



BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES

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COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, March 14, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.

Salvatore Amato
Sherwin Collins
Anji Fazio
Alexander Groce
Wendy McClure

Sally Neiderhiser
Mark Tarlecki
Sarah Whelan
Neil McDevitt, Mayor

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

1. Consideration: Approval of Council Appointment Process

2. Consideration: Appointment of Ward 1 Council Member

3. Public Comment

4. Proclamation: Recognizing April as PA 811 Safe Digging Month

5. Consideration: Approval of Advertisement of Wissahickon Creek TMDL/PRP

6. Consideration: Acceptance of Resignation of Alan R. Guzzardo, Assistant Manager

7. Consideration: Appointment of Keystone Municipal Services as Zoning Officer

8. Consideration: Approval of Minutes: February 28, 2023

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

10. Solicitor / Mayor / Council / Chief / Public Works / Manager

Adjournment

All interested parties may participate on the date and time noted above and when called upon by the Council President. The public may also submit questions or comments prior to the meeting by e-mail to info@northwalesborough.org; these must be received no later than 12 Noon on March 14, 2023. Persons with disabilities who wish to attend the meeting and require auxiliary aid, service, or other accommodation to participate in the meeting should contact North Wales Borough at 215-699-4424 or by e-mail to info@northwalesborough.org.

Mayor's Office Hours:

2 nd Tuesdays	5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.
3 rd Saturdays	10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Monthly Meetings Information:

HARB	3 rd Wednesday of Month
Historic Commission	4 th Thursday of Month
Human Relations Commission	3 rd Thursday of Month
Nor-Gwyn Pool Commission	2 nd Thursday of Month – 7:30 P.M.
Park & Recreation Board	2 nd Thursday of Month
Planning Commission	1 st Wednesday of Month
Shade Tree Commission	2 nd Thursday of Month
Zoning Hearing Board	1 st Tuesday of Month, as needed

All above meetings begin at 7 P.M. at Borough Hall, unless noted otherwise.

North Wales Water Authority	3 rd Wednesday of Month 5:00 P.M., 200 W. Walnut Street
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Please note: The meeting is being digitally recorded.

North Wales Borough Council

Working Guidance

Title: Council Appointment Process

Candidate Identification and Notification Process (Borough Manager):

1. Advertise opening.
2. Collect CV's/Letters of intent.
3. Determine date of Council meeting:
4. Notify interested parties of the meeting date/time and process.

Council Meeting Process:

1. Candidate Presentations:
 - a. Personal introduction and comments by candidate.
 - b. (Council Vacancy Only): Response to President's questions; (each nominee gets 3 mins/question)
 - i. Why do you want to be on Council?
 - ii. What capabilities, abilities, or interests do you bring to the table?
 - c. Council President will ask council if further clarifications from the candidate are required. Any further questions should be applicable to all other candidates and not be of a personal nature. Candidates have a right not to answer any question that make them feel uncomfortable.
2. Nomination Process (For All Vacancies):
 - a. President: Call for a nomination.
 - i. Nominations are only made by council members.
 - ii. Nominations do not require a second.
 - iii. Council members may nominate themselves and vote for themselves.
 - b. President: Continues to ask for nominations until no more nominations are made.
 - c. President: Final call for Nominations.
 - d. President: Closes the Nomination Process.
3. Voting Process:
 - a. Follows Robert's Rules. "One vote, One member". This process is consistent with our national process of voting for only one candidate on a slate of candidates.
 - b. The President reminds council that they need to decide on the ONE person they wish to support. They will NOT get a second chance to vote if a majority vote is achieved on the first round.
 - c. A voice vote from council is taken for each candidate in the order of nomination.
 - d. The Council President will close the voting process when the number of votes supporting a candidate is a majority. A majority is defined as one more than half of council members present and eligible to vote. Recused members do not count as eligible to vote.
 - e. If a majority is NOT reached on the first vote, then one additional voting attempt will be made:
 - i. (For non-council vacancy) In the event that no candidate receives a majority vote after two attempts then the entire process – including advertisement of opening - will be repeated.
 - ii. (For Council Vacancy) In the event that no candidate receives a majority vote after two attempts then council will ask the mayor to select the nominee. If council is unable to make an appointment within the requisite 30 days, then the decision will default to the Vacancy Board **§901(c)**.¹

Additional Comments:

1. A candidate should be present during the voting process but may be excused for valid reasons agreed by Council.
2. Full council attendance is expected when voting for a council vacancy. Remote voting will be allowed IF a quorum is present in chambers.

