

WRIGHTSVILLE

YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2025
Magee Room
108 Hellam Street
Wrightsville, PA 17368

In attendance: President Giandalia, Vice President Lyle, Councilwoman Barrett, Councilman White, Councilwoman Ferrari, Councilman Gromling, Mayor Slenker, Solicitor Alhbrandt (substituting for Solicitor Ruth), Treasurer Sahd, Engineer McCoy, Secretary Hoff

President Giandalia called the Regular Meeting of the Wrightsville Borough governing body to order at 6:30pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Dave Foulk:

Mr. Foulk introduced himself to members of council and public patrons in attendance. Mr. Foulk relayed to those in attendance that he brought the problems with traffic accidents on Locust St. particularly those in the area of 2nd and Locust Streets and 3rd and Locust Streets in April 2024 noting that there has been 11 accidents in that area within the last 1 and 1/2 years and asked, "Where is council with the process and what does the borough plan to do going forward?". A brief discussion commenced about a previous traffic study that was recently completed and discussed during the August 2024 meeting. During this recent conversation, some residents asked if traffic calming devices could be implemented in the area, ie: speed humps, tables and implementation of 4 way stop signs at each intersection. Councilwoman Barrett announced that she recently reached out to the Marietta Borough secretary to discuss a similar situation that occurred in Marietta, and she was told that Marietta passed an ordinance to implement the installation of 4 way stop signs at the intersections in their town. Councilwoman Barrett said she would be happy to gather more information from Marietta to share with council. As the discussion continued, council agreed to contact D.E. Gemmill for line painting quotes for Locust Street from N. Front Street to 9th Street. Engineer McCoy suggested having speed tables placed along Locust Street as a traffic calming device. Engineer McCoy was directed to research pricing to have speed tables installed on Locust St. particularly near 2nd/Locust and 3rd/Locust Streets.

Mel McDonald:

Miss McDonald thanked Councilwoman Barrett for doing a great job on council. Mrs. McDonald noted that the surveys that were sent were a waste of time and money.

Christina Runkle:

Ms. Runkle asked council if anything can be done about paving Barnes Alley. President Giandalia replied that he will ask engineer and roadmaster to look at the area to see what can be done with alleyway.

Ms. Runkle relayed to members of council that she believes that an at large election tends to dilute new voters from wanting to vote.

Ben Freeman – iWorQ

Mr. Freeman introduced himself via Zoom call to those in attendance and provided a brief presentation on how iWorq can assist Wrightsville Borough with management of property maintenance complaints and permits. Councilwoman Barrett and Ferrari provided members of council and treasurer with a price proposal for review. Mr. Freeman noted that in the provided proposal (with pricing incentives set to expire March 10, 2025), the one-time set-up fee, GIS integration and data conversion (valued at \$8900) would be waived. The discounted Community Development Enterprise Software Package, including permit management, code enforcement, a portal home page, and an online credit/debit processing system (through PayRoc), would cost \$6000 annually. The initial term of service is 3 years.

After the presentation, VP Lyle asked engineer McCoy if this program is something similar to CS Datum that is already implemented and used by the Municipal Authority. Mr. McCoy replied that it was similar, and CS Datum may be a similar tool that could also assist. President Giandalia asked Councilwomen Barrett and Ferrari to inquire about this program at C.S. Davidson.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Fire:

No monthly report was provided with meeting materials. Chief Livelsberger presented Council with the annual report from Wrightsville Fire Department for 2024 . Chief Livelsberger relayed some highlights of the annual report to those in attendance noting that not all 32 pages would be discussed. Council President asked Chief Livelsberger how many members the department currently has. Chief Livelsberger replied that the department currently has 35 members.

Highlights shared by Chief Livelsberger:

2024 Department Achievements

In 2024, the Wrightsville Fire Department had a significant number of accomplishments. The all- volunteer membership continues to demonstrate their commitment to the Department as well as the citizens and visitors served daily.

Department Specialty: The Wrightsville Fire Department is proud to announce that it has been accepted onto the York County Advanced Technical Rescue Team (ATR), effective 01/01/2024. Please see page 14 for more information.

Funding: The Wrightsville Fire Department received \$115,262.00 from Hellam Township and Wrightsville Borough in the year 2024, however this does not encompass the total operating budget expenditures. These tax dollars were used for operations, maintenance, general upkeep of the fire station and training. Without these funds, the Wrightsville Fire Department would not be able to operate and deliver services.

