



BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES

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COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, February 25, 2020

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

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

1. Public Comment

2. Consideration: Planning Commission 2020 Work Items

3. Consideration: Montco 2040 Grant Application Submission

4. Consideration: Certificate of Appropriateness: 137-141 S. Main St.

5. Consideration: Minutes: February 11, 2020

6. Consideration: Disbursements: \$53,489.12

7. Old Business/Committee & Board Reports/Zoning Applications

8. Solicitor / Mayor / Council / Chief of Police / Manager

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 Council	2 nd & 4 th Tuesday of Month
Zoning Hearing Board	1 st Tuesday of Month as Needed
Planning Commission	1 st Wednesday of Month
HARB	3 rd Wednesday of Month
Park & Recreation Board	2 nd Thursday of Month
Shade Tree Commission	2 nd Thursday of Month
Nor-Gwyn Pool Commission	2 nd Thursday of Month – 7:30 PM
Historic Commission	3 rd Tuesday of Month

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

North Wales Water Authority	2nd & 4th Wednesday of Month 5:00 PM, 200 W. Walnut Street
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Please note: The meeting is being digitally recorded.

February 19, 2020

TO: North Wales Borough Council

FROM: Greta Martin Washington, Chair, North Wales Borough Planning Commission

RE: North Wales Borough 2040 Comprehensive Plan – 2019 Annual Review

At their meeting of February 5, 2020, the Planning Commission reviewed the projects worked on to advance the goals and recommendations identified in the 2040 Comprehensive Plan and voted 5-0 to submit the attached 2019 Annual Review to Council.

Attachment

cc: Alan Guzzardo, Assistant Borough Manager/Zoning Officer
Christine Hart, Borough Manager
North Wales Borough Planning Commission



North Wales Borough
2040

NORTH WALES BOROUGH 2040

Comprehensive plan

2019 Annual Review

January 2020

2019 Accomplishments

2019 was the first full year after the adoption of the North Wales Borough 2040 Comprehensive Plan. Borough administration, the Planning Commission, and its consultants worked on a number of projects to advance the goals and recommendations identified in the comprehensive plan. Workshops were established and held prior to planning commission meetings to discuss work items relating to the comprehensive plan implementation. These workshops are open to the public.

Ordinance Amendments

- Update to the Transit Oriented Development zoning district
 - The PC worked with MCPC on identifying updates to the TOD district. Multiple rounds of updates were conducted and site build-out analysis was conducted to test limits of the proposed zoning code. Updates to this ordinance are being finalized with the intent to have Borough Council adopt the zoning text update in early 2020.

Studies and Projects

- Center Street Connectivity Project
 - The borough was awarded PECO Green Region grant funding to conduct preliminary engineering analysis of the necessary construction costs and right-of-way acquisition for the Center Street Project. The borough anticipates applying for Montco2040 grant funding in spring 2020.
- Tree Restoration Project
 - The borough applied for the bonus PECO Green Region grant in the fall of 2019 for a tree planting project that would replace dead and dying trees around Borough Hall and in Weingartner Park with additional native species to improve the aesthetics and ecological functioning of these public open spaces. The borough will receive notification of the grant award in 2020, with an anticipated completion date, if selected, of fall 2020.

February 19, 2020

TO: North Wales Borough Council

FROM: Greta Martin Washington, Chair, North Wales Borough Planning Commission

RE: North Wales Borough 2040 Comprehensive Plan 2020 Work Items

At their meeting of February 5, 2020, the Planning Commission reviewed the priority projects and implementation timeline in the Borough's 2040 Comprehensive Plan and identified a list of high priority projects for 2020. The Planning Commission voted 5-0 to submit this list of 2020 Work Items to Council for consideration at their February 25th meeting.

Specifically, the Planning Commission is seeking authorization from Borough Council to work on the following projects with MCPC during the 2020 calendar year:

- Conduct an audit of the Zoning and Subdivision and Land Development Ordinances to identify necessary updates for clarification of intent, appropriateness of districts, and preservation or protection of existing community character.
- Conduct an audit of permit parking in the Borough and evaluate establishing a fee-based annual permit parking program.
- Conduct a Borough-wide walkability audit to evaluate sidewalk and crosswalk conditions.

In addition, the Planning Commission is requesting that Council designate the responsible Borough agencies to address the studies and projects as assigned on the 2020 Work Items list.