¹ Title 8, PA Borough Code

Council Vacancy Announcement

At the February 14, 2023, North Wales Borough Council Meeting, Borough Council, accepted the resignation of Ward 1 Council Member Eion O’Neill due to his relocation outside the Borough.

Borough Council is now officially accepting letters of interests/resumes from qualified candidates.

Basic Candidate Legal Qualifications: (all qualifications must be met to apply)

- Registered Elector in the Borough of North Wales.
- Continuous residency in [Ward 1](#) of the Borough of North Wales for at least one year immediately prior to the appointment.
- Submission of a [Statement of Financial Interest](#). Please submit it along with your letter of interest/resume.

Letters of interest/resumes will be accepted until Friday, March 10, at 12:00 p.m. Materials may be dropped off, mailed, or emailed to the Borough Office, in care of Christine A. Hart, Borough Manager (chart@northwalesborough.org).


Borough Council will conduct interviews off all qualified candidates at their regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

The selected candidate will be appointed for a term ending December 31, 2023 and will be required to run in this year’s election cycle in order to remain in office.

****NOTE: The Borough’s defers to the State Borough Code when a vacancy occurs in the office of a council member. Council has 30 days to fill the vacancy.***

February 28th, 2023

Brittany L. Kohler
138 W. Walnut St.
North Wales, PA 19454



This letter is to express my interest in the vacant seat in the North Wales Borough Council for Ward 1. I have been a Resident of North Wales Borough since September of 2021, when my Wife, Dana and I decided to plant our roots and bought our very first home, at 138 W. Walnut St. I am a Montgomery County native, born and raised as a child, to return later as an adult to call it my home. My Wife and I are recently approved Resource Parents for Montgomery County and are currently raising children in the North Penn School District.

Prior to putting down my roots in North Wales Borough, I had the wonderful opportunity to travel and reside in multiple places throughout the East Coast. During that time, I formed friendships with people from many different cultures and experienced local government of all kinds, providing me a unique diverse viewpoint to have lived and heard the stories of many throughout all types of Communities. Through those experiences coupled with my career path that has afforded me the opportunity to work across a multitude of Industries, I believe I bring a well rounded understanding, respect, and relatability to all residents. I have worked or volunteered in Childcare, Athletics and Sports, Hospitality, Customer Service, Retail, Finance, Medical, and Project and Program Management. In addition, I have Management experience in the Nonprofit sector.

I am a positive person by nature and passionate about Community and dedicating my time to making the communities that I am a part of, a better place to live, work, and play. Currently I am the League President for the Abington Area Women's Softball League. I am the President of the Montgomery County LGBT Business Council. I am an active Committee Member for the North Wales Democratic Committee for Ward 1. Lastly, I am currently a member of the North Wales Human Relations Commission for the Borough.

I have attended several Borough Council meetings and have made myself familiar with the responsibilities and tasks that are required of the Borough Council Members. I have reviewed the 2040 Comprehensive plan along with the local code ordinances. I have also made myself familiar with the many different commissions and committees existing. I am extremely passionate about safety, especially that surrounding the walkability for pedestrians along with the bicycle accessible areas. In addition, my passions lie in conservation, maintaining while continuing to develop the open spaces and parks currently existing within the Borough are essential for the future of the community. I am dedicated to continuing to educate myself on ways to constantly improve and accomplish the existing goals already identified and being brought to fruition.

I care deeply about this Borough and all who chose to live, work and visit here. I look forward to the opportunity to proudly represent Ward 1 residents. I will use my voice to echo what others'

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needs and wants are, from and for their Community. When public service is called upon, I believe it is the responsibility of all members of elected or appointed positions to create, maintain, and ensure that the Community continues to be a safe, healthy, and welcoming environment for all its residents, business professionals, and visitors, from all walks of life, to enjoy the simplicity of small town life, right here in the wonderful North Wales Borough. I am confident that I can and will successfully bring positive change to the Borough for today's and future residents.

Thank you for the opportunity and I look forward to speaking with you all.

