

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES
300 SCHOOL STREET
NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

REMOTE MEETING: March 9, 2021 7:00 PM, EST

CALL TO ORDER made by President Sando.

ROLL CALL:	Salvatore Amato	Present
	James Cherry	Absent
	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	Present

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

This meeting was held remotely via Zoom due to COVID-19 restrictions.

President Sando led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

There was no public comment at this time.

Consideration: Approval of Change Order #3 (\$4,344.25) - 2020 Paving Project

Manager Hart reviewed a change order request to mill and overlay a section of School Street to address ponding concerns at Ramp Q (N. Second St./School St. Intersection) for the 2020-2021 Paving Project. Member Collins asked Manager Hart who is responsible for the change order. Manager Hart stated our Engineer did not anticipate this work needing to be done. However, upon further review it was determined that this work is needed to ensure that the ponding issue is corrected, therefore ultimately the Borough is responsible for approving the change order.

Member Neiderhiser made a motion to approve Change Order No. 3, dated March 2, 2021, in the amount of \$4,344.25 for the 2020-2021 Paving Project. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approval of IGA Extension - Wissahickon Creek WQIP

Member Tarlecki made a motion to approve an extension of the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for the Development of a Water Quality Improvement Plan for the Wissahickon Creek Watershed. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approval of Minutes: 2/23/2021

Member McClure made a motion to approve the minutes of February 23, 2021. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no.

Old Business/Committee & Board Reports/Zoning Applications

Manager Hart announced that the Zoning Hearing Board held their annual re-organization meeting last Tuesday, March 2, 2021. Anthony Kratowicz, Zoning Hearing Board Chairman, was present to review a memo with Council. Mr. Kratowicz reviewed a memo to Council, dated March 3, 2021, regarding an influx of Zoning Hearing Board applications pertaining to in-law suite proposals. He requested that Council review the in-law suite provisions of the Zoning Code to ensure they are consistent with current recommended regulations as per the Montgomery County Planning Commission. Assistant Manager Guzzardo confirmed that he would add it to the list of items for the Planning Commission to review as part of the Zoning Code update.

Solicitor / Mayor / Council / Chief of Police / Manager

Solicitor Gifford announced that an executive session was held after the previous Council meeting to discuss a personnel matter and no action was taken afterwards. He then announced another executive session would be held following tonight's meeting for a legal matter and no action would be taken.

Mayor D'Angelo announced that today is National Meatball Day. He then reviewed some recent incidents involving Borough Police Officers and wanted people to be aware that police work can vary from one extreme to another on any given day.

Member O'Neill asked when a road opening on the 100 block of West Montgomery Avenue would be repaired. Manager Hart stated that PECO is behind on road opening work because of the tough Winter conditions and requested that everyone be patient while PECO works on sealing up the road openings.

Member McClure thanked the Police Department for assisting with traffic control for deliveries to Merck in connection with vaccine productions. She then asked if the Borough is notified of people that need food and supplies. Chief Eves stated that the Police Department has been monitoring this issue and helping to ensure that people have food and supplies. Member Neiderhiser added that St. Peter's Church has a food bank as well.

Member Tarlecki asked when the ADA ramp installations will be completed. Manager Hart stated they would be completed by the end of March and paving is scheduled to be begin the week of April 5, 2021.

Chief Eves announced that the Department is now fully vaccinated and annual training requirements are scheduled to be completed by Summer.

Manager Hart provided the following updates: Earth Day and Drug Take Back Day are scheduled for Saturday, April 24 from 9 am – 1 pm, the County is holding a series of hazardous household waste collection events, the County has a Covid-19 Hotline available 24/7 to answer questions relating to the Pandemic, Borough employees are attending training provided by PSABS and the Borough is distributing PPE kits to Borough businesses.

Manager Hart then reviewed a comment from Sarah Whelan, 423 Beaver Street, who suggested that a pantry be established at Borough Hall. Council agreed to take her suggestion under consideration.

Manager Hart then announced that former Council Member, James Conway, who served between 2000-2001 had passed away and expressed condolences to the family.

Member Neiderhiser made a motion to adjourn. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 P.M.

Attest: _____
Christine A. Hart
Borough Manager