

WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 5, 2025
Borough Chambers
601 Water Street
Wrightsville, PA

In attendance: President Giandalia, Vice President Lyle, Councilwoman Barrett, Councilman White, Councilwoman Ferrari, Councilman Gromling, Mayor Slenker, 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:

Mel McDonald:

Mrs. McDonald presented that Columbia Borough limits how long residents can park on public streets. It was established that in 2013 Wrightsville Borough removed the limit of parking time on public streets.

Mrs. McDonald asked Engineer McCoy when S. Front Street will be fixed.

Mrs. McDonald brought up that Councilwoman Barrett and Mayor Slenker did not have a complaint committee meeting without Vice President Lyle as was discussed at the April meeting.

Mrs. McDonald also feels that Councilman White has not gotten grant money for the Borough in the past and is not telling the truth to residents.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Fire:

Report was provided with meeting materials. Chief Livelsberger reported to those in attendance that the department responded to 58 calls in April. Chief Livelsberger advised that there have been 2 accidents recently where rock climbers have fallen while climbing in the new area.

Police:

Report was provided with meeting materials. Chief Pollock reported that the department is working on their accreditation. Data was provided from the traffic study performed on Locust Street. Speed signs have been placed and the officers have been ticketing people for speeding on Locust Street. The department is in the process of putting a motorcycle in service soon. Mayor Slenker asked if cars can be ticketed for parking the wrong direction and if there is no air in the tires. Chief Pollock explained these are not offenses that people can be ticketed for by the department. Councilwoman Ferrari said she was contacted by a resident with a complaint about speeding on South Alley. She told them to call the police department when it is happening.

Emergency Management Coordinator:

No report was provided with meeting materials.

Ambulance:

No report was provided with meeting materials.

Zoning:

The property maintenance complaint report was provided with meeting materials. Non-traffic citation will be issued for the violations at 707 & 709 Locust Street. Councilwoman Ferrari thanked the Authority employees for painting over the graffiti that was found on the bandshell.

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. There are updates but no action items for this meeting.

Center line striping is planned on Locust Street from Front Street to 9th Street. Council will continue to monitor Locust Street and may consider the addition of speed tables in the future if traffic accidents continue to occur.

The concrete crushing project is out for review and accepting bids. Bids will be opened on May 29th. Permits may be needed for additional impervious coverage. Plan to use DCED grant money for the concrete crushing project.

Engineer McCoy advised members of council about upcoming grant opportunities including possibly a \$20,000 grant to improve the Lime Kilns. Previous grants required "match money", Engineer McCoy is looking for new plans to obtain match money.

Marcel Shale grant has been received the last 3 years but will not be applied for this year.

Engineer McCoy will look into what is needed for the July grant.

There is a 2nd pavilion in the plans.

Treasurer:

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

Treasurer Sahd noted that tax payments have been received.

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

Councilwoman Barrett made a motion to approve the April 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 those in attendance that she was disappointed about the code enforcement program being voted down. Mayor Slenker is concerned about the Borough looking terrible and feels there should be rental inspections.

Solicitor:

Report was provided with meeting materials. Solicitor Ruth advised he has no action items, but that an executive session will be required tonight.

ACTION ITEMS:

Councilman Gromling made an amended motion that the new signs at Blessing Fields can be approved but will need to be in compliance with PennDOT Public Act 236 regarding sign colors and placement. Councilwoman Barrett seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilwoman Barrett made a motion to purchase a Little Free Library for \$600 or less and place the library kit on a post. Councilwoman Ferrari seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Vice President Lyle made a motion that Councilwoman Barrett and Councilwoman Ferrari will find a location in the park for the Little Free Library to be installed. Councilman Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion was carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to approve the Recreation/Entertainment Permit Applications for Lower Susquehanna Riverkeepers Association events in Riverfront Park on the following dates:

- i. Friday, June 20th – Rocking for the River – 5pm-9:30pm
- ii. Friday, July 18th – Rocking for the River – 5pm-9:30pm
- iii. Friday, August 15th – Rocking for the River – 5pm-9:30pm
- iv. Saturday, September 20th – Dam Bridge Challenge – Paddle Board Race – 10am-6pm
- v. Saturday, November 1st – River Rally Event – 8am-4pm

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

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Councilwoman Ferrari made a motion to approve the April 7, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes. Vice President Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

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

BOROUGH COUNCIL 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.

Outreach:

No report. Councilwoman Barrett and Councilwoman Ferrari plan to provide information to residents about Borough Ordinances.

Complaint Committee:

No report. Councilwoman Barrett, Councilwoman Ferrari and Mayor Slenker are meeting with Solanco Engineering biweekly concerning complaints and will email Secretary Hoff their new spreadsheet monthly.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

Details for the Community Spring Clean Up June 14th were discussed. Vice President Lyle will confirm at the Authority meeting on Thursday what can be brought to clean up day.

ADJOURNMENT:

Vice President Lyle made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:35pm. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammie Hoff

Borough Secretary

Suzanne Martin

Borough Assistant