

WRIGHTSVILLE

YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL

**REGULAR MEETING**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2025**

Borough Chambers

601 Water Street

Wrightsville, PA

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*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:**

Connie Billett:

Ms. Billett introduced herself to those in attendance noting that she is the new General Manager of the Burning Bridge. Councilwoman Ferrari thanked her for the Burning Bridge's contribution to the summer lunch program.

Mel McDonald:

Mrs. McDonald asked when the drainage issue along S. Front St. will be fixed.

Faye Raffensberger:

Ms. Raffensberger asked when the Route 462 signs placed along S. Front St. are getting removed and placed correctly along S. Front St. noting that motorists turn directly at the alley way where sign is currently located and it is very dangerous to pedestrians.

Ms. Raffensberger noted to council that better parking is needed if events are going to be held in the park noting that the recent renovations along S. Front St. took many parking spots away for those residents that live along S. Front St.

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

**Fire:**

No monthly report was provided with meeting materials. Chief Livelsberger was in attendance and reported to those in attendance that a total of 87 calls were received for service in July.

Chief Livelsberger also reported that the department received numerous calls for water rescues.

**Police:**

Report was provided with meeting materials. Chief Pollock relayed report highlights to those in attendance noting that 131 calls were received in July.

**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.

Councilwoman Ferrari thanked Eliseo and Brock for doing a great job removing the weeds at the entrance to the bridge noting that it looks very nice.

**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 and those in attendance a quick highlight about the construction timeline for ADA Kayak Launch/Dock Project noting a general timeline as follows:

December 2025- Obtain DEP General Permit

Winter 2026 – Bidding process

Spring/Summer 2026 – Construction

Engineer McCoy noted that that surveying work has been completed, and a site visit will be coordinated within the next few weeks to confirm the anticipated layout and dock specifics with staff and Devin Winand from the Lower Susquehanna Riverkeepers prior to permit submission.

Engineer McCoy discussed the drainage issue along the bump outs that has been an issue along S. Front St. Engineer McCoy noted that the area is very flat and that the existing grade was flat to begin with causing ponding issues. After meeting with Kinsley, Engineer McCoy suggested that council agree to install a trench drain as proposed by Kinsley in this area to resolve the ponding and draining issue in these areas along the bump outs. Engineer McCoy relayed to members of council that the anticipated project cost will be about \$15,000, this includes the trench proposal from Kinsley for \$10,600 and remaining materials costs to complete the project to be about \$4,000. Vice President Lyle asked Engineer McCoy “why don’t we go back to PennDOT to hold them accountable as they knew the area was flat to begin with?” Engineer replied, “he doesn’t think PennDOT will take responsibility”.

After a brief discussion, Councilman White made a motion to amend the agenda to vote on trench proposal submitted by Kinsley Construction to install trench drain along S. Front St. Vice President Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilman White made a motion to install trench drain along S. Front as noted in proposal from Kinsley Construction with project costs not to exceed \$15,000. Vice President Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with unanimous vote.

Engineer McCoy presented to members of council Change Order #1 for Waterfront Park – Concrete Crushing/Parking Improvements netting a \$44,055.75 net change in contract price. The change order changes the contact price from \$160,310 to \$204,365.75.

After a brief discussion, Councilman White made a motion to approve the Change Order #1 as presented by Engineer McCoy. Vice President Lyle seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

**Treasurer:**

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

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

**Mayor:**

Mayor Slenker relayed to members of council that after a discussion with Solanco Engineering about repeat property maintenance offenders it was recommended that the Complaint Committee have a meeting with the District Magistrate to discuss repeat offenders pay the maximum fines allowed. Solicitor Ruth advised that he didn't feel like that would be a good idea and Solanco Engineering should be the one to address the District Magistrate at the time of each hearing, when appropriate and applicable on a case-by-case basis.

**Solicitor:**

Report was provided with meeting materials.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

President Giandalia announced that an Executive Session would be held at the conclusion of the Regular Meeting.

Councilwoman Ferrari made a motion to approve the Special Handicap or Disabled Parking Application for markers to be installed at 247 Chestnut St. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilwoman Ferrari made a motion to approve the Special Handicap or Disabled Parking Application for markers to be installed at 407 Hellam St., Apt 1. Councilman White seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Councilwoman Ferrari made a motion to approve the Special Handicap or Disabled Parking Application for markers to be installed at 407 Hellam St., Apt 2. Councilwoman Barrett 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 Street Closure Request submitted by the Burning Bridge for the following events, times and dates. Councilwoman Ferrari seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Events:

1. Rylie Toomey Golf Scramble – Cancer Fundraiser – Saturday, September 6, 2025 from 10am-10pm
2. Wrightsville Fire Department Golf Outing – Saturday, September 13, 2025 from 10am-10pm
3. End of Summer Bash – Saturday, September 27, 2025 from 10am-10pm

Street closure for all events:

1. N. Front St. from Hellam St. to Locust St. (10am-10pm)

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:**

Councilwoman Ferrari made a motion to approve the July 7, 2025 Regular Meeting minutes. Councilwoman Barrett seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

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

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:**

No report.

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

No report.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Councilman Gromling and Councilman White continue to attend Fire Commission/EMS meetings to negotiate EMS services to Wrightsville Borough.

**COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:**

Councilman White relayed to members of council and those in attendance that Rotary Clubs across York County will be planting a Liberty Tree in 72 different municipalities to honor the American 250 PA Celebration on Saturday, October 18, 2025 with a rain date of October 25, 2025. Councilman White relayed that the borough needs to determine what type of tree and where the tree should be placed within the borough very soon. Councilman White indicated that the selection of the type of tree should be made between Tulip Poplars, London Plantree or Sycamore. Vice President Lyle suggested that Councilman White speak with the Municipal Authority General Manager as he is very knowledgeable about different types of trees and may be able to provide suggestions. Councilman White suggested planting the tree in Riverfront Park near the walking trails as part of the Revitalization Project.

Councilman White relayed to those in attendance that pending final arrangements are made, there will be a small parade from the American Legion to Mt. Pisgah Cemetery on September 21, 2025 starting at 1pm to honor Mrs. Anna ByBee Grayson and the Women of the 6888<sup>th</sup> Central Postal Directory Battalion. Councilman White noted that this request was proposed from Ms.

Dorm, NAACP Unmarked Graves Initiative Representative and agreed upon by the Mt. Pisgah Cemetery Volunteer Group.

**PARKS & RECREATION:**

Councilman Gromling noted that the Lemon St. walkway entrance to Riverfront Park is not designed for vehicular traffic and vehicles should not be driving on this walkway during events that are held in the park. The walkway was designed for handicap access and emergency service vehicles, when needed.

**COMPLAINT:**

Councilwoman Ferrari relayed to members of council and those in attendance that an updated complaint listing has been provided and that there are 18 open cases and 7 cases have been closed since last month.

**PERSONNEL:**

No report.

**OUTREACH:**

Councilwoman Ferrari noted that there is now a Little Free Library at John Wright Restaurant.

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:**

No additional business.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Executive Session was held from 8:01pm-8:15pm to discuss potential litigation matters. No further action was taken following the Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilman White made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:16pm. Councilman Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tammie Hoff  
Borough Secretary