Warm Regards,

Brittany L. Kohler



BRITTANY KOHLER

President, Activist, Program Manager

Reliable, dedicated, effective communicator with program management and non profit experience with high level customer service skills, leader, quick, proactive, and self-motivated learner, passionate about diversity, equality, and inclusion.

WORK EXPERIENCE

PRESIDENT 2021 - Current

The Montgomery County LGBT Business Council

- Chief Executive officer of the council which oversees general supervision of the business and Council.
- Manage all affairs of the Council and ensure that all orders and resolutions are carried into effect, authorized by the Board of Directors.
- Partner with local business & commerce, legislative and government, social & nonprofit, and educational leaders to advance our mission of Diversity & Inclusion in Business throughout the County and beyond.

PROGRAM MANAGER 2022 - Current

Stratus Unlimited

- Plan and manage complete Program execution for all new build, subsidy and or refresh projects for Hilton, Marriott and Wyndham Hotels Worldwide.
- Identify any escalations from program, communicating with all stakeholders to ensure that the completion is within the deadline and within projected margin.

SERVICE MANAGER 2019 - 2022

Cima Network

- Lead, support, and manage a team of service representatives on day-to-day processes of individual maintenance projects for signage and lighting across 29 clients nationwide to ensure all client deliverables are met on time and are delivered profitably for the department and company.
- Provide continuous on the job training to further expand and encourage knowledge of the current economic environment and industry standards.
- Source, qualify, select, negotiate, and manage vendor partnerships both nationally and internationally.

EDUCATION

St. Petersburg College 2012 - 2014

St. Petersburg, FL

VOLUNTEER

North Wales Borough Human Relations - Commission Member 2022-Current

Montgomery County Democratic Committee - Committee Member/ Ward Leader - NW #2 2022-Current

Abington Area Women's Softball League - President 2020-Current

Abington Area Women's Softball League - Coach 2015-Current

Disney Volunteers 2006-2011

CONTACT



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138 W Walnut St.
North Wales, PA 19454

EXPERTISE

- Program Management
- Leadership
- Branding
- Communication
- Organizational Development
- Cultural Competency
- Customer Service

AWARDS

Pride Power 100

City & State PA's PRIDE Power 100 recognizing and ranking the most influential figures in the LGBTQIA+ community in Pennsylvania for the year 2022.

<https://www.cityandstatepa.com/power-lists/2022/05/2022-pride-power-100/367417/>



Proclamation

March 14, 2023

WHEREAS, the month of April 2023 recognized as “Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month”, and the initiative sponsored by Pennsylvania 811, a utility notification information center with over 50 years of continuous service to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania 811 received over 1 million excavation notifications in 2022, and transmitted approximately 6.8 million notifications to their member facility owners and operators allowing essential utility and construction crews to provide vital underground services and repair of critical infrastructure to communities throughout Pennsylvania, and

WHEREAS, when contacting 811, at least three business days before digging, a homeowner or a contractor is connected to a unique service that notifies the appropriate underground utility operators in the municipality in which the work will be performed, and

WHEREAS, by notifying 811 of their intent to dig, the homeowner or contractor is knowingly helping to protect the underground utilities, themselves, the work crew, and their neighbors from any unsafe digging practices within their community, and

WHEREAS, upon receiving the notification from Pennsylvania 811, the facility owners and operators disperse to the said work site to mark the approximate location of their underground utility lines with flags, paint, or both, to establish an eighteen-inch tolerance zone of the outside wall or edge of their line or facility, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of North Wales, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, in support of the Pennsylvania Underground Utility Line Protection Law, PA Act 287 of 1974, as amended, do hereby proclaim April 2023 as “Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month”, and encourage all Pennsylvanians to visit the Pennsylvania 811 website at www.palcall.org for information about digging safely.

Salvatore Amato, Council President
North Wales Borough

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

PROPOSED WISSAHICKON CREEK TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD (TMDL) PLAN / NUTRIENTS POLLUTANT REDUCTION PLAN (PRP) OF THE INDIVIDUAL PERMIT FOR STORM WATER DISCHARGES FROM THE SMALL MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of North Wales Borough (Borough) will receive public comment(s) on the proposed North Wales Borough **Wissahickon Creek TMDL Plan / Nutrient Pollutant Reduction Plan (PRP)** required by the Individual MS4 Permit. The proposed TMDL Plan / PRP includes:

