

WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2015  
Borough Chambers  
601 Water Street

The regular meeting of the governing body convened at 7:01 pm on Monday, March 2, 2015.

*In attendance:* President Scritchfield, Councilwoman Bolton, Councilman Sipes, Councilwoman Abel, Secretary Wirls, Engineer Klinedinst, Treasurer Brenner, Chief Hege, Assistant Secretary Tammie Hoff, Public Works Director Brian Lyle.

*Absent:* Councilman Loercher, Vice-President Shannon, Solicitor Baranski

Council President Scritchfield called the Regular Meeting of the Wrightsville Borough governing body to order at 7:01 pm and led the salute to the American Flag.

PATRONS:

Resident Mel McDonald –

- Inquired about the proposed wall in the South Front Street Retro-fit design
  - Graffiti concerns
  - Worriment about losing some of the view by incorporating a wall

It was stated that more details and discussion will occur at the Planning Meeting on Monday, March 16, 2015.

Resident Jesse Workman –

- Expressed concern about the drivers that blow through the stop sign at 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Cherry Street, particularly during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.
- Requesting a Dead End sign be placed at the dead end area.

Discussion ensued regarding the dead end.

Monica Billig and Eric Reed (EFC of Maryland)

- Provided updates regarding the work performed and data obtained since the last presentation to the governing body.
- Relayed various recommendations:
  - Implementation of an asset management system with an emphasis on the infrastructure.
  - Improve efficiencies – possible MOU with the Municipal Authority.
  - Organizational capacity – possible shuffling of duties but keeping the permit with the Borough.
  - Financing – costs will continue to be gathered and a rate structure to be formulated with possible leveraging with grants and loans. By June, a better idea of the costs will be obtained.

MINUTE APPROVAL:

Councilman Sipes made a motion to approve the February 16, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes. Councilman Abel seconded the motion. All in favor.

Motion passed with a unanimous vote, 4-0.

**ZONING:**

Zoning Officer Cunningham relayed the following to those in attendance:

- Zoning Hearing Board meeting on Wednesday, April 1, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.
- Not a lot of activity in the permitting but there have been numerous inquiries as residents are preparing for the spring and home improvement projects.

**FIRE:**

Councilwoman Abel read correspondence from Fire Chief Livelsberger to those in attendance.

**AMBULANCE:**

A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Jim Arvin, Owner of White Rose Ambulance, relayed report highlights to those in attendance.

President Scritchfield commented on his observations during the fire that occurred on Friday and the professional performance of the White Rose Ambulance staff. Additionally, President Scritchfield informed those present that Public Works Director Lyle, Councilman Sipes and Mayor Habecker were of great help during the large fire this past Friday.

**POLICE:**

A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Police Chief Hege relayed report highlights to those in attendance.

**TREASURER:**

The check register for the month of February 2015 was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Treasurer Brenner provided a financial report for the month of February 2015.

- Receipt of cable franchise fee check
- A lot of man hours due to the inclement weather but the Street Department has done a very good job at keeping the hours at a reasonable level.
- Yearly audit began earlier today.

Councilwoman Abel made a motion to approve the check register for the month of February 2015.

Councilman Sipes seconded the motion. All in favor.

The motion passed with a unanimous vote, 4-0.

Councilman Sipes made a motion to approve the financial report for February 2015.

Councilwoman Abel seconded the motion. All in favor.

The motion passed with a unanimous vote, 4-0.

**SOLICITOR:**

No report

**ENGINEER:**

A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Engineer Klinedinst relayed report highlights to those in attendance.

**PROJECT MANAGER:**

A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.

MAYOR:

A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Mayor Habecker relayed the following to those in attendance:

- 502 Walnut Street was deemed to be a total loss as a result of the fire which occurred this past Friday. And is therefore, condemned.
- It does appear as if the homeowners did have insurance on the home, which is good news for the Borough, as hopefully it will not result in a situation as with 513 Cherry Street.
- A resident recently inquired as to the existence of a special senior rate for the trash collection. Unfortunately, there is not a reduced rates for senior citizens.
- The date for the Riverfront Community Day has moved to Saturday, May 2, 2015 as a result of conflicting schedules and potential correlation with the activities occurring over in Columbia on Friday, May 1, 2015.
- Received a call from Teresa Weaver, Business Manager for the Eastern York School District, regarding the Crossing Guards.

Discussion: School Crossing Guards

- Chain of command
- Scheduling
- School and Borough liaisons

COMMITTEE REPORTS & ACTION ITEMS -

Administration & Finance:

None

Public Works:

A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Public Works Director Lyle relayed the following to those in attendance:

- Borough and Municipal Authority employees will be taking a course in CPR and First Aid this month.
- There was a large amount of snow plowing this past month due to the heavy snowfall.
- It was noticed that a large number of residents throw snow back into the roadway, which is against Borough Ordinances and is a safety and time factor as well.
- Should Council hear of damage being done to a fence on South 6<sup>th</sup> Street, there is 100% assurance that it is not as a result of Borough snow plowing.

Public Safety:

No report

Community & Economic Development:

Councilwoman Bolton made a motion to appoint Councilman Ed Sipes as the Voting Delegate for the Borough of Wrightsville at the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs conference.

Councilwoman Abel seconded the motion. All in favor.

The motion carried with a unanimous vote, 4-0.

Parks & Recreation:

Councilman Sipes relayed to those in attendance:

- The Senior Center made over \$1,000 profit with the recent spaghetti dinner and auction. Approximately 125 people were served.

Personnel Committee:

No report

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

None

Councilman Sipes made a motion to adjourn the March 2, 2015 Regular Meeting of the Wrightsville Borough Council.

Councilwoman Abel seconded the motion. All in favor.

The motion carried with a unanimous vote, 4-0.

The March 2, 2015 Regular Council Meeting of the Wrightsville Borough governing body was officially adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa B Wirls  
Borough Secretary