

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES

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COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, March 11, 2025 – 7:00 P.M.

Salvatore Amato Sherwin Collins Anji Fazio Alexander Groce Brittany Kohler

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Wendy McClure Sally Neiderhiser Mark Tarlecki Sarah Whelan Neil McDevitt, Mayor

Call to Order, Date and Time Roll Call Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

Co	onsideration: Establish Handicapped Parking Space Adjacent to 127 N. 2 nd St.
Pr	oclamation: Recognizing April as PA 811 Safe Digging Month
Co	onsideration: Approval of Minutes: February 25 th , 2025
Ol	d Business / Committee & Board Reports / Zoning Applications / Parking Lot
So	licitor / Mayor / Council / Chief / Public Works / Manager

Adjournment

All interested parties may participate on the date and time noted above and when called upon by the Council President. The public may also submit questions or comments prior to the meeting by e-mail to info@northwalesborough.org; these must be received no later than 12 Noon on the day of the meeting. Persons with disabilities who wish to attend the meeting and require auxiliary aid, service, or other accommodation to participate in the meeting should contact North Wales Borough at 215-699-4424 or by e-mail to info@northwalesborough.org.

Mayor's Office Hours:

2nd Tuesdays

5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Monthly Meetings Information:

HARB3rd Wednesday of MonthHistoric Commission4th Thursday of MonthHuman Relations Commission3rd Thursday of MonthPark & Recreation Board2nd Thursday of MonthPlanning Commission1st Wednesday of MonthShade Tree Commission2nd Thursday of Month

Zoning Hearing Board 1st Tuesday of Month, as needed

Nor-Gwyn Pool Commission 4th Tuesday of Month

All the above meetings begin at 7 P.M. at Borough Hall, unless noted otherwise.

North Wales Water Authority 3rd Wednesday of Month

5:00 P.M., 200 W. Walnut Street

Please note: The meeting is being digitally recorded.

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES APPLICATION RESIDENTIAL ON-STREET DISABLED SPACE

REC'D NORTH WALES BORD TAN 3 2025 PN4:07

Please return completed form to:	
North Wales Borough 300 School Street North Wales, PA 19454	Note: Please attach copy of handicap placard, Vehicle Registration Doctor's Note
Applicant's Name LV15A	A. ROGEAS (FRANK M. ROGEAS)
Home Address 127 N.	20157.
City/Zip Code NINA/es,	DA 19434
Telephone	E-mail
I request the installation of a Disabled Parki	ng Zone at:
My home address	
Different address	
 What is nature of your disability? 	
• Which of the following do you use t	o aid mobility?
Wheelchair Crutches Other (specify)	Walker Cane
 License Plate number of vehicle you 	use:
Disabled I cisons I lacard ito.	
• Issue Date: 2024	Expiration Date: 03-29
• In whose name is the above vehicle	registered
I cannot park in my driveway or gara Don't have a garage or drive My driveway is not wide end My driveway is too steep to s My garage is full Other	nge because: way ough to safely exit my vehicle safety exit my vehicle
I understand that the Borough may remo time if it is no longer used for its intended	ve this on-street disabled parking space at any I purpose.
Applicant's Signature	Date 12-30-24

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Proclamation

March 13, 2025

WHEREAS, the month of April 2025 recognized as "Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month", and the initiative sponsored by Pennsylvania 811, a utility notification information center with over 50 years of continuous service to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania 811 received over 1 million excavation notifications in 2022, and transmitted approximately 6.8 million notifications to their member facility owners and operators allowing essential utility and construction crews to provide vital underground services and repair of critical infrastructure to communities throughout Pennsylvania, and

WHEREAS, when contacting 811, at least three business days before digging, a homeowner or a contractor is connected to a unique service that notifies the appropriate underground utility operators in the municipality in which the work will be performed, and

WHEREAS, by notifying 811 of their intent to dig, the homeowner or contractor is knowingly helping to protect the underground utilities, themselves, the work crew, and their neighbors from any unsafe digging practices within their community, and

WHEREAS, upon receiving the notification from Pennsylvania 811, the facility owners and operators disperse to the said work site to mark the approximate location of their underground utility lines with flags, paint, or both, to establish an eighteen-inch tolerance zone of the outside wall or edge of their line or facility, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of North Wales, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, in support of the Pennsylvania Underground Utility Line Protection Law, PA Act 287 of 1974, as amended, do hereby proclaim April 2025 as "Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month", and encourage all Pennsylvanians to visit the Pennsylvania 811 website at www.palcall.org for information about digging safely.

