

NANTICOKE CITY WORK SESSION and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES CITY HALL

7:00PM Wednesday, April 19, 2017

Call to Order: President, William Brown

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation: City Clerk, Mary Cheshinski

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

WORK SESSION

Discussion of Council Meeting Action Items

Administrative Update by Jen Polito informing Council that the payables are larger than usual due to appropriate transfers from within funds

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

REGULAR MEETING Comments from the Public

Mr. Telencho questioned Council President on the Mayor speaking this evening on the Street Scape Project. Council President Brown noted that the Mayor is not ready to release all the information tonight.

Solicitor William Finnegan requested a motion by Council to waiver the fees concerning the sub-division of a parcel, for recreational work, near old soccer field area owned by the City, it would be "paying fees to ourselves". Ms. Butczynski made the motion to waiver the fees for the sub-division project, second by Mr. Coughlin, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS (none) NEW BUSINESS

A motion to approve the April 5, 2017 meeting minutes was made by Mr. Coughlin, second by Mr. Pietrzyk, Ms. Butczynski abstained for she was not present at this meeting. Motion carried.

Mrs. Mackiewicz made a motion to pay bills, second by, Ms. Butczynski, in the amount of \$568,082.33 (Payables \$472,593.75) (Payroll \$95,485.58) motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

<u>John Telencho</u> questioned five names on the list of payables. Accounts payable clerk, City Clerk, Mary Cheshinski explained one being a refund of escrow money due to the

mortgagee. The other four were snow removal vendors paid from the Highway Aid account. Jen Polito and Donna Wall confirmed from the audience.

Mr. Telencho questioned why our City Wide Yard Sale is conflicting with a Plymouth event, Stick with Us, on May 6th. Who picked the date? City Clerk, Cheshinski replied she always picks the City Wide Yard Sale dates. Due to rain on the last two years chose earlier in May. Sounds like Plymouth is more food and craft vendor event at somewhat different hours shouldn't be considered a conflict.

Mr. Telencho questioned the activity across from Ruminski's on Prospect Street. Councilor Brown believes this is private property project and the Code Office may know that answer.

Announcements-

Police Chief, Tom Wall announced criminal mischief the last few days such as broken windows. Officer Lehman and Officer Derwin know the suspects now, it will be investigated.

Chief Wall added the suspect from the shooting, murder from January 2017 was apprehended today in Wilkes Barre.

The next Council meeting is Wednesday, May 3, 2017. Mr. Coughlin made the motion to adjourn, second by Mr. Pietrzyk. Meeting adjourned at 7:25PM.

Mary Beth Cheshinski, City Clerk