

## New Hope Borough Council Meeting

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[Direct Link to Zoom Meeting.](#)

### 1. August 15, 2023, Borough Council Agenda

Documents:

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6:30 PM

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\_\_\_ Gering, President                      \_\_\_ McHugh, Vice President                      \_\_\_ Maisel, President Pro Tem

\_\_\_ Feder                      \_\_\_ Dougherty                      \_\_\_ Becci                      \_\_\_ Meyer                      \_\_\_ Mayor Keller

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### 1. Public Comment

### 2. Mayor's Report

### 3. Council President's Report

- Administration of Oath of Office for Michele Becci
- Discussion on the Parking Garage Project
- Certificate of Appropriateness - 52 South Main Street – Sign Installation
- Certificate of Appropriateness - 186 South Main Street – Pizza Oven Installation
- Certificate of Appropriateness - 20 West Bridge Street – Sign Installation
- ZHB application – 180 West Bridge Street – proposed improvements around existing stadium
- ZHB application - 12 & 24 Waterloo Street – dimensional variance for lot line change
- Consider Resolution to continue to support the Lower Delaware River Management Plan of adding the Aquetong Creek into the Lower Delaware River Wild and Scenic River System
- Consider Adopting Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 275-31 CC Central Commercial District
- Consider Adopting Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 275-29 RB Borough Residential District

### 4. Consent Agenda:

- Approval of Meeting Minutes:
  1. June 20, 2023 Council Meeting
  2. July 18, 2023 Council Meeting
- Approval of Accounts Payables:
  1. Accounts Payables for August in the amount of \$ 162,810.16.
  2. Payrolls for July 28, 2023 and August 11, 2023 in the amounts of \$ 80,195.28, and \$ 83,048.13.

### 5. Council Member Reports on Committees:

- Parks and Recreation Board (L. Feder)

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

6. Manager and Solicitor Reports

7. Announcements

8. Adjournment

UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS:

- Wednesday, August 16, 2023 – Shade Tree Commission, 6:30 PM
- Monday, August 21, 2023 – Planning Commission, 6:30 PM
- Wednesday, August 23, 2023 – Zoning Hearing Board, 7:00 PM
- Monday, August 28, 2023 - Park and Recreation, 7:00 PM
- Tuesday, September 5, 2023 – Council Workshop, 4:00 PM
- Wednesday, September 6, 2023 - Historical Architectural Review Board, 6:30 PM
- Monday, September 18, 2023 – Planning Commission, 6:30 PM
- Tuesday, September 19, 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](mailto:PublicComment@NewHopeBorough.org)

3. **A Public Comment period will be provided at the beginning of the meeting 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.**