WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2018

Borough Chambers 601 Water Street Wrightsville, PA

In attendance: Council President White, Vice President Gromling, Councilman McDonald, Councilman Bair, Mayor Albert, Solicitor Fields, Treasurer Brenner, Engineer Peters (substituting for Engineer Klinedinst), Officer in Charge Schaum, Secretary Hoff

Absent: Councilman Kirkessner

Council President White called the Regular Meeting of the Wrightsville Borough governing body to order at 6:31pm and led the salute to the American Flag.

PATRONS:

Jonathon Cox, Bond Counsel, Eckert Semans, Attorneys at Law:

Mr. Cox relayed to those in attendance timeline procedure for USDA loan being funded to complete stormwater projects within the borough and answered any questions from public and council. Mr. Cox also presented council with a Bond Service Counsel Agreement for review and stated that a unanimous approval was needed from council to move forward with the USDA loan.

Ben Craddock, Project Manager, Wrightsville Borough:

Mr. Craddock relayed to those in attendance the status of funding to Wrightsville Borough through the Growing Greener Grant to help with revitalization to Riverfront Park. The grant will fund approximately \$350,000.00 to Wrightsville Borough for the purpose of revitalization. At the request of council, Ben met with Jineen Boyle from DEP to discuss the flexibility of using grant money for other ideas/plans for Riverfront Park. Mr. Craddock relayed to council and those in attendance that an approval would be needed to move forward with the funding process from DEP.

Mel McDonald:

Mrs. McDonald expressed her displeasure to dogs being able to roam freely in the park without being on a leash. Mrs. McDonald would like to see larger, visible signs in the park to alert individuals that dogs need to be on a leash. Vice President Gromling indicated that Park Ordinance for Wrightsville Borough would need to be updated before enforcement could be administered.

ACTION ITEMS:

Mayor Albert issued Oath of Office to Frederick C, Smith., Jr. to serve as a Council Member for Wrightsville Borough effective February 5, 2018.

Councilman McDonald made a motion to accept the Bond Counsel Service Agreement presented by Jonathan Cox, Bound Counsel, Eckert, Seamans Attorneys at Law. Vice President Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Vice President Gromling made a motion to approve Ben Craddock to continue with funding process for Growing Greener Grant with DEP. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Vice President Gromling made a motion to approve and adopt Resolution 2018-13, a resolution designating the Borough of Wrightsville intent to erect a banner across Route 462/local roads Hellam and 4th Street. The banner will be used to advertise for Heritage Days. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Vice President Gromling made a motion to approve and adopt Resolution 2018-14, a resolution designating the Borough of Wrightsville intent to erect Christmas decorations across state Route 462/local road Hellam Street. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

MINUTE APPROVAL:

Councilman McDonald made a motion to approve the January 2, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes. Vice - President Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Vie President Gromling made a motion to approve the January 15, 2018 Planning Meeting Minutes. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

DPARTMENTAL REPORTS: Zoning:

No report was provided with monthly meeting materials

Fire:

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

Ambulance:

No report was provided with monthly meeting materials

Police:

A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Officer in Charge Schaum relayed the report to those in attendance.

Streets & Parks:

A written report was provided with monthly meeting materials. Council President White relayed the highlights of the report to those in attendance.

Councilman Gromling would like to invite residents of 300-500 blocks of Locust Street to a discussion forum to gather there comments and/or concerns when road work begins on the particular section of Locust Street.

Engineer:

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

Treasurer:

A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Treasurer Brenner relayed highlights of the report to those in attendance.

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

Treasurer Brenner relayed to those in attendance that the borough audit will begin on March 5, 2018.

Mayor:

Mayor Albert presented Officer in Charge Schaum a letter of appreciation for his commendable work within the department. Mayor Albert expressed that Officer in Charge Schaum has gone above and beyond the expectations needed to make ensure the department is operating smoothly and efficiently.

Solicitor:

Solicitor Fields relayed to council members and those public patrons in attendance that approval is required to advertise vacancies for Zoning Hearing Board members.

Vice President Gromling made a motion to advertise for vacancies for Zoning Hearing Board members. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Solicitor Fields relayed to those in attendance that a executive session will be held following adjournment of meeting. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the status of appointment of a Police Chief.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:

No report

PUBLIC WORKS:

No report

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Councilman Gromling relayed to those in attendance that he is currently working with a vendor on pricing for additional road closure signs to be used in borough for events including pedestrians and road work being completed.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

Vice President Gromling, Councilman Bair and Secretary Hoff attended a Regional Comprehensive Plan Meeting to discuss the possibility of combining efforts and creating a Regional Comprehensive Plan with multiple municipalities. Councilman Bair expressed his approval and he would vote positively on such project.

PARKS & RECREATION:

Vice President Gromling stated to those in attendance that the Park Ordinance for Wrightsville Borough needs to be updated in the very near future.

PERSONNEL:

No report

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Executive session was held from 8:59pm-9:49pm.

No public comment was made following executive session.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

Councilman McDonald made a motion to appoint Randee Scritchfield as Deputy Tax Collector for the Borough of Wrightsville. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman McDonald made a motion to adjourn the February 5, 2018 Regular meeting at 8:59pm. Vice President Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammie Hoff

Borough Secretary