

NEW HOPE BOROUGH
September 21, 2021
7:00 PM
Council Meeting Agenda

This meeting will be held in the New Hope Borough Community Room

Masks are required for those attending the meeting.

__ Gering, President __ Dougherty, Vice President __ Rettig, President Pro Tem
__ Feder __ McHugh __ Maisel __ Meyer __ Mayor Keller

1. Mayor's Report

- Presentation by the Chief regarding Emergency Notifications

2. Council President's Report

- Consider Adopting Ordinance regarding Refinance of the 2016 General Obligation Bonds
- Certificate of Appropriateness – 73 West Mechanic St - amend a previous C of A for basement to become garage
- Certificate of Appropriateness - 20 South Main St - replace windows
- Certificate of Appropriateness - 15 E. Bridge St – two sign installations
- Certificate of Appropriateness - 15 S. Main St – one sign installation
- ZHB Application - 8 West Mechanic Street - request special exception/variance for expansion
- ZHB Application - 71 West Ferry Street - requesting special exception and variance
- Consider Adopting Ordinance Amendment to Section 275 -33 of the Borough's Zoning Ordinance to allow formula restaurants in the SC Shopping District
- Consider Adopting Ordinance Amendment to Sections 275–17, 21, 32, 33 of the Borough's Zoning Ordinance to establish regulations for Medical Marijuana Dispensary and Medical Marijuana Grower/Processor and repeal all inconsistent ordinances or parts
- Consider Adopting Resolution for 2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Police Pension Plan
- Consider Adopting Resolution for 2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Non Uniform Pension Plan
- Consider Appointments of Louis Bellafronte and Lawrence Greenberg to the Planning Commission
- Consider 2021 High Heels Drag Race Special Event

3. Consent Agenda:

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes:**
 1. September 7, 2021 Council Workshop
- **Approval of Accounts Payables:**
 1. Accounts Payables for September in the amount of \$208,069.85.
 2. Payrolls for August 27, 2021, and September 10, 2021 in the amounts of \$70,378.05 and \$67,739.59.

4. Council Member Reports on Committees:

- Parks and Recreation Board (L. Feder)
- Shade Tree Commission (L. McHugh)
- Finance Committee (C. Gering, D. Dougherty, T. Rettig)
- Land Use and Historic Preservation (HARB – K. Maisel; ZHB – C. Gering; PC – P. Meyer)

5. Manager and Solicitor Reports

6. Public Comment

7. Announcements

8. Adjournment

UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS:

- Monday, September 27, 2021 – Park and Recreation, 7 PM,
- Monday, October 4, 2021 – Borough Council Workshop, 4 PM
- Monday, October 4, 2021 – Planning Commission, 7 PM
- Tuesday, October 5, 2021 – Historical Architectural Review Board, 6:30 PM
- Thursday, October 14, 2021 – Zoning Hearing Board, 7 PM
- Tuesday, October 19, 2021 – Council Public Meeting, 7 PM

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION INFORMATION

1. Public meetings of the Council shall follow a prescribed agenda, which will be available to the general public two days preceding the meeting.
2. If members of the public wish the Council to address a specific item at a public meeting, a written request to the Borough Manager shall be submitted by noon on Wednesday of the week before the meeting. The written request shall specify the item or items the individual desires to be addressed.
3. Council may consider other matters for the agenda as they see fit.
4. Council will entertain Public Comment at either the beginning of the meeting or prior to specific action items during the meeting, at the discretion of the President. Individuals must advise the President of their desire to offer such comment.
5. A Public Comment period will be provided at the conclusion of a meeting for input on any subject.
6. The Council President shall preside over Public Comments and may within their discretion:
 - a. Recognize individuals wishing to offer comment.
 - b. Require identification of such persons (name and address of residence).
 - c. Allocate total available Public Comment time among all individuals wishing to comment.
 - d. Allocate up to a five (5) minute maximum for each individual to offer Public Comment at a meeting.
 - e. Rule out of order scandalous, impertinent and redundant comment or any comment the discernible purpose of which is to disrupt or prevent the conduct of the business of the meeting including the questioning of, or polling of, or debating with, individual members of the Council.

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The following is a summary of the items on Council's agenda:

Presentation by the Chief regarding Emergency Notifications

The Chief will provide various information about the emergency notification system in place for the Borough.

Consider Adopting Ordinance regarding Refinance of the 2016 General Obligation Bonds

Council will consider adopting an ordinance for refinancing the Borough's 2016 General Obligation Bond

Certificate of Appropriateness – 73 West Mechanic St

A HARB application will be presented for amending a previous C of A for basement to become a garage

Certificate of Appropriateness - 20 South Main St

A HARB application will be presented regarding replacing windows

Certificate of Appropriateness - 15 E. Bridge St

A HARB application will be presented regarding the installation of two signs

Certificate of Appropriateness - 15 S. Main St

A HARB application will be presented regarding the installation of one sign

ZHB Application - 8 West Mechanic Street

A ZHB application will be presented to Council regarding a special exception/variance for expansion

ZHB Application - 71 West Ferry Street

A ZHB application will be presented to Council regarding a special exception and a variance

Consider Adopting Ordinance Amendment for Formula Restaurants

Council will consider adopting an ordinance amendment to Section 275 -33 of the Borough's Zoning Ordinance to allow formula restaurants in the SC Shopping District

Consider Adopting Ordinance Amendment regarding Medical Marijuana

Council will consider adopting an ordinance amendment to Sections 275–17, 21, 32, 33 of the Borough's Zoning Ordinance to establish regulations for Medical Marijuana Dispensary and Medical Marijuana Grower/Processor and repeal all inconsistent ordinances or parts

Consider Adopting Resolution for 2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Police Pension Plan

Council will consider a resolution for the 2022 MMO for the Police Pension Plan

Consider Adopting Resolution for 2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Non Uniform Pension Plan

Council will consider a resolution for the 2022 MMO for the Non Uniform Pension Plan

Consider Appointments of Louis Bellafronte and Lawrence Greenberg to the Planning Commission

Council will consider appointments to the Planning Commission

Consider 2021 High Heels Drag Race Special Event

Council will consider a Special Event permit for the 2021 High Heels Drag Race event