

# North Wales Borough Planning Commission Meeting

## October 06, 2021 Meeting Minutes

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The North Wales Borough Planning Commission Meeting of October 06, 2021 was conducted in person at the North Wales Borough Hall.

The meeting information was advertised in The Reporter on December 11, 2020 for the year of 2021.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Greta Martin Washington at 7:07 P.M. The Secretary, Jocelyn Tenney called the roll. The following members were present: Greta Martin Washington, Gregory D'Angelo, Lillian Higgins and Jocelyn Tenney. Member Mark Tarlecki was absent. Tim Konetchy, Montgomery County Planning Commission Planner and Assistant Borough Manager/Zoning Officer Alan Guzzardo also participated in the meeting.

Gregory D'Angelo led the meeting members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 1. Public Comment

There were no questions or comments received from the public prior to tonight's meeting.

### 2. Consideration: Approval of Minutes for September 01, 2021

Greg D'Angelo made the motion to approve the Commission's minutes of September 01, 2021. Lillian Higgins seconded the motion. Gregory D'Angelo, Lillian Higgins and Jocelyn Tenney voted in agreement 3:0. Chair Greta Martin Washington abstained since she had been absent from the September meeting.

### 3. Discussion: North Wales Borough Walkability Study Approval

Tim Konetchy reviewed the full report and the Planning Commission members voted to approve the report for presentation to the North Wales Borough Council for their October 12, 2021 meeting. Gregory D'Angelo made the motion and Jocelyn Tenney seconded it. All members present voted in favor 4:0.

Alan Guzzardo noted that the Council is already looking at grant sources to use for capital improvements and in addition has hired a transportation engineer from McMahon Associates, Inc.

### 4. New Business:

#### MONTCO PIKES Project

Tim Knetchy reviewed a Montgomery County initiative called Montco Pikes – A Vision Plan for Six County Corridors. The improvement plan includes Sumneytown Pike from Bethlehem Pike to Royal in Lower Gwynedd and Upper Gwynedd Townships. The

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second section is from Broad St. to Forty Foot Rd. in Upper Gwynedd and Towamencin Townships. The North Wales Borough section of Sunnyside Pike was not included since it is not owned by Montgomery County.

The Commission discussed the possibility of mirroring some ideas from the County like bike lanes on Main St. and on Walnut St. in North Wales. Upper Gwynedd is involving North Wales with their plans. Greta Martin Washington will add a comment to the plan regarding a bike lane in conjunction with the plan.

#### C-PACE (Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy)

C-PACE is a financial tool for property owners to obtain low cost, long-term financing for energy efficiency, renewable energy and water conservation projects. The program also includes some non-profit organizations. Jocelyn Tenney suggested that the North Penn Fire Company be informed to see if it would be a benefit to their current building projects. Gregory D'Angelo will notify them.

#### 5. Old Business:

##### Zoning Ordinance Review

The Planning Commission will begin a month-by-month review of North Wales Borough Zoning Ordinances in 2022.

##### Updated TOD

The updated TOD (Transit Oriented District) will be provided to North Wales Borough Council for their October 12, 2021 meeting in order to approve the advertising for a public meeting on November 23, 2021. The previous Montgomery County planner who worked on the TOD, Margaret Dobbs, will be in attendance to answer questions on November 23, 2021.

#### 6. Adjournment:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 P.M. by Lillian Higgins and seconded by Jocelyn Tenney. All members present voted in agreement 4:0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jocelyn Tenney, Secretary