

WRIGHTSVILLE

YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL  
**REGULAR MEETING**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2023**

Borough Chambers  
601 Water Street  
Wrightsville, PA

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

*Absent:* Councilman Russ

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:**

Sandra Dosch:

Mrs. Dosch expressed her frustration of the condition of the property at 310 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St. stating that the property has a lot of trash on porch and in backyard. She wants it cleaned up now.

Mel McDonald:

Mrs. McDonald asked President Giandalia “why was Tayne and Rick removed from complaint committee and replaced with Brian and Matt?”. President Giandalia replied, “they were not removed, and she has the wrong committee”.

Mrs. McDonald asked why Rick is not on the agenda after she came to the office and asked for him to be placed on the agenda. Solicitor Ruth advised Mrs. McDonald that his/her request violates the Sunshine Law noting that no explanation was provided other than he had an ordinance to talk about/make.

Mrs. McDonald also asked President Giandalia “why am I always rushed when I talk?”. No reply was provided. No further discussion was held.

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

**Fire:**

Report was provided with meeting materials. Chief Livelsberger relayed report highlights to those in attendance. Chief Livelsberger also provided Council with the 2022-year end Fire Department report and relayed report highlights to those in attendance.

**Police:**

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

**Emergency Management Coordinator:**

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**Ambulance:**

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials. Supervisor Marden relayed report highlights to those in attendance.

**Zoning:**

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials. Councilman Landis made motion to instruct Solicitor Ruth to take enforcement action to inform property owner/s at 319 Vine St. of notice of violation of Wrightsville Borough Property Maintenance Code. VP Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

**Streets & Parks:**

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**Engineer:**

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**Treasurer:**

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

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

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

Councilman Landis made a motion to release payment to tax collector for funds submitted to borough. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

**Mayor:**

Mayor Slenker relayed to those in attendance that she contacted the Pennsylvania Mayor's Association and stated "Joe, you cant make a committee to enforce Ordinances". Solicitor Ruth explained to Mayor Slenker that enforcement action does not flow through her.

Mayor Slenker relayed to the public "I ran for mayor to clean up this town and council is not allowing her (me) to do so".

**Solicitor:**

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

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

Councilman White made a motion to approve Recreation/Entertainment Permit application and South Front Street Pavilion reservation form for American Legion Post 469 Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8, 2023, from 8:30am to 1:00pm. Rain date – Saturday, April 15, 2023. Vice President Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

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Nominations: Councilman Landis nominated Jessica Zeiner; Councilman White nominated Jessica Zeiner. Councilman Landis and Councilman White also nominated Bobbi Jo Weber. Nomination for alternate members- Councilman White and Councilman Landis nominated Michael Albert and Jim Switzenberger as alternate members.

Councilman White made a motion to close nominations. VP Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion to close the nomination carried with a unanimous vote.

After a discussion between members of council, roll call vote was taken on nominations to add the following members to the Zoning Hearing Board: Jessica Zeiner, Bobbi Jo Weber and alternates – Jim Switzenberger and Michael Albert.

Roll call vote:

President Giandalia – aye

VP Lyle – aye

Councilman White – aye

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#### **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:**

Vice President Lyle made a motion to approve the January 9, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

No January Planning Meeting was held. No minutes to approve.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

##### **ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:**

No report.

##### **PUBLIC WORKS:**

No report.

##### **PUBLIC SAFETY:**

No report.

##### **COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:**

No report.

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No report.

**PERSONNEL:**

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**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:**

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**ADJOURNEMENT:**

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Kurtis Timmer – Chief, South- Central PA Search and Rescue:

Kurtis Timmer gave an overview of the nonprofit organization's work in York County, which includes 35 volunteers, nine dogs trained to search for people, drones with infrared technology and more. They respond to missing person calls, child abduction reports and assist police and rangers at state parks in the region. Mr. Timmer noted that the South-Central PA Search and Rescue is a non-profit group that is funded by donations.

In 2022, the team responded to 27 calls, including a 12-hour search in Heidelberg Township "that ended successfully when the little girl was found," Timmer said.

After the presentation and brief discussion with council, Councilman Landis made a motion to modify the agenda to add an action item to consider a possible donation to South-Central PA Search and Rescue. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

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A brief discussion was held about alleyway located beside 224 Orange St. to determine who owns the property, either the borough or the property owners to either left or right of alleyway. Mr. Downie who resides at 224 Orange St. was in attendance and was looking for information about the land. Solicitor Ruth advised members of council and Mr. Downie after researching land information, that the alley/roadway would need to be vacated by the Borough and then, if interested, Mr. Downie would need to file suit to include the vacated land on his property deed. Solicitor Ruth advised council that an ordinance would need passed to vacate the roadway. Once finalized, Mr. Downie could file suit to have portion on his deed, noting that it would be a private matter and the borough would not be involved.



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