

# **BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES**

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# COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, February 11, 2020

Salvatore Amato James Cherry Sherwin Collins Ronald S. Little, Jr. Wendy McClure

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Sally Neiderhiser Eion O'Neill James Sando Mark Tarlecki Gregory J. D'Angelo, Mayor

Call to Order, Date and Time Roll Call Pledge of Allegiance

**Public Comment** 

Coı	nsideration: Accept 150th Anniversary Committee Contribution
Coi	nsideration: Accept Resignation of Daniela Hilpl from the Historic Commission
Coi	nsideration: Approval of Minutes: January 28, 2020
Old	I Business/Committee & Board Reports/Zoning Applications

Adjournment

# **Mayor's Office Hours**

 $2^{nd} \& 4^{th}$  Tuesdays 2:00 - 4:00 PM  $2^{nd} \& 4^{th}$  Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:30 PM

### **Monthly Meeting Information:**

**Boards and Commissions** 

Borough Council2nd & 4th Tuesday of MonthZoning Hearing Board1st Tuesday of Month as NeededPlanning Commission1st Wednesday of MonthHARB3rd Wednesday of MonthPowle & Power Start Department of Theorem Power2nd Theorem Start Department

HARB3rd Wednesday of MonthPark & Recreation Board2nd Thursday of MonthShade Tree Commission2nd Thursday of Month

**Nor-Gwyn Pool Commission** 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of Month – 7:30 PM

**Historic Commission** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of Month

All above meetings begin at 7 P.M. in the Municipal Building, unless noted otherwise.

North Wales Water Authority 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of Month 5:00 PM, 200 W. Walnut Street

Please note: The meeting is being digitally recorded.

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES 300 SCHOOL STREET NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

MEETING: January 28, 2020 7:00 PM, EST

CALL TO ORDER made by President Sando.

ROLL CALL: Salvatore Amato Present

James Cherry Present **Sherwin Collins** Present Ronald S. Little, Jr. Present Wendy McClure Present Sally Neiderhiser Present Absent Eion O'Neill James Sando Present Mark Tarlecki Present Mayor Gregory D'Angelo Present

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

President Sando led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Public Comment**

Harry Goldbacher, a Borough Crossing Guard, stated his concerns with the Main and Summit school crossing intersection. He requested that Council look into installing traffic device(s) at the intersection to make it safer for drivers turning left from Summit on Main Street. Donna Mengel, 427 S. Main Street, expressed her satisfaction regarding Mr. Goldbacher's efforts and suggested a small publication appear in a future Borough newsletter relating to "school guard crossing" stories. Member Amato asked Mr. Goldbacher what other improvements could be made. Chief Eves mentioned he and Mr. Goldbacher had a PennDOT Local Technical Assistance Program (L-TAP) study completed and they will be reviewing the results once the study is complied. He also stated there have been issues with commuters driving recklessly through the crossing area and they are going to be implementing more selective enforcements measures at that intersection. Member Neiderhiser then asked about Mr. Goldbacher's safety attire. Mr. Goldbacher stated he wears the required safety vest. Chief Eves stated he will report back with the results of the study.

# **Consideration: 2020 Boards & Commissions Appointments**

Member Amato made a motion to appoint Herbert Schlegel to the Civil Service Commission, term ending 12/31/2025. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Member McClure made a motion to appoint Raymond Tschoepe to the Historical Architectural Review Board, term ending 12/31/2024. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Vice President Cherry made a motion to appoint Michael Szilagyi to the Historic Commission, term ending 12/31/2024. Member Little seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Vice President Cherry made a motion to appoint Andrew Dzeidic to the Nor-Gwyn Pool Commission, term ending 12/31/2024. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Member Amato made a motion to appoint Donna Mengel to the North Wales Water Authority Board, term ending 12/31/2024. Vice President Cherry seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Member McClure made a motion to appoint Lisa Byrne to the Parks and Recreation Board, term ending 12/31/2024. Member Little seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Member McClure made a motion to appoint President Sando to the Pension Committee, term ending 12/31/2020. Vice President Cherry seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Member Amato made a motion to appoint Lisa Hollister to the Pension Committee, term ending 12/31/2020. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Member Little made a motion to appoint Lynn Custer to the Pension Committee, term ending 12/31/2020. Member Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Member McClure made a motion to appoint Mayor D'Angelo to the Planning Commission, term ending 12/31/2023. Member Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Member Collins made a motion to appoint Lisa Byrne to the Shade Tree Commission, term ending 12/31/2024. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Member McClure made a motion to appoint Gregory Lord to the Zoning Hearing Board, term ending 12/31/2024. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Manager Hart provided an overview of the newly established Human Relations Commission and provided clarification on the suggested terms for each new member.

