

**Wrightsville Borough
Recessed Meeting Minutes
December 18, 2006 – 7:00 PM
Borough Council Meeting Room, Wrightsville PA**

The recessed meeting of the Wrightsville Borough Council was called to order by President Dixon, who led the salute to the American Flag. The Mayor and all Borough Council members were in attendance, except for E. Pennell.

President Dixon stated that since this is a recessed meeting there would be no patron participation, but, two things were added to the agenda which are: Appointment of new police officers and the other is changes to the Street Department personnel. Mr. President gave a few moments for the public to comment on either of those issues, which he added, complies with the Sunshine Laws. No one had anything to say.

TREASURER: Mr. Brenner presented the budget with no changes since the budget was advertised. N. Habecker moved to approve the 2007 budget and M. Lentz seconded, with unanimous approval.

POLICE: The Mayor started by saying that all of the police officers that will be hired are approved by the committee, but are pending all checks.

- 1.) Michael Carpenter will be hired full time at \$29,500 per year, with 1 week vacation and full benefits. A motion to hire him at \$29,500 per year was made by N. Habecker and seconded by S. Young.
- 2.) Michael Jefferies will be hired full time at \$28,000 per year, with 1 week vacation and full benefits. A motion to hire him at \$28,000 per year was made by N. Habecker and seconded by S. Young.

The Mayor reported that since there are 3 full time officers hired at this point, there needs to be a Civil Service Commission appointed. The Commission requires three individuals to be on the board. There were four applicants, and they were: Sharon L. Amato, Kimberly Lentz, Dianne Pennell, and Eric J. White. A role call vote in alphabetical order by last name was administered by Carol Jud, and the results were as follows:

Sharon L. Amato - Homemaker and business owner -

- N. Habecker - yes
- W. Dixon - yes
- M. Lentz - yes
- S. Young - yes
- M. McDonald - yes

Kimberly Lentz - Real Estate Development and Marketing -

N. Habecker - yes
W. Dixon - yes
M. Lentz - yes
S. Young - yes
M. McDonald - yes

Dianne Pennell - Technical Assistant for an Insurance Company

N. Habecker - yes
W. Dixon - yes
M. Lentz - yes
S. Young - yes
M. McDonald - yes

Eric J. White - CEO and Journalist

The Council did not get to vote on Eric, because the previous three were selected.

The Mayor stated that according to the Borough Code, the candidates have 10 days to have an organizational meeting. A motion was made by N. Habecker to appoint the three candidates, Sharon Amato, Dianne Pennell and Kimberly Lentz and was seconded by M. McDonald, with unanimous approval.

The Mayor continued with the hiring of the extra officers. They will start at an hourly rate of \$13.00 per hour, with a \$1.00 per hour shift differential for third shift, and work up to, but not more than 30 hours per week, and receive no benefits.

Those officers are as follows:

- 1.) Kyle Hosking - A motion to hire Kyle was made by S. Young, and seconded by N. Habecker, with unanimous approval.
- 2.) Ronald Tobias - A motion to hire Ronald was made by M. McDonald, and seconded by N. Habecker, with unanimous approval.
- 3.) Joshua Keller - A motion to hire Joshua was made by M. Lentz, and seconded by N. Habecker, with unanimous approval.

Mr. Dixon asked the Treasurer if the public accountants need appointed at this time. Mr. Brenner stated that it can wait until the January 2007 meeting.

Mr. Dixon addressed some street concerns on Cherry Street and Locust Street. Mr. Habecker thinks that it is appropriate to let the new police department address those issues in January.

PERSONNEL: Mr. Dixon mentioned that there is a Street Department issue that needs addressed. S. Young stated that the issue should be handled in an executive session, which will take place at the end of the meeting.

AUTHORITY: President Dixon mentioned that the office agreement between the Borough and the Authority needs to be agreed upon by the Borough Council and the Authority Members. He would like it to be approved at the January meeting. The changes that were made were that under section 5B that relates to the payment of phone service, he added computer, security and internet service. The other change is that Mr. Dixon feels that the utilities should be split.

President Dixon mentioned that the Council has to appoint two Authority member seats whose tenures expire at the end of the year. Borough Council decided to wait until the January 2007 meeting to appoint them.

President Dixon brought some information concerning the Uniform Construction Code and that is that when a resident wants to build, they have to get a permit from the enforcing office that is contracted until June of 2007, but the actual inspections can be done by code enforcing officer of their choice.

HEALTH & SAFETY: N. Habecker reported that a handicapped sign application was completed by Richard Ruhl at 333 Walnut Street, but lacked a physician's approval. Mr. Ruhl has gotten the required information. Mr. Habecker made a motion to approve the handicapped sign and S. Young seconded, with unanimous approval.

He also reported that the annual contract amount for Hemler Animal Control is \$410.00 and needs to be injected in the motion at the Dec 4th meeting.

At 7:28 pm, the Borough Council announced that they are going to be going into an executive session.

The regular meeting went back into session at 8:00 pm and immediately was adjourned by motion from S. Young and seconded by N. Habecker.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol A. Jud
Borough Secretary