Attachment

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Christine Hart, Borough Manager
North Wales Borough Planning Commission

Proposed Work Items

In reviewing the priority projects and implementation timeline in the Comprehensive Plan, the following projects were identified as either high priority projects and/or projects with a short-term (0-5 year) time frame for implementation. Included below each item is a list of the responsible agencies recommended in the implementation plan. These groups should be tasked with addressing each of these projects, but Borough Council may determine other individuals, agencies, or committees should be included on the project team in addition to or instead of those agencies recommended below. MCPC will offer their assistance to Borough groups and committees tasked with these projects to provide guidance on project scope and outcomes. The following projects have been reviewed and recommended by the Borough Planning Commission for authorization by Borough Council.

Ordinance Amendments

- Conduct an audit of the Zoning and Subdivision and Land Development ordinances to identify necessary updates for clarification of intent, appropriateness of districts, and preservation or protection of existing community character.
 - *Responsible agencies: NW Planning Commission, MCPC*
 - *MCPC will work with Borough staff to identify areas of both the Zoning Ordinance and the SALDO that should be updated to reflect best planning practices, address any inconsistencies, and strengthen regulatory requirements to achieve the Borough's planning objectives outlined in the Comprehensive Plan. These recommended amendments will be prepared in "batches" that will group similar or connected amendments together for ease of review and adoption rather than proposing all changes simultaneously. This will allow for improved communications about the changes and opportunities for public input.*
- Finalize zoning text amendments to the TOD District.
 - *Responsible agencies: NW Planning Commission, MCPC*
 - *The Planning Commission and the MCPC have been working on "right-sizing" the TOD District zoning language throughout 2019. Changes to this ordinance will be finalized and presented to Borough Council for review in March 2020.*

Studies and Projects

- Apply for Montco2040 funding for the Center Street Project to supply construction costs for the sidewalk and gateway.
 - *Responsible agencies: NW Planning Commission, MCPC, Borough Engineer*
 - *The MCPC is assisting the borough in writing the grant application for this funding source (applications are due March 1, 2020). This project was placed on hold last year for additional*

engineering, which is being completed under a secondary grant from PECO Green Region. These efforts will create a more “shovel-ready” project, and consists of building a sidewalk on Center Street connecting Walnut Street to the gateway into Parkside Place Park. A new gateway feature will formalize the pathway entrance, and lighting, crosswalks, and new ADA curb ramps will improve pedestrian visibility and safety.

- Conduct a park access audit to identify opportunities and challenges to access at each of the parks.
 - *Responsible agencies: Parks & Recreation Board*
 - *The Borough has numerous parks, but not all are fully ADA accessible, and some may not offer amenities desired by the community, such as seating, tables, or recreational amenities. The park access audit is intended to better understand usage at the parks, determine community needs and desires for the parks, and assess the pedestrian and vehicular access to the parks to optimize their utilization and function for the community.*
- Complete a street tree inventory including identification of priority locations for future planting projects. Include a maintenance and funding plan to manage and replace aging trees.
 - *Responsible agencies: Shade Tree Commission*
 - *Street trees play an important ecological and aesthetic function in the community. The inventory is intended to create a registry of all existing trees to catalog their location, species, and health condition. Educational materials should be provided to property owners for best maintenance practices to protect the health of trees, identify trees that have reached the end of their life cycle and should be replaced, and identify locations without trees where new street trees should be located.*
- Create a future use plan for St. Luke’s Church.
 - *Responsible agencies: North Penn Arts Alliance, MCPC, Borough Administration*
 - *The Borough should coordinate with the Arts Alliance to determine the desired future use of the space, internal or external improvements to the facilities, and scheduling needs.*
- Conduct an audit of permit parking in the Borough and establish a fee-based annual parking permit program.
 - *Responsible agencies: NW Planning Commission, MCPC*
 - *Portions of the Borough around the train station have on-street permit parking. This audit will document current parking demands on these streets to better understand the efficacy of the permit program, and make recommendations for its administration, which may include a recommendation to apply a small parking fee.*
- Conduct a Borough-wide walkability audit to evaluate sidewalk and crosswalk conditions.
 - *Responsible agencies: NW Planning Commission, Borough Public Works, MCPC*
 - *The Borough has a robust sidewalk network, but some areas have broken or incomplete sidewalk infrastructure. The audit will explore every street in the Borough to catalog existing conditions of*

sidewalks, crosswalks, curb ramps, and other pedestrian infrastructure, and will provide improvement recommendations.

