WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH

YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

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WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
**REGULAR MEETING**
MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2017
BOROUGH CHAMBERS
601 WATER STREET

*In attendance:* Vice- President Bolton, Councilman Loercher, Councilman White, Councilman Gromling, Councilman McDonald,Solicitor Baranski, Treasurer Brenner, Engineer Klinedinst, Chief Hege, Secretary Hoff

*Absent*: President Scritchfield

Council Vice- President Bolton called the Regular Meeting of the Wrightsville Borough governing body to order at 6:30pm and led the salute to the American Flag.

**PATRONS**:

- Ed Sipes:
  Mr. Sipes relayed to those in attendance that Wrightsville Recreation will have 3 softball and 4 baseball teams for the 2017 season. Recreation Committee will begin the annual spring cleanup in the near future.
- Jamie Schelisinger – PFM Financial Advisors (Public Financial Management)
  Mr. Schelisinger presented a proposal for bond refinancing for Wrightsville Borough Municipal Authority. Mr. Schleisinger indicated that the same proposal has already been presented to Wrightsville Borough Municipal Authority with intentions of approving the refinancing during the March 9, 2017 Wrightsville Borough Municipal Authority meeting. Treasurer Brenner relayed to those in attendance that the bond refinancing will benefit the tax payers in Wrightsville Borough by reducing their monthly bill for water and sewer services in the borough.
- Michael Albert:
  Mr. Albert introduced himself and his wife Lois Albert to those in attendance. He presented a letter of intent to Wrightsville Borough Council Members to fulfill the vacant seat of Mayor for Wrightsville Borough. Mr. Albert relayed to those in attendance a short synopsis of his professional background.

**ACTION ITEMS**:

Vice-President Bolton opened discussion and accepted nominations to fulfill the vacant seat for Mayor.

Councilman McDonald made a motion to appoint Michael Albert to fulfill the vacant seat for Mayor of Wrightsville Borough. Councilman White seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:
Councilman McDonald – aye
Councilman White- aye
Councilman Gromling – aye
Councilman Loercher – aye
Vice- President Bolton – aye

Vice-President Bolton congratulated Michael Albert on his appointment as Mayor for Wrightsville Borough fulfilling the term through 2017.

Solicitor Baranski informed Michael Albert that he would need to be sworn in by a notary or District magistrate before he can assume the mayoral duties.

No other nominations were made.

**MINUTE APPROVAL**:

Councilman White made a motion to approve the February 6, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes noting that a change will be made to include the removal of the executive session from the agenda. Councilman Loercher seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman Loercher made a motion to approve the February 20, 2017 Planning Meeting Minutes. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

*Change in agenda*: Vice-President and Solicitor Baranski asked council members if there were any objections in changing the agenda to allow additional public comment from resident who arrived after meeting started. Council members had no objections to this change.

- Julie Heindel:
  Ms. Heindel asked council permission to waive the permit fee to allow Breaking Bread Ministries to host their annual Feeding the Hungry event for Wrightsville Borough. Event is held the 4th Saturday of each month from April through October from 3:30pm – 5:30pm. Councilman White made a motion to waive the $50.00 fee for recreation/entertainment permit. Councilman Loercher seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

**ZONING**:

Report provided with monthly meeting materials. Councilman White expressed his dislike with the Zoning Ordinance. Councilman White relayed to those in attendance that the will be reviewing the Zoning Ordinance in detail over the next several months and will recommend that certain items be revised.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials. Chief Livelsberger relayed the highlights of the report to those in attendance.

Chief Livelsberger relayed to those in attendance that he was able to walk and view the damaged areas affected by the tornado with FEMA and National Weather Service representatives. Chief Livelsberger indicated that damage calculations would have to be at least $18,000,000 for federal funding to be received to assist those affected from storm damage.

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Council members thanked Chief Livelsberger and his staff for the work done during the recent tornado in Wrightsville Borough and surrounding areas.

Mr. Jim Arvin from White Rose Ambulance also expressed his appreciation in the working relationship over the last 5 years between the department and White Rose Ambulance Services.

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**TREASURER**:

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Treasurer Brenner stated that the 2016 audit for Wrightsville Borough has stated.

**SOLICITOR**:

No report

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**:

Executive session was held from 7:25pm – 8:00pm. Solicitor Baranaski relayed to those in attendance that an executive session was held to discuss personnel matters

*Meeting reconvened at 8:01pm*

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**-

**Administration & Finance**:

Councilman Loercher made a motion to approve and adopt Resolution 2017-4, a Resolution of Wrightsville Borough establishing fees for permits, reviews, documents and services. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. Councilman White opposed the motion and was not in favor. Vice-President voted aye and the motion carried.

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**Public Works**:

Councilman Gromling relayed to those in attendance that additional street lighting will be placed at 3rd Street and Hellam Street to increase illumination at this area. Installation work should be completed within 60-90 days.

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**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:**

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