

WRIGHTSVILLE

YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2023

Borough Chambers
601 Water Street
Wrightsville, PA

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

Absent: none

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.

Solicitor Ruth began the Public Meeting at 6:31pm by announcing that a Public Meeting is being held to discuss Ordinance 2023-1, and Ordinance of the Borough of Wrightsville, York County, Pennsylvania, vacating portions of abandoned Barnes Avenue from Orange Street to Union Alley and from Union Alley to Chestnut Street, situate in Wrightsville Borough, York County, Pennsylvania.

Solicitor Ruth noted that the Ordinance has been advertised as a Public Hearing as outlined in Borough Code. Solicitor Ruth asked those in attendance if there is any public comment regarding Ordinance 2023-1 only. No other public comment will be made at this time. No public comment was made at this time. Solicitor Ruth closed the public meeting portion at 6:33pm. Vice President Lyle made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-1. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

President Giandalia began the December 4, 2023 Regular Meeting at 6:33pm.

President Giandalia presented Engineer Klinedinst with a photo of Wrightsville Borough with an engraved marker to thank him for his 50+ years of countless hours and dedication to Wrightsville Borough. President Giandalia wished Engineer Klinedinst the very best in his retirement and noted that he will be greatly missed.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ed Sipes:

Mr. Sipes noted to council his dislike of the condition of Limekiln Alley noting that since the alley was put in the water runoff from rain/storms is worse than before; noting that the entrance at 5th Street has weeds and is not being maintained.

Barry Strayer:

Mr. Strayer asked members of council if there are any long term or short-term plans to do something about the light process/timing issue at Route 462/Cool Creek Rd.; noting that he

knows that PennDOT needs to be involved in process. Councilman White noted that the lights were updated a few years ago and also outline that the light is located in Hellam Township as well as Wrightsville Borough and a traffic study could be done, usually at the cost of municipalities. Engineer Klinedinst noted that the Township and Borough could submit a letter to PennDOT asking them to complete a traffic study.

After a brief discussion, Councilman Landis made a motion to amend the agenda to add a non-funding expenditure action item to submit letter to PennDOT concerning this matter.

Councilman Russ seconded the matter. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote. Councilman Landis made a motion to authorize C.S. Davidson to draft a traffic study letter of request to be submitted to PennDOT to be co-signed by Hellam Township, pending conversation and fact finding from township and police department outlining the traffic hazards at this intersection. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Mary Ellen Siksa:

Ms. Siska presented an update on the Deck the Bikes competition. Ms. Siska noted “the event has been pretty well received for the first year”. Ms. Siska noted that the judging will begin on December 15, 2023.

Mel McDonald:

Mrs. McDonald asked why Mike Gromling is not being investigated. Solicitor Ruth told Mrs. McDonald that it is a public comment period not a public discussion. Mrs. McDonald asked why Fred Smith was taken off the Municipal Authority after all that he had done for the town; also stating “Phil, wanted the job and you know it”. No further discussion was held.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Fire:

The report was not provided with meeting materials. Chief Livelsberger relayed report highlights noting that 68 calls were received in November.

Police:

No report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

Emergency Management Coordinator:

No report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

Ambulance:

No report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

Zoning:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

Streets & Parks:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials. VP Lyle thanked everyone involved in process of decorating the town for Christmas, great job.

Engineer:

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

Treasurer:

Report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Treasurer Sahd relayed report highlights to those in attendance. Councilman Landis thanked everyone involved with the preparation of the Borough budget.

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

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

Mayor:

Mayor Slenker reported to those in attendance that she thought the Christmas Tree Lighting went very well despite the weather and thanked the individuals who made the event happen and those that helped with Christmas decorations throughout the town.

Solicitor:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials. Solicitor Ruth relayed report highlights to those in attendance.

ACTION ITEMS

Councilman Landis made a motion to adopt the 2024 budget for Wrightsville Borough following the mandatory inspection period. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman Landis made a motion to approve revised PennDOT Roundabout Agreement and Resolution 2023-12 after comments/reviews from Borough Solicitor and Borough Engineer. VP Lyle seconded the motion. Councilman White was opposed to the motion. Motion carried with a 5-1 vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-13, a Resolution outlining Wrightsville Borough of York County requests a Statewide Local Share Assessment grant of \$671,607 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for Phase III of the Waterfront Park Project. Councilman Russ seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Action Item# 3 on the agenda was to update the Emergency Services Form to authorize official(s) to sign off and/or request changes to the Fire Run Cards and Emergency Services Run Cards. Councilman White made a motion to table the action item to January meeting when

new council members are seated. VP Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Action Item #4 on the agenda was to approve an International Cooperation Agreement establishing a Multi- Municipal Emergency Fire Services Agency. Pending approval from Solicitor Ruth, Councilman White made a motion to approve agreement. Councilman Russ seconded the agreement. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

President Giandalia appointed Councilman White who will be citizen at large beginning January 1, 2024, to represent Wrightsville Borough through this process by attending meetings and report back to Borough Council. Councilman White announced that Council Gromling who will be sworn in on January 2, 2024, also be included in this process.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Vice President Lyle made a motion to approve the November 6, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes. Councilman Landis seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

No November 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.

PARKS & RECREATION:

No report.

PERSONNEL:

No report.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

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

President Giandalia thanked all council members for their service this past year and wish everyone well in the future.

ADJOURNEMENT:

Councilman White made a motion to adjourn the December 4, 2023 Regular meeting at 7:40pm. Councilman Russ seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Tammie Hoff
Borough Secretary