

WRIGHTSVILLE

YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2025

Borough Chambers
601 Water Street
Wrightsville, PA

In attendance: President Giandalia, Vice President Lyle, Councilwoman Barrett, Councilman White, Councilwoman Ferrari, Councilman Gromling, Solicitor Ruth, Engineer McCoy, Secretary Hoff

Absent: Mayor Slenker, Treasurer Sahd

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:

Renee Harper:

Ms. Harper introduced herself to those in attendance. Ms. Harper asked members of council to request installation of a Little Free Library at Riverfront Park. Ms. Harper provided members of council with documentation that provided an overview of the library.

From Ms. Harper:

Overview

Every great playground has a Little Free Library. It has become something that people almost expect. As wonderful as the Public Library is, not every child has access to them as they are dependent on their parents to take them if they cannot walk there themselves. There are many children in our neighborhood who walk to the park and would benefit from access to free literature. Having run a free book exchange from my front porch for the last few years, I have seen books come and go. I have seen children and teens excitedly scour the shelf then hide them on the lower levels of the shelf to come back after playing at the playground down the road. I have seen adult books, quietly and mysteriously disappear. But the books don't just disappear. It is a book exchange, and I often have boxes of books dropped off or will see a new book show up on the shelf. Once established, maintenance is minimal.

Goals

- 1. Determine the best location for a Little Free Library at River Front Park.*
- 2. Purchase a Little Free Library kit from littlefreelibrary.com*
- 3. Install and register said Little Free Library*

Books

I do not foresee keeping the library stocked with books to be a problem. The idea is to take a book and leave a book which typically plays out well. However, I live close and will monitor when more books are needed to keep it well stocked with good quality (not shabby) books. I have a relationship with Kreutz Creek Library's Friends of the Library group who have been very helpful with supplying books for the Little Free Libraries in our area. I also have

connections with a bookaholic who runs 4-5 Little Free Libraries and always has a surplus of books.

Registration

I will take care of what is needed to register the Little Free Library and ensure our town's place on the Little Free Library's online Map and App Map.

The approximate cost of library kit would be \$600.00.

Councilwoman Barrett said that having the free little library at the park makes perfect sense. After a brief discussion, Council agreed that this is a great idea and would discuss at an upcoming meeting where the free little library could be installed.

Mel McDonald:

Mrs. McDonald relayed to those in attendance that she received some disturbing news that Eric hired a lawyer to subpoena candidates running for Borough Council who failed to submit their Financial Interest Statements by the deadline date and the lengths that he is taking to keep those individuals off the ballots.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Fire:

No report was provided with meeting materials. Chief Livelsberger relayed to members of council and those in attendance that 89 calls were received in March for service.

Police:

No report was provided with meeting materials. Councilwoman Barrett asked Chief Pollock if a report would be received via email. Chief Pollock noted that the report would be emailed when completed.

Emergency Management Coordinator:

Report was provided with meeting materials.

Ambulance:

No report was provided with meeting materials.

Zoning:

Complaint report was provided with meeting materials.

Streets & Parks:

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.

Engineer McCoy relayed to members of council that C.S. Davidson is continuing to move forward with design and permitting for ADA/Kayal Launch/Dock Project with projected construction to be done Spring/Summer 2026.

Engineer McCoy relayed that phone quotes were received for installation of speed tables to be installed along Locust Street.

Following quotes received:

1. Kinsley-----\$11,900
2. CPA Pavement Services-----\$16,990
3. JVI Group-----\$18,490
4. Shiloh Paving-----\$19,350

Engineer McCoy relayed to council that they should consider the bid received from Kinsley for speed table installation.

Councilwoman Ferrari made a motion to amend the agenda to add an action item authorizing C.S. Davidson to advertise Floodplain Fill Project at Lemon St. ballfield. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to authorize C.S. Davidson to advertise the Lemon St. ballfield project as discussed by Engineer McCoy. Councilwoman Ferrari seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Engineer McCoy relayed to members of council of the following upcoming grant opportunities that are accepting applications starting April 8, 2025:

1. Susquehanna National Heritage Area – Heritage Partners Program
 - Closes: April 25th
 - Up to \$20,000 to improve access to public spaces, support interpretive education, and or support heritage preservation/ stewardship
2. Susquehanna Riverlands Conservation Landscape
 - Closes: July 1st
 - Up to \$20,000 for (1) habitat and trail connectivity, (2) sustainable public access to the Susquehanna River and its surrounding natural lands, (3) community partnership and collaboration, and (4) ecosystem health
3. Act 13 Marcellus Shale Funding – Greenways, Trails, & Recreation
 - Closes: May 31st
 - Up to \$250,000 for development, rehab, & improvement of a public park or recreational facility, planning project or acquisition

Councilman White made a motion to authorize C.S. Davidson to submit grant applications for the grant opportunities listed above as discussed with Engineer McCoy. Councilwoman Ferrari seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilwoman Ferrari asked what grants are available for beautification along Hellam Street, ie: planters, branded trashcans, etc.? Councilman White and Engineer McCoy replied York County Trail Towns offer grant opportunities for town beautification projects.

Treasurer:

All financial reports and check register were provided to Council with their meeting materials.

Councilman White made a motion to approve the March check register as presented by the treasurer. Councilwoman Ferrari seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve the March financial report as presented by the treasurer. Councilwoman Ferrari seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Mayor:

No report.

Solicitor:

No report.