- (1) Identification of North Wales Borough's required reductions from the Waste Load Allocation (WLA) identified within the EPA's Wissahickon Creek TMDL;
- (2) Identification and locations of structural Best Management Practices (BMPs) for implementation during the permit period to reduce loadings of nutrients and sediment as required by the Individual MS4 Permit to meet the TMDL / PRP requirements;
- (2) Explanation of the methodology used to calculate existing sediment loadings and corresponding reductions from applicable watersheds with regulated MS4; and
- (3) Locations of the Borough's MS4 infrastructure and local waterways with nutrients/sediment impairments.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) adopted and issued the revised Small MS4 Individual Permit (IP). A IP is required for municipalities where a TMDL with an applicable WLA on MS4 discharges have been established. The revised MS4 Permit also includes requirements for the development and implementation of a PRP for local waterways receiving discharges from the regulated MS4 with nutrients and/or sediment impairments, and a CBPRP for municipalities located in the Chesapeake Bay drainage basin. The Borough is not located in the Chesapeake Bay drainage basin, therefore, a CBPRP is not required.

For the PRP, the Borough is required to reduce existing loadings of nutrients for locally impaired waterways from its regulated MS4 during the current 5-year MS4 Permit cycle as follows:

- (1) 10% reduction in sediment, and
- (2) 5% reduction in Total Phosphorus.

For the TMDL, the Borough is required to reduce existing sediment loadings to local waterways from its regulated MS4 during the current 5-year MS4 Permit cycle as follows:

- (1) 10% reduction in sediment

Long-term sediment load reductions are also part of the TMDL requirements for the Borough; however, only a minimum 10% reduction is required during the current permit cycle.

The TMDL Plan / PRP can and are combined into a single document.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The proposed TMDL Plan/ PRP are available for review at the Borough office located at 300 School Street, North Wales, PA 19454 from 8:00am to 4:00pm Monday-Friday during the period of March 16 to April 17, 2023.

The proposed TMDL Plan / PRP are available to view or download at northwalesborough.org/News&Alerts.

SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS

The Borough shall accept written comments for a minimum of 30 days from the date of the first public notice. Interested parties may submit written comments electronically, by mail, or hand delivery. Written comments must be received by 12:00 noon on April 17 and addressed to:

CHRISTINE HART
BOROUGH MANAGER
NORTH WALES BOROUGH
300 SCHOOL STREET
NORTH WALES, PA 19454

Comments may be submitted electronically, in PDF text format (if less than 25 megabytes in total size), to Christine Hart via email at chart@northwalesborough.org. Please also indicate in the subject line, "**Comments--North Wales Borough TMDL Plan / PRP.**"

The Borough Council will also provide an opportunity for interested parties to provide comments during the regularly scheduled meeting to be held on April 11, 2023 at 7:00pm at the North Wales Borough Administration Building, 300 School Street, North Wales, PA 19454.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Questions about this notice may be directed to Christine Hart.

Date

Christine A. Hart
Borough Manager

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES
300 SCHOOL STREET
NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

MEETING: February 28, 2023, 7:00 P.M., EST

CALL TO ORDER made by President Amato.

ROLL CALL:	Salvatore Amato	Present
	Sherwin Collins	Present
	Anji Fazio	Present
	Alexander Groce	Present
	Wendy McClure	Present
	Sally Neiderhiser	Absent
	Mark Tarlecki	Present
	Sarah Whelan	Present
	Mayor Neil McDevitt	Present

Also, in attendance were Gregory Gifford, Borough Solicitor, David Erenius, Chief of Police, Brian Sleicher, Public Works Supervisor and Alan Guzzardo, Assistant Borough Manager.

President Amato led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

Kimberly Little, 118 School Street, announced that an unleashed dog bit her dog last week. She said that her dog is okay, but it needed medical treatment and she filed a report with the Police Department. She explained that the owner of the dog had been previously warned about keeping their dog on a leash and she said she was unaware that she should call 911 if she observes a dog that is not on a leash. She suggested a public outreach effort to notify residents to call 911 if they spot a dog that is not on a leash. Member Fazio thanked Mrs. Little for her comments, and she said the Communications Committee will look into a public awareness campaign on the issue.

Consideration: Appointment of Pamela Romeo to the Historical Architectural Review Board, Term Ending December 31, 2023

Pamela Romeo, 711 Church Street, announced that she submitted a letter of interest for the HARB vacancy and said she can answer any questions they have at this time. Manager Hart explained that Mrs. Romeo must leave early. Council decided to vote on the matter prior to the other topics on the agenda to accommodate Mrs. Romeo.

