

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES  
 300 SCHOOL STREET  
 NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

MEETING: March 22, 2022, 7:00 P.M., EST

CALL TO ORDER made by President Amato.

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

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

President Amato led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Amato asked for a moment of silence for Pennsylvania State Troopers Martin F. Mack III, and Branden T. Sisca, as well as a civilian pedestrian that were struck and killed in a tragic accident that occurred on Monday, March 21 along Interstate 95.

### **Public Comment**

Gregory D'Angelo, 915 East Montgomery Avenue, announced that he attended a retirement ceremony for Chris and Tobi Park at North Penn Volunteer Fire Company Social Club on Sunday, March 20 and said it was a wonderful ceremony paying tribute to Chris for 45 years of service with the fire company.

### **Consideration: Appointment of Borough Engineer**

Andrew Berenson, 439 Washington Avenue, asked why the Borough was switching engineers and if McMahon's rates were similar to other firms. Manager Hart explained the Borough has been very satisfied with McMahon's work thus far and Council has decided to appoint McMahon to fulfill all of the Borough's engineering needs. She then stated that their rates are average compared to other firms.

Member Neiderhiser made a motion to appoint McMahon Associates, Inc. as Borough Engineer. Member Whelan seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

**Consideration: Nor-Gwyn Pool Commission Appointment, Term Ending 12/31/2023**

Member Fazio made a motion to appoint Wendy McClure to the Nor-Gwyn Pool Commission, term ending 12/31/2023. Member Whelan seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Member McClure thanked Council for her appointment and said she was enthusiastic to serve on the Commission.

**Consideration: Approval of Minutes: March 8, 2022**

Member McClure made a motion to approve the minutes of March 8, 2022. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

**Consideration: Approval of Disbursements: \$47,594.59**

Member McClure made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$47,594.59. Member Groce seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

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

The Technology Committee announced it would be meeting on the second Wednesday of the month at Borough Hall at 7 P.M.

Manager Hart reviewed draft minutes provided by the Planning Commission and Parks and Recreation Board for their meetings that occurred on March 2 and March 10, respectively. She then announced that there are no pending Zoning Hearing Board applications.

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

Solicitor Gifford announced an executive session was held after the previous meeting to discuss the Borough's engineer and it was voted on this evening.

Mayor McDevitt also made mention of the State Troopers that were killed in the accident and asked the community to keep them in our thoughts. He then said he is reviewing speeding complaints with the Police Department, and they are establishing a traffic counter to conduct traffic studies. He also informed the public that he and Chief Erenius are working on policy updates. Lastly, he said he enjoyed the Chris and Tobi Park Ceremony and added he issued a Proclamation that recognized March 20, 2022, as Chris and Tobi Park Day.

Member O'Neill thanked Chris and Tobi Park for their service. He then checked with Manager Hart on the status of the Borough Twitter account. Manager Hart explained that the Borough is not using the account and currently only uses Facebook.

Member McClure announced she attended the Coffee House Concert at the North Wales Arts and Cultural Center on Sunday, March 20, hosted by St. Luke's Church and added she looks forward to future events there. She then announced that the North Wales Area Library is holding a hoagie sale fundraiser through Wednesday, March 30 and encouraged people to partake.

Vice President Tarlecki congratulated Public Works and the Borough Administration for their efforts with snow and ice removal and asked Manager Hart what the Borough's salt usage was.

Manager Hart explained the Borough used a less than average amount of salt and the Public Works Department did not come close to exceeding its overtime budget.

President Amato thanked the firefighters and police for their service to our community and also congratulated Chris and Tobi Park on their new endeavors.

Manager Hart made the following announcements: Human Library event on Saturday, April 9, Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 9, Earth Day Extravaganza on Saturday, April 23, Wissahickon Clean-up Day on Saturday, April 30, the North Penn Chamber of Commerce schedule of March and April events, the current list of Borough Boards and Commissions vacancies and announced that the Borough provided a service plaque to Chris and Tobi Park.

Member Neiderhiser made a motion to adjourn. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no. Meeting adjourned at 7:51 P.M.

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