Wrightsville Borough Meeting Minutes April 2, 2007 \$ 7:00 PM Borough Council Meeting Room, Wrightsville PA

The regular meeting of Wrightsville Borough Council was called to order by President Dixon, who led the salute to the American flag. N. Habecker, M. Lentz, S. Young, M. McDonald, E. Pennell, and Mayor S. Rambler were also in attendance. President Dixon also mentioned that the Solicitor, Secretary, Engineer, and Treasurer were present.

President Dixon announced that the meeting will be recorded.

He reviewed the procedure of the patron's portion.

PATRONS:

<u>William Radzewiez</u> – Asked who put up the 25 MPH sign on Hellam Street. He asked if Walnut Street could be reduced to 25 MPH.

<u>Scott Blymier</u> – Came to voice his concern with the parking issues at the Borough office. His mother lives across the street and she is handicapped, and he asked that the spot in front of her house stay unoccupied. He was asked to have his mother fill out an application for a handicapped sign.

He reported that the Dutchman is buying beer from the local beer distributor and selling it in their bar.

He mentioned that his brother lives on Orange Street and there was a hit and run and the Mayor was there looking into the situation and wondered why the new police department wasn't there instead

He asked why there is a puppy at the Borough office.

<u>Ruth Myers</u> – Mrs. Myers wondered where the status of communication was between her attorney an our solicitor. She asked why the Borough has not sent a letter to the Liquor Control Board saying that permission is given to them to have their event. Mr. Tilley said that as far as the Borough is concerned, the LCB does not need a letter.

<u>David Jud</u> – Mr. Jud came to question the reasoning behind the no parking signs that have been erected on South 6^{th} Street. His next concern was regarding the stop sign at South 6^{th} Street and Orange Street. He reported that very few cars stop, and has caused a dangerous area for pedestrians. He also had a concern regarding lowering the speed limit to 25 mph.

<u>Nicole Groft</u> - Mrs. Groft came for the same issue as David Jud. Mr. Dixon announced that the South 6^{th} Street issue will be addressed during the Health and Safety portion of the meeting.

Rod Keller – Mr. Keller was also concerned about South 6th Street.

<u>Robin Geesey</u> – Mrs. Geesey came to voice concerns about the Borough VISA card transactions. The transaction of concern was the cruise charges. She also wanted to know what code would be used to show the vehicle code violation payments.

Don Wilt – Mr. Wilt asked how many weekly hours the officers patrol in their cars.

President Dixon entertained a motion for the approval of the March minutes. N. Habecker moved and S. Young seconded, with unanimous approval from Council.

<u>POLICE:</u> Chief Pearson gave the March report. Please see the attached report. He addressed the parking issue for resident who live on hills and park their cars in the opposite direction during snowy weather. He said that next winter, he may be able to be more lenient. The Chief reported that the last officer, Ron Tobias will soon be sworn in and the department will be even closer to the 24/7 coverage that it has been striving for.

President Dixon mentioned that he has observed communication and mutual aide between Hellam Township and our police department, and he is please to see it.

Chief mentioned that the department is accomplishing more than what is seen. Chief reported that all of the surrounding municipalities are starting to work well together. He said that the municipalities are working on the written agreement as far as the verbiage.

<u>FIRE</u>: The Mayor gave the March fire report. See attached. President Dixon mentioned that the fire company requested that they come every month and give their report before the patron portion of the meeting. President Dixon explained that the way the agenda is laid out now is according to the Sunshine Law, and that if no one has any objections, he will let the fire report be given before the patron portion.

Louis Hogentougler asked if the volume of the fire siren can be turned down.

TREASURER: K. Brenner gave the March report. He reported that the Borough was awarded the amount of \$42,087. for Liquid Fuels. President Dixon talked about how anyone who handles money is bonded, how purchase orders are signed by department heads for everything that is purchased, and an independent auditing company was hired to review the books every year, and lastly he mentioned that he has come up with an audit committee that consists of 2 Borough employees and 2 elected officials. A motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented was made by N. Habecker and seconded by E. Pennell. There was a question about some VISA purchases by M. McDonald. Unanimous approval was given.