Salvatore Amato, Council President North Wales Borough BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES 300 SCHOOL STREET NORTH WALES, PENNSYLVANIA

MEETING: February 25th, 2025, 7:01 P.M., EST

CALL TO ORDER made by President Amato.

ROLL CALL: Salvatore Amato Present

Sherwin Collins Present Anii Fazio Present Alexander Groce Present Brittany Kohler Present Wendy McClure Present Sally Neiderhiser Present Mark Tarlecki Present Sarah Whelan Present Mayor Neil McDevitt Present

Also, in attendance were Greg Gifford, Borough Solicitor, David Erenius, Chief of Police, Alex Turock, Assistant Borough Manager, and Braeden Bussman, Junior Council Person.

President Amato led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

Joanne Geisler, 233 S. Main St., expressed her concerns about the living conditions in the unit she rents and the discontinuation of trash service by her landlord. Manager Hart explained that the appropriate enforcement actions have been taken and that agencies have been contacted about the issues that are outside of the Borough's jurisdiction. Ms. Geisler expressed her appreciation for the assistance Borough staff have provided.

Swearing In: North Wales Police Officer Zachary Futchko

Chief Erenius read a brief biography about Zach. Mayor McDevitt swore in Officer Futchko.

Consideration: Authorization to File Declaration of Taking – Center Street Sidewalk Extension Project

Ian Horowitz, 348 W. Montgomery Ave., expressed his displeasure with the project and the action being taken. He explained how his family uses the side yard and the effects the installation of the sidewalks will have on his property.

Member Collins made a motion to Authorize Filing the Declaration of Taking. Member Fazio seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Appointment to Police Pension Committee – Terms Expiring 12/31/2025

Member Fazio made a motion to Appoint Members as follows: Mark Tarlecki – Council Rep.

Lisa Vogel – Resident Rep., Ofc. Lynne Custer – Police Rep. to the Police Pension Committee. Member Kohler seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approval to Apply for Montco 2040 - NWACC Building Security

Manager Hart explained the project which focuses on adding security cameras to the North Wales Arts and Cultural Center. The Borough would seek approximately \$55,000 in funding for this project with a 20% match.

Member Kohler made a motion to Approve Applying for the Montco2040 grant for NWACC Building Security. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approval of Certificate of Appropriateness – 233 S. Main St. and 136 S. Main St.

Manager Hart reviewed the porch project at 233 S. Main St.

Member McClure made a motion to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for 233 S. Main St. Member Whelan seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no.

Manager Hart reviewed the new sign application for 136 S. Main St.

Member Kohler made a motion to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for 136 S. Main St. Member Neiderhiser seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approval of Disbursements: \$101,683.99

Manager Hart reviewed the disbursements.

Member McClure made a motion to pay the bills. Member Fazio seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no.

Consideration: Approval of Minutes: February 11th, 2025

Member McClure made a motion to Approve the Minutes of February 11th, 2025. Member Whelan seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no.

Old Business / Committee & Board Reports / Zoning Applications / Parking Lot

Manager Hart reviewed the February Parks and Recreation Board Minutes.

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

Solicitor Gifford announced that there was an executive session prior to the Council meeting to discuss a matter of potential litigation. No action was taken

Mayor McDevitt thanked all emergency services and Borough staff who aided residences during the recent windstorms.

Mayor McDevitt made the following statement in response to the SPS fire in Abington - it may be hard to believe in this day and age but most of the people who were actively fighting that fire were volunteers - our NPVFC is staffed entirely by volunteers - professionals who do this work who are driven by a sense of pride and service in their community. Many communities in Montgomery County enjoy a relatively low tax base directly because of their selfless service. Please continue to support their work with your donations and subscriptions.

