. Motion carried unanimously.

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**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC –**

No comments from the public.

**Correspondence-**

None

### **Announcements-**

The City of Nanticoke's Annual Big Bang Celebration is scheduled for Saturday, June 29, 2024 (Rain Date, Sunday, June 30, 2024). The City is now accepting applications for Food and Craft Vendors. A Vendor application can be picked up at City Hall, found on the city's website, [www.nanticokecity.com](http://www.nanticokecity.com) or email Jennifer Polito at [jpolito@nanticokecity.com](mailto:jpolito@nanticokecity.com).

City Hall will be closed on Friday, March 29, 2024, Good Friday, in observance of Easter. Mayor, Council and Administration wishes everyone a Happy Easter.

### **Councilmember Comments-**

**Councilmember Dougherty** had no further comments.

**Councilmember James** thanked Fire House Subs for coming out to hold a fundraiser for the City's volunteer fire company and he spoke to Chief Boncal and he reported that it was a successful fundraiser. Mr. James stated the Ice Cream Truck is here this week so brave the cold weather and get yourself some ice cream to benefit the Fire Department. Chief Boncal stated the Subs and Ice Cream trucks will be back at the end of July.

**Councilmember O'Connor** had no further comments.

**President Brown** acknowledged former Mayor John Bushko in the audience and stated it is good to see Mr. Bushko doing well and attending the meetings.

### **Meeting Adjournment-**

Councilmember Dougherty made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember James, roll call.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Meeting adjourned at 6:13 pm.**

**Next Meeting:**

Work Session/Council Meeting Wed. April 3, 2024 @ 6:00 pm.

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**City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito**