

NEW HOPE BOROUGH
March 17, 2020, 7:00 PM
Council Meeting Agenda

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: Out of abundance of caution, New Hope Borough is taking steps to limit public interaction. Therefore, residents are strongly encouraged not to attend the March 17 public meeting.

__ 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

- Swearing-in of new PT Officer

3. Council President' Report

- Executive Session Announcement
- MOTION: Appoint Hill Wallack as Borough Solicitor
- MOTION: Appoint Kilkenny Law as Special Counsel for Wawa Zoning Ordinance Amendment
- RESOLUTION: Authorize Christina Szabo as the administrator for the Borough Non-Uniform Pension Account
- RESOLUTION: DVRPC TCDI Grant
- MOTION: Authorize parking agreement for day time parking for Marsha Brown for April 5th and April 12th
- MOTION: Authorization to advertise for ordinance amendment to implement 4-hour parking limits on the stretch of Main St. from East and West Randolph St. to Windy Bush Road, State Route 232.
- MOTION: Appointment of Randall Ragasto to the Parks & Rec Board

- MOTION: Authorization to advertise for zoning ordinance amendment public hearing for amendment to the alternative parking options
- MOTION: Authorization to advertise for zoning ordinance amendment public hearing for amendment to the inn use review process from special exception to conditional use
- MOTION: Authorize letter of support for Solebury Township's grant application for trails
- MOTION: Authorize 99-year lease of cell tower located at Public Works facility
- MOTION: Certificates of Appropriateness:
 - a) 200 Union Sq – new sign
 - b) 132 S. Main St. – new sign and new hardware
 - c) 6 W. Bridge St. – two new signs
 - d) 15 N. Main – new sign using existing hardware
 - e) 102 & 104 New St – new retaining wall, walkway, and two new iron posts
 - f) 64 N. Main – new fence

4. Consent Agenda:

- **Meeting Minutes:** Consideration to approve the minutes from the Feb. 18, 2020 meeting and the Mar. 2, 2020 Workshop
- **Approval of Accounts Payables:** March accounts payable in the amount of \$329,592.40, and Feb. 14, Feb. 28, payrolls in the amounts of \$63,105.81, \$61,936.61.

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 – 2 Stockton Ave (New Hope Arts) – Variance Application for projecting signs – **TABLED TO APRIL 6 WORKSHOP**
 - ZHB Application – 73 W. Mechanic St. – Variance Application for building setback and driveway requirements for single-family residential property **TABLED TO APRIL 6 WORKSHOP**
 - ZHB Application – 385 W. Bridge St. – Variances Application for parking dimension requirements, impervious coverage requirements, extension of parking areas and Borough design standards. **TABLED TO APRIL 6 WORKSHOP**

6. Manager and Solicitor Reports

7. Public Comment

8. Announcements

9. Adjournment

UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS:

- Wednesday, Mar. 18, 2020 – Shade Tree Commission, 7 PM
- Monday, Mar. 23, 2020 – Parks & Rec Board, 7 PM
- Monday, Apr. 6, 2020 – Council Workshop, 4 PM
- Monday, Apr. 6, 2020 – Planning Commission, 7 PM
- Tuesday, Apr. 7, 2020 – Historical Architectural Review Board, 7 PM
- Tuesday, Apr. 21, 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.