

AGENDA
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 8, 2016

Mayor Chegwidden called the Meeting to Order

Mayor Chegwidden read the Open Public Meeting Statement

Mayor Chegwidden requested Roll Call:

Council President Norton
Councilman Binkoski
Councilman Corbett
Councilwoman Hayes
Councilwoman Wickenheisser
Councilman Yeager

Flag Salute

Mayor Chegwidden led those in attendance with the salute to the American Flag.

Open to the Public

In accordance with Local Ordinance O-18-03, “Persons making public comment at the first public portion shall be limited to five (5) minutes. During the second public repetitive, irrelevant or excessive public comment in the interest of permitting all members of the public time to speak on any governmental issue and completing the public business within a reasonable period of time”.

Mayor Chegwidden opened the meeting to the public.

Pam Ferago, 1069 Tree Tops, came to introduce herself. She is the President of the Friends of the Library group. She wanted to share the “Dine to Donate” fundraiser they are doing. She also informed the council of the plans to buy new books and new carpet for the library from their proceeds.

Mike Obremski from JCP&L came to tell the Mayor & Council that his 2016 budget has been approved and that he will be sponsoring Canal Day again.

Mayor Chegwidden closed the meeting to the public.

Ordinance

Councilman Yeager presented O-01-16, “An Ordinance Amending Chapter 136, Section 7 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Wharton, County of Morris, State of New Jersey,” on second reading by title only.

Mayor Chegwidden opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments on this Ordinance only.

Mayor Chegwidden closed the meeting to the public.

Motion by Councilman Yeager and seconded by Councilman Corbett to adopt O-01-16 on second and final reading.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA: 6	NAY: 0	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
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Ordinance

Councilwoman Hayes presented O-02-16, “An Ordinance to provide for a Water Utility Capital Project Enumerated Within for the Borough of Wharton, County of Morris and to provide the Funding Thereof,” on second reading by title only.

Mayor Chegwidden opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments on this Ordinance only.

Mayor Chegwidden closed the meeting to the public.

Motion by Councilman Corbett and seconded by Councilman Binkoski to adopt O-02-16 on second and final reading.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:6	NAY: 0	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
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Ordinance

Council President Norton introduced O-03-16, “An Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Certain Real Property by the Borough of Wharton, County of Morris, State of New Jersey,” on first reading by title only.

Motion by Councilman Norton and seconded by Councilman Corbett to adopt O-03-16 on first reading.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:6	NAY: 0	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
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Mayor Chegwidden set the date of February 22, 2016 for second and final reading.

Ordinance

Councilman Corbett introduced O-04-16, “An Ordinance to Provide for General Capital Projects Enumerated Within for the Borough of Wharton, County of Morris, State of New Jersey and to Provide the Funding Thereof,” on first reading by title only.

Motion by Councilman Corbett and seconded by Councilman Binkoski to adopt O-04-16 on first reading.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:6	NAY: 0	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
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Mayor Chegwidden set the date of February 22, 2016 for second and final reading.

Resolution

Council President Norton introduced R-35-16, “Resolution for a Deed of Historic Easement.”

Motion by Councilman Norton and seconded by Councilwoman Wickenheisser to adopt R-35-16.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:6	NAY: 0	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
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Consent Agenda

The following items are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Mayor and Council and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a council member or citizen so requests, in which case, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in a normal sequence on the agenda.

Approval of Bills: All bills referred to the finance committee to be paid if found correct.

**Resolution: R-36-16: Adopt Temporary Budget
R-37-16: Approve Morris County Co-Op Vehicle Purchase
R-38-16: Prof. Services Environmental Assessment
R-39-16: Prof. Services East Central Ave. Water Main
R-40-16: Adopt Temporary Capital Budget
R-41-16: Approve Tax Sale Redemption TSC 2015-005
R-42-16: Approve Tax Sale Redemption TSC 2015-004
R-43-16: Municipal Alliance Grant for 2017
R-44-16: Budget Appropriation Transfer**

Approve Wharton American Legion Baseball facility application for 5/7/16-8/21/16

Motion by Councilman Norton seconded by Councilman Yeager approval of all of the items listed on the Consent Agenda.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:6 NAY: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

Correspondence

1. Monthly Reports from Clerk and Construction

Council Reports

Council President Norton: Councilman Norton stated that the DPW did a fantastic job cleaning up after the blizzard.

Councilman Binkoski: Had no report.

Councilman Corbett: Asked if the temporary budget and Main Street were on the consent agenda. Questioned the impact of tearing down the Chase building. Stated that on January 25th he attended the Finance meeting to discuss the 2016 budget. The Finance committee also met February 8th. February 2nd he attended the RVRSA meeting. He stated the Fire Departments clam bake was this Saturday. Also added the DPW did a great job on the snow removal after the storm.

Councilwoman Hayes: Stated she would like to thank Jon for working around everyone's schedule with the Finance Committee. She stated she attended the carnival planning meeting. She wanted to inform everyone that the Wharton Kids First would be holding their Lotsa Pasta dinner on February 19th.

Councilwoman Wickenheisser: Stated she too thought the DPW did a wonderful job with the snow cleanup. She had also attended the carnival planning meeting. She would be attending the meeting at the county regarding Sika virus on February 10th.

Councilman Yeager: Had no report.

Mayor's Report Stated he thought the snow removal by the DPW was great as always. He appointed a committee of Councilman Binkoski, Councilwoman Hayes and Councilman Yeager for the negotiations of the Mine Hill Police contracts.

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any governmental issue and completing the public business within a reasonable period of time.”

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Almar Abheldman from 85 E. Dewey Ave., stated that he had concerns with the assessment of his home. He was directed to the County.

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Adjournment

Motion by Councilman Corbett seconded by Councilman Binkoski to close this meeting.