Member McClure made a motion to appoint Pamela Romeo to the Historical Architectural Review Board, term ending December 31, 2023. Member Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Proclamation: In Memory of Jason J. Connelly, Volunteer Firefighter and EMT

Mayor McDevitt read a proclamation that he issued on February 15, 2023, honoring the life of Jason J. Connelly who passed away on February 10, 2023, after a three-year battle with cancer. Jason served as a member of the North Penn Volunteer Fire Company and the Volunteer Medical Services Corps of Lansdale.

Discussion: Resident Input Workshop Feedback

Justin Copenhaver reviewed the results of the Resident Input Workshop, held on Monday, January 30 at Borough Hall.

Member McClure asked if Justin would be contacting the new businesses in town. Jason confirmed he will. President Amato requested a synopsis of the survey. Justin summarized the results which indicated that the Borough is small, but mighty and they would like the Business Alliance to foster this idea. Some participants said that North Wales is behind the times, but they believe that can change. Others felt the town was lethargic or lacking energy. Lastly, Justin said the Borough needs more gateway signage at its entry points.

Jeff Fazio, 111 South Seventh Street, asked how the Business Alliance would work cooperatively with the Borough. Justin said he will be contacting Borough officials to discuss cooperative initiatives and he will be attending the Planning Commission meeting tomorrow night to discuss the Zoning Code.

Manager Hart explained that the Planning Commission is working on a Zoning Code update, and she said she hopes business owners will reignite the Business Alliance and work cooperatively with the Borough.

Discussion: Council Vacancy Appointment Process

President Amato reviewed the document titled, Vacancy Appointment Process. He recommended that Council vote on every candidate and said he would like to have residents ask the candidate(s) questions first. A discussion ensued regarding the appointment process.

Albert Tenney, 801 East Walnut Street, asked if the first vote fails to give a majority, then does Council get to vote again. Manager Hart said yes, they can vote again.

Jocelyn Tenney, 801 East Walnut Street, asked for clarification on the duties of the Vacancy Board Chair in the process. Solicitor Gifford explained the process.

President Amato explained he will amend the guidance document and send it out after the next vacancy.

Manager Hart announced that the Borough is currently accepting applications for the vacancy and Council will vote at their meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 14.

Consideration: Approval of Certificates of Appropriateness: 213 W. Walnut St and 126 S. Pennsylvania Ave.

Justin Copenhaver asked if sidewalks would be installed along Swartley Street. Manager Hart explained that Council cannot mandate a sidewalk installation because it did not go through the Subdivision and Land Development process.

Member McClure made a motion to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness, as presented for 213 West Walnut Street. Member Groce seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Member McClure made a motion to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness, as presented with the recommended conditions for 126 South Pennsylvania Avenue. Member Fazio seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement Extension for the Wissahickon Creek Water Quality Improvement Plan

President Amato asked if Council is still funding this initiative. Manager Hart confirmed that the Borough is contributing \$5,000-\$10,000 per year and funds have already been budgeted for this year.

Member Groce made a motion to approve an extension of the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Wissahickon Creek Water Quality Improvement Plan through December 31, 2023, or ninety (90) days after final approval of the Plan, whichever occurs later. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approval of Towing Storage Garages and Rates

Manager Hart explained that the schedule is reviewed periodically. Member McClure asked Chief Erenius for clarification on the towing selection process. Chief Erenius explained that the officer on duty will call the list of towing companies.

Member Fazio made a motion to approve the list of towing storage garages and rates. Member Whelan seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approval of Minutes: February 14, 2023

Member Whelan made a motion to approve the minutes of February 14, 2023. Member Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approval of Disbursements: \$98,972.42

Manager Hart reviewed the bills list.

Member McClure made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$98,972.42. Member Whelan seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Old Business / Committee & Board Reports / Zoning Applications

Manager Hart announced that enclosed in Council's packet is the 2022 Historical Architectural Review Board Annual Report.

Assistant Manager Guzzardo announced that he received Zoning Hearing Board Application No. 23-02, regarding a Special Exception request for 107 South Main Street. The Applicant is requesting a Special Exception for a cat adoption agency. Mr. Guzzardo added that the hearing will be held on Tuesday, April 4 and he will provide a copy of the legal notice at the next Council meeting.