- Notify property owners of overgrown vegetation impeding sidewalk access.
 - *Responsible agencies: Borough Code Enforcement*
 - *To ensure pedestrian mobility is not hindered by overgrown brush, the Borough should issue notification of improperly maintained vegetation to property owners. Some of these violations will likely be identified through the walkability audit.*

**BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES
RESOLUTION 2020-
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT
APPLICATION FOR THE 2020 ROUND OF THE MONTCO 2040
IMPLEMENTATION GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE
CENTER STREET PEDESTRIAN CONNECTION AND GATEWAY PROJECT**

WHEREAS, Montgomery County has established the Montco 2040 Implementation Grant Program as a competitive funding program to assist municipalities in implementing the goals of the county comprehensive plan, *Montco 2040: A Shared Vision*; and

WHEREAS, the County is accepting applications for projects that advance specific goals under either of the county comprehensive plan's three themes: Connecting Communities, Sustainable Places, and a Vibrant Economy; and

WHEREAS, applications and projects must meet all stated requirements within the Montco 2040 Implementation Grant Program Guidebook; and

WHEREAS, North Wales Borough wishes to obtain \$154,725 from the Montco 2040 Implementation Grant Program to provide funding to undertake the Center Street Pedestrian Connection and Gateway project; and

WHEREAS, this project has been identified as a high priority by the North Wales Borough 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES hereby approves this project and authorizes application to the Montco 2040 Implementation Grant Program in the amount of \$154,725; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the application is granted, the Borough commits to the expenditure of matching funds in the amount of \$32,445, plus \$7,500 awarded to the Borough by the PECO Green Region Grant Program, for a total match offer of \$39,945 necessary for the project's success.

ADOPTED this 25th day of February, 2020.

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE
BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES

BY: _____
James Sando, President

ATTEST:

Christine A. Hart, Secretary



2020 Edition

MONTCO 2040: IMPLEMENTATION GRANT PROGRAM

As part of the implementation of the county's comprehensive plan, Montco 2040: A Shared Vision, the county has established a grant program for municipalities to make targeted physical improvements that achieve real progress toward the goals of the plan. The program offers the opportunity to move general themes and issues at the countywide level into specific improvements at the local level that transforms planning into action. Specific Focus Categories that reflect recent county planning initiatives are highlighted and emphasized each year.

PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

- Maximum grant award is \$200,000, but average award may be closer to \$100,000
- Minimum local match is 20% of the grant amount—other funding sources and greater matches are encouraged. Open Space Preservation projects require a 50% minimum local match
- Projects must specifically address a stated goal within the three themes of the comprehensive plan: Connected Communities, Sustainable Places, and Vibrant Economy
- Projects that fall under a Focus Category will receive greater consideration during the application review
- Grant award may only be applied to physical improvements, i.e. construction, infrastructure/site work, materials, land acquisition
- Grants will be disbursed as reimbursements for eligible costs
- Project length is limited to 24 months from the date a grant is awarded

PROCESS

- Funding for 2020 will commence with an application deadline of March 1, 2020. A second round is not anticipated, but an announcement will be made if this changes
- A committee consisting of Planning Commission Board Members, Planning Commission Staff, and Interdepartmental County Staff will score and review applications on a competitive basis
- Recommendations of funding will be forwarded to the County Commissioners for action
- Funding agreements to be issued to municipalities upon Commissioner approval
- Agreements will be administered by the County's Department of Housing and Community Development

WHO CAN APPLY?

- Applications must be submitted and administered by municipalities, but they may join with non-profit or private entities to achieve a public benefit
- Municipalities may submit two applications, but are eligible to receive only one grant award unless part of a multi-municipal project

PROJECT REVIEW CRITERIA

- **Impact of Project**—Extent of the project's benefit, transformative ability, longevity, visibility, and educational component
- **County Planning Consistency**—Credit for municipalities with current county planning assistance contracts, projects that connect to county-owned assets, and follow county policies or plans
- **Local Planning Consistency**—Consistency with current local plans
- **Project Readiness**—Design or engineering work completed, permits obtained, other agency coordination
- **Funding**—Percent and type of matching funds, commitment of local contribution, other funding sources

NEW FOR 2020:

- Municipalities may submit two applications (maximum of one award)
- Open Space Preservation projects added to the Adaptation and Resiliency Focus Category
- Follow the principles of the county's Complete Streets Policy and Health in All Policies when applicable

For further details and requirements, see the full Program Guidelines available at montcopa.org/Montco2040

FOCUS CATEGORIES—2020

Focus Categories will be announced each year by the county's Planning Commission in order to encourage specific project types that address current initiatives and issues in Montgomery County. In 2020, all three of the prior focus categories will remain.

ADAPTATION AND RESILIENCY

Continued growth and development in the county coupled with climate change and extreme weather events accelerates the decline of natural systems and ultimately threatens public health and quality of life. Communities must adapt to these changes and become more resilient to better sustain their futures.

