

New Hope Borough Council Meeting

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[Direct Link to Zoom Meeting.](#)

1. October 17, 2023, Borough Council Agenda

Documents:

[OCTOBER 17, 2023 AGENDA.PDF](#)

NEW HOPE BOROUGH

October 17, 2023

6:30 PM

Council Meeting Agenda

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___ Gering, President

___ Maisel, President Pro Tem

___ Feder

___ Dougherty

___ Becci

___ Meyer

___ Whitman

___ Mayor Keller

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1. Mayor's Report

2. Council President's Report

- Consider Holiday Parade Special Event
- Consider Approval of an Amendment to the April 20, 2023 Certificate of Appropriateness for 22 South Main Street
- Consider Authorizing Advertisement for Proposed Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 275-29 RB Borough Residential District
- Consider Appointment of Lesley Larson to the Parks and Recreation Committee
- Consider Letter of Resignation from Tax Collector Denton Kanouff

3. Consent Agenda:

- Approval of Accounts Payables:
 1. Accounts Payables for October in the amount of \$636,959.26.
 2. Payrolls for September 22, 2023, September 27, 2023 and October 6, 2023 in the amounts of \$98,826.66, \$4,373.29, and \$80,455.48.

4. Council Member Reports on Committees:

- Parks and Recreation Board (L. Feder)
- Shade Tree Commission
- Finance Committee (C. Gering, K. Maisel)
- 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:

- Wednesday, October 18, 2023 – Shade Tree Commission, 6:00 PM
- Monday, October 23, 2023 – Parks & Recreation Board, 7:00 PM
- Monday, November 6, 2023 – Council Workshop, 4:00 PM
- Tuesday, November 7, 2023 - Historical Architectural Review Board, 6:30 PM
- Wednesday, November 15, 2023 – Shade Tree Commission, 6:00 PM
- Monday, November 20, 2023 – Planning Commission, 6:30 PM
- Tuesday, November 21, 2023 –Council Public Meeting, 6:30 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. Members of the public with specific questions can put their questions in writing and send, before noon, on the Monday before the meeting.
Via email: PublicComment@NewHopeBorough.org
3. A Public Comment period will be provided for input on any subject and after the presentation of each agenda item for that specific topic.
4. 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 up to a three (3) minute maximum for each individual to offer Public Comment at a meeting.
 - d. 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.

Code of Conduct

The New Hope Borough Council is committed to upholding an environment of respect, professionalism, and constructive dialogue during council meetings.

Disrespectful behavior, including but not limited to personal attacks, disruptive conduct, and disrespectful language, will not be tolerated. All participants in council meetings are to be treated with dignity, and the proceedings shall be productive and inclusive.

- All council members, attendees, staff, and members of the public participating in council meetings are expected to demonstrate respect toward one another.
- Debates are encouraged, but they must be conducted in a respectful and courteous manner.
- Personal attacks, derogatory language, and disrespectful behavior towards any individual are strictly prohibited.
- The President and Vice President have the authority to maintain order and decorum during council meetings. They may intervene and take appropriate action to address disrespectful behavior, including warning the individual responsible and, if necessary, removal from the meeting.

The New Hope Borough Council aims to foster productive discussions and decision-making processes during council meetings. Failure to adhere to the above may result in appropriate action, including removal from the meeting and potential restrictions on future participation.