Solicitor / Mayor / Council / Chief / Public Works / Manager

Solicitor Gifford announced that there will be an executive session to discuss three personnel matters and one real estate matter; no action will be taken following the meeting.

Mayor McDevitt announced that he attended the History Commission presentation with Steven Moyer this past Saturday at Borough Hall and he said we are so fortunate to have so many people who care so deeply about our history and so willing to share their memories.

Mayor McDevitt announced that he attended the North Penn Fire Company banquet, and the following individuals received awards for their services:

- CPR Save - Erick Myers and Jim O'Hara
- Chief's Award - Brad Taylor
- President's Award - Jim Almo
- Firefighter Of the Year - Jim O'Hara
- QRS Award - Nate Ameal
- The Horace S Madtes Jr. Award - Jim Almo
- Lansdale VFW Firefighter of the Year - Matthew Traynor
- 50 Years of Service - Tom Byron

Mayor McDevitt reminded everyone that today is the last day of Black History Month, and earlier today, Pennsylvania elected and swore in Rep. Joanna McClinton as the first black and the first female Speaker of the House for the Pennsylvania Legislature.

Member Whelan announced that the Iron Knights Triathlon is Saturday, May 20 and she encouraged parents to get their kids signed up. She then announced that the Easter Egg Hunt is on Saturday, April 1 and encouraged people to bring their kids.

Chief Erenius announced that the Borough has been receiving calls, comments, and complaints from community members about drones overflying private properties. He requested residents to call 9-1-1 when drones are seen flying over their properties and try to keep an eye on what direction they are traveling to and from. He added that the Chief is working with the FAA on enforcement.

Manager Hart announced the following events: Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 1, Earth Day Extravaganza on Saturday, April 22 and The Partnership TMA of Montgomery County's 30th Anniversary Celebration and Annual Meetings on Friday, May 19. She added that the TMA is seeking sponsors for the event and requested that Council consider sponsoring the event.

Member McClure made a motion to adjourn. Member Whelan seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 P.M.

Attest: _____

Christine A. Hart
Borough Manager

DRAFT

North Wales Community Arts Center Updates

Meeting: Tuesday March 7, 2023. 11:00AM
North Wales Borough Hall

In Attendance:
Christine Hart Borough Manager
Wendy McClure Council Person
Jon Leight Concert Advisor

Jon shared that Souderton Advanced Chorus has asked to use the facility to record their singing. One of the students in the Chorus recommended the church.

The Director of the Chorus will come to look at the space. The parking of the bus or buses will be reviewed also. After Director review, Jon will let us know the outcome.

Jon also brought a list of possible concerts. Alexis Tartakovsky, Pianist.
Upon Mr. Tartakovsky's return from Europe Jon will speak with him about a concert date. Possibly May Sunday afternoon 3pm The piano will need to be moved and then tuned. Enough manpower can be gathered to move the grand piano a short distance. The cost to host Mr. Tartakovsky has not yet been determined. Ticket Price or Recommended donation \$10.00

Tookany Creek Band. - Blue Grass
Possible April Concert Date
Sheet to be developed along with a contract understand their performance needs. (Is electric available, what they need) Jon highly recommends this Blue Grass Band.
Evening Saturday Night Concert. 7 pm. April
Ticket Price or Recommended donation: Based on concert cost fee.

Aaron Peterson - Organist. Possibly with Harpist
Possible June Concert Sunday 3pm
The ticket fee to be based on the concert cost.

What type of staffing will be necessary?
Greeter
Money Collector. (Will we use electric pay? Most venues now have this option available.)

Set up, tear down and clean up. (Bathrooms, vacuum etc.)

New Account has been set up in the North Wales Borough Budget.
Small Budget
Community Center will falls under Park Budget
There is no actual Budget for performances or Staffing.

!!! Paramount to GET THE WORD OUT

Flyers, Borough FB Page, Personal FB pages made to share.
WNPV (now run by NPHS Student).
Performance Group to assist with their own Advertisement.
Kiosk, Church Sign, Library. Many opportunities

Discussed being able to move pews. Pews will stay as they are.

