

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES
 300 SCHOOL STREET
 NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

REMOTE MEETING: April 21, 2020 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.	Present
	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 none.

Consideration: Support Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commissions (DVRPC) Transportation & Community Development Initiative (TCDI) Grant Application

Member O'Neill made a motion to support a Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission Transportation and Community Development Initiative Grant Application, to be submitted by Upper Gwynedd Township. Member McClure seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote was taken. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Easter Candy Donation to Manna on Main Street

Member O'Neill made a motion to approve donating the 2020 Easter Egg Hunt candy to Manna on Main Street. Member Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: March 2020 Disbursements: \$64,973.88

Member McClure made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$64,973.88 for the month of March. Member Tarlecki seconded the motion. Manager Hart disclosed that the payments for March were mailed out to avoid late fees, etc. If a member of Council has a concern or if a payment listed is in question or denied approval, she will seek a refund or credit

accordingly. President Sando explained that the payment for the North Wales Area Library and the North Penn Fire Volunteer Fire Company are the result of tax dollars collected. Manager Hart explained the fund balance for 2020 included accruals and the intent was to pass the funds through as quickly as possible. Roll Call Vote was taken. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: April 2020 Disbursements: \$106,531.56

Member O'Neill made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$106,531.56 for the month of April. Member McClure seconded the motion. Member Amato questioned why there are two PECO Streetlight invoices on the same bill list. Manager Hart explained one was due in April and the next is Due in May but prior to the next meeting, so she entered both for payment to avoid late fees. Roll Call Vote was taken. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Minutes: March 10, 2020 & March 26, 2020

Member O'Neill made a motion to approve the minutes of March 10, 2020. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Member O'Neill made a motion to approve the minutes of March 26, 2020. Member McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed 8 yes, 0 no.

Old Business/Committee & Board Reports/Zoning Applications

Bill Kaelin, North Wales Emergency Management Coordinator, delivered an update via *Zoom* regarding COVID-19 status. The Borough currently has five active cases. The fire, police and Borough staff are prepared with adequate supplies and resources regarding Personal Protection Equipment (PPE). He asked that all residents and business owners continue to practice social distancing and adhere to the recommendations of our State and County Health Departments. Manager Hart thanked Mr. Kaelin for his dedication and excellent job keeping Borough Council, the Public Safety Committee, and Borough staff updated regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

Member Amato and Manager Hart reviewed Finance Committee meeting minutes related to borrowing funds for the North Wales 2040 Implementation Plan. Minor discussion took place relating to the projected decrease in revenue related to COVID-19, primarily the potential decline in Earned Income Tax due to high unemployment statistics during the pandemic. Manager Hart will continue to work with the Finance Committee and seek more information relating to borrowing and budget transfers for the remainder of the 2020 Budget. Manager Hart also updated Council regarding the Human Relations aspects and impacts of COVID-19.

Assistant Manager Alan Guzzardo and Zoning Officer, announced the upcoming Zoning Hearing Board Meeting information for 123 N. Second Street was posted on the Borough's website and would be held electronically on May 5, 2020.

Solicitor / Mayor / Council / Chief of Police / Manager

Solicitor Gifford updated Council regarding Station Place litigation. He indicated that the Courts have been closed since March and the upcoming date in May will likely be moved to August or September.

Mayor D'Angelo reminded Council and the residents that as of April 30, 2020, the Radio Station, WNPV-1440 AM, will no longer be broadcasting. Mayor D'Angelo thanked the entire staff, producers, and broadcasters. He issued a Proclamation for WNPV and elaborated on the public role and enormous service the station has provided to the members of our community. He also issued a Citation, naming the lead broadcaster, Daryl Berger, as an honorary citizen of North Wales Borough.

Members Neiderhiser and Tarlecki thanked everyone for their efforts during this pandemic. President Sando also thanked not only the employees, but also, the Fire Department, Police and frontline workers in our community working and volunteering to keep us safe.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 P.M.

Attest: _____
Christine A. Hart
Borough Manager