This category intends to support the most needed projects that help protect against or recover from negative environmental changes. Applicants should be prepared

to demonstrate the extent of the problem being addressed and the success of its proposed actions. Municipalities may need to reference their MS4, TMDL, PRP, Stormwater Management Plan or Hazard Mitigation Plan for competitive projects. Potential projects include:

- Floodplain Mitigation – Reduce the impact of flooding through an emergency services flood warning system, removal or retrofit of structures in the floodplain, installation of flood control structures, and natural resources protection
- Streambank Restoration – Rapid erosion and changing courses can impact floodplains, increase pollution, and damage ecosystems. Identify the cause of streambank degradation and implement appropriate naturalization techniques
- Retrofit Municipal or School District Property with Stormwater BMPs – Address critical flooding or erosion issues with naturalized basins, vegetated swales, rain gardens, porous pavement, stormwater extended detention ponds, and constructed wetlands
- Green Streets – Incorporate landscaped areas and tree canopy designed as stormwater BMPs to promote runoff infiltration and filtering of pollutants. Other components include stormwater curb extensions, planters, vegetated swales, rain gardens, and street tree planting
- Community Gardens – Utilizing vacant lots or excess land for gardening can promote localized food production, encourage healthy eating habits, reduce pesticide and fossil fuel use, and connect residents to where their food comes from

NEW Open Space Preservation

Conserving natural resources and environmentally-sensitive areas can help maintain ecosystems, improve water quality, reduce flooding, provide needed buffers to developing areas, or provide recreation opportunities. Desirable projects may protect critical conservation areas, promote active tourism, increase opportunities to exercise, or green the county's towns. Open Space Preservation projects are required to have a minimum 50% local match, which may come from any combination of municipal or outside funding sources.



WALK AND BIKE MONTCO—TRAILS, PATHS, SIDEWALK CONNECTIONS AND BIKE FACILITIES

Walkability is more than a buzzword and making our communities more walkable is a winning proposition. It provides transportation choices, improves health, creates better community connections, makes the county more appealing for young workers, and improves the environment. Biking also provides a healthy alternative to getting around, but all too often the effort is made difficult by streets designed solely for the automobile.

This category is connected to the county's adopted Walk Montco and Bike Montco plans. Areas that currently impede the ability to walk or bike through insufficient design, lack of facilities, or dangerous conditions should be targeted. Potential projects include:

- Improvements that create safer conditions in and around popular school routes, downtown business areas, suburban commercial areas, or public transit facilities
- New trails, paths, or sidewalks that opens access to other trail or park connections from a neighborhood or employment area
- Road diets incorporating some combination of bicycle lanes, landscaped medians, rain gardens, on-street parking, crosswalks, sidewalks, other BMPs, and traffic calming elements
- On-road bicycle facilities such as sharrows, standard bicycle lanes, or protected bicycle lanes – either on or near Bike Montco's planned bicycle network
- Off-road bicycle facilities such as bike racks or bike sharing systems
- Pedestrian-oriented wayfinding signage
- Trailheads with parking and signage

When applicable, projects should include the principles of the county's Complete Streets Policy and Health in All Policies, available on the web at montcopa.org/completestreetspolicy

SUPPORT DOWNTOWNS AND COMMUNITY DESTINATIONS

Mixed use areas with thriving businesses, cultural venues, libraries, green infrastructure, and urban parks provide places for people to gather and make connections with their community while improving the quality of life for surrounding neighborhoods. This category enables communities to facilitate the development of their downtowns and community destinations in a manner that supports a central business district while emphasizing physical activity and social connections. There are many creative ways to approach this goal, including but not limited to, these potential ideas:

- Create or improve public gathering spaces, such as plazas, within the business district
- Connect or improve downtown pocket-parks or urban parks in the vicinity of a downtown
- Improve the identity of a downtown and its surrounding neighborhoods with unique public improvements, such as public art, wayfinding signage, or other place-making installations
- Urban greening improvements such as green roofs, living walls, rain gardens, and plantings
- Enhance the function or prominence of a cultural venue through exterior physical improvements
- Library improvement projects that enhance physical connectivity through improved public facilities, such as community spaces, outdoor plazas, or other locational improvements



GENERAL PROJECT CATEGORIES

Eligible projects need to address a stated goal in the county comprehensive plan. This provides a wide range of potential projects, but they must result in physical improvements or acquisitions that further both local and county goals. The greater the reach and impact of a project will result in a higher likelihood of funding. Opposite is a generalized list of potential projects as they connect to the comprehensive plans themes and goals. They represent the most obvious connections between goals and improvements, but the list should not be considered finite. Creative and effective projects that still address the goals are welcome for consideration.