Member Neiderhiser made a motion to appoint Collette D'Angelo to the Human Relations Commission, term ending 12/31/2020. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Member Little made a motion to appoint Timothy Clarke to the Human Relations Commission, term ending 12/31/2021. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Member McClure made a motion to appoint Johanna Owings to the Human Relations Commission, term ending 12/31/2021. Member Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Member Amato made a motion to appoint Patricia Armstrong to the Human Relations Commission, term ending 12/31/2022. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Member McClure made a motion to appoint Moira Blacksmith to the Human Relations Commission, term ending 12/31/2022. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion.

Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

President Sando reviewed the list of remaining vacancies on the Borough's Boards and Commissions.

# Consideration: Donation of \$100 to Montgomery County Police Officers Memorial

Member Amato made a motion to approve a donation in the amount of \$100.00 to the Montgomery County Police Officer's Memorial Fund. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

## Consideration: Certificate of Appropriateness: 211 E. Walnut Street

Member Neiderhiser made a motion to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for 211 East Walnut Street. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

### **Consideration: Certificate of Appropriateness: 212 Shearer Street**

Member Amato made a motion to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for 212 Shearer Street as presented. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

### Consideration: Minutes: January 6, 2020 & January 14, 2020

Member McClure made a motion to approve the minutes of January 6, 2020. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Member McClure made a motion to approve the minutes of January 14, 2020. Member Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

### Consideration: Disbursements: \$94,110.54

Member Neiderhiser made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$94,110.54. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

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

Manager Hart announced that the Planning Commission submitted their 2019 Annual Report and encouraged Council to review it.

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

Member Tarlecki reviewed the 2019 Annual Report and announced that the Planning Commission is finalizing its edits of the Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Zoning District for Council to consider soon. Vice President Cherry cautioned Mr. Tarlecki on the proposed updates to the TOD district regulations and suggested that the Planning Commission hold a public workshop meeting to educate the public on the proposed changes. Andrew Berenson, 439 Washington Avenue, suggested more than one public meeting be held. Member Tarlecki stated he would review this consideration with the Planning Commission. Member Neiderhiser expressed her frustrations with the Borough's microphone system used for Council meetings. She then stated that she and the Technology Sub-Committee are going to review the current

system and figure out a solution. Jocelyn Tenney, 801 E. Walnut Street, also expressed her concerns with the system and hopes the problem will be resolved soon.

Vice President Cherry thanked everyone for being re-appointed as Vice President.

Manager Hart reviewed a list of upcoming classes being offered by the North Penn Arts Alliance at the Arts and Cultural Center on Main Street and several other events being offered by local historical societies.

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

Meetin	g adjourned at 7:48 P.M.
Attest:	
	Christine A. Hart
	Borough Manager

# **Borough Boards & Commissions Vacancies**

- Historical Architectural Review Board Term Expires: 12/31/2023
   Must be a licensed real estate broker.
- Parks & Recreation Board Term Expires: 12/31/2020
- Parks & Recreation Board Term Expires: 12/31/2022
- Parks & Recreation Board Term Expires: 12/31/2023
- Zoning Hearing Board Term Expires: 12/31/2023

Please submit a letter of interest for any one or more of the above listed openings, addressed to the North Wales Borough Council in care of the Borough Manager. Letters can be submitted electronically to <a href="mailto:chart@northwalesborough.org">chart@northwalesborough.org</a>.