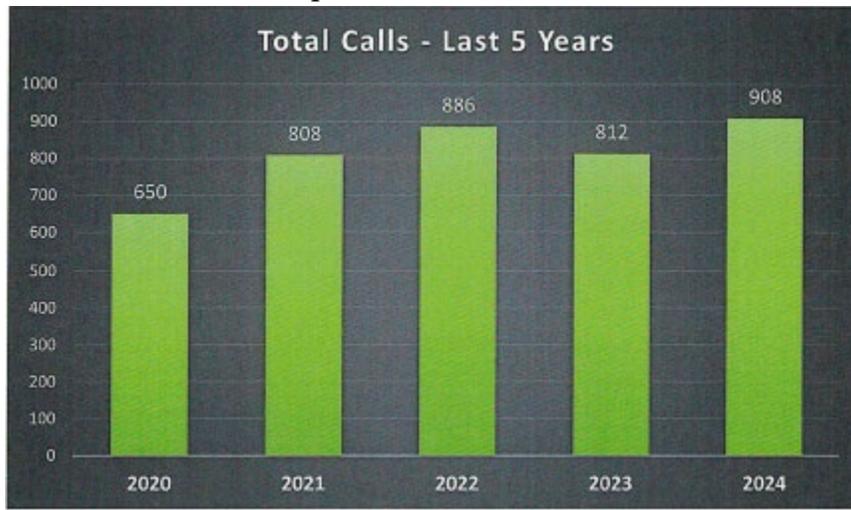
Grants: The Wrightsville Fire Department received 4 grants in the year 2024 for a total of

\$130,537.00. (1.)-The Office of the Pennsylvania State Fire Commissioner-\$16,000.00. This grant was used towards heavy vehicle lifting equipment and confined space rescue equipment. (2.)-York County Community Foundation-\$32,000.00. The grant was used towards replacing our entire rope rescue equipment cache. Our previous rope rescue equipment was purchased in 2009, making it 5 years older than the NFP A's recommended lifespan. (3.)-Columbia Healthcare Foundation-\$18,000.00. This grant was used to add additional water rescue and specialty water rescue equipment to our cache. This equipment grant allows our Department to meet and exceed the equipment standard of the second highest State wide type 2A Swift Water Rescue Team. (4.)- Assistance to Firefighters (AFG) grant-\$64,537.00. This grant will be used to replace all of our nozzles and hose lines on the Squad Company, which are set to meet their life expectancy under the NFPA's recommendation.

Certification: The Department continues to proudly hold certification as an Advanced Level Rescue Company and a Quick Response Service (QRS) through the Pennsylvania Department of Health and the Office of the Pennsylvania State Fire Commissioner. The Department is also continuing its efforts towards being recognized as a 100% participating department. This recognition shows that 100% of our personnel are trained to a specific degree in the state certification system. This is an achievement that very few fire departments reach.

Incident Volume

The Wrightsville Fire Department responded to 908 incidents in the year 2024. This is an increase of 96 incidents or 15%, versus 2023 statistics. All dispatched incidents were handled without a failed unit response.

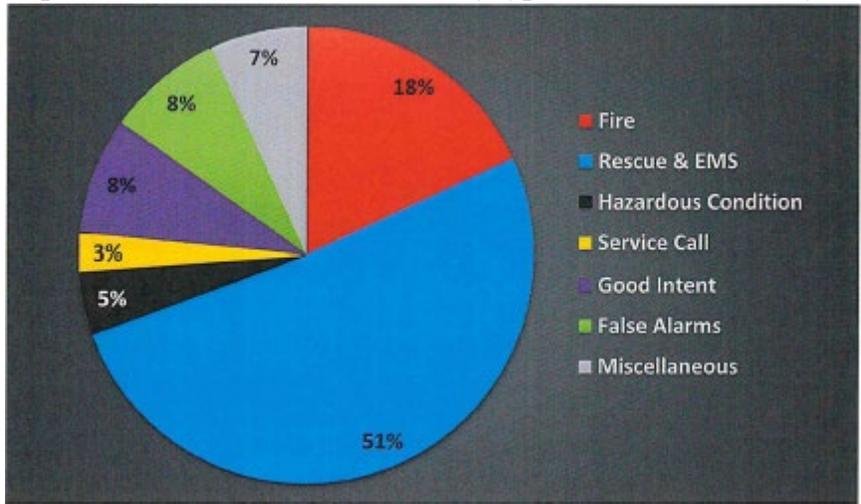


Out of the 908 incidents, 211 or 23% of the incidents were overlapping incidents. An overlapping incident is where more than one incident is occurring at the same time.

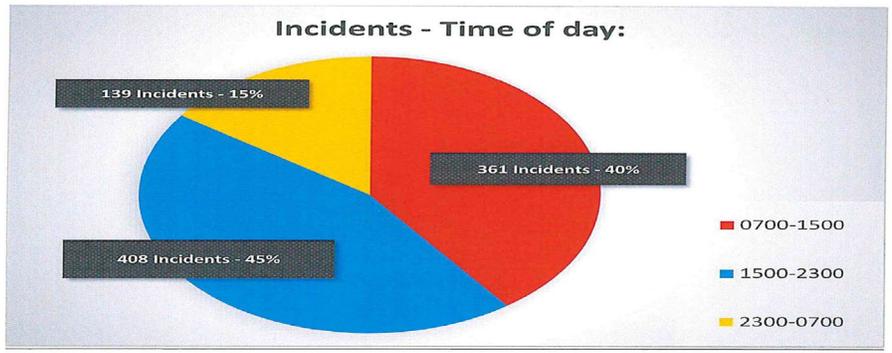
Incident Type By Category

The Wrightsville Fire Department responds to many types of incidents. These incidents can range from building fires, vehicle accidents and medical calls. All incident types will not be

