

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES
300 SCHOOL STREET
NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

MEETING: April 28, 2015 7:00 PM, EST

CALL TO ORDER made by President McDonald.

ROLL CALL:	Jim Cherry	Present
	Michael McDonald	Present
	Sally Neiderhiser	Absent
	Daniel O'Connell	Present
	Ed Redstreak	Present
	Christine Hart	Present
	Paula Scott	Present
	Mark Tarlecki	Absent
	Jim Sando	Absent
	Mayor Greg D'Angelo	Absent

Also in attendance was John Filice, Borough solicitor and Alex Levy, Chief of Police.

President McDonald led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

Rebecca Flannery, 405 School Street, spoke about the eruption of pipes in her back yard. The pipes were fixed but she still has a hole in her yard. She has two small boys and would like to have full use of her yard. President McDonald told her to talk to the new Borough manager to see how the issue can be resolved.

Approve Minutes: February 10th, 2015-February 24th, 2015

Member Hart made a motion to approve the minutes of February 10 and February 24, 2015. Member Scott seconded the motion. Motion passed 6 yes, 0 no.

Manager DeMeno excused himself to make copies of the disbursement list. Member Hart suggested we proceed with Mr. Furman's presentation on the audit. President McDonald introduced Mr. Furman.

Financial Review: Edward Furman, Maillie Associates

Mr. Furman passed out packets and he reviewed the packet with Council. He said the trial balance was not in balance and with Quick Books it is a little hard because in Quick Books you have to set up a different company for each fund. He said he has met with Dan and told him if he has any questions to call. He said the management report shows several findings due to the transition. Mr. Furman said in general the General Fund is very strong.

Sal Amato, 201 S. Tenth Street, had several questions for Mr. Furman which included how often the audit is done; how long has his firm been doing the Borough's audit. Mr. Furman replied that an audit is done every year and they have been with the Borough for approximately six years. He said the positive is you are virtually debt free.

Member Hart said the General Fund is double because we sold the sewer plant. This Council and previous Councils have tried not to tap into that money. We are almost debt free but we are looking at taking out another bond to finance some of our capital improvements.

Sal Amato said he has noticed that the agenda and other materials are not posted to the web anymore. President McDonald said we are working out the kinks.

President McDonald said for the record Member Sando arrived at 7:16 PM.

Disbursements: \$107,267.36

Manager DeMeno gave an overview of the bills to include payment to the Health Savings Account (HSA); Thomas Insurance Company, police insurance; and MRM, property liability insurance. Member Scott asked if we made three payments of \$8,000.00 to the HSA. Manager DeMeno said there was only one payment; traditionally, payment is made in January. The biggest payment is to MRM Trust for \$38,662.00. It is an annual payment but because it is a trust we do get a dividend each year. May is the renewal month.

Member Hart asked what projects did the \$9,774.66 for Boucher & James cover. Manager DeMeno responded SEPTA and the water shed report. Member Hart asked if we were MS4 complaint. Manager DeMeno responded we are but we need to provide more education.

Member Scott made a motion to approve disbursements in the amount of \$107,267.36. Member Redstreak seconded the motion. Motion approved 7 yes, 0 no.

Old Business/Committee Reports/Zoning Applications

There was no old business.

Manager DeMeno announced that there would be no zoning meeting in May. He said there will be one in June for an addition to a property on Ninth Street. Member Hart asked if plans for 501 E. Walnut Street have been submitted. Manager DeMeno replied no.

Solicitor/Mayor/Council/Manager

Solicitor Filice said there is one matter for executive session to do with potential litigation with no action being taken.

Member Scott asked Chief Levy if we had a crisis management plan and if it is published. Chief Levy responded we have an emergency management response plan. In terms of civil disobedience, there is county plan but not a Borough plan.

Member Hart said when Mr. Kaelin came; we initially had a booklet for local emergency management. She asked if it needed to be updated. Chief Levy said the plan has to be updated and sent to the county. Manager DeMeno said he was notified that it is in the process of being updated. Member Hart said usually Mr. Kaelin gives a presentation and we acknowledge it as Council members.

Member Sando said I assume we have overnight freight coming through town on the rail line. In light of recent events, do we know when oil tankers are coming through town? Member Redstreak said he thought he read it was limited to Delaware County. President McDonald said the plan put together by Mr. Kaelin encompasses that type of issue. Member Hart said SEPTA has done drills on that. She feels confident that our local emergency responders are competent.

Sal Amato, 201 S. Tenth Street, asked how residents would know what to do in a crisis. Member Hart said there are means of being alerted. Chief Levy said notification could be by text messages or listen to the radio. Member Scott said she is signed up for emergency alerts with the county.

Member Sando apologized for being late. He had a minor incident.

Member Cherry said he is involved in an event focusing on veterans. It is a program to raise money for the park and salute veterans. It is at Graeme Park in Horsham on Saturday and Sunday from 9-5. He has a flyer for anyone who is interested.

Member Hart made a motion to adjourn. Member Hart seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.