Sound System for performers: Most performers bring their own sound equipment.
Christine will ask the contractor if they have considered this.
In the meantime, Wendy suggested that Martin Capone visit the church to look at what is there to be sure IE Blue Grass Band has enough outlets to run a PA and Mics.

A large crowd could filter into what were the choir seats.
Seating Capacity: 125?

Office on the 3rd floor will be kept for NWCAC use.

Christine, Borough, Jon and I up to speed to basic renovation goals.
Keeping the historical nature of the church is very important and a valued part of the restoration.

Next meeting will take place after Jon gets back to use with concert details.

Adjourned: 12:15 pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Wendy A McClure

North Wales Borough Planning Commission

March 01, 2023 Meeting Minutes

The North Wales Borough Planning Commission Meeting of March 01, 2023 was conducted in person at North Wales Borough Hall.

The meeting information was advertised in The Reporter on December 22, 2022, as part of the meeting schedule for 2023.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Greta Martin Washington at 7:07 P.M. The following members were present: Greg D'Angelo, Mark Tarlecki, Jocelyn Tenney and Lillian Higgins.

Assistant Borough Manager/Zoning Officer Alan Guzzardo was in attendance. Tim Konetchy, Montgomery County Planning Commission Planner participated in the meeting.

Member Greg D'Angelo led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance

1. Public Comment

Justin Copenhaver, 212 Highland Ave., a resident and Borough business owner, was present to learn about proposed zoning updates. Justin was invited to ask questions and make suggestions. He is currently working to see if a business alliance in North Wales is feasible and if there is sufficient interest in the business community.

2. Consideration: ZHB Application 23-02 (107 S. Main St.) – Special Exception

The ZHB application was tabled temporarily as the Commission waited for the applicant to appear.

3. Consideration: Approval of Minutes for February 01, 2023

Member Greg D'Angelo made the motion to approve the minutes of February 01, 2023 and member Mark Tarlecki seconded the motion. All members voted in agreement 5-0.

4. Discussion: Public Meeting and Material for Zoning Open House, May 3, 2023

The Commission members explained to Mr. Copenhaver the process that the Commission had been using to review and update the Borough's zoning where needed.

Regarding parking for businesses, it is now based on square footage and this can be emphasized in the story map. For the story map, five of the most common types of businesses can be shown. The Commission can also have someone at the Open House to answer more specific business questions. There are approximately 150 different businesses in the Borough including home businesses.

Tim will do a story book which he will show electronically also. It should be completed by May 3, 2023. He can also add a comment and question box. Justin asked if the story book can be kept on the Borough website to search by address. He also asked if parking

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specifications could also be on the website. The Borough can publish other material earlier and say the story map is coming. Any comments by the public should be in by the end of May. Following is a time-frame for comments, etc.

- June 7, 2023, at Commission's June 7, 2023 meeting the comments would be reviewed.
- June 13, 2023, Council would approve an advertisement to adopt the zoning changes at the July 11, 2023 Council meeting.
- June 27, 2023, Council would review the updated zoning.
- July 11, 2023, Council would hold a hearing on the updated zoning and adopt it. (Member Tarlecki will poll council to see that the July 11 date does not interfere with their vacations and subsequent absences.)

4. Old Business: McKeever Property Progress

The McKeever's property has one year from August, 2022 to submit land development plans to the Borough. Thus far there has been no response from them. An extension may need to be filed.

5. Consideration: ZHB Application 23-02 (107 S. Main St.) – Special Exception

The applicant, Maura Shuttleworth, did not appear at the meeting.

The use for the building is a 'cat adoption agency' which would be classified under 'pet store and a thrift shop. Tim will check with the Montgomery County Planning Commission to see if they have specifications listed for pet stores.

The Commission will send the following four recommendations to the North Wales Zoning Hearing Board for their meeting on April 04, 2023. Member D'Angelo made the motion and it was seconded by member Higgins. All voted in agreement 5-0.

1. The ventilation system shall be certified by a design professional as adequate to handle the number of cats.
2. The Pet Store use is limited to 25% of the sales floor area.
3. Disposal of animal waste shall be at an approved off-site facility. It shall not be placed in a dumpster or the municipal sewer system.
4. Loading/unloading shall be taken from the rear entrance of the building and not on Main Street.

