

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES  
 300 SCHOOL STREET  
 NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

MEETING: February 11, 2020 7:00 PM, EST

CALL TO ORDER made by President Sando.

ROLL CALL:	Salvatore Amato	Present
	James Cherry	Present
	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	Absent

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

President Sando led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Public Comment**

Pat Graham, 324 South Fourth Street, stated she stopped into the Borough offices to report that a few Boxelder trees behind her house in Weingartner Park are being eaten by squirrels. Manager Hart stated she notified Public Works to check the trees to see what remedy is required.

Andrew Berenson, 439 Washington Avenue, asked why Council is not using the microphone system for the meeting. President Sando stated Council is not using the microphone system at the moment because of technical difficulties.

Ruth Black, 401 South Main Street, asked if the Borough has a law that prohibits the use of air brakes on Main Street and requested that one be implemented if the Borough does not have one. Chief Eves stated he would check to see if we have an Ordinance in place. Solicitor Gifford stated the Borough would have to adopt an Ordinance if one is not in place.

Jocelyn Tenney, 801 East Walnut Street, asked when the Technology Committee will be meeting to resolve issues relating to the microphone system. Member Collins stated he just received information on the system and the Technology Committee will be meeting soon to discuss the issues.

### **Consideration: Accept 150th Anniversary Committee Contribution**

James Schiele, 307 East Montgomery Avenue, presented a check to the Borough in the amount of \$3,351.73 from the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee. He then stated the following, "The Committee request that this contribution, plus any future receipts from the sale of remaining 150th Anniversary commemorative items, be deposited in the Borough's Recycling Fund

account and designated to be used for signage upgrades to the kiosk in Walnut Square and the preparation of a professional scrapbook for the preservation of memorabilia from the 150th Anniversary.”

Council and Manager Hart thanked everyone who helped contribute to all the events and expressed how wonderful all the events were.

Member Neiderhiser made a motion to accept a contribution from the North Wales 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee in the amount of \$3,351.73. Member O’Neill seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

### **Consideration: Accept Resignation of Daniela Hilpl from the Historic Commission**

Member O’Neill made a motion to accept the resignation of Daniela Hilpl from the Historic Commission. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

### **Consideration: Approval of Minutes: January 28, 2020**

Member McClure made a motion to approve the minutes of January 28, 2020. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed, 8 yes, 0 no.

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

Manager Hart stated the Human Relations Commission members are going to attend an upcoming training seminar in March as per the requirements. The Commission will then be prepared to hold a meeting if need be.

Vice President Cherry reported on the Shade Tree Commission’s activities and current issues with enforcement of the Shade Tree Ordinance.

### **Solicitor / Mayor / Council / Chief of Police / Manager**

Solicitor Gifford announced an executive session will be held to discuss two personnel matters, a legal matter and provide education on the Sunshine Act and Right-to-Know laws for Council members. He anticipated that no action will be taken following executive session.

Member Amato asked if there’s anything the Borough can do to resolve alleyway disputes. Solicitor Gifford stated he will review the issue with Council in executive session. Andrew Berenson, 439 Washington Avenue, asked why Solicitor Gifford needs to discuss alleyways in private. Solicitor Gifford stated he is not authorized to provide legal advice in public because it could allow for someone to exploit his advice.

Manager Hart reviewed the list of Boards and Commissions vacancies. She then announced at an upcoming Council meeting, Council will authorize an official proclamation to endorse the 2020 U.S. Census. She then announced that everyone should have received their tax bills in the mail for County and Borough Real Estate taxes. She then reviewed the list of upcoming historical events being hosted by local historical societies and upcoming events being hosted by the North Penn Arts Alliance at the North Wales Arts and Cultural Center.

Member Neiderhiser made a motion to adjourn. Member McClure seconded the motion.  
Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Meeting adjourned at 7:28 P.M.

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