

WRIGHTSVILLE

YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

Borough Chambers
601 Water Street
Wrightsville, PA

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

Absent: Councilman Russ, Treasurer Brenner

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

Mel McDonald:

Mrs. McDonald asked President Giandalia “why do you have to upset Tayne at every meeting? President Giandalia did not reply. Mrs. McDonald also asked, “why can’t Tayne have an office at the borough office stating that there is no reason she shouldn’t have an office just like every other mayor?’ No response was provided. President Giandalia told Mrs. McDonald that there will no longer be personal attacks on individuals at meetings. Mrs. McDonald noted that she will make sure that that 3 new council members will be elected.

Anna Collin:

Ms. Collin asked Council why the Mayor cannot have an office at the Administrative Building. She also inquired about her Stormwater bill and what it is for. Solicitor Ruth responded that she would need to attend the Municipal Authority meeting to further discuss this matter.

Sara Barrett:

Ms. Barrett also inquired as to why the Mayor cannot have an office at the Administrative Building and felt she should have an office.

Randee Scritchfield:

Mrs. Scritchfield was in attendance to receive clarification about WB Act 57 and what affect it will have on her job as Wrightsville Borough Tax Collector. Solicitor Ruth explained WB Act 57 in detail to Ms. Scritchfield outlining that it will waive penalty fees if residents did not receive a bill; and give m ore time for new owners to pay real estate taxes.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Fire:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials. Chief Livelsberger reported the department responded to a total of 57 calls in August.

Police:

No report was provided with meeting materials.

Emergency Management Coordinator:

Report was provided with meeting materials.

Ambulance:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

Zoning:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

Streets & Parks:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

Engineer:

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

Treasurer:

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

Councilman Landis made a motion to approve the August check register as presented by Treasurer Brenner. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

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

Mayor:

Mayor Slenker spoke briefly with members of council about Fire Service Strategic Planning information presented by Jerome E. Ozog at the most recent emergency services meeting. Mayor Slenker noted that all 3 municipalities must agree to move forward with consultant to implement a plan to assist and recommend operational services to aide in increased operational costs. Mayor Slenker noted that an estimated cost will be \$15, 000, with the costs being shared with Hellam Borough and Hellam Township. Mayor Slenker relayed to council that grant funding is available and Corina from Hellam Township would be working on obtaining grant funding.

Vice President Lyle made a motion to approve moving forward with consultant to establish a inter-multi municipal strategic plan for emergency services. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote. Councilman White noted that is only concern is that this is a revenue item that will need to be budgeted for.

Mayor Slenker asked members of council “why does Keith have an office and she doesn’t?” noting that she needs an office as she doesn’t have internet at home, and she needs to have a place to meet with the residents. President Giandalia explained Keith’s job responsibilities for the borough and authority have increased and he has financial records that must be kept secure and sharing an office in a limited amount of space in the authority owned building is difficult. President Giandalia offered for council to approve to purchase the mayor a phone so that she has accessibility to residents in her absence of internet. Councilman Landis relayed to members of council that in the past, auditors have mentioned that the office needs to be more secure limiting the amount of access to the interior office and making sure interoffice controls always remain secure. VP Lyle relayed to mayor and those in attendance the administration office is owned by the Municipal Authority and not the Borough so all changes would need to be approved by the authority board.

In closing, Mayor Slenker noted that she feels that everyone is working against her and not with her.

Solicitor:

Report was provided with meeting materials. Report highlights were relayed to council by Solicitor Ruth.

ACTION ITEMS:

Councilman White made a motion to accept 2021 Borough Audit as provided from Hamilton & Musser, Borough appointed auditors. Vice President Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Vice President Lyle made a motion to approve PennDOT Bike & Pedestrian Signing & Markings Commitment Letter for Columbia- Wrightsville Bridge Project as presented in a request from PennDOT. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve a Recreation/Entertainment Permit Application and street closure request for Burning Bridge Tavern outdoor entertainment on 3 of 5 dates, one will be a Halloween event for children, from 5pm-10pm:

- i. Saturday, October 1, 2022
- ii. Saturday, October 8, 2022
- iii. Saturday, October 15, 2022
- iv. Saturday, October 22, 2022
- v. Saturday, October 29, 2022

Street closure: N. Front Street from Hellam Street to Locust Street

Vice President Lyle seconded the motion. Councilman McDonald opposed the motion. Motion carried with a 4-1 vote. Mayor Slenker noted she was not in favor of having an event with children present when alcohol is being served.

Vice President Lyle made a motion to approve the acquisition by PennDOT of 1,237 square feet of right away of aerial easement, 13, 225 square feet of temporary construction easement, 11 trees, 25 bench slabs, and steps for a total of \$26, 453.75 and authorizing Borough Council

President to execute all necessary documentation on behalf of the borough to effectuate acquisition. Councilman Landis seconded the motion. Councilman White was opposed to the motion due to the round-about being placed at 2nd St. Motion carried with a 4-1 vote.

Vice President Lyle made a motion to approve hiring Scott Sloan and Patrick Young as part-time crossing guards for Wrightsville Borough, with a starting pay rate of \$18.50 per hour., co-sharing employment costs with Eastern York School District. Councilman Landis seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve trick-or-treat for Wrightsville Borough on Monday, October 31, 2022 from 6pm-8pm. VP Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-21, a resolution of Wrightsville Borough, York County, Pennsylvania, to adopt a policy to govern public comment at meetings of the Council of Wrightsville Borough. VP Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-22, a resolution of Wrightsville Borough, York County, Pennsylvania, to require the tax collector to waive additional charges for real estate taxes in accordance with the Act of July 11, 2022, P.L. 701, NO.57. VP Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Vice President Lyle made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-23, a resolution establishing a fee schedule for Wrightsville Borough for fees applicable to the non-payment of bills and collection of delinquent accounts pursuant to the Pennsylvania Borough Code. Councilman Landis seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Vice President Lyle made a motion to approve the August 1, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Vice President Lyle made a motion to approve the August 15, 2022 Planning Meeting Minutes. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:

No report.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Council President Giandalia relayed to members of council that he would like to ask Wrightsville Borough Municipal Authority to collect leaves in Wrightsville Borough and Hellam Township refuse customers and to also be responsible for maintenance of leaf collection equipment with assistance from Eliseo. Councilman White stated” this is a fantastic idea”. Councilman White made a motion to submit a letter of request to Wrightsville Borough Municipal Authority to collect leaves for the borough. Councilman Landis seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

No report.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

Councilman White relayed to those in attendance that he attended many September 11th events throughout York County. Councilman White relayed to those in attendance that the American Legion will be hosting a cornhole tournament at park on September 17, 2022.

PARKS & RECREATION:

No report.

PERSONNEL:

No report.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

No additional business.

ADJOURNEMENT:

Councilman White made a motion to adjourn the September 12, 2022 Regular meeting at 8:18pm. Vice President Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Tammie Hoff
Borough Secretary