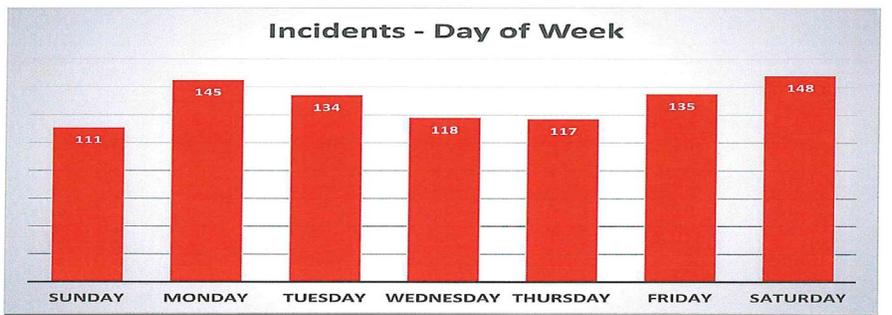
shown on this chart due to the large amount of data. The Volunteers from the Wrightsville Fire Department are trained to handle any type of incident that may occur.



Incidents By – Time & Day:



Second Shift was the busiest time of the day, followed by first and third shifts.



Saturday was the busiest day of the week all year, followed by Sundays being the slowest.

Police:

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

Emergency Management Coordinator:

A written report was provided with meeting materials.

Ambulance:

No report was provided with meeting materials.

Zoning:

Complaint report was provided with meeting materials.

Streets & Parks:

A written report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

Engineer:

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

Treasurer:

Treasurer Sahd provided monthly reports with meeting materials and relayed report highlights to those in attendance.

Vice President Lye made a motion to approve the January check register as presented by the treasurer. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilwoman Ferrari asked Treasurer Sahd about the \$250 charge listed for Magee Room on check register and noted that the school had facilities to host meeting available at no charge. Secretary Hoff replied that the check issued to the Magee Room/Burning Bridge Tavern was not accepted by staff and will be voided.

Vice President Lyle made a motion to approve the January financial report as presented by the treasurer. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Mayor:

Mayor Slenker relayed to members of council and those in attendance that she thinks that Tammie (Secretary) should notify all council members when she is not going to be in the office in case, she needs her for any reason. Mayor Slenker noted she has no way to contact her. Councilwoman Barrett asked if her outlook calendar could be shared in her absence. Council President replied that the secretary does notify the personnel committee when she is out of the office.

Mayor Slenker announced that she doesn't think that any more complaints should be sent to Solanco Engineering because nothing is getting done.

Mayor Slenker asked, "How are we to know that 1100 surveys were sent out?" Mayor Slenker noted, "I think everything was messed up".

Solicitor:

No report was provided with meeting materials.

ACTION ITEMS:

The ward abolishment survey results have not been finalized as additional surveys still need to be recorded and will be done so after the meeting.

Councilman White made a motion to approve donating \$250 as an annual funding contribution to South Central PA Search & Rescue Station 93. VP Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve C.S. Davidson to proceed with design of floodplain fill/parking lot project. Councilwoman Ferrari seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilwoman White made a motion to approve permit applications and usage of Riverfront Park pavilion for Fun on Front Community Events hosted by Re/Max Pinnacle Bridge Team on the following dates/times:

1. Friday, June 20, 2025 – 4pm-9pm
2. Friday, August 15, 2025 – 4pm-9pm

Councilwoman Ferrari seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

The regular meeting minutes for January 13, 2025, were not approved. Councilwoman Barrett noted that she needed more time to review the minutes. Approval for the January 13, 2025, meeting minutes will be added to the February 17 planning meeting.

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:

Councilman White announced that the Multi-Municipal Fire Commission Plan and Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan are nearing completion.

PARKS & RECREATION:

No report.

COMPLAINT:

Councilwoman Barrett asked President Giandalia what steps can be taken to have Keith Hertzog from Dependable Construction Code Services start as Code Enforcement Officer. President Giandalia replied, "I thought that Kevin wouldn't assist without a management program in place." He mentioned that perhaps Councilwoman Barrett contact him and discuss if he would/could assist without a program (ie:iWorq) being implemented. Ms. Barrett explained that management software is a requirement, but that the borough should pursue engaging with Mr. Hertzog as soon as possible while pursuing that software.

Ms. Barrett commented that specific complaints should still go to Solanco while the borough secures another company to support code enforcement efforts.

PERSONNEL:

No report.

OUTREACH:

No report.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

President Giandalia announced the February Planning Meeting will be held on February 17, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT:

Vice President Lyle made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:52pm. Councilwoman Ferrari seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Tammie Hoff
Borough Secretary