For more information, program guidelines, and to apply online, go to: www.montcopa.org/Montco2040

Connected Communities

- Sidewalks / pedestrian connections
- Bicycle improvements and/or facilities
- Local trail connections to county trails or natural areas (or connect to high profile areas, such as employment, shopping, downtown, transit centers, etc.)
- Local greenway preservation
- Specific downtown revitalization initiatives
- Arts and culture facility improvements
- Library improvements

Sustainable Places

- Improving existing roadway connections
- Road diets
- Traffic calming
- Green streets
- Energy conservation or reduction of greenhouse gas emissions
- Stormwater management improvements
- Limiting the impact of flooding
- Natural resource protection
- Make communities more walkable
- Increase the supply of local, fresh food
- Local park improvements
- Preservation of historic properties
- Reinvigorate tree canopy in communities
- Sustainable green parking lot retrofits

Vibrant Economy

- Improve access to employment centers
- Expand or improve transit options in employment centers
- Assist in the redevelopment of underutilized or vacant industrial land
- Modernizing older office and business parks through access, amenity, or infrastructure improvements
- Assist in the creation of walkable, mixed use, transit-friendly, and entertainment-supportive employment centers, towns, and destinations
- Meet the needs of an aging population through improvements or connections
- Signage and wayfinding systems to promote destinations and help visitors get around



Montgomery County Board of Commissioners



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North Wales

HISTORICAL ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

Record of Action

Date 2.20.2020

Application: 0120-01

Application date: 12.16.2019

Applicant/Property Owner: The North Penn Volunteer Fire Company (NPVFC)
137 and 141 South Main St.
North Wales, PA

Block/Unit # _____

Request: Revision of a prior approval. The NPVFC seeks to enlarge a 1 storey building attached to and just west of the main firehouse. The historic mill behind the addition will remain intact.

Submittals: Architectural plans and elevations. Full color renderings/photos of the proposed final appearance of the new structure

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HARB Meeting: February 19, 2020

In attendance: Mr. Joseph Del Ciotto
Mr. Charles Guttenplan
Rev. Amy Smith
Mr. James Schiele
Mr. Ray Tschoepe

Applicant in Attendance: Architect rep. Bonnett Assoc. Inc and
Mr. Frank Baxter For the NPVFC

Action: Approve as presented

Findings of fact. At nearly 70, even the remodeled firehouse contributes to the streetscape of Main St. in North Wales. For the new addition, the Sec. of the Interior's guidelines recommend "Considering the attached exterior addition both in terms of the new use and the appearance of other buildings in the historic district... Design for the new work may be contemporary or may reference design motifs from the historic building. In either case, it should always be clearly differentiated from the historic building and be compatible in terms of mass, materials, relationship of solids to voids, and color."

Recommendation to Council: Issue Certificate of Appropriateness.

Respectfully submitted,



HARB Chairman/Vice-chairman

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES
300 SCHOOL STREET
NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

MEETING: February 11, 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.	Absent
	Wendy McClure	Present
	Sally Neiderhiser	Present
	Eion O'Neill	Present
	James Sando	Present
	Mark Tarlecki	Present
	Mayor Gregory D'Angelo	Absent

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

President Sando led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

Pat Graham, 324 South Fourth Street, stated she stopped into the Borough offices to report that a few Boxelder trees behind her house in Weingartner Park are being eaten by squirrels. Manager Hart stated she notified Public Works to check the trees to see what remedy is required.

Andrew Berenson, 439 Washington Avenue, asked why Council is not using the microphone system for the meeting. President Sando stated Council is not using the microphone system at the moment because of technical difficulties.

Ruth Black, 401 South Main Street, asked if the Borough has a law that prohibits the use of air brakes on Main Street and requested that one be implemented if the Borough does not have one. Chief Eves stated he would check to see if we have an Ordinance in place. Solicitor Gifford stated the Borough would have to adopt an Ordinance if one is not in place.

Jocelyn Tenney, 801 East Walnut Street, asked when the Technology Committee will be meeting to resolve issues relating to the microphone system. Member Collins stated he just received information on the system and the Technology Committee will be meeting soon to discuss the issues.

Consideration: Accept 150th Anniversary Committee Contribution

James Schiele, 307 East Montgomery Avenue, presented a check to the Borough in the amount of \$3,351.73 from the 150th Anniversary Committee. He then stated the following, "The Committee request that this contribution, plus any future receipts from the sale of remaining 150th Anniversary commemorative items, be deposited in the Borough's Recycling Fund

account and designated to be used for signage upgrades to the kiosk in Walnut Square and the preparation of a professional scrapbook for the preservation of memorabilia from the 150th Anniversary.”

Council and Manager Hart thanked everyone who helped contribute to all the events and expressed how wonderful all the events were.