<u>HEALTH & SAFETY:</u> At this time, the South 6th Street issue was addressed. David Jud, Rod Keller and Nicole Groft voiced their concerns about the no parking signs on the West side of the street. David Jud also requested that the speed limit be lowered to 25 mph. They asked if the signs can be moved to the East side of the street.

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N. Habecker voiced his thoughts about the South 6th Street issue and stated that over the past three years, because of the changes with the school, traffic has increased tremendously. He explained that parking is secondary to the flow of traffic. M. McDonald motioned to move the

no parking signs from the West side to the East side of South 6th Street from Orange Street to Hellam Street, pending the recommendation from the York County Planning Commission. E. Pennell seconded. The vote was 3 yes, 1 no and 1 abstain.

N. Habecker reported that there is a Health and Safety meeting on April 9, 2007 at 6:30 pm at the Fire Dept.

Mr. Habecker voiced some honest and positive comments concerning the police department. He commended the police department on their accomplishments thus far, since their up-start. He believes that the number of arrests have increased since we have our own police.

<u>ENGINEERING</u>: J. Klinedinst reported that he prepared a description of the Borough for the Police Department.

He reported that the Walnut Street Block Grant application for \$10,000 was approved by the York County Planning Commission.

<u>SOLICITOR:</u> Mr. Tilley brought the advertised Ordinance appointing the independent auditor. President Dixon entertained a motion to accept Ordinance number 2007-5. E. Pennell moved, S. Young seconded, with unanimous approval.

Mr. Tilley also brought the Refuse Ordinance. Ordinance number 2007-3 sets the refuse fee to \$19.00 per month. It came to the attention of Council that the Ordinance was not advertised. Mr. Tilley suggested that the Council recess the meeting until it can be advertised. E. Pennell moved, N. Habecker seconded to advertise Ordinance # 2007-3 and approve the Ordinance at the recessed meeting next Wednesday. Unanimous approval was given by Council. Mr. Tilley reported that the application for the Adult Entertainment Ordinance is finished.

<u>PERSONELL:</u> S. Young did not have anything to report.

STREETS: E. Pennell reported that the Engineering quotes for the Walnut Street Project have been received by the Borough office. The quotes are as follows: Rettew \$18,605; C. S. Davidson \$15,457; and David Miller \$14,970. Mr. Pennell mentioned that his choice would be C. S. Davidson because their quotation included services that the other quotes charged for. C. S. Davidson indicated that their quote would not exceed the total amount. E. Pennell made a motion to award C. S. Davidson as the Walnut Street Project Engineering firm. M. Lentz seconded with unanimous approval from Council. Mr. Pennell expressed that pot holes need repaired and he hopes that the quarry will be preparing hot mix macadam because it is much cheaper than cold mix. Please see the attached Streets report.

<u>RECREATION:</u> Mayor Rambler announced that baseball is going well. He reported that the next Wrightsville Recreation Commission meeting will be April 24th at 6:30 at this office.

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MAYOR: Mayor Rambler reported that the DES (Department of Emergency Services) report is out from the County. He reported that everything is on schedule with the new communications towers and will be coming available on-line. He reported that phone services such as Vonnage are having trouble reaching 911 emergency services, but are being worked out. He said that residents should go to the internet page and make sure that their name and address are correct. The Mayor reported that clean-up day will be held on Saturday May 19th behind the Borough Administrative Center from 7 am until 11 am. He also said that the Columbia Borough will

donate their compactor.

<u>SENIOR CITIZEN/S.V.CHAMBER</u>: Mr. Lentz had nothing to report.

AUTHORITY: Nothing to report.

PRESIDENT: Nothing to report.

At 8:45 pm, N. Habecker moved, M. Lentz seconded to recess the meeting until Wednesday April 11, 2007 at 5:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol A. Jud Borough Secretary