

City of New Kensington

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Web Address: www.newkensingtonpa.org

AGENDA: CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DATE: MONDAY, MAY 6, 2024
TIME: 7:00 P.M. O'CLOCK

CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL

Mayor:	Thomas Guzzo	Public Affairs
Councilperson	Corey Pistininzi	Public Safety
Councilperson	Todd Mentecki	Accounts and Finance
Councilperson	Dante Cicconi	Parks and Buildings
Councilperson	Timothy DiMaio	Public Works Department

City Clerk	Dennis Scarpiniti, Esq.
City Solicitor	Anthony J. Vigilante, Esq.
City Controller	John Zavadak
City Treasurer	Jordan J. Elias, CAMS
Police Chief	Robert Deringer
City Fire Chief	Edward Saliba
City Engineer & Zoning Officer	Anthony Males

PUBLIC HEARING: To consider an Inter-Municipal transfer of Liquor License R-15194, which is presently owned by Guy's Tavern, Inc. from Avonmore to Gopinath Enterprise, Inc. in New Kensington.

Adjourn Public Hearing _____ P.M. O'clock

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: ANY CITIZEN WISHING TO DISCUSS ANY AGENDA ITEM MAY DO SO AT THIS TIME. PLEASE LIMIT YOUR REMARKS TO TWO MINUTES. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

CONSENT AGENDA:

C5.1.24 Acknowledge receipt of the Police Activity Reports for the months of March and April 2024 signed and submitted by Police Chief Deringer.

C5.2.24 Acknowledge receipt of the Code Enforcement Monthly Report for April 2024 signed and submitted by the Code Enforcement Officer.

C5.3.24 Acknowledge receipt of the Public Works Monthly Report for April 2024 submitted by the Public Works Department.

C5.4.24 Acknowledge notification from Moody and Associates, under the requirements of the Pennsylvania Act 13 of 2012, informing the City that Olympus Energy, LLC is applying for a Permit to Drill and Operate one Unconventional Well from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

C5.5.24 Acknowledge receipt from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of the Auditor General of the Compliance Audit for period January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2022 of the New Kensington Volunteer Firemen's' Relief Association of New Kensington, Pennsylvania.

RESOLUTIONS:

5.1.24 Resolution to accept the Consent Agenda as prepared by City Clerk, Dennis F. Scarpiniti.

Moved by / Seconded by Aff Neg

5.2.24 Resolution to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, April 1, 2024.

Moved by / Seconded by Aff Neg

5.3.24 Resolution to (Approve/Disapprove/Table) the request for an Inter-Municipal transfer of Liquor License R-15194, which is presently owned by Guy's Tavern, Inc. from Avonmore to 700 Seventh Street, New Kensington.

Moved by / Seconded by Aff Neg

5.4.24 Resolution to exonerate the 2024 City Tax for the following property, owned by the City of New Kensington and request exoneration from the County and the School District.

Tax Map No.: 24-03-16-0-163 (304 Charles Avenue)

Moved by / Seconded by Aff Neg

5.5.24 Resolution to permit The River Church to close Elizabeth Street between Highland Avenue and Freeport Road, and if possible, a section of Young Avenue behind the church from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 19, 2024, for their Annual Car Show.

Moved by / Seconded by Aff Neg

5.6.24 Resolution to permit Digital Foundry at New Kensington to close the 800 block of 5th Avenue, specifically the area between 8th Street and 9th Street, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, May 24, 2024, for their "PAWS with Penn State New Kensington & the Digital Foundry" event.

Moved by / **Seconded by** **Aff** **Neg**

5.7.24 Resolution to (Approve/Reject/Table) the request of Greg and Erika Plunkett for approval of the Plunkett Consolidation Plan for property located at 821 Ross Avenue. Consolidation of Tax Map #'s 24-03-16-0-439 & 24-03-16-0-363. Planning Commission recommends approval.

Moved by / **Seconded by** **Aff** **Neg**

5.8.24 Resolution to accept the resignation of Millie Pipman of the Recreation Commission for the City of New Kensington.

Moved by / **Seconded by** **Aff** **Neg**

5.9.24 Resolution for the City of New Kensington, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to adopt the Pennsylvania Commission for the United States Semiquincentennial (AMERICA250PA).

Moved by / **Seconded by** **Aff** **Neg**

5.10.24 Resolution to enter into an agreement with the Redevelopment Authority of the County of Westmoreland to perform program delivery services for demolition projects in the City of New Kensington.

Moved by / **Seconded by** **Aff** **Neg**

DISCUSSION:

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

MOTION TO ADJOURN

ADJOURN _____ P.M. O’CLOCK.

Moved by _____ **/Seconded by** _____ **Aff** _____ **Neg** _____

CONTROLLING STORM WATER POLLUTION

Storm water is water from precipitation that flows across the ground and pavement into drains on the street when it rains, snows and ice melts. Storm water only becomes a problem when it picks up debris, chemicals, dirt, and pollutants and carries it into the drains. This causes flooding, pollution, and increased spending for the City as well as more expensive treatment to remove the pollutants.

Help Control Storm Water Pollution NOW by.....

- *Properly disposing of hazardous substances...
 - *Never pour them in the storm sewer system
- *Picking up after pets and disposing of their waste properly
- *Storing potential storm sewer pollutants indoors and using rust free containers outdoors
 - *Reporting discharges from storm water outfalls during dry weather
- *Using pesticides, fertilizers, and herbicides properly to prevent excess runoff

RECYCLING

Under the State’s Solid Waste and Recycling Law, Act 101, and the City’s Recycling Ordinance No. 1-92, all residential and commercial premises within the City of New Kensington are required by law to comply to the separation of recyclables from garbage and rubbish in order to facilitate collection and encourage recycling. Yellow bins are available at no charge in City Hall for residential recycling as well as smaller commercial establishments.

Larger commercial establishments should contact a recycling hauler, keeping record of pick-up amounts annually for reporting to the City.

RECYCLABLE PAPER

The City also accepts NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES, PAPERBACK BOOKS, WORKBOOKS, SHREDDED PAPER, AND FLATTENED CARDBOARD. There are two small green/yellow PAPER RECYCLING BINS behind the City Garage Building on Stevenson Blvd which allow you to drop off these items at your convenience 24/7.

2024 NEW KENSINGTON RECYCLING GUIDE

Available to be picked up at the City Clerk’s Office.

HOME COLLECTION PROGRAM FOR HOUSEHOLD GENERATED SPECIAL MATERIALS

As part of the residential solid waste and recycling contract with County Hauling, you have a convenient opportunity to dispose of your household generated special materials safely, easily, and responsibly. This residential service is offered, at no charge, by County Hauling to provide year-round collections for you.

There are three ways to schedule a collection:

- Go to www.countyhauling.com
- Call (724) 929-7694 Ext. 2 or 1-888-883-0333 (Mon-Fri 8 AM to 5 PM)
- Email: info@countyhauling.com