Member Neiderhiser made a motion to accept a contribution from the North Wales 150th Anniversary Committee in the amount of \$3,351.73. Member O’Neill seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Accept Resignation of Daniela Hilpl from the Historic Commission

Member O’Neill made a motion to accept the resignation of Daniela Hilpl from the Historic Commission. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approval of Minutes: January 28, 2020

Member McClure made a motion to approve the minutes of January 28, 2020. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

Old Business/Committee & Board Reports/Zoning Applications

Manager Hart stated the Human Relations Commission members are going to attend an upcoming training seminar in March as per the requirements. The Commission will then be prepared to hold a meeting if need be.

Vice President Cherry reported on the Shade Tree Commission’s activities and current issues with enforcement of the Shade Tree Ordinance.

Solicitor / Mayor / Council / Chief of Police / Manager

Solicitor Gifford announced an executive session will be held to discuss two personnel matters, a legal matter and provide education on the Sunshine Act and Right-to-Know laws for Council members. He anticipated that no action will be taken following executive session.

Member Amato asked if there’s anything the Borough can do to resolve alleyway disputes. Solicitor Gifford stated he will review the issue with Council in executive session. Andrew Berenson, 439 Washington Avenue, asked why Solicitor Gifford needs to discuss alleyways in private. Solicitor Gifford stated he is not authorized to provide legal advice in public because it could allow for someone to exploit his advice.

Manager Hart reviewed the list of Boards and Commissions vacancies. She then announced at an upcoming Council meeting, Council will authorize an official proclamation to endorse the 2020 U.S. Census. She then announced that everyone should have received their tax bills in the mail for County and Borough Real Estate taxes. She then reviewed the list of upcoming historical events being hosted by local historical societies and upcoming events being hosted by the North Penn Arts Alliance at the North Wales Arts and Cultural Center.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:28 P.M.

Attest: _____

Christine A. Hart
Borough Manager

Borough of North Wales
BILLS LIST
February 2020

0120020 - ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (12..)	Date	Name	Split	Amount
	02/11/2020	DELAWARE VALLEY HEALTH TRUST	-SPLIT-	\$ 9,491.38
	02/11/2020	VERIZON S0007570	-SPLIT-	\$ 160.54
	02/11/2020	VERIZON WIRELESS	-SPLIT-	\$ 175.35
	02/11/2020	VOYAGER FLEET SYSTEMS INC.	0141033 · GASOLINE, POLICE	\$ 811.89
	02/11/2020	BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES POLICE PENSIONPLAN	0121500 · POLICE PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS 0	\$ 2,506.82
	02/11/2020	PENNSYLVANIA MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM	0148616 · PENSION EXPENSE-NON-UNIFORM	\$ 1,082.50
	02/11/2020	PECO 23654-10011 (PW - 599 ELM)	0143361 · ELECTRICITY 1430361	\$ 6.00
	02/11/2020	U. S. BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	0140637 · REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 240.15
	02/11/2020	MONTGOMERY COUNTY TREASURER	0140330 · OTHER SERVICES AND CHARGES	\$ 80.00
	02/11/2020	PECO 70344-01702 BORO HALL	0140936 · ELECTRICITY 1409361	\$ 561.02
	02/11/2020	PECO 66955-01103 PW GARAGE	0143361 · ELECTRICITY 1430361	\$ 172.81
	02/11/2020	PECO 63864-01609 WALNUT SQUARE	0145436 · ELECTRICITY 1459461	\$ 46.28
	02/11/2020	PECO 32937-01304 BORO HALL	0140923 · HEATING FUEL 1409230	\$ 675.56
	02/11/2020	PECO 79323-09073 125 N MAIN	0140936 · ELECTRICITY 1409361	\$ 115.34
	02/11/2020	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	-SPLIT-	\$ 268.63
	02/11/2020	NWWA	0140922 · OPERATING EXP	\$ 65.26
	02/11/2020	ACE FUELING	0140923 · HEATING FUEL 1409230	\$ 534.83
	02/11/2020	ACE FUELING	0140923 · HEATING FUEL 1409230	\$ 343.67
	02/11/2020	ACE FUELING	0140923 · HEATING FUEL 1409230	\$ 411.16
	02/11/2020	ACE FUELING	0140923 · HEATING FUEL 1409230	\$ 335.53
	02/11/2020	ACE FUELING	0140923 · HEATING FUEL 1409230	\$ 350.09
	02/25/2020	BOUCHER & JAMES INC.	0140831 · ENGINEER 1408313	\$ 797.33
	02/25/2020	CAP FLEET UPFITTERS, LLC	0141026 · MINOR EQUIPMENT, POLICE	\$ 275.00
	02/25/2020	RICHARD HAGY	0140922 · OPERATING EXP	\$ 120.00
	02/25/2020	MONTGOMERY CO PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING CTR	0141045 · CONTRACTED SRVICS	\$ 200.00
	02/25/2020	NWWA	0141136 · HYDRANT CHARGES	\$ 7,350.00
	02/25/2020	OFFICE BASICS	0141021 · OFFICE SUPPLIES, POLICE	\$ 9.88
	02/25/2020	JL REYES ACCOUNTING & TAX SERVICE LLC	-SPLIT-	\$ 900.00
	02/25/2020	OFFICE BASICS	0140935 · JANITORIAL	\$ 30.00
	02/25/2020	BOUCHER & JAMES INC.	0140831 · ENGINEER 1408313	\$ 141.00
	02/25/2020	BOUCHER & JAMES INC.	0140831 · ENGINEER 1408313	\$ 1,167.61
	02/25/2020	MONTGOMERY COUNTY TREASURER	0141024 · OPERATING EXP, POLICE	\$ 864.00
	02/25/2020	GUTTER EXPERT, INC.	0143373 · BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$ 960.00
	02/25/2020	LANSDALE POLICE DEPT	0141045 · CONTRACTED SRVICS	\$ 150.00
	02/25/2020	PA STATE ASSOC OF BOROUGHES	-SPLIT-	\$ 638.00
	02/25/2020	PECO 63863-01003 PW GARAGE	0143023 · HEATING FUEL 1430230	\$ 661.17
	02/25/2020	REPUBLIC SERVICES #320	0143365 · SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	\$ 104.76
	02/25/2020	UNUM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	0148620 · LTD/STD/LIFE	\$ 531.92
	02/25/2020	THE PARTNERSHIP TMA	0140146 · MEETINGS	\$ 100.00
	02/25/2020	MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOROUGH'S ASSOC.	-SPLIT-	\$ 50.00
	02/25/2020	SWIF - STATE WORKERS' INSURANCE FUND	0148410 · FIRE CO WORKERS COMP	\$ 1,539.00
	02/25/2020	METRO ELEVATOR CO.	0140937 · REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE SERVICES	\$ 106.61
	02/25/2020	RUBIN GLICKMAN STEINBERG & GIFFORD	0140431 · SOLICITOR	\$ 3,000.00
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	02/25/2020	PECO 02951-60039 HESS PARK	0145436 · ELECTRICITY 1459461	\$ 39.35
	02/25/2020	MAGIC SHINE CAR WASH	0141045 · CONTRACTED SRVICS	\$ 74.00

