



CITY OF NANTICOKE

WORK SESSION and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday September 20, 2023

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, John Telencho. Lesley Butczynski, Mike Marcella, City Manager, Donna Wall, Finance Director/City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito, and Solicitor, Attorney Finnegan.

Excused: Council member(s) Joseph Nalepa.

WORK SESSION

A Motion to approve the purchase of a United States Treasury Bill in the amount of \$2.5 million dollars yielding 5.42% for six (6) months with M&T Securities.

A Motion to award the W. Union Street and Line Street Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project to Linde Corporation (Lowest Bidder) in the amount of \$132,964.00. Bid Sheet Enclosed.

A Motion to approve Resolution # 11 of 2023, a Resolution authorizing and Directing the Proper Nanticoke City Officials to apply for a LSA Grant in the amount of \$760,374.00 for the Downtown Development and Improvements.

A Motion to approve Resolution # 12 of 2023, a Resolution authorizing and Directing the Proper Nanticoke City Officials to apply for a LSA Grant in the amount of \$362,672.00 for the Improvements to Patriot Park.

A Motion to approve Resolution # 13 of 2023, a Resolution authorizing and Directing the Proper Nanticoke City Officials to apply for a LSA Grant in the amount of \$37,190.00 for the Architectural and Civil Engineering Feasibility Study on the Nanticoke Fire House located on 2 E. Ridge Street.

A Motion to approve Resolution # 14 of 2023, a Resolution authorizing and Directing the Proper Nanticoke City Officials to apply for a LSA Grant on behalf of the Lower South Valley Council of Governments in the amount of \$94,637.00 for the purchase of a Wood Chipper and Line Painter.

A Motion to approve Resolution # 15 of 2023, a Resolution authorizing and Directing the Proper Nanticoke City Officials to apply for a LSA Grant on behalf of the Lower South Valley Council of Governments in the amount of \$173,173.00 for the purchase of a Bucket Truck.

A Motion to accept the resignation letter from the City Code Officer, Nicole Pulju effective September 29, 2023. (See attached letter)

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

City Manager, Donna Wall has updates for Council:

1. The Prospect Street Project has started and is scheduled to be done this year.
2. The second 2023 CDBG public meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 26, 2023.
3. The City received the Firemen's Pension Relief Allocation in the amount of \$35,119.09.
4. The City received the 2023 State Pension Aid Allocation in the amount of \$378,812.73.

A Motion was made by Councilmember Marcella seconded by Councilmember Telencho 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 **September 6, 2023** minutes was made by Councilmember Butczynski seconded by Councilmember Marcella. Motion carried 3-0, Councilmember Telencho abstained.

A Motion to approve the **payment of the bills** in the total amount of **\$788,239.49;** **(Payroll(s)) \$135,146.64 (Accounts Payable) \$653,092.85** was made by Councilmember Marcella seconded by Councilmember Telencho. Motion carried unanimously.

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COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC –

Ms. Angel Brotman of E. Washington St. stated that there is still water running across the street on the 400 Block of E. Washington Street and she is concerned about icy conditions as the weather gets colder. DPW Foremen, Rick Josefowicz stated he is going over to address this issue with the resident in hopes to get this issue resolved.

Mr. Kenny James of Grand St. thanked the Police Department for their efforts to secure the schools against the bomb threats and recent shootings. Mr. James also thanked DPW Foremen, Rick Josefowicz for trimming a tree that was hanging over into his property. Mr. James commented on the 400 Block of E. Washington Street by stating it is a dump, specifically the Brodzinski property that is over grown and skunks and other wild animals are living there. City Manager, Donna Wall stated the Landbank wanted to purchase this property at the Free &

Clear sale but the daughter petitioned the court to make payments and the Judge granted her request. President Brown stated to keep sighting the daughter until the property is cleaned up.

Correspondence-

None

Announcements-

The City of Nanticoke will be hosting a **Trunk or Treat and Halloween Parade** at Patriot Park on Saturday, October 28, 2023 at 1:00 PM. Food Trucks and Trunk or Treat participants can set up at 12:00 PM. Children can line up at CITY HALL, beginning at 12:30, to parade to Patriot Park. Prizes will be awarded. Individuals or Businesses who would like sign up to decorate your trunk please call Pat 570-735-2800.

Councilmember Comments-

Vice President Telencho thanked everyone with their quick responses to deal with clean up after the storm damage and with the bomb threats.

Councilmember Butczynski had no further comments.

Councilmember Marcella had no further comments.

Councilmember Nalepa had no further comments.

President Brown had no further comments.

Meeting Adjournment-

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

Next Meeting, Wed, Oct. 4, 2023 at 7:00 pm

City Clerk, Jennifer W. Polito