Mayor McDevitt encouraged local students over the age of 18 to apply to North Wales Water Authority's summer internship program.

Chief Erenius reported that there is an upcoming Consortium test, and he hopes to be able to hire a full-time officer when that list is prepared.

Manager Hart discussed the Public Works' awareness of significant potholes around town and are working to fill the worst ones first.

Manager Hart reviewed upcoming events including the Egg Hunt on April 12th which will be here before we know it.

Adjournment

Member Neiderhiser made a motion to adjourn. Member Kohler seconded the motion. Motion passed 9 yes, 0 no. Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.

Attest:			
	Christine A. Hart		
	Borough Manager		



NORTH WALES BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT

300 School Street, North Wales, Pa. 19454

Phone: 215-699-9279 Fax: 215-699-3765 E-Mail: NWPD@northwalesborough.org

March 4, 2025

Here are February's notable events for the North Wales Borough Police Department:

- Officers completed 591 Incident Reports.
- Officers conducted 209 traffic stops.
- Officers were requested to patrol 3 homes by residents while they were on vacation.
- Officers completed their monthly Chris Boyle Legal Updates training.
- Officers continue visiting North Wales Elementary School. Officers have been having scheduled reading time with the different classes once a week.
- Officer Futchko was sworn in.

Respectfully,

Tara Claffey Administrative Assistant to Chief Erenius

Where can I get a REAL ID?

If you decide that a REAL ID is right for you, you have three options for applying for a REAL ID.

- Apply online (pre-verified customers only)
- Visit any PennDOT Driver License Center to have your documents verified and imaged, receive your REAL ID in the mail within 15 business days
- Visit a PennDOT REAL ID Driver License Center statewide to have your documents verified and imaged, receive your REAL ID at the time of service. To find a REAL ID Center near you, go to www.PennDOT.gov/REALID, and click on "REAL ID Center Locations."



Pre-Verify Online!

If you received your **FIRST** Pennsylvania driver's license, learner's permit or photo ID card AFTER September 1, 2003, PennDOT may already have your REAL ID documentation on file.

To find out if your required REAL ID documents are on file with PennDOT, visit www.PennDOT.gov/REALID.

If PennDOT confirms that your documents are on file, you can order your REAL ID online. Please allow up to 15 business days for processing.

Where can I go to learn more?

Visit our website at www.PennDOT.gov/REALID to learn more about REAL ID and decide if it is right for you. You will find detailed information about what documents you need to present, and answers to frequently asked questions about REAL ID.

For additional information about REAL ID from the United States Department of Homeland Security, visit **www.dhs.gov** and search for "REAL ID."

For a complete list of identification accepted by the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), visit **www.tsa.gov** and search for "Identification."

Things to Remember:



Individual federal facilities—including military installations—may have different security measures and accepted forms of identification may vary. Contact the facility in advance of your visit to learn what forms of ID will be accepted.



You will still need a valid passport to travel internationally.



After **May 7, 2025**, you will need a REAL ID (or another TSA-approved form of ID) to board a commercial flight, even within the U.S.

Learn more at: www.PennDOT.gov/REALID

REAL ID in Pennsylvania





Pennsylvania
Department of Transportation

PUB 813 (2-25

What is REAL ID?

The REAL ID Act is a federal law that affects how states issue driver's licenses and ID cards if they are going to be acceptable for federal purposes, such as boarding a domestic commercial flight, or entering a military installation or federal facility that requires ID.

Beginning May 7, 2025, Pennsylvanians will need a REAL ID-compliant license, identification card or another form of federally-acceptable identification (such as a valid passport or military ID) to:

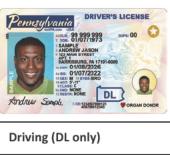
- · Board domestic commercial flights
- Enter a military base
- Enter a federal facility that requires federallyacceptable identification

Do I have to get a REAL ID?

No. REAL ID is optional for Pennsylvania residents.

You will be able to get either a REAL ID driver's license or identification card, or a standard driver's license or identification card.