Borough of North Wales
BILLS LIST
February 2020

	Date	Name	Split	Amount
	02/25/2020	POINT SERVICE CENTERS INC.	0141037 · VEHICLE MAINT/REPAIRS	\$ 807.33
	02/25/2020	POINT SERVICE CENTERS INC.	0141031 · PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, POLICE	\$ 167.07
	02/25/2020	PITNEY BOWES - POSTAGE	0140635 · POSTAGE 1406325	\$ 200.00
	02/25/2020	SIANA BELLWOAR & MCANDREW LLP	0140431 · SOLICITOR	\$ 1,011.00
	02/25/2020	PA ONE CALL SYSTEM INC.	0143321 · COMMUNICATIONS - PHONE 143	\$ 9.80
	02/25/2020	MONTG CTY POLICE OFFICERS MEMORIAL	0140142 · DUES, SUBSCRIPTIONS.	\$ 100.00
	02/25/2020	ASSOCIATED IMAGING	0141021 · OFFICE SUPPLIES, POLICE	\$ 65.04
	02/25/2020	MCATO	0140142 · DUES, SUBSCRIPTIONS.	\$ 75.00
	02/25/2020	PECO 82667-00208 RED LIGHT	3543336 · ELECTRICITY/SIGNAL	\$ 12.50
	02/25/2020	THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY	0141046 · TRAINING, POLICE	\$ 715.00
	02/25/2020	AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION	0141031 · PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, POLICE	\$ 3,000.00
	02/25/2020	TRANSUNION	0141045 · CONTRACTED SRVCS	\$ 24.12
				<u>\$ 47,431.30</u>
0410610 · DARE FUND				
	02/25/2020	CREATIVE PRODUCT SOURCING INC.	0441020 SUPPLIES	<u>\$ 1,996.40</u>
0220020 · STREET LIGHT FUND				
	02/25/2020	PECO 67276-01407 STREET LIGHTS	-SPLIT-	<u>\$ 1,993.37</u>
				<u>\$ 1,993.37</u>
1920020 · WEINGARTNER FUND				
	02/25/2020	PECO 79540-01509 WEINGARTNER	1945436 · ELECTRICITY 1945436	<u>\$ 34.85</u>
				<u>\$ 34.85</u>
3220020 · CAP IMPROV				
	02/25/2020	CDW GOVERNMENT	-SPLIT-	<u>\$ 989.50</u>
				<u>\$ 989.50</u>
3520020 · LIQUID FUELS				
	02/25/2020	MOBILE LIFTS INC.	3543835 · VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	<u>\$ 743.70</u>
				<u>\$ 743.70</u>
4120020 · RECYLCING FUND				
	02/25/2020	NANCY SHAW	-SPLIT-	<u>\$ 300.00</u>
				<u>\$ 300.00</u>
TOTAL				<u><u>\$ 53,489.12</u></u>

