

WRIGHTSVILLE

YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2022

Borough Chambers

601 Water Street

Wrightsville, PA

In attendance: Council President Giandalia, Vice President Lyle, Councilman Landis, Councilman Gromling, Councilman McDonald, Councilman White, Mayor Slenker, Solicitor Ruth, Engineer Klinedinst, Secretary Hoff

Absent: Treasurer Brenner

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mark Deimler- Solanco Engineering:

Mr. Deimler was in attendance to provide council and public patrons a brief overview of how a rental inspection program operates. Mr. Deimler relayed to council he is “not on one side or another”, his firm implements what program and procedures work best for their town. Mr. Deimler stated that public relations is important to implement a program and that the rental inspections are completed and required for safety reasons. Mr. Deimler stated that the program requires an administrative and inspection side and that it is important to establish who is responsible for both or either side of program. Mr. Deimler told council that the program is not a quick process, and many details are involved to ensure a successful program. Mr. Deimler noted that it is up to the town, borough, township, etc. to establish the fees for the rental inspection program and note them on the fee schedule. President Giandalia replied “we are looking for basic safety, not to nit pick and we are in the early stages of discussion”.

Councilman White thanked Mr. Deimler for the zoning and property maintenance services that they already supply to the borough stating that he has no issues with services provided thus far, but asked Mr. Deimler what are average fees assessed with program. Mr. Deimler stated that fees would be different for each area but “I will tell you that Quarryville is \$75.00, with a re-inspection fee of \$50.00; and the occupancy permit fee is a separate fee”. Councilman White stated “I think all homes should be inspected, not just rentals, especially if safety is the top concern”. President Giandalia noted that continued discussions will be held in the upcoming months during monthly meetings.

Mark Platts, President – Susquehanna National Heritage Area:

Mr. Platts presented a brief overview of Mifflin House Project to those in attendance and answered any questions. Mr. Platts relayed to Council, pending their approval, Susquehanna National Heritage Area would like to apply for a \$500,000 Local Share Assessment grant to be used for land acquisition for development of the Susquehanna Discovery Area, heritage park, and related facilities. Mr. Platts stated that no match for Borough is required.

Nathan Krotzer – ReMax, The Nathan Krotzer Team:

Mr. Krotzer presented to council that his team would like to participate in 4th Friday events in Wrightsville along with Half Nuts Popcorn and utilize some space in Riverfront Park for their events and wanted to know if the upcoming S. Front St. Project would hinder these events. Engineer Klinedinst stated that he will speak with Mr. Krotzer about upcoming project. Council all agreed to approve all 4th Friday events pending submission of recreation/entertainment permit applications.

Roy Blymire:

Mr. Blymire asked council for answers about encroachment issue on borough property at 36 Lemon St. Solicitor Ruth told Mr. Blymire that the land is owned by Safe Harbor Power Corporation and no encroachment complaints on private property have been received. Solicitor Ruth advised Mr. Blymire that the Borough leases the land from Safe Harbor and there are no violations with any Borough Ordinances.

Mel McDonald:

Mrs. McDonald thinks council should be more supportive of Tayne with her requests. Mrs. McDonald would like the bridge sign placed at a more visible spot so that individuals can see it. Mrs. McDonald also would borough staff to answer the phone stating “I called 17 different boroughs and they all answered the phone because it is their job”. Mrs. McDonald also said that Eric should have to pay the borough for all the solicitor fees that were charged in trying to get her thrown out of meetings.

Steve Conti:

Mr. Conti relayed to council that the Smith Foundation may be interested in buying property where the Limkilns are located to fix the repairs that are needed to structure and prevent any more damage from being done. Councilman Landis made a motion to engage Smith Foundation to secure, restore, fix repairs needed with Limekilns. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote. Councilman Landis would like signs posted as soon as possible indicating hazard area; VP Lyle replied signs will be posted.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Fire:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials. Chief Livelsberger relayed to those in attendance that the department responded to 52 calls in February. Chief Livelsberger invited any council member and/or mayor to department to view and understand the daily operations of the department. VP Lyle thanked Chad and all his members for all the great work they do for the town.

Police:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

Emergency Management Coordinator:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

Ambulance:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

Zoning:

Report was provided with meeting materials.

Streets & Parks:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

Engineer:

Report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.

Treasurer:

Report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.

Councilman Landis made a motion to approve the February check register. VP Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman Landis made a motion to approve the February financial reports. VP Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Mayor:

Mayor Slenker relayed to members of council that she was very upset that she was not made aware of the Eagle Scout Project dedication ceremony that occurred over the weekend in Riverfront Park. Mayor Slenker noted that she would like to know of events that are occurring so that she can attend, if possible.

Solicitor:

Report was provided with meeting materials.

ACTION ITEMS:

Councilman White made a motion to approve Recreation/Entertainment Permit application for Riverfest 2022 on Saturday and Sunday, June 25th and June 26th from 2pm-9pm. Councilman Landis seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve Recreation/Entertainment Permit application for standup paddle board lessons on every 3rd Thursday, weather permitting, starting in June through October from sunrise to sunset. Area to be accessed will be Walnut Street boat launch area. Councilman Landis seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

VP Lyle made a motion to approve Stock & Leader to advertise adoption of Stormwater Management Ordinance during the Regular Borough Council meeting on Monday, April 4, 2022. Councilman Landis seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-17, a resolution supporting Susquehanna National Heritage Area to secure grant funding for Mifflin House Project. Councilman Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

MEETING MINUTES:

Councilman Landis made a motion to approve the February 7, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes. Vice President Lyle seconded the motion. Councilman White abstained from voting. The motion carried with a total of 5 members in favor.

Councilman Landis made a motion to approve the February 21, 2022 Planning Meeting Minutes. Vice President Lyle seconded the motion. Councilman Gromling abstained from voting due to his absence at the planning meeting. The motion carried with a total of 5 members in favor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:

No report

PUBLIC WORKS:

No report

PUBLIC SAFETY:

No report

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

No report

PARKS & RECREATION:

No report

PERSONNEL:

VP Lyle relayed to members of council that job descriptions for employees are still being worked on with assistance from Solicitor Ruth. Councilman McDonald relayed to members of council that he met with Eliseo along with Secretary Hoff and Eliseo has agreed to be interim street department supervisor for a trial period of 90 days. Councilman McDonald noted that no other employees will be hired at this time. Personnel Committee with met with Eliseo after 90 days to discuss next steps.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

No additional business

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Landis made a motion to adjourn the March 7, 2022 Regular meeting at 8:55pm. Councilman Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Tammie Hoff
Borough Secretary