

WRIGHTSVILLE

YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2023

Borough Chambers

601 Water Street

Wrightsville, PA

In attendance: President Giandalia, Vice President Lyle, Councilman McDonald, Councilman Landis, 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:

Chad Yarnell:

Mr. Yarnell asked members of council to act against the neighboring property owner and all the trash that border his property. Members of council replied that the properties would be looked at and action will take place.

Mel McDonald:

Mrs. McDonald noted to members of council that a flyer needs to be put out informing residents of what items will be collected on community clean up day.

Mrs. McDonald also asked members of council what is being done about a former employee who “took stuff from borough”? Council President Giandalia told Mrs. McDonald that her comment is a personnel matter and will not and would not be discussed in a public meeting.

Mrs. McDonald told members of council “Front Street is a nightmare and people are upset and there is no parking for residents”.

Sara Barrett:

Ms. Barrett presented members of council with information on Savvy Citizen app and would like them to consider using this information platform for residents of Wrightsville Borough.

Alicia Ferrari:

Ms. Ferrari announced to members of council and those in attendance that a Go Fund Me has been created by local residents to collect contributions to be used to purchase new Christmas decorations for Wrightsville Borough. Solicitor Ruth noted the following The Borough is aware of a “Go Fund Me” site raising money to purchase new Christmas Decorations for the Borough. The Borough FULLY supports its residents donating money for this wonderful cause; however, for full transparency, the Borough is not maintaining the Go Fund Me site. If you have any questions regarding this or any other matter, please contact the Borough Office at 717-252-2768. All donations received will be used solely for acquiring the decorations.” Secretary Hoff also noted that this message has been posted on Borough website.

Mary Ellen Siska and Christine Siska:

Ms. Ellen Siska introduced herself to members of council and those in attendance and noted that her employment background includes grant writing, and she would be good with assisting the borough in looking for grants that would aid the borough in receiving grant funds.

Ms. Siska asked permission from council to look at the current Christmas decorations to see if she can refurbish some of them to make them last until new decorations can be purchased.

Council agreed and arrangements will be made for Ms. Siska to look at decorations.

Council President Giandalia presented Keith Brenner, Wrightsville Borough Treasurer, with a plaque of appreciation for his 43 years of service for Wrightsville Borough. Treasurer Brenner announced his retirement at a previous meeting.

Treasurer Brenner thanked everyone for the token of appreciation and for the many life lessons he learned throughout his 43 with Wrightsville Borough.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Fire:

Report was provided with meeting materials. Chief Livelsberger relayed report highlights.

Council President asked Chief Livelsberger how many volunteers are working in department.

The Chief replied that the department has 30 volunteers working in the department.

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. VP Lyle relayed to those in attendance that the complaint committee had a meeting and some recent complaint properties have improved since speaking with property owners. The properties whose owners have not cooperated in a reasonable time have been sent to Solanco Engineering for enforcement action to be taken.

Streets & Parks:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials. Members of Wrightsville Borough Diorama have requested to have the street closed so that they can power wash the Diorama. VP Lyle made a motion to approve closure of the alleyway beside Diorama to be closed to power wash the building. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Engineer:

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

Engineer Klinedinst relayed to members of council that he received revised plans from RK&K for Veterans Memorial Bridge to review. Councilman White made a motion to approve C.S. Davidson to send Veterans Memorial Bride Plan review comments to RK&K Engineering. Councilman Landis seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman McDonald expressed his dislike on “tractor-trailer size bump outs” on South Front Street. Councilman McDonald noted that he knows he was involved in planning phase and approved plans of South Front Steet, but large bump outs are not needed and lots of parking was lost. Engineer Klinedinst noted that the bump outs are also required stormwater bmp’s.

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 May check register as presented by Treasurer Brenner. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

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

Treasurer Brenner asked the council for approval to sign 2022 final audit confirmations. Councilman White made a motion to approve Keith to sign the audit confirmations. Councilman Landis seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Mayor:

Mayor Slenker relayed to those in attendance the ribbon cutting at Riverside Subs went well and the food provided was good. Mayor Slenker also noted that the Memorial Day Parade was very nice and had a good turnout of spectators to watch. Mayor Slenker announced that she would like to have a community day yard sale, Council President told her to pick a day for the event. No further discussion was held.

Mayor Slenker announced to members of council and those in attendance that she will begin office hours starting June 13, 2023. Mayor Slenker announced that her office hours will be Tuesday evenings from 6pm-7pm and Wednesday mornings from 10am-12pm.

Solicitor:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

ACTION ITEMS:

Councilman White made a motion to approve the Recreation/Entertainment permit application submitted by Hope United Methodist Church for chicken BBQ fundraiser on Tuesday, July 4, 2023 from 9am-1pm. 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 submitted by Kona Ice of Lancaster to attend July 4, 2023 festivities from 11am-11pm. VP Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve Recreation/Entertainment permit application submitted from July 4th Committee to host July 4th festivities on Tuesday, July 4, 2023 from 9am-11pm and road closure request for festivities. Road closure submitted: N. Front Street from Locust Street to Limekiln Alley and Walnut Street from 4th Street to N. Front Street. Councilman Landis seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve the street closure request submitted by Burning Bridge Tavern for various fundraisers. Event, times, and road closure requests:

- Saturday, June 10, 2023 from 12pm-10pm – Hellam Township Police K-9 Fundraiser
- Saturday, July 1, 2023 from 5pm-10pm – Summer Party
- Tuesday, July 4, 2023 from 4pm-10pm – Wrightsville Borough Christmas Lights fundraiser
- Street closure – N. Front Street from Hellam Street to Locust Street

Councilman Landis seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with unanimous vote.

Councilman Landis made a motion to approve utilizing Paychek Company to process bi-weekly borough payroll. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to amend agenda to add action item to request approval for Application for Payment #2 for Reamstown Excavating. Councilman Landis seconded the motion to amend agenda. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve Application for Payment #2 for Reamstown Excavating in the amount of \$343,863.90, with 10% retainage for work completed on South Front Street Improvement Project. 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 May 1, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

No May 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:

Councilman White relayed to those in attendance that members from Trail Towns – York County Economic Alliance and Commissioner Smith attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for Riverside Subs. The event went very well.

PARKS & RECREATION:

No report.

PERSONNEL:

Vice President Lyle relayed to members of council and those in attendance that Councilman McDonald, Municipal Authority board members and himself conducted interviews with individuals to replace Borough Treasurer Keith Brenner and have recommended to hire Victoria Giandalia with board/council approvals until December 31, 2023. Continued employment will be evaluated at that time. Vice President Lyle made a motion to approve hiring Victoria Giandalia as Borough Treasurer effective June 5, 2023 with a payrate of \$55.00/hour. Councilman Landis seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote. Council President Giandalia abstained from voting.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

President Giandalia announced that no Planning Meeting will be held on June 19, 2023.

ADJOURNEMENT:

Councilman Landis made a motion to adjourn the June 5, 2023 Regular meeting at 8:44pm. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Tammie Hoff
Borough Secretary