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# North Wales Arts & Cultural Center 125 N. Main St., North Wales Borough art classes and programs run by the North Penn Arts Alliance

# Fused Glass Workshop: Ages 15-Adult

Instructor: Jill Fielding

Saturday, February 8, noon-2 p.m. Cost: \$55 plus \$18 supply fee payable

to instructor

# Glass Suncatcher Workshop

Instructor: Jill Fielding

Thursday, February 20, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Cost: \$55 plus \$18 suppy fee payable

to instructor

# Pen & Ink Workshop for Kids Age 12+

Instructor: Barbara Moss Buscher

Two Tuesdays, February 4 & 11, 4-5:30 p.m.

Cost: \$50

# Watercolor for Beginners & Intermediates

Instructor: Barbara Moss Buscher

Tuesdays, February 25-April 14, 1-3 p.m.

Cost: \$130

# Tricks of the Trade: Advanced Watercolor Workshop

Instructor: Kass Morin Freeman

Two Saturdays, March 7 & 14, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Cost: \$80

North Wales Borough Residents: Take One Class Get One Free! Find more classes and registration information online.

# Get involved in the North Wales Arts & Cultural Center!

Learn something new or share what you know! What classes or programs would you like to see? Let us know! 215-393-9110 or email info@northpennarts.org

www.northpennarts.org

# Make Art Monday

Third Monday of the Month \$5/person. All ages!

Feb. 17: Illuminated Letters Mar. 16: Foam Printmaking Apr. 20: Earth Day Project May 18: Paper Flowers June 15: Medicine Shields

# Free Speaker Series

First Wednesday of the Month

Feb. 5: Tony Williams Woodworking

Mar. 4: Kim Robbins
Animal Illustrations

Apr. 1: TBD

May 6: Leo Sewell

Found Object Sculpture
June 3: Kathy Mueller
Graphic Design

# Open Mic Poetry Monthly. Free.

# Paint & Sip Parties

\$40 Go home with a finished

painting!

Instructor: Vicky McGarry Thursday, April 2, 6-9 p.m.

"Lilac Breasted Roller"
Thursday, June 11, 6-9 p.m.
"Summer Sunset Over Water

With Flowers"

# Gardening Classes Coming in the spring!



# JANUARY THROUGH MARCH 2020

# LOCAL AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S EVENTS

Historical Society of Hilltown Township

Wednesday; March 25, 2020, 7:00 P.M.

### **NEARLY FORGOTTEN ARTISTS OF HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP**

Bucks County has been the home of many well-known artists. However, who are the artists that actually lived in Hilltown Township? One nearly forgotten artist is John Falter, who illustrated more than 100 magazine covers while living near Blooming Glen from 1940 to the early 1950's. Falter used local scenes and events to create Saturday Evening Post covers. Many of Falter's illustrations and accomplishments will be shown by Power Point and by viewing the original covers.

Artwork of Margaret Merritt Jurin will be shown and briefly described. Mark McCoy, a resident of Hilltown Township will display a few of his oil paintings. A silent auction and raffle of original Saturday Evening Post issues with Falter covers will be held benefitting the Historical Society.

Free Donations Appreciated

Held at the Hilltown Municipal Building 13 W. Creamery Road & Rt. 152 Hilltown, Pa. 18962

Info? Call 267-614-9174

# Hatfield Museum & History Society

Tuesday January 28, 2020 7:00 P.M.

The topic of the January Museum & History Society Community Program will be "History of Hatfield Quality Meats". The presentation will tell the fascinating history of this large pork processing business, from humble beginning to the international business it is today. The program, presented by Society President Larry Stevens, will be held in the Hatfield Fire Company Banquet Hall. All are welcome to this free presentation and refreshments will be served.

Tuesday March 24, 2020 7:00 P.M.