6. Adjournment

Member D'Angelo made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 P.M. Member Higgins seconded the motion. All members voted in agreement 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Jocelyn Tenney, Secretary



BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 1, 2023
TO: Zoning Hearing Board
FROM: Greta Martin Washington, Planning Commission Chair
SUBJECT: ZHB Application #23-02, 107 S. Main St., North Wales, PA 19454

At their meeting of March 1, 2023, the Planning Commission reviewed the following documents submitted by the Applicant:

- Zoning Hearing Board Application, dated February 21, 2023.

The Planning Commission voted 5-0 to recommend that the Zoning Hearing Board approve the application with the following conditions:

1. The ventilation system shall be certified by a design professional as adequate to handle the number of cats.
2. The Pet Store use is limited to 25% of the sales floor area.
3. Disposal of animal waste shall be at an approved off-site facility. It shall not be placed in a dumpster or the municipal sewer system.
4. Loading/unloading shall be taken from the rear entrance of the building and not on Main Street.

cc: Christine Hart, Borough Manager
Planning Commission
Borough Council

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Hearing Board of the Borough of North Wales will hold a public hearing on April 4, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. The hearing will be held at the Borough Building, located at 300 School Street, North Wales, PA 19454 to consider the following application:

Z-23-02 –Maura Shuttleworth– The property is located at 107 S. Main Street. North Wales, PA in the CBD Commercial District. The parcel ID# of the property is 14-00-01304-00-5. The Applicant is requesting a special exception from Section 208-90, Permitted uses, of the Zoning Ordinance to request a cat adoption area in a thrift store.

All interested parties may attend this hearing and will be given an opportunity to be heard. Persons with disabilities who wish to attend the hearing and require auxiliary aid, service or other accommodation to participate in the hearing should contact North Wales Borough at 215-699-4424.

Bernadette A. Kearney, Esquire
Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor

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BUSINESS CONNECTORS
Building relationships through education and networking. Topic: How to Uncover Hidden Cash Flow from your Supplier Base presented by Michael Roberts, Expense Reduction Analysts. BYO lunch. Free; members only.

WED — MAR 8 8:00 a.m. — 9:30 a.m.
MADE IN MONTCO
Highlighting local manufacturer members. Networking is followed by a short tour of North Montco Technical Career Center, Lansdale. Free for members. Space is limited.

WED — MAR 8 7:45 a.m. — 9:00 a.m.
MONTCO DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONALS (MCDP)
Open exclusively to Commercial Real Estate professionals involved in the front end development of a commercial property. Contact the Chamber for event details.

TUE — MAR 14 NEW TIME 9:00 a.m. — 10:00 a.m.
ALLIANCE OF WOMEN IN BUSINESS
A great forum for small business owners and staff to network, learn, and share business strategies. Free; members only.

THU — MAR 16 5:00 p.m. — 7:30 p.m.
LOCAL & ON TAP
Meet with a diverse group of business professionals throughout the region to network and support a local nonprofit. Imprint Beer Co., Hatfield. Nonprofit Recognition: Kelly Anne Dolan Memorial Fund. Free.

TUE — MAR 21 12:00 p.m. — 1:00 p.m.
BUSINESS CONNECTORS
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TUE — APR 4 12:00 p.m. — 1:00 p.m.
BUSINESS CONNECTORS
Building relationships through education and networking. Topic: AI is Not the Future, It's the Now by Gummi Sigurdarson, RedKnight. BYO lunch. Free; members only.

TUE — APR 11 NEW TIME 9:00 a.m. — 10:00 a.m.
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THU — APRIL 13 12:00 p.m. — 5:00 p.m.
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TUE — APR 18 12:00 p.m. — 1:00 p.m.
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THU — APR 20 5:00 p.m. — 7:30 p.m.
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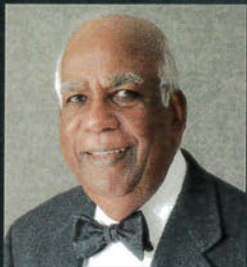
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Dr. Jeyaraj is being honored as the GHNPS 2023 Pillar of the Community for the incredible impact he has made as a local Pediatrician as well as his dedication to building the greater North Penn community with a special focus on diversity and inclusion. It was a circuitous route that brought Dr. Jeyaraj from Malaysia to Pennsylvania but the moment he joined Lansdale Pediatric & Adolescent Medical Associates, the greater North Penn region gained a true partner. He served as a pediatrician in our local community for over 40 years, retiring in 2019.

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