

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
JULY 19, 2021

Mayor Chegwidden called the Meeting to Order

Mayor Chegwidden read the Open Public Meeting Statement

Mayor Chegwidden requested Roll Call:

Council President Wickenheisser- Present
Council Binkoski- Absent, Excused
Councilwoman Hayes- Absent, Excused
Councilman Norton- Present
Councilwoman Vasquez- Present
Councilman Yeager- Present

Also in attendance were Administrator Jon Rheinhardt, Borough Clerk Gabrielle Evangelista, and Attorney Roman Hirniak.

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 portion 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.

No one wishing to be heard, Mayor Chegwidden closed the meeting to the public.

Discussion

- Request to close Cross St. for a Block Party on 7/24 from 12pm-9:30pm

Council President Wickenheisser made a motion to approve this request which was seconded by Councilman Yeager.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-4 NAY-0 ABSENT-2 ABSTAIN-0
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MOTION CARRIED

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 Minutes: Approve Minutes from 6/28/21 Meeting

Resolutions: R-102-21: Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation-Clean Communities Grant R-103-21: Approve Application Morris County Trails Grant R-104-21: Approve Tax Sale Redemption TSC 2017-008 R-105-21: Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation- Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
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R-106-21: Prof. Service- John Morgan Thomas: Morris County Trail Grant-Phase 3
R-107-21: Payout Zeek
R-108-21: Accept Grant Department of Law and Public Safety-SFY21 Body Worn Camera Grant Program
R-109-21: Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation- SFY21 Body Worn Camera Grant Program

Approve Recreation Facility Application- William Rzucidlo 7/27-7/28 3-8 p.m. for Football Camp

Approve Recreation Facility Application- Jr. Knights

Council President Wickenheisser requested that R-105-21 and R-107-21 be considered separately.

A motion was made by Council President Wickenheisser, which was seconded by Councilman Yeager to approve all of the items on the Consent Agenda except for R-105-21 and R-107-21 which will be considered separately.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:4 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 0

MOTION CARRIED

R-105-21 was removed from the Consent Agenda because the amount of funds needs to be amended to include the totals for both this year and next year. The correct amount is \$666,634.01, which will be used for a water and sewer project on Washington St.

Council President Wickenheisser made a motion to approve R-105-21 as amended, which was seconded by Councilman Yeager

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-4 NAY-0 ABSENT-2 ABSTAIN-0

MOTION CARRIED

R-107-21 was removed from the Consent Agenda because the payout should only include vacation time.

Council President Wickenheisser made a motion to approve R-107-21 as amended, which was seconded by Councilman Norton