

WRIGHTSVILLE

YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2019

Borough Chambers
601 Water Street
Wrightsville, PA

In attendance: Council President White, Vice President Gromling, Councilman McDonald, Councilman Bair, Councilman Smith, Councilman Kirkessner, Mayor Albert, Solicitor Fields, Treasurer Brenner, Engineer Klinedinst, Secretary Hoff

Absent: None

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.

PATRONS:

Ed Sipes:

Mr. Sipes relayed to those in attendance that Historic Wrightsville is hosting Ghost Story Tours on February 11, 2019 at 6:30pm. Anyone wanting more information can contact Historic Wrightsville. Mr. Sipes also relayed that Historic Wrightsville is currently offering a sub sale, please contact Historic Wrightsville for more information.

Joe Stein:

Mr. Stein, Project Manager with WAREHAUS introduced himself to council and asked council if they had any questions with Wrights Crossing Subdivision Plan. Council had no questions for Mr. Stein. Engineer Klinedinst relayed to those in attendance that he would report on plan status during his presentation of engineer's monthly report.

Larry Heim:

Mr. Heim asked members of council for their approval to host a Community Day hosted by the American Legion Post 469 on July 13, 2019 and July 14, 2019. Secretary Hoff relayed to members of council that Mr. Heim has already completed the permit form and he is simply looking for approval to use area of Riverfront Park.

Joe Taney:

Mr. Taney relayed to those in attendance that this will be the 100th anniversary of the American Legion Post 469 and members are looking for ideas and suggestions to make the Memorial Day Parade in Wrightsville Borough bigger and better than in years past. Mr. Taney would like to see more community involvement from residents and local businesses.

Mel McDonald:

Mrs. McDonald expressed her displeasure for President White removing Councilman McDonald from his duties of “cleaning up the town”. She stated that her along with Councilman McDonald are done caring about the town looking trashy.

ACTION ITEMS:

Vice President Gromling made a motion to approve and adopt Resolution 2019-5, a Resolution designating the intent of Borough of Wrightsville to erect Christmas decorations across Route 462/Local Road Hellam Street. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

MINUTE APPROVAL:

Councilman McDonald made a motion to approve the January 7, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes. Councilman Smith seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman Smith made a motion to approve the January 21, 2019 Planning Meeting Minutes. Vice President Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

DPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Zoning:

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:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials. Mr. Marden with Susquehanna Valley Emergency Services relayed report highlights to those in attendance. Mr. Marden relayed to members of council that he will not be present for the March monthly meeting as he will be on vacation.

Police:

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

Streets & Parks:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials. Vice President Gromling relayed to those in attendance that going forward the report will contain items that should be considered in budget planning for the following year.

Engineer:

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

Engineer Klinedinst relayed to council members that they must conditionally approve, deny or table Wrights Crossing Subdivision Plan pending approval from Wrightsville Borough Municipal Authority. Engineer Klinedinst noted that he would recommend approval of the plans. Engineer Klinedinst has completed another review of the plan and has provided his comments to Mr. Stein with WAREHAUS.

Vice President Gromling made a motion to approve Wrights Crossing Subdivision Plan pending approval from Wrightsville Borough Municipal Authority and all review comments submitted by Engineer Klinedinst are completed. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. Councilman Bair was opposed to the motion. The motion passed with a 4-1 vote.

Treasurer:

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

Councilman Smith made a motion to approve the check register for the month of January 2019. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman Smith made a motion to approve the financial report for the month of January 2019. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with unanimous vote.

Mayor:

No report

Solicitor:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

Councilman Bair made a motion to approve advertisement of public notice with the intent of Wrightsville Borough Council to enact an Ordinance consistent with Local Government Unit

Debt Act (LGUDA) for the purpose of securing funds for Locust Street Project. Councilman Smith seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Solicitor Fields asked council for direction on how to proceed with Property Proposal by Wrightsville Fire Company. Council directed Solicitor Fields to respond with a counter offer indicating a provisional clause be added to lease stating that Borough would not be responsible for improvements made on property moving forward.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:

Councilman Smith relayed to members of council that he will recommend and report on findings of costs associated with an in house zoning officer at the next meeting. Councilman Smith relayed that he will need to meet with Councilman Kirkessner and Treasurer Brenner to discuss matter.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Vice President Gromling indicated that there is a definite ponding issue with water at 450 S. Front St. Improvement measures must be reviewed and a plan of action is needed to prevent this matter going forward. Property owner has contact PennDOT officials on multiple occasions and has been provided with little to no assistance concerning taking corrective actions. VP Gromling stated that he will have a discussion with Code Administrators and other parties to institute corrective matters to address ponding in this particular area of S. Front St.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Vice President Gromling asked Solicitor Fields who is responsible for enforcing Sidewalk Ordinance when pertaining to the matter of snow removal. Solicitor Fields relayed that he would research and provide an answer after completing his research of Borough ordinance.

Vice President Gromling asked “ why doesn’t the Borough have an Animal Control Officer “. Members of council agreed that a need for an Animal Control Officer is needed in Wrightsville Borough. Additional discussion will continue after research of individuals and/or companies that provide such services to municipalities.

Councilman McDonald asked Engineer Klinedinst what can be placed in Riverfront Park to protect the children playing in the park. Engineer Klinedinst relayed that his recommendation would be large rocks placed around perimeter of the park. No further discussion was held on this matter.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

No report

PARKS & RECREATION:

Vice President Gromling relayed to those in attendance the the old park pavilion has been listed on municibid three times and most recently on borough website for anyone interested to submit a silent bid and no responses have been received from either avenue. VP Gromling stated that a representative from the Young Knights Athletic Department has contacted him with a potential interest in obtaining the pavilion to use in their program. Councilman McDonald made a motion to donate the old pavilion to the Young Knights Athletic Department. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman Smith made a conditional approval of recreation/entertainment permit submitted from American Legion Post 469 to hose Wrightsville Community Family Event on July 13, 2019 and July 14, 2019 pending proper insurance liability certificates are provided to Wrightsville Borough. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

PERSONNEL:

No report

COMPLAINT COMMITTEE:

No report

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

No additional business

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Smith made a motion to adjourn the February 4, 2019 Regular meeting at 9:03pm. Vice President Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Executive Session was held after adjournment. No public comment was made after executive session. Executive Session was held from 9:03pm-9:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammie Hoff

Borough Secretary

