

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES  
 300 SCHOOL STREET  
 NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

MEETING: May 10, 2022, 7:02 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	Present
	Eion O'Neill	Absent
	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.

### **Public Comment**

Fire Chief Matthew Traynor provided a public service announcement, titled Roadway Safety.

Manager Hart announced it would be shared on the Borough website and Facebook.

### **Consideration: Approval to Re-Open the 2023-2026 Police Contract for the Purpose of Discussing the Possible Addition of a D.R.O.P. Program to the Police Pension**

No motion was made.

### **Consideration: Approval of Payment #2: Center Street Pedestrian Connection and Gateway Project: \$125,192.95**

Manager Hart announced that this payment does not include the pedestrian crossing signal at Center and Walnut which will be installed once the materials are received.

Member Collins made a motion to approve payment number 2 in the amount of \$125,192.95 for the Center Street Pedestrian Connection and Gateway Project. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

### **Consideration: Resolution Recognizing Emergency Medical Services Week**

Manager Hart thanked the Volunteer Medical Services Corps of Lansdale and other area ambulatory services for the coverage they provide to the community.

Member Collins made a motion to approve a resolution recognizing emergency medical services week, beginning May 15, and concluding May 21. Member Fazio seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

### **Consideration: Approval of Minutes: April 26, 2022**

Member McClure made a motion to approve the minutes of April 26, 2022 with the suggested amendments. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

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

Manager Hart announced she reached out to all the property owners affected by the Center Street Extension project and is working on scheduling individual meetings.

Member Fazio reviewed a report of Communications Committee for the month of May.

Gregory D'Angelo, 915 East Montgomery Avenue, suggested encouraging people to attend the public meetings and he applauded Council and staff for how they managed the concerns of the property owners affected by the Center Street Extension Project at the previous Council meeting.

Member Fazio thanked Mr. D'Angelo and suggested that the digital newsletter and other public outreach efforts will increase attendance at meetings.

A discussion ensued regarding public outreach efforts.

Member McClure reviewed a Public Safety Committee report for a meeting held on Monday, April 4 and announced they would be meeting again on Monday, June 6.

Vice President Tarlecki reviewed a draft set of Planning Commission minutes for a meeting held on Wednesday, May 4.

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

Solicitor Gifford announced an executive session will be held after tonight's meeting to discuss two personnel matters and a real estate matter. He added that no action will be taken this evening following the session.

Mayor McDevitt thanked Borough Council and his neighbors for helping his family while they were sick with COVID. He then announced that he attended the St. Peter's mass at Weingartner Park on Sunday, May 2. He also met with the North Wales Baptist Church pastor. He then announced he met with Chief Shane Wheeler of the Volunteer Medical Services Corps of Lansdale.

Member Whelan announced that last week was Teacher Appreciation Week and this week is Nurse Appreciation Week.

Member Fazio thanked Mr. D'Angelo for his suggestions.

Vice President Tarlecki suggested those who have tree limbs close to power lines to reach out to PECO to have a vegetative assessment completed to determine if it is hazardous to power lines and PECO will send out a crew to evaluate and/or have it removed.

Chief Erenius reminded drivers to be cautious of cyclists. Member McClure suggested doing a bike safety program with children and doing a helmet giveaway. A discussion ensued regarding bike safety.

Public Works Supervisor Sleicher announced his crew is painting Borough signs and decorative streetlights, the parks are being mulched, the newly planted trees are healthy, decorative flowers were added in Weingartner Park, reminded residents to not dump grass clippings into the roadways which cause the inlets to clog and announced his crew attended a Chainsaw Safety Course hosted by the Delaware Valley Insurance Trust.

Manager Hart made the following announcements: Montco Pikes Study, Montco Trail Challenge, Transportation Topics on Tap on Thursday, May 12, Fourth Street Community Garden Spring Planting on Saturday, May 14, the Summer Kick-Off and Food Truck Festival on Saturday, June 4, Summer as well as, Pickleball League Signups and the current list of Borough Boards and Commissions vacancies.

Member McClure made a motion to adjourn. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 P.M.

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