

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES  
 300 SCHOOL STREET  
 NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

MEETING: September 10, 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	Absent
	Daniel O'Connell	Present
	Eion O'Neill	Present
	Paula Scott	Present
	James Sando	Present
	Mayor Gregory D'Angelo	Present

Also in attendance were Gregory Gifford, Borough Solicitor and Michael Eves, Chief of Police. Alan Guzzardo, Assistant Borough Manager, was absent.

President Sando led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Sando called for a moment of silence to remember the victims of the 9/11 attacks.

### **Public Comment**

There was none.

### **Consideration: Advertisement of Human Relations Ordinance**

Solicitor Gifford reviewed the alterations that were made to the original draft.

Mayor D'Angelo asked if political affiliation has been added as a protected class. President Sando confirmed it has been added to the ordinance.

Member McClure made a motion to approve advertisement of Ordinance #814, Human Relations Ordinance. Member O'Neill seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

### **Consideration: Escrow Release No. 3 - 432 Shearer Street**

Manager Hart reviewed the Borough Engineer's Escrow Release No. 3 for 432/434 Shearer Street, dated September 4, 2019.

Council members expressed their concerns with stormwater management. Manager Hart confirmed the Borough Engineer's assessment of the stormwater facilities.

Member McClure expressed her concerns with the Borough having enough escrow funds to resolve any outstanding issues. Manager Hart stated again that the Borough Engineer has determined how much escrow funds can be retained to resolve any outstanding items.

Loretta Weigner, 430 Shearer Street, stated that either 9 or 10 shrubs have died. She then stated the Developer's landscape crew removed the dead shrubs and have not replaced them to date. She was concerned that funds were being released prematurely for plantings. Manager Hart stated she was unaware of this occurrence and would follow up with the Borough Engineer to make sure the shrubs are replanted.

Member McClure made a motion to approve an escrow release in the amount of \$2,208.20 for Subdivision #15-03, 432/434 Shearer Street. Vice President Cherry seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

### **Consideration: Resignation of Neil McDevitt from Parks & Recreation Board**

Member Scott made a motion to accept the resignation of Neil McDevitt from the Parks and Recreation Board. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

### **Consideration: PennDOT 5-Year Snow & Ice Winter Agreement**

Manager Hart provided an overview of the agreement.

Member Little made a motion to approve a 5-year Snow and Ice Winter Services Agreement with PennDOT. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

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

Manager Hart reported that the zoning relief was granted for Zoning Application #19-01 at the zoning hearing on September 3, regarding 690 E. Walnut Street.

She then stated that the Planning Commission reviewed the following land development applications at their meeting on September 4, Land Development (LD) #19-01, regarding 690 E. Walnut Street and LD #19-02, regarding the North Wales Area Library.

She then stated that Council has been provided with the revised plans, materials and a letter of recommendation from the Planning Commission for LD #19-02. President Sando asked what changes have been made to the plans for LD #19-02. Manager Hart provided clarification on what engineering changes have been made since the original submission.

Manager Hart then stated that the Planning Commission did not make a recommendation on LD #19-01 because there were too many unresolved engineering issues.

Andrew Berenson, 439 Washington Avenue, provided further clarification on the specific zoning relief that was granted for Zoning Application #19-01. He then stated a resident at the hearing was concerned with the width of the proposed sidewalk on E. Walnut Street. Manager Hart explained that the width of the sidewalk was discussed at the Planning Commission meeting and the Applicant will have to request a waiver from Council for the sidewalk width.

**Solicitor / Mayor / Council / Chief of Police / Manager**

Mayor D'Angelo requested a brief executive session to discuss a personnel matter. Council agreed to hold an executive session and no action would be taken following the session.

Member Amato requested Manager Hart to ensure the Borough Engineer notifies the Borough of any field changes in the future. He then announced he, Mayor D'Angelo and Chief Eves will be presenting a drug education forum at the next Council meeting on September 24.

Member Scott complimented President Sando for his well-written message shared with the residents and business owners on the cover of the Fall-Winter 2019 Borough Newsletter.

Member O'Neill shared information on spam calls he was made aware of by North Penn Now. He cautioned everyone to be aware of the spam calls.

Manager Hart reviewed the following events: Senator Collett's Town Hall Meeting on September 12, Grand Parade on September 14, Learn About Uncle Sam and Rosie the Riveter on September 17, Senator Collett's Health and Wellness Fair on September 21, Community Day on September 28, Community Day of Service on October 5 and the Veteran's Information and Enrollment Expo on October 18.

Member Scott made a motion to adjourn. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 P.M.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christine A. Hart  
Borough Manager