Borough Boards & Commissions Vacancies

- Historical Architectural Review Board – Term Expires: 12/31/2023
Must be a licensed real estate broker.
- Historic Commission – Term Expires: 12/31/2021
- 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 chart@northwalesborough.org.

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www.gsa.gov/fedrelay

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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 supply 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!

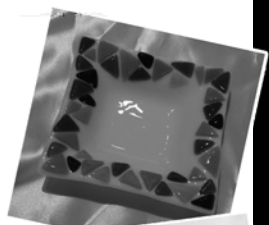
Find more classes and registration information online.

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!

NORTH PENN
ARTS ALLIANCE

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.

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, 1 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 Ike, tail fins and interstate highways.

We learned to "duck and cover" and dance to Bandstand. Television invaded every household, introducing us to Uncle Miltie, 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.

Perkasie Historical Society

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

The 100th 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. 6th St., Perkasie. Reservations are necessary. Please call Pat Gahman at 215 257-9624 to reserve your seat. Dinners are \$12 payable at the door.

North Wales Parks and Recreation Board Present



EASTER EGG HUNT



JOIN US FOR A DAY OF FUN IN THE PARK

**Saturday, April 4th,
11:00 am**

Weingartner Park

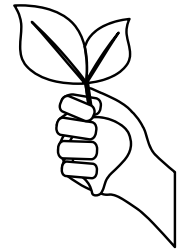
Pre-K (2-4yrs) & Grades (K-1) & (2-3)

Rain Date: April 5th

Feeding Our Neighbors

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



State Senator
MARIA COLLETT

It's Tax Season



AARP Foundation Tax-Aide

offers free tax preparation, and their program is particularly helpful for anyone 50 and older.

Contact one of the assistance locations below to make an appointment and find out what documents you should bring. Required documents are also listed online at bit.ly/TaxDocumentsAARP.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

AMBLER SENIOR ADULT ACTIVITIES CENTER

45 Forest Avenue • Ambler
(267) 469-0104

GENERATIONS OF INDIAN VALLEY

259 North 2nd Street • Souderton
(215) 723-5841

HORSHAM TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

435 Babylon Road • Horsham
(215) 443-2609

UPPER MORELAND FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

109 Park Avenue • Willow Grove
(215) 659-0741

PEAK CENTER

606 East Main Street • Suite 1003 • Lansdale
(215) 362-7432

BUCKS COUNTY

ANN'S CHOICE

22008 Anns Choice Way • Warminster
(215) 346-6705

B.H. WILSON SENIOR CENTER

580 Delmont Avenue • Warminster
(215) 672-8380

WARMINSTER TOWNSHIP FREE LIBRARY

1076 Emma Lane • Warminster
(215) 672-4362

INDIAN VALLEY LIBRARY

100 East Church Avenue • Telford
(215) 723-9109

SOUTHAMPTON LIBRARY

947 Street Road • Southampton
(215) 322-1415

Taxes are due April 15, 2020!

For more information, contact Senator Collett's office at 215-368-1429.

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State Senator
MARIA COLLETT

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IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

program provides free tax help for households making \$56,000 or less, persons with disabilities, and limited English-speaking taxpayers.

Receive assistance at the local offices listed below. Make sure to bring the correct documentation by calling the location or visiting bit.ly/TaxDocumentsIRS.

BUCKS COUNTY OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL VITA PROGRAM

St. Andrews United Methodist Church

999 York Road • Warminster

Wednesdays: 4 pm - 8 pm & Saturdays: 9 am - 2 pm

**No Appointment Required*

WILLOW GROVE CDC WITH TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

210 Cedar Avenue • Willow Grove

215-366-5643

**Appointment Required*

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY AMBLER

Temple Ambler Learning Center

580 Meetinghouse Road • Ambler

215-326-9519

**Appointment Required • Sign Language Accessible*

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