"History of Hatfield Museum & History Society" will be the topic of the March Hatfield & History Society Community Program. The program, presented by Society Founder & President Larry Stevens, will look at how the Society was started, and what the Society has accomplished over the past 28 years. Included in the program will be a pictorial presentation of the renovations to the new museum building. The program will be held in the Hatfield Fire Company Banquet Hall. All are welcome to this free presentation and refreshments will be served.

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# Lansdale Historical Society

The Lansdale Historical Society will present the second and third installments of "The Decades" series in the coming months.

January 9th, 2020 7:30 P.M.

# AN ERA OF REAGAN and RUBIK'S CUBE

A lot happened in the 1980s: it was the decade of big hair, big phones, pastel suits, Cabbage Patch Kids, Yuppies, Live Aid, Thriller and Pac Man. More importantly it was an era of iconic moments that changed the world, from the U.S.A. hockey team defeating the Soviet Union to the fall of the Berlin wall.

We will look at cultural, political, and news events that shaped this decade along with how it affected us here, locally, around the Lansdale area—events like the end of the beloved West Point Park or the conversion of the old Lansdale Post Office to a new Borough Hall.

There are many subjects to cover during this decade of materialism and consumerism for our second community program of the 2019-20 season to be held Thursday, January 9 at 7:30 P. M., at Lansdale Borough Hall, I Vine Street.

The 80s is the second part of a five-part series, covering news, trends, sights and sound here at home and on the national level from the 1940s through the 1980s.

This second presentation will be narrated by Bill Henning. As usual, there is no admission charge but donations are appreciated.

February 13, 2020 7:30 P.M.

ROCK 'n' ROLL and NORTH PENN, too

The Society's third Community Program of the season will feature the days when rock "n" roll was born, far too many Americans died in a far-away place called Korea, the nation liked lke, tail fins and interstate highways.

We learned to "duck and cover" and dance to Bandstand. Television invaded every household, introducing us to Uncle Milty, Howdy Doody and Sgt. Joe Friday.

Here at home, Hatfield and North Wales high schools faded into memory while Lansdale High morphed into North Penn and took in students from the entire region.

There was the Rec, the turnpike extension, sock hops, WIBG and Hy Lit, and something new downtown called the Madison Parking Lot. Clemens moved to the edge of town and one of those new-fangled shopping centers sprang up on South Broad Street. The Mart arrived in Montgomeryville, complete with Fleck's Sticky Buns.

These were the 1950s, the third in our Decades series. It will be presented Thursday, February 13, 7:30 P.M. at Lansdale Borough Hall. The presenter will be Steve Moyer who has hosted many of our shows in the past.

As usual, there will be no admission charge but donations are greatly appreciated. No program is scheduled for March.

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# Perkasie Historical Society

# **100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN LEGION**

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

The 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the American Legion will be presented by Paul Clymer. The Perkasie Historical Society has regular dinner meetings featuring a speaker or program. Meetings are at 6:30 P. M. at the St. Stephens Church, 110 N. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Perkasie. Reservations are necessary. Please call Pat Gahman at 215 257-9624 to reserve your seat. Dinners are \$12 payable at the door.

# Feeding Our Neighbors with the with the

# Mattie N. Dixon Community Cupboard



Senator Maria Collett's office is collecting shelf-stable food items in partnership with the Mattie N. Dixon Community Cupboard in Ambler. Help us feed our neighbors this February by donating items from the cupboard's wish list!

