

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES
 300 SCHOOL STREET
 NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

MEETING: September 12, 2017 7:02 PM, EST

CALL TO ORDER made by President McDonald.

ROLL CALL:	Salvatore Amato	Present
	James Cherry	Present
	John Davis	Present
	Michael McDonald	Present
	Sally Neiderhiser	Present
	Daniel O'Connell	Present
	Paula Scott	Present
	Mark Tarlecki	Present
	James Sando	Present
	Mayor Greg D'Angelo	Present

Also in attendance were Gregory Gifford, Borough Solicitor, Donald Fantry, Chief of Police and Alan Guzzardo, Assistant Borough Manager.

President McDonald led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

Lisa Liebel, 333 Washington Avenue, asked about the status of the "Safe Routes to School" program. She stated that she and her children were almost hit walking to school. She reiterated the danger for children to walk to school. Manager Hart explained that a meeting was held involving the property owners that have not yet signed the agreement. She explained that there is one additional person that needs to sign the document for the project to continue. She explained that the program will forgo two of the properties, for which the owners have refused to sign the documents. Manager Hart explained that the Borough may have to enact an ordinance that requires sidewalks be installed. Member Scott suggested that Ms. Liebel ask the School District to see if the School District can bus the children if the road is so hazardous. Member Sando stated that Council is equally frustrated and there are very little options available to coerce property owners into signing the documents. Manager Hart explained that she will do a follow up letter to the School District to see if they can provide bussing for children on Washington Avenue.

Theresa Prykowski, Hatfield Township, School Board Member, explained that she spoke with the School District Board and they studied the road to see if the road is a safety hazard. The School District Board has said it is not, but the School District Board will look into the issue further. She asked the Chief, if the Senior Center had people who could help with crossing guard duties. Member Amato expressed concern that people are disagreeing over the safety of Washington Avenue.

Consideration: Approval of Minutes: 04/11/2017, 04/25/2017 and 08/22/2017

Member Scott made a motion to approve the minutes of April 11, 2017, April 25, 2017 and August 22, 2017. Member Amato seconded the motion.
Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no.

Discussion: HB 1620 Involving Zoning Rights and Wireless Facilities

Solicitor Gifford provided an overview of House Bill No. 1620. Solicitor Gifford suggested filling a resolution in opposition of the Bill. Member Sando suggested that we contact local representatives to determine why this Bill is on the table.

Old Business/Committee & Board Reports/Zoning Applications

Manager Hart provided an overview as to the upcoming Zoning application for Ten7 Brewing Company, address of 510 Beaver Street. Manager Hart stated that Planning has sent a letter supporting the change of use variance. Council made various comments relating to favorable endorsements of same and directed Manager Hart to write a letter on behalf of Council to the Zoning Hearing Board supporting the use of 510 Beaver as a brewery.

Joanne Matthews, 421 Shearer Street, asked if SEPTA would do a shared parking agreement to allow people to park in their lot. Manager Hart replied, she believed the applicant already considered that and was informed SEPTA will not enter into written agreements.

Solicitor / Mayor / Council / Manager

Solicitor Gifford explained that there is one matter for executive session that will not require action. Solicitor Gifford did announce that Council did partake in an executive session prior to the meeting regarding a personnel matter, no action was taken.

Mayor D'Angelo announced that the "Walls of History" grand opening will be on September 19th. Joanne Matthews, 421 Shearer Street, asked for help from Council members on the day of the event.

Manager Hart invited members from the public to attend the Borough's Association Dinner on September 28th.

Member Scott made a motion to adjourn. Vice President Cherry seconded the motion.
Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 P.M.

Attest: _____
Christine A. Hart
Borough Manager