

**WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 6, 2026
Borough Chambers
601 Water Street
Wrightsville, PA**

In attendance: President White, Vice President Gromling, Councilman Livelsberger, Councilwoman Abel, Councilman Lehman, Mayor Albert, Solicitor Ruth, Engineer McCoy, Borough Secretary Martin

Absent: Councilwoman Ferrari, Councilwoman Barrett, Treasurer Sahd

President White 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 reported her concerns about parking for the July 4th celebration. She is also concerned about trees in the park across from her house needing trimmed before they fall down and hurt someone. Vice President Gromling reported that certain trees have been marked for removal.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Ambulance:

No report was provided with meeting materials. Councilman Livelsberger recently met with the UPMC Director. Councilman Livelsberger provided an ambulance service update. He reported that recently there were 2 serious calls and ambulances were on scene quickly.

Fire:

Report was provided with meeting materials. Assistant Fire Chief Seibert reported to those in attendance that the department responded to 84 calls in June. The average response time was 1 minute, 24 seconds and there were 9 overlapping calls.

Police:

No report was provided with meeting materials.

Emergency Management Coordinator:

No report was provided with meeting materials. President White reported that he worked with Chris Eaton, Emergency Management Coordinator, for the July 4th celebration and extended electric loss that weekend and Chris is doing a good job.

Zoning:

No report was provided with meeting materials.

Streets & Parks:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials. President White reported that Eliseo and Brock were very helpful during the July 4th celebration. Brock reported that the flag poles are being repaired from the storm damage.

Engineer:

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

Engineer McCoy reported that the Kayak Launch/Dock final clearance was received from DCNR. There is a meeting scheduled for 9 AM on July 7th to start planning and get schedule from contractor. Dock should be delivered mid-to-late August.

Treasurer:

In Treasurer Sahd's absence, President White reviewed the June check register.

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

President White reviewed the June financial report.

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

Mayor:

No report was provided with meeting materials. Mayor Albert provided a verbal update regarding the condemned apartment at 203 Hellam Street.

Mayor Albert reported that 319 Vine Street is being worked on by Doolittle Tree Service and Nemo Pools. There is concern that the inside of this property is also a mess. Solicitor Ruth discussed continued care for the property.

Solicitor:

Report was provided with meeting materials. Solicitor Ruth reported the Comprehensive Plan will possibly be ready for advertisement in August or September.

Dumpster Ordinance was discussed. The following changes will be made: Section 4(B)(iv) – Containers shall not be located within *fifteen (15') feet* of a fire hydrant and Section 5(G) – placement of protective materials will be required; "*when required by the Borough*" will be removed.

Solicitor Ruth provided more explanation regarding the Joinder and Consolidation of Bond documents and reported in 2020 the Borough took out a bond for stormwater upgrade and fees. The bank is now requiring the Authority to secure the bond as well. Vice President Gromling provided further information about what the project was for.

ACTION ITEMS:

Councilman Livelsberger made a motion to approve the Recreation/Entertainment Permit for Burning Bridge Tavern – Block Party and Street Closure Request for N. Front Street from Hellam Street to Locust Street on Saturday, August 1, 2026 from 2 PM – 10 PM. Councilwoman Abel seconded the motion. Vice President Gromling opposed the motion feeling there have been too many requests this summer and it is disruptive to the community. The motion carried with a 4 to 1 vote.

Councilman Lehman made a motion to approve the Recreation/Entertainment Permit for Burning Bridge Tavern – Benefit Ride for Church Biker Group and Street Closure Request for N. Front Street from Hellam Street to Locust Street on Sunday, September 20, 2026 (Raindate: Sunday, September 27, 2026) from 10 AM – 4 PM. Councilman Livelsberger seconded the motion. Vice President Gromling opposed the motion feeling there have been too many requests this summer and it is disruptive to the community. The motion carried with a 4 to 1 vote.

Councilman Livelsberger made a motion to approve the Joinder and Consolidation of Bond Documents for general bond series of 2020, dated June 17, 2020, to add the Wrightsville Borough Municipal Authority as Co-Obligor. Vice President Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Vice President Gromling made a motion to table advertisement of the Dumpster and Portable Storage Unit Placement Ordinance to the August meeting for the changes to be made and for further review by absent council members. Councilman Livelsberger seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Vice President Gromling made a motion to ratify the Agenda for the June 1, 2026 meeting to include approval of Entertainment Permit for the July 4th Fireworks celebration with required road closures for Saturday, July 4, 2026 from 3 PM – 11 PM pending receipt of proper documentation prior to the event. Councilman Livelsberger seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Vice President Gromling made a motion to ratify the Agenda for the June 1, 2026 meeting to include approval of a \$2,000.00 donation to the Fireworks Committee for the July 4th celebration. Councilman Livelsberger seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Vice President Gromling made a motion to approve the Agreement Regarding Property Maintenance Work and Authorization to Pay Contractors for 319 Vine Street. Councilman Lehman seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Councilman Lehman made a motion to approve the June 1, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes. Councilwoman Abel seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

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

BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administration & Finance:

No report. Vice President Gromling had reviewed insurance renewal policies and had a few payment questions.

Public Works:

No report. Street project will start soon. Chestnut Street needs work. Eliseo and Vice President Gromling met to look at what needs done.

Public Safety:

No report. Councilman Livelsberger expressed a concern with the Maple Street boat ramp. Kids swimming by the ramp are in the way of boats loading and unloading on the ramp. Possible options were discussed. Solicitor Ruth advised that “no swimming” signs could be posted by the boat ramp.

Bridge burning and bridge closure on Sunday, June 28th was discussed. Vice President Gromling reported that there needs to be a public safety emergency plan in place for future events.

Community & Economic Development:

No report. Councilman Lehman reported that the Borough Facebook page is going good and everyone should follow it.

President White reported that the July 4th celebration went well. The fireworks went off on time even after a terrible storm came through right before the fireworks. The food trucks were good and local politicians attended the event. The SERT team attended and were a big help. People enjoyed the event. The Fireworks Committee worked hard and put in a lot of time to make this event a success.

Parks & Recreation:

No report. Trees in park are being looked at and will be taken down if needed.

Personnel:

No report.

Complaint Committee:

No report.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

No Additional Business.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Livelsberger made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:29 pm. Vice President Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne S. Martin
Borough Secretary