

WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
PLANNING MEETING

November 21, 2022

Borough Chambers * 601 Water Street * Wrightsville

The Planning Meeting of the Borough of Wrightsville governing body convened at 6:30 pm on Monday, November 21, 2022. Council President Giandalia called the meeting to order and led the salute to the American Flag.

In attendance: Council President Giandalia, Vice President Lyle, Councilman Russ, Councilman McDonald, Councilman Landis, Council White (via phone), Mayor Slenker, Engineer Klinedinst, Treasurer Brenner, Secretary Hoff

PATRONS:

PennDOT & RK&K Representatives: Mark Malhenzie (PennDOT), Todd Rousenberger and Jeff Uhler (RK&K):

Mr. Malhenzie, Mr. Rousenberger and Mr. Uhler were in attendance to discuss the temporary road detours/closures that are going to impact vehicular travel during the upcoming bridge/roundabout project. Main highlights of the discussion included the project is scheduled to begin in September 2023 and will last approximately 18 months. Mr. Uhler noted the project is being done in 3 phases with phase one starting with work to be completed under the Route 462 Veterans Memorial Bridge. Local businesses in the area will be temporarily impacted with deliveries for approximate 20 days noting that delivery drivers will have detours in place to reach the local businesses in the area. A brief power point presentation was presented to members of council and public patrons in attendance. Mr. & Mrs. Harnish who live and have rental properties in areas impacted by project and detours asked members of council “what is going to be done about the loss of parking?” President Giandalia replied “council must have a further discussion to adequately answer your questions”. Mr. Harnish if additional parking can be added at his properties? Council and Engineer Klinedinst replied, “yes, with permits and stormwater management approvals”.

After the presentation, PennDOT and RK&K representatives asked if anyone had any further question. No further discussion was held.

ACTION ITEMS:

Councilman White approved the following request for Wreath’s Across America event on Saturday, December 17, 2022 from 8am-2pm:

- No parking on south side of Hellam Street between 6th and 7th Streets for Wreath’s Across America event

Councilman Russ seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried a unanimous vote.

Two Special Handicap or Disabled Parking Applications were submitted for approval. The motion for approval was tabled until individuals who submitted the applications can be contacted to discuss

what requests they have as handicap markers are already at both locations. Councilman Landis noted he is sensitive to the cause of the request but also noted that we have a parking issue in certain areas of the borough. Further discussion will resume at the next council meeting on December 5, 2022.

Councilman Landis made a motion to approve advertisement of 2023 Borough budget for formal adoption/approval at Monday, December 5, 2022 Regular Borough Council meeting following the mandatory inspection period. Councilman Russ seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administration & Finance:

Councilman Landis asked that earlier in the year it was mentioned from the fire department that new communication radios will be needed as the current ones will no longer communicate with emergency personnel throughout the county and asked how much each radio will cost and when will they be needed. No answer was provided; however, Treasurer Brenner noted that the borough has an emergency fund in 2023 budget to help aide the department in purchasing these types of equipment in the future.

On a side note, Treasurer Brenner relayed to members of council that the amount of exempt real estate properties in the borough equal \$3,288,000.00 producing a loss of \$19,727.00 in tax revenue. Treasurer Brenner relayed to members of council that he is not undoing what these properties and individuals do for the town, but council may want to consider asking for donations to help offset the loss of revenue which would be a benefit to assist in additional revenue for the borough.

Public Works:

No report

Public Safety:

No report.

Community & Economic Development:

No report.

Parks & Recreation:

Vice President relayed to those in attendance that the restroom facilities at the park are now closed for the winter. VP Lyle advised council that an electrician may be needed to fix the spotlight in the town square.

Personnel:

No report

Complaint Committee:

No report

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

No additional business.

ADJOURNMENT:

Vice President Lyle made a motion to adjourn the November 21, 2022 Planning Meeting of the governing body of Wrightsville Borough. Councilman McDonald seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Tammie Hoff, Borough Secretary