



NANTICOKE CITY

## WORK SESSION and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

September 6, 2017

Call to Order: Vice President, Kevin Coughlin

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation: City Clerk, Mary Cheshinski

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

### **WORK SESSION-**

**Discussion of Council Action**-none

**Administration Updates**- Donna Wall addressed residents and Council the following: American Asphalt received the bid from WWSA to pave Railroad Street, tentatively tomorrow and completion next week.

The soft dig for behind Norky's Bar, on East Ridge Street, was postponed for today due to inclement weather.

The City Clerk thanked John Telencho for pointing out the incorrect meeting date on the posted minutes. Corrected before vote of Council to August 23, 2017...

A motion was made by, Ms. Butczynski second by Mr. Pietrzyk to adjourn the work session. Motion carried.

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

**OLD BUSINESS** (none)

**NEW BUSINESS**

A motion to approve the August 23, 2017 meeting minutes was made by Mrs. Mackiewicz, second by Ms. Butczynski. Motion carried.

Mr. Pietrzyk made a motion, second by Ms. Butczynski to pay bills in the amount of \$388,969.27. Payables (\$284,851.47) Payroll (\$104,117.80) Motion carried.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**John Telencho** questioned if the properties Solicitor Finnegan mentioned were purchased as of yet. Attorney Finnegan stated the September 28<sup>th</sup> is the sale.

Mr. Telencho understands the 400 Club lot has been purchased by the Ambulance Association. If this true are they non-profit? No taxes?

Donna Wall stated yes, the Ambulance has purchased 7 acres. If they are non-profit they will not be taxed but she is unsure. Council was unaware if taxable. Former Mayor Bushko believes it is recreation land and probably will not be taxable.

Mr. Telencho stated after six years of the Home Rule Charter, things are pick and choose. If City is not going to follow the whole charter, do away with it.

Attorney Finnegan questioned what is not being followed.

Mr. Telencho added Article III, 3.04-B of the Home Rule Charter, the Mayor is to give a monthly report of what is going on in the City. Mayor hasn't been here in months.

Attorney Finnegan will familiarize himself with that part of the charter. Donna will check if the Community Ambulance, privately owned, will be paying taxes. Monthly reports from the Mayor are the department reports posted each month and given to Council in their packets she added.

**Mr. Marks** stated our City taxes are the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest in the State. Too many tax dollars still for police and fire. The Mayor was to jump forward and we are at a standstill.

**Correspondence** – none.

**Announcements-** The Nanticoke prayer Walk will be Saturday September 9th

**Leadership LCCC Class of 2017** will sponsor its second annual LCCC CARES COMMUNITY EVENT, Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> 10AM-2PM. In Patriot Park. Rain date, Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Meeting Adjournment**

Mr. Pietrzyk made the motion to adjourn, second by Ms. Butczynski.

Meeting adjourned at 7:19PM. Next meeting September 20<sup>th</sup>.

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Mary Beth Cheshinski  
City Clerk