

NEW HOPE BOROUGH
February 18, 2020, 7:00 PM
Council Meeting Agenda

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

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

2. Mayor's Report

- Authorization for the New Hope Eagle Fire Company Fire Police to assist Plumstead Township's Special Event scheduled for March 21, 2020
- MOTION: Authorization for the Chief of Police to hire Part-Time Officers

3. Council President' Report

- Executive Session Announcement
- MOTION: Bridge St. Project Re-Bid Results
- MOTION: Banner Sign Request for Restaurant Week via the Bucks County Visitor's Bureau
- MOTION: Authorize execution of agreement for Dailey Consulting Services
- RESOLUTION: Appointment of John Hover to the Zoning Hearing Board
- RESOLUTION: Fire Company Block Grant for Volunteer Incentive
- MOTION: Escrow Release 39 New St.
- MOTION: Certificates of Appropriateness:
 - a) **102A S. Main** – New sign
 - b) **9 S. Main – Mansion Inn** – Construction of addition, renovation of rear cottage, and other upgrades

4. Consent Agenda:

- **Meeting Minutes:** Consideration to approve the minutes from the January 21, 2020 meeting and the Feb. 3, 2020 Workshop
- **Approval of Accounts Payables:** January accounts payable in the amount of \$157,904.41, and January 17 and Jan. 31 payroll in the amounts of \$ 61,801.47 and \$60,923.92.

5. 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)
 - ZHB Application – 73 W. Mechanic St. – Variance Application for building setback and driveway requirements for single-family residential property
 - ZHB Application - 274 S. River Road – Variance Application for signage
 - ZHB Application – 385 W. Bridge St. – Variances Application for parking dimension requirements, impervious coverage requirements, extension of parking areas and Borough design standards.

6. Manager and Solicitor Reports

7. Public Comment

8. Announcements

9. Adjournment

UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS:

- Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2020 – Shade Tree Commission, 7 PM
 - Monday, Feb. 24, 2020 – Parks & Rec Board, 7 PM
 - Monday, Mar. 2, 2020 – Council Workshop, 4 PM
 - Monday, Mar. 2, 2020 – Planning Commission, 7 PM
- Tuesday, Mar. 3, 2020 – Historical Architectural Review Board, 7 PM
 - Tuesday, Mar. 18, 2020 – 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.