If you do not get a REAL ID, you must have an alternate form of federally-acceptable identification (valid passport, military ID, etc.) to board domestic commercial flights and enter certain federal facilities after May 7, 2025.



Andrew Songle SONER ORGAN DONOR	Standard ID or DL	REAL ID ID or DL
Driving (DL only)	\checkmark	\checkmark
General Identification Purposes	√	√
Boarding a Domestic (U.S.) Flight after May 7, 2025	X	√
Entering a Federal Facility (that requires ID) or Military	X	√

You DO NOT need a REAL ID to:

- Visit the post office
- · Access federal courts
- Apply for or receive federal benefits

How much does a REAL ID cost. and when will it expire?

You will pay a one-time fee of \$30, plus applicable renewal fee(s).

The expiration date of your first REAL ID license or ID card will include any time remaining on your current license or ID card, plus an additional four years.*

For example, if your license is set to expire in May 2025, but you upgrade to a REAL ID in May 2024, your new REAL ID-compliant license or ID card will not expire until May 2029.

This means that you will not "lose" time that you have already paid for. After your first REAL ID license or photo ID expires, there are no additional fees to renew a REAL ID vs. a standard-issue ID.

If you are receiving your first Pennsylvania driver's license or photo ID and you would like to get a REAL ID, you will pay the one-time REAL ID fee, plus the regular initial issuance fee.

Please Note: Commercial driver license (CDL) holders may either apply to renew their CDL or apply for a duplicate CDL and pay the applicable fee(s).



*unless you are over 65 and have opted for a two-year license



How do I get a REAL ID?

You will need to bring the following documents to a **PennDOT Driver Licensing Center:**

· Proof of identity

Certified copy of a birth certificate filed with the State Office of Vital Records/Statistics with a raised/embossed seal or a valid, unexpired, U.S. Passport or Passport Card.

Non-US citizens please visit:

https://www.pa.gov/agencies/dmv/faqs/driverlicensing-faqs/real-id-faqs.html

Proof of Social Security

Social Security card in your current legal name (laminated/unlaminated) or, one of the following that displays ALL nine (9) digits of your social security number: W-2, SSA-1099 Form, Non SSA-1099 Form or Pav Stub.

Two proofs of current, physical PA address

Examples: Current, unexpired PA driver's license or photo ID card; PA vehicle registration card; valid auto insurance card; computer-generated utility bill showing name and address; W-2 form/pay stub

All documents must be in current legal name.

Proof of all legal name changes, if applicable

All certified marriage certificate(s), for each marriage to track name changes, issued by the county court (Clerk of Orphans Court, Registrar of Wills, etc.) in which the license was issued.

Court order(s) approving a change of legal name

Original or certified copy of an amended birth certificate issued by State Office of Vital Records/Statistics

For additional information on REAL ID documentation requirements and to download our printable document checklist, visit www.PennDOT.gov/REALID and click "Document Checklist."



Learn more at: www.PennDOT.gov/REALID

FREE EVENT

SCAM JAM

March 20, 2025 • 9:30-11:30 a.m.

The Center at Spring Street Boyertown Area Multi-Service 200 W. Spring St., Boyertown





A Reduce, Reuse, Recycle Event!

NORTH WALES BOROUGH



BOROUGH RESIDENTS ONLY

Saturday April 26th, 2025 from 9am to 12pm

LOCATION: BOROUGH HALL, 300 SCHOOL ST

Paper Shredding
Old Shoes, Boots, Sneakers
Torn or Tattered US Flags

Used Eyeglasses
Used Clothing and Textiles
Scrap Metal/Fire Extinguishers

Items containing refrigerant; air conditioners, freezers, refrigerators, etc.

E-Recycling | Limit (1) TV per household – No Console TV's

LOCATION: Hink's Garage, 346 W WALNUT ST

Auto Parts, Wheels Car Batteries

New/Used Oil, Coolant, Chemicals Used Tires – Limit (2) per resident only

Thank you to our Earth Day Sponsors:















NOTE: This event is an outdoor event, it will be held rain or shine!

4TH STREET COMMUNITY GARDEN Spring Planting

YOU ARE INVITED



17TH MAY 9:30AM

208 S 4TH ST