ACTION ITEMS:

Councilwoman Ferrari made a motion to approve line painting quotes from D.E. Gemmill to paint traffic lines on Locust Street from Front Street to 9th Street after crack sealing, where needed is completed. Councilwoman Barrett seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve installation of handicap parking markers to be installed at 112 Lemon Street. VP Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-2, a Resolution modifying the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement by and among the County of York, Pennsylvania and numerous municipalities located therein, by adjusting the criteria applicable to members of the County Board under York County Ordinance 2004-4. Councilwoman Ferrari seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve the Recreation/Entertainment Permit Application and Road Closure request submitted by American Legion Post 469 for Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 26, 2025, from 12pm-2pm. Councilwoman Ferrari seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Approved Road Closure:

- Hellam St. from 2nd St. to 8th St.
- S. 2nd St. from Hellam St. to Orange St.
- Garden Ave. from 3rd St. to S. 2nd St.
- No Parking on Hellam St. from 2nd St. to 8th St. for parade

An action item listed on meeting agenda was to discuss/vote on hiring a code enforcement officer and purchase a software program (IworQ) to aid in managing property maintenance complaints. Council President Giandalia relayed to members of council and those in attendance that the IworQ program is a very good program and was able to meet with Christopher Miller, Hanover Borough Chief Code Enforcement Officer/Zoning Officer who provided instruction on how the program works in Hanover Borough. President Giandalia noted that he is concerned with the price to implement and maintain the program when the borough is currently negotiating a new police contract and most likely a new ambulance contract soon.

Councilman White relayed to members of council that he spoke with Derrick from Solanco Engineering about the current complaint report and was able to reduce the report to 3 active complaints. Councilman White noted that Derrick told him that no one from the complaint committee has been in contact with him for over a month.

Councilwoman Ferrari stated that she didn't appreciate Councilman White for overstepping the complaint committee members by contacting Solanco Engineering.

Councilwoman Barrett relayed to members of council and those in attendance that the current complaint report is not representative of the complaints that should be on the report. She noted that there are not a few problems as Eric mentioned and a lot of the complaints being received are not in the report. Councilwoman Ferrari noted to those in attendance and members of council that she along with Councilwoman Barrett was out last week talking with residents, and they have lost interest in turning in a complaint because nothing is getting done. Councilwoman Ferrari noted that the committee has been in touch with Solanco, and the complaint report will be updated to represent active complaints.

Councilwoman Barrett said that the current complaint process is archaic.

Councilman White asked the complaint committee what they have done in the past 8 months to take care of the complaints submitted to the borough. Councilwoman Barrett replied that the committee has been working on this for over a year spending a lot of time on the phone with IworQ representatives scheduling zoom meetings, speaking with Hanover Borough representative, Derrick from Solanco, and Kevin from Dependable Construction Code Services to try to implement a program/process that would be beneficial for the borough. Councilwoman Barrett also noted that money has been set aside in the budget for code enforcement.

VP Lyle noted that when he was the chairman of the complaint committee that a meeting between Mayor Slenker and Councilwoman Barrett was convened without his knowledge. Ms. Barrett said no meeting was held behind his back; in fact he was notified before the meeting by Mayor Slenker. After learning about this meeting, VP Lyle noted that is the reason he resigned as the chairman because he wanted the committee to work as a team and not 2 against 1.

Councilwoman Barrett made a motion to accept the proposal from IworQ to manage property maintenance complaints and hire Kevin Hertzog from DCCS to conduct code enforcement for the borough. Councilwoman Ferrari seconded the motion. President Giandalia, VP Lyle, Councilman White and Councilman Gromling opposed the motion. Motion did not pass due to -0- votes.

VP Lyle made a motion to amend the American Legion Post 469 lease with the Borough to extend the lease for another 99 years once approved. Councilman White seconded the motion. Councilman Gromling abstained from voting due to ethical issues due to being the Legionnaire in charge at the post. President Giandalia voted yea, Councilwoman Ferrari voted nay and then quickly changed her vote to an abstention. Councilwoman Barrett abstained from voting, stating a concern about a potential conflict of interest. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

VP Lyle made a motion to approve the March 3, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes. Councilwoman Ferrari seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:

President Giandalia relayed to those in attendance that he has been attending meetings with Hellam Township Police Department to discuss a new police contract for the borough.

PUBLIC WORKS:

No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Councilman Gromling relayed to other members of council that he thinks that RFP's (Request for Proposal) should be sent out to ambulance providers to gather information and costs to ensure that the borough continues to receive ambulance services once the current contract expires on June 30, 2026. Solicitor Ruth noted that he would be happy to assist with preparing a RFP.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

Councilman White made a motion to amend the agenda to include an expenditure item as an action item to approve a monetary donation to the local Senior Center. Councilwoman Ferrari seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve a \$100 donation be made to the Senior Center to aid in programs offered thorough the center. Councilwoman Ferrari seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

PARKS & RECREATION:

Councilman White relayed to members of council and those in attendance that after the recent vandalism that occurred in the park, he contacted Advantage Security to inquire on costs to install additional cameras throughout the park and was quoted with a price of \$640.00 per camera plus installation costs. Councilwoman Ferrari inquired about the status of cameras currently installed in the park, noting that after the most recent vandalism incident, Police Chief Pollock stated, "the cameras don't work." Mr. White said the cameras do work, but a tree was blocking the view of one camera; therefore, there was no video footage of the vandalism. Mr. White also noted that he contacted the District Attorney's office to discuss "possible placement" of the children who allegedly vandalized the park. A resident in attendance voiced her concern that a sitting Council member is engaging in discussions about placement of these children, stating that this is inappropriate and crosses a line.

COMPLAINT:

No report.

PERSONNEL:

No report.

OUTREACH:

Councilwoman Ferrari relayed to those in attendance that the community yard sale will be on Saturday, May 31, 2025 from 8am-1pm.

Councilwoman Ferrari congratulated the new candidates running for borough council and wished them good luck.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

No additional business.

ADJOURNMENT:

Council woman Ferrari made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:27pm. VP Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Tammie Hoff
Borough Secretary