

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES
 300 SCHOOL STREET
 NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

MEETING: July 23, 2024, 7:04 P.M., EST

CALL TO ORDER made by President Amato.

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

Also, in attendance were John Filice, Borough Solicitor, Alex Turock, Assistant Manager, David Erenius, Chief of Police, Ben Raybold, Public Works Supervisor, and Braeden Bussman, Junior Council Person.

President Amato led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Consideration: Approval to Award the 9th Street Park Rehabilitation Bid

Manager Hart reviewed the Borough Engineer's recommendation letter which recommended awarding the bid at the base bid level to Horgan Bros. Inc. This award is within the scope of the DCNR grant funding this project.

Member Collins asked if the Borough had used Horgan Bros. Inc. on any other projects. Manager Hart said that the Borough had not under her administration but had on paving projects prior to her administration.

Member Kohler made a motion to Approve Awarding the 9th Street Park Rehabilitation Bid. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Appointment of Alex Turock – Zoning Officer Effective 7/29/24

Manager Hart explained that Assistant Manager Turock has become a Certified Zoning Officer, and that this appointment would provide a greater service to residents by moving zoning reviews in-house instead of utilizing a third-party zoning officer.

Member Fazio made a motion to Appoint Alex Turock Zoning Officer Effective 7/29/2024. Member Whelan seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approve Budget Transfer from Inspections – Contracted Services to Wages – Asst. Secretary

Manager Hart explained that the transfer represents the remaining amount of funds budgeted for the third-party zoning officer.

Member Neiderhiser made a motion to Approve the Budget Transfer from Inspections to Contracted Services to Wages – Asst. Secretary. Member Whelan seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approve Council Committees Guidance Document.

President Amato reviewed the document's guidance for the structure of Council Committees.

Member Fazio asked how Council members will be made aware of what is discussed in Committees. President Amato responded that the items discussed in Committee will either be brought forward to Council at a regular meeting or in executive session as needed depending on the nature of the topic discussed.

Member Groce made a motion to approve the Council Committees Guidance Document. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Discussion: Safety Committee Guidance Document

President Amato reviewed the Safety Committee Guidance Document which provides information about who meets to discuss issues of public safety and when their regular meeting will be.

Consideration: Approval of Certificate of Appropriateness – 101 S. Main Street

Member Fazio made a motion to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for 101 S. Main Street. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approval of Certificate of Appropriateness – 123 S. Main Street

Member Kohler made a motion to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for 123 S. Main Street. Member Fazio seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approval of Certificate of Appropriateness – 214 School Street

Member Kohler made a motion to Approve with Qualifications the Certificate of Appropriateness for 214 School Street. Member Whelan seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approval of Disbursements: \$79,073.39

Manager Hart reviewed the bills list in detail, Council had no questions.

Member Neiderhiser made a motion to Approve the Disbursements in the amount of \$79,073.39. Member Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approval of Minutes: July 9th, 2024

Member Groce made a motion to approve the minutes of July 9th, 2024. Member Whelan seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Old Business / Committee & Board Reports/ Zoning Applications

Manager Hart stated that staff is working to compile examples of Shade Tree Inventories and Educational Materials to help the Shade Tree Commission create a process for inventorying the shade trees in the Borough and providing educational materials to property owners with a shade tree.

Manager Hart reviewed minutes from the North Wales Planning Commission and Parks and Recreation Board. Parks and Recreation is working on the Summer Park Tour which will begin August 1st and the 2nd Annual Jack-o-Lantern Crawl.

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

Mayor McDevitt thanked all of the people who were involved in the 4th of July Parade for their hard work on a great event.

Member Kohler also commended the success of the 4th of July Parade. She also encouraged everyone to remember that they are neighbors and part of a community who takes care of each other as we move through the next few months.

Member Fazio encouraged vendors to submit their registrations for Community Day.

Chief Erenius stated that he interviewed a crossing guard and had two potential part-time officers come in for applications this week. He also explained that the NWPD will be switching to red dot sights after training over the next month.

Member Collins asked Supervisor Raybold to clarify what is meant by “video training” on the Public Works report. Supervisor Raybold explained that the training was about stormwater management best practices.

President Amato asked what is involved in replacing stormwater inlets. Supervisor Raybold stated that some inlets in town have brick boxes and are collapsing so Public Works is systematically repairing them as necessary.

Manager Hart reminded everyone that Main Street North Wales is hosting a kickoff party on August 21st at the North Penn Social Club. She also encouraged vendors and sponsors to submit

their Community Day registration. She also announced that we have over 400 subscribers now to Borough's Savvy Citizen notifications.

Adjournment

Member Groce made a motion to adjourn. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no. Meeting adjourned at 7:59pm.

Attest: _____
Christine A. Hart
Borough Manager