# We are collecting...

- Ground Coffee
- Tea Bags
- Kids' Juice Boxes
- Baked Beans
- Shelf-stable Pudding Cups
- Canned Fruit, Fruit Cups
- Spaghetti Sauce

- Canned Ravioli/Pasta
- Condiments + Salad Dressings
- Pancake Mix, Syrup
- Canned Chicken/Tuna/Salmon
- Grape Jelly
- Crackers/Cookies/Snacks



# Tuesday, February 4 -Friday, February 28



Donations are welcome Monday through Friday between 9am and 4:30pm at Senator Collett's district offices:

Gwynedd Corporate Center 1180 Welsh Rd, Suite 130 North Wales, PA 19454 *Phone:* 215-368-1429



1410 W Street Rd.
Suite A
Warminster, PA 18974
Phone: 215-674-1246



# A Unique Way to Say I Love You



Every store and restaurant is giving suggestions on what to get the Love of Your Life for Valentine's Day, so the PTMA thought – We have some great ideas on how you can give a unique gift and improve air quality at the same time! Check these out.

- One thing your Valentine wants to do is spend time with you. So why
  not give them a surprise package with a trip to the Auto Show (February
  8-17) or the Flower Show on (February 29 March 8). Purchase 2
  Independence Passes or Key cards from SEPTA and tickets to the show
   wrap them up and viola! A wonderful day or evening to spend
  together. If you want to wait for warmer weather, the Phillies come
  back into town on April 2<sup>nd</sup>!
- Want to warm their heart every day? How about a coffee travel mug and a gift card to a coffee shop near the train station or bus stop. Be sure that it has a very secure lid, so there is no spillage on their mode of transportation.
- How about a gift card to purchase some romance novels that can either be in paperbacks or on their e-readers? Their commute will go by more quickly and they will think of you every time they turn the page.
- Even if they are just weekend bikers, how about tricking their bike out with a new bike light, reflectors, basket or bell? And you don't want to forget the helmet – the best way to say – "I Love You and Your Brain Too!"
- If your Valentine is a "fashionista" how about a bright colored rain poncho? It would provide them with protection from the rain. Plus it will make them visible on cloudy, foggy or rainy days when they are waiting at the train or bus stop. Or you can purchase your walker with a new pair of shoes or sneakers. Remember, those shoes should be changed every 3 to 6 months depending on how much they walk.
- And you do not want to forget your furry friend. A reflector vest or reflective leash will let your pet know that you love them. Okay – so will treats!





# North Wales Borough Police Department

300 School Street, North Wales, Pa. 19454

Phone: 215-699-9279 Fax: 215-699-3765 E-Mail: NWPD@northwalesborough.org

Michael Eves Chief of Police meves@northwalesborough.org

February 7, 2020

Attached please find the report for Borough Council.

# Happenings in January:

- Officer Hammerstone concluded the DARE program at North Wales Elementary. He selected the winners of the yearly essay contest. The DARE end of the year party date will be set soon.
- All full-time officers attended mandatory yearly training at Bucks County Training Center.
- Officer Miller attended 3-day Active Shooter Training at the Montgomery County Public Safety Training Center.

Respectfully,

Tara Claffey Administrative Assistant to Chief Eves, NWPD

# NORTH WALES POLICE DEPARTMENT

Agency Activity Report

# By CFS Classification

From Date: 1/1/2020 To Date: 1/31/2020

Report Date: 2/7/2020 10:27:01 AM

Classification code	Description	Total Events	0000-0800	0801-1600	1601-2400
0600	Theft	2	1	1	0
1100	Fraud	3	0	1	2
1400	Malicious Mischief	1	0	0	1
2000	Family Offense	7	1	3	3
2300	Public Intoxication	1	1	0	0
2400	Disorderly Conduct	4	0	1	3
2600	All Other Offenses	11	1	7	3
4000	Non Criminal Investigations	29	5	10	14
4100	Fire Related	3	1	1	1
5000	Lost Found Missing Persons	8	1	4	3
5500	Animal Complaints	5	0	3	2
6000	Traffic Accidents	6	0	2	4
6300	Traffic Enforcement	216	43	60	113
6500	Parking Enforcement	7	0	5	2
6600	Traffic Services	8	1	6	1
7000	Public Services	141	49	36	56
7500	Assist other Agency	10	2	6	2
8000	Warrants	3	0	3	0
8500	Deparmental Services	3	0	3	0
9000	Administrative	201	55	93	53
	Total:	669	161	245	263

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