

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES  
300 SCHOOL STREET  
NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

MEETING: February 26, 2019 7:00 PM, EST

CALL TO ORDER made by President Sando.

ROLL CALL:	Salvatore Amato	Present
	James Cherry	Present
	Ronald S. Little, Jr.	Present
	Wendy McClure	Present
	Sally Neiderhiser	Present
	Daniel O'Connell	Present
	Eion O'Neill	Present
	Paula Scott	Present
	James Sando	Present
	Mayor Gregory D'Angelo	Present

Also in attendance were John Filice, Borough Solicitor, Michael Eves, Chief of Police and Alan Guzzardo, Assistant Borough Manager. Christine Hart, Borough Manager, was absent.

President Sando led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment at this time.

### **Consideration: Recognize National Library Week**

President Sando read a proclamation on behalf of Council, proclaiming National Library Week, April 7-13, 2019 in North Wales Borough. He then encouraged everyone to visit North Wales Area Library to enjoy all its amenities. Jayne Blackledge, Library Director, announced a number of new exciting opportunities the Library has to offer. She also announced the Taste of Montgomery County event on March 28 at Montgomery County Community College. Part of the event proceeds will be provided to the Library. Jayne then thanked Council for all their support.

### **Consideration: Designate April 2019 as Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month**

President Sando read another proclamation on behalf of Council, proclaiming April 2019 as "Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month" in North Wales Borough. Assistant Manager Guzzardo strongly encouraged everyone to always call 811 before you dig. It's a free service that identifies underground utility lines so people don't accidentally hit them during excavation.

### **Consideration: Montco 2040 Implementation Grant Application**

Assistant Manager Guzzardo provided an overview of the grant project. Council members expressed concerns with stormwater management, signage and the impacts of the project on the affected property owners in the project area. Assistant Manager Guzzardo stated all of these aspects would be taken into consideration during the engineering and design phase of the project.

Member Little made a motion to approve an application for the Montco 2040 Grant Program. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no.

**Consideration: Authorize Payment of \$232,168.82 for SRTS Program**

Assistant Manager Guzzardo provided an update on the construction activities that have taken place to date. Member Amato asked what the review process is for payments. Assistant Manager Guzzardo explained McMahan and PennDOT review all construction activities before payments are issued.

Member Little made a motion to authorize payment in the amount of \$232,168.82 for the Safe Routes to School Program. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no.

**Consideration: Disbursements: \$311,537.28**

Assistant Manager Guzzardo asked Council if they had any questions about the bills. Council asked for clarification on several bills which Assistant Manager Guzzardo provided.

Member Neiderhiser made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$311,537.28. Member Scott seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no.

**Consideration: Minutes: February 12, 2019**

Member McClure made a motion to approve the minutes of February 12, 2019. Member Little seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no.

**Old Business/Committee & Board Reports/Zoning Applications**

Assistant Manager Guzzardo stated he hadn't received any committee or board reports or zoning applications. He also indicated that there was no old business to discuss.

**Solicitor / Mayor / Council / Manager**

Solicitor Filice announced there will be an executive session following the meeting to discuss two personnel matters and no action would be taken following the executive session.

Andrew Berenson, 439 Washington Avenue, asked Solicitor Filice if he could provide an update on either the Sunlight of the Spirt House case or the Station Place appeal. Solicitor Filice stated the Sunlight of the Spirt House case is currently in the discovery phase. He then stated that the Court of Common Pleas has upheld the decision of the North Wales Borough Council, with regard to the Station Place appeal. He then stated Station Place, LLC appealed the Court of Common Pleas decision to the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania.

Mayor D'Angelo expressed he enjoyed the Borough's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ball, held at the William Penn Inn on February 16, 2019.

Vice President Cherry thanked everyone who attended the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ball. He also thanked President Sando for giving a speech at the event.

President Sando thanked everyone on the 150<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee for all their hard work and encouraged people to attend all of the other anniversary events.

Assistant Manager Guzzardo review the construction schedule for the Safe Routes to School Project. He stated the schedule is available at Borough Hall and on the Borough's website. He then announced the following events: Montgomery County Borough's association dinner meeting on February 28, the North Wales Water Authority's Bucks County Division Office open house on February 28 and the Vendor Bingo event on March 17.

Chief Eves announced he had looked into a "no-knock" ordinance so that way solicitors are prohibited from knocking on certain people's doors if they register with the Borough. He then stated he was looking into possible solutions with PennDOT to improve the Main and Walnut Street intersection.

Vice President Cherry stated he requested the Borough to look into the "no-knock" ordinance that Upper Gwynedd Township has recently adopted. He thanked Chief Eves for bringing it up and hopes the Borough can adopt a similar ordinance in the future.

Andrew Berenson, 439 Washington Avenue, asked if the ordinance would prevent politicians and other organizations from going door to door. President Sando stated non-profit organizations and political activities would be excluded.

Member Neiderhiser made a motion to adjourn. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 P.M.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Alan R. Guzzardo  
Assistant Borough Manager