

WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL  
**PLANNING MEETING**

**AUGUST 16, 2021**

Borough Chambers \* 601 Water Street \* Wrightsville

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The Planning Meeting of the Borough of Wrightsville governing body convened at 6:33PM on Monday, August 16, 2021. Council President White called the meeting to order and led the salute to the American Flag.

***In attendance:*** Council President White, Vice President Smith, Councilman McDonald, Councilman Gromling, Secretary Hoff

***Absent:*** Councilman Kirkessner, Councilman Bair, Mayor Albert, Engineer Klinedinst, Treasurer Brenner, Solicitor Nahass

**PATRONS:**

Mary Ellen Davis:

Ms. Davis asked if stop bars could be painted on roadway at 2<sup>nd</sup> and Maple St. Councilman Gromling noted the request and told Ms. Davis that he would not promise anything as there is a major paint shortage and it is very difficult to get paint to complete projects.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Councilman Gromling made a motion to approve recreation/entertainment permit application for ReMax Pinnacle – The Nathan Krotzer Team tethered balloon rides in conjunction with 4<sup>th</sup> Friday events at Half Nuts Popcorn on Friday, August 27, 2021 from 4pm to 10pm. Vice President Smith seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman Gromling made a motion to approve recreation/entertainment permit application, street closure request and waiver be granted to allow open containers for Wrightsville Fire Department End of Summer Bash on Saturday, September 11, 2021 from 11:30am to 9:30pm being held in conjunction with Burning Bridge Tavern. Vice President Smith seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote. *Affected road closure: - N. Front St. from Hellam St. to Locust St.*

**BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

***Administration & Finance:***

Vice President Smith requested any budget items/ideas be presented to him or Keith before the September planning meeting.

### ***Public Works:***

Council had a brief discussion about terminating leaf collection in Hellam Township. Councilman Gromling noted that leaf collection is completed with 2 borough employees with old equipment that is not in good working order. Vice President Smith noted “the borough does leaf collection gratuitously and it is not part of trash collection services”. Council President White noted that the borough is “spending Wrightsville tax dollars cleaning up Hellam Township”. After the discussion, Councilman Gromling made a motion to terminate leaf collection in Hellam Township areas. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Council President White relayed to members of council that the current street sweeper that is used in the borough is outdated and in need of repairs and for that reason he would suggest that a new street sweeper is needed. President White noted that Borough Roadmaster, Mike Gromling has found a street sweeper on Municibid. President White noted that the Municipal Authority had a discussion at their last meeting about the possibility of the Municipal Authority sharing the expense to purchase new(er) equipment. VP Smith relayed to members of council that during the authority meeting a discussion was held and a vote was taken that the authority would share in purchasing equipment at equal cost with cost not to exceed \$30,000, noting the borough would pay \$15,000 and the authority would pay \$15,000. After the discussion concluded, Councilman Gromling made a motion to place a bid on Municibid for street sweeper for \$30,000. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman Gromling presented 2 paving proposals submitted by Rholan Paving and Stewart & Tate to complete paving work Lemon and 2<sup>nd</sup> St. during the council meeting on August 2, 2021 for all council members to review. After review, Councilman Gromling made a motion to approve contract with Stewart & Tate to complete paving work at Lemon and 2<sup>nd</sup> St. for \$9,250. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

A brief discussion was held about video system proposal from Advantage Security to install cameras in Riverfront Park with Councilman Gromling noting that he wanted to make all council members aware of the reoccurring costs associated with maintenance of the cameras in the future noting that this expense would need to be a budget item moving forward.

### ***Public Safety:***

No report

### ***Community & Economic Development:***

No report

### ***Parks & Recreation:***

No report

***Personnel:***

Council President White relayed to members of council that he would like to have discussion of raising Borough Roadmaster wages to comparable market wage in our area during 2022 budget discussions.

***Complaint Committee:***

No report

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:**

No additional business

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Vice President Smith made a motion to adjourn the August 16, 2021 Planning Meeting of the governing body of Wrightsville Borough. Councilman Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tammie Hoff, Borough Secretary