# WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2018

Borough Chambers 601 Water Street Wrightsville, PA

In attendance: Council President White, Vice President Gromling, Councilman Bair, Councilman McDonald, Councilman Smith, Councilman Kirkessner, Mayor Albert, Solicitor Fields, Engineer McCoy (in attendance for Engineer Klinedinst - absence), Sergeant Golder, Treasurer Brenner, Secretary Hoff

Absent: Engineer Klinedinst

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

President White started the meeting by calling for a moment of silence to respect and pay tribute to 41<sup>st</sup> President of the United States of America George H.W. Bush.

#### **PATRONS:**

Paul Normoyle:

Mr. Normoyle is new to area of Wrightsville Borough and announced that he has purchased the former bike shop on Hellam Street and will be opening an antique shop and wanted to introduce himself to council members.

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

- Councilman Smith made a motion to accept resignation from John Cressler, Wrightsville Borough Tax Collector effective December 31, 2018. Vice President Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.
- Councilman Smith made a motion to schedule and advertise a Public Hearing to be held on January 7, 2019 at 6:30pm to consider a request by Two Farms Inc. to transfer a liquor license into Wrightsville Borough. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

#### MINUTE APPROVAL:

Councilman Smith made a motion to approve the November 5, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman Bair made a motion to approve the November 19, 2018 Planning Meeting Minutes. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

# **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

#### Zoning:

Report provided with monthly meeting materials.

#### Fire:

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

### **Ambulance:**

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials. Report highlights were relayed by Mr. Marden with Susquehanna Valley EMS.

#### Police:

Report was provided with meeting materials. Chief Pollock relayed report highlights to those in attendance. Sergeant Golder relayed report highlights to those in attendance.

#### **Streets & Parks:**

Report provided with monthly meeting materials.

## **Engineer:**

Report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Engineer McCoy relayed report highlights to those in attendance.

- Councilman Smith made a contingent motion to approve payment #1 to MacMor Construction in the amount of \$21,185.74 pending receipt of CDBG Block Grant funds. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.
- Councilman Bair made a motion for MacMor Construction to proceed with work on 300-500 Block Locust Street Project allowing 270 days to complete project. Construction is scheduled to be completed August 10, 2019. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

#### Treasurer:

Report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.

Councilman McDonald made a motion to approve the check register for the month of November 2018. Councilman Smith seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman McDonald made a motion to approve the financial report for the month of November 2018. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Treasurer Brenner relayed to those in attendance that the 2019 proposed budget has been updated to reflect discussions at previous meeting. Treasurer Brenner stated to those in attendance that a previous budget reflected \$51,380 deficit and with changes made the deficit would now reflect \$40,097. Previous calculations didn't include detailed expenses for police services and finalized cost of Locust Street Project.

Vice President Gromling asked Treasurer Brenner where street department maintenance costs were identified in budget. VP Gromling felt as if the budget line items are not specific enough. VP Gromling would like to see line items for the following: Traffic Control Devices, Building Repairs and Small Tools/Equipment. Treasurer Brenner answered that corrections would be made to reflect the request of VP Gromling.

Treasurer Brenner indicated that budget reflect a cost of living increase of 2.8% for all employees. VP Gromling indicated that he is not in favor of employees receiving raises. Treasurer Brenner indicated that the increases would have a combined cost of \$4217.00. Treasurer Brenner stated that pension contributions could halt to add revenue to budget. President White suggested that there are no pension contributions made for 2019.

A discussion was held between council members stating that a tax increase of .71 mills would net a positive surplus of \$19,851 in total. It was noted that the milleage rate would increase to 5.4 for general purposes. The budget presented to council during the meeting on December 3, 2018 is reflective of tax increase revenue.

Councilman Smith relayed to fellow members of council that a tax increase is necessary to offset the deficit being presented. Councilman Smith made a motion to a to increase the milleage rate for general purposes from 4.69 mills to 5.40 mills. Councilman Kirkessner seconded the motion. President White and VP Gromling were opposed to the motion. All other in favor. The motion carried with a vote of 4-2.

Councilman Bair made a motion to advertise the proposed 2019 budget for the Borough of Wrightsville, York County, Pennsylvania and advertise required by law, for adoption at a council meeting on December 17, 2018. Councilman Smith seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman Smith made a motion to advertise a Tax Levy Ordinance for fiscal year 2019 for the Borough of Wrightsville for adoption during council meeting on December 17, 2018. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Solicitor Fields relayed to those in attendance that he asked Wrightsville Borough Fire Department Solicitor for proposal to acquire land currently owned by Wrightsville Borough. Solicitor Fields relayed that he will update as more information is available.
COMMITTEE REPORTS:
ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:
No report
PUBLIC WORKS:
President White relayed to those in attendance that some members of the borough are asking about providing funds to purchase new Christmas decoration to be displayed in borough. More details will need worked through on this matter.
PUBLIC SAFETY:
No report
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:
No report
PARKS & RECREATION:
VP Gromling relayed to those in attendance that the tree located by the concession stand at Riverfront Park has been cut down.
PERSONNEL:
No report
ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

Mayor:

No report

Solicitor:

No additional business.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman McDonald made a motion to adjourn the December 3, 2018 Regular meeting at 9:20pm. Vice President Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammie Hoff Borough Secretary