

BOROUGH OF NORH WALES  
300 SCHOOL STREET  
NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

MEETING: January 12, 2016 7:02 PM, EST

CALL TO ORDER made by President McDonald

ROLL CALL:	Salvatore Amato	Present
	Jim Cherry, Vice President	Present
	McDonald, President	Present
	Sally Neiderhiser	Present
	Daniel H. O'Connell, Sr.	Present
	Jim Sando	Present
	Paula Scott	Present
	Mark Tarlecki	Present
	Greg D'Angelo, Mayor	Present

Also in attendance was Gregory Gifford, Borough Solicitor and Alex Levy, Chief of Police.

President Michael McDonald led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Public Comment**

Andrew Berenson, 439 Washington Avenue, asked if he is responsible for a bee hive in his tree that overhangs the street and he was told that it is his responsibility.

### **Presentation: Wissahickon Valley Watershed Alternative TMDL Inter-Municipal Agreement Resolution**

Dennis Miranda, WVWA Executive Director, gave a presentation to Council regarding joining a group of 16 communities to work on MS4 and TMDL paperwork and programs that would require a resolution to be approved by Council by January 29, 2016. The goal is to get together and come up with a program that is agreeable to all communities and also to the State and Federal government to satisfy requirements of the two agencies. Council agreed to continue to investigate the proposal and vote on it on January 26, 2016.

### **Nominations/Appointments of Boards and Commissions**

Manager Hart went over the letters of interest from the community for the below listed Boards and Commissions.

Member Scott made a motion to appoint Joanne L. Matthews to a five year term on the North Wales Historic Commission, expiring 12/31/2020. Second by Member Sando. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Nor-Gwyn Pool Commission – New position that Council is required to appoint a three year term and there is also a vacancy to serve a 5 year term.

Motion made by Member Tarlecki to approve James Cherry to the five year term of the Nor-Gwyn Pool Commission, expiring 12/31/2020. Second by Member Neiderhiser.

Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Motion made by Member Tarlecki to approve Paula Scott to the three year term on the Nor-Gwyn Commission, expiring 12/31/2018. Second by Member O'Connell.

Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Motion made by Member Cherry to appoint a Herbert W. Kavash to the North Wales Water Authority Board for five year term, expiring 12/31/2020. Second by Member Scott.

Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Motion made by Member Tarlecki to appoint Lynne Fitzgerald to a five year term on the Parks and Recreation Board, expiring 12/31/2020. Second by Member Scott.

Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Motion made by Member Tarlecki to appoint Officer Lynne Custer to a one year term on the Police Pension Committee, expiring 12/31/2016. Second by Member Neiderhiser.

Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Motion made by Member Scott to appoint Lisa Hollister to a one year term on the Police Pension Committee, expiring 12/31/2016. Second by Member Neiderhiser. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Motion made by Member Tarlecki to appoint Daniel H. O'Connell to a one year term on the Police Pension Committee, expiring 12/31/2016. Second by Member Cherry.

Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Motion made by Member Tarlecki to appoint Peter C. Myers to a five year term on the Planning Commission, expiring 12/31/2020. Second by Member Scott. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Motion made by Member Scott to appoint Martha Lottes to a five year term on the Shade Tree Commission, expiring 12/31/2020. Second by Member Cherry. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Motion made by Member Tarlecki to appoint Lynne Fitzgerald to a one year term on the Vacancy Board, expiring 12/31/2016. Second by Member Neiderhiser.

Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Motion made by Member Scott to appoint Joseph DelCiotto, Jr. as the Board's Architect to a five year term on the H.A.R.B., expiring 12/31/2020. Second by Member Neiderhiser.

Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Manager Hart has not received a letter of interest regarding the opening on the Zoning Hearing Board. No appointment was made.

**Consideration: On-Street Disabled Parking Space (115 E. Montgomery Avenue)**

Member Scott made a motion to approve the request for a parking space labeled for handicapped parking on South Second St. approximately one hundred and twenty feet east of E. Montgomery Ave. Second by Member Neiderhiser. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

**Certificate of Appropriateness H.A.R.B (405 E. Walnut Street – Window Signage)**

Member Scott made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for 405 E. Walnut Street (Hybrid Fitness) as requested in the application at 405 E. Walnut St. Second by Member Neiderhiser. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

**Discussion: Applicants regarding vacant council seat (Ward One)**

Council discussed interviewing the four candidates who expressed interest in the open council seat. This will be done at a public meeting. Council has 30 days to fill the vacancy from January 9, 2016. If Council does not fill the vacancy in 30 days, the Vacancy Chair then has 30 days to fill the vacancy. If the Vacancy Chair does not appoint within the 30 day period, the Court of Common Pleas will make the appointment. President McDonald instructed all members to write questions that they think are appropriate for the people seeking the open council seat. The questions would then be narrowed down to three questions and each candidate will be given the questions before the next meeting. They will then have an opportunity to answer the questions in front of the public at the Council meeting on January 26, 2016.

**Discussion: Montgomery County Planning Commission – Comprehensive Plan**

Manager Hart attended the local Planning Commission meeting and she discussed services available to the Borough through Montgomery County Planning Commission (MCPC). They offer a three year plan, with an option to withdraw within 90 days. All Council members have information on this in their packet. Manager Hart suggested that the MCPC do a presentation at a future meeting, preferably in February 2016.

**Solicitor / Mayor / Council / Manager**

Solicitor Gifford said that one personnel issue will be discussed with no action taken at an executive session following the meeting.

Mayor D'Angelo spoke briefly about the Montgomery County Planning Commission and how their presentation was informative and impressive.

Manager Hart reminded everyone about the Trolley Days presentation on January 19, at 7:00 pm, at Borough Hall. The Library will be hosting their Annual Gala on January 23, 2016.

Member Scott made a motion to adjourn. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no. Meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Christine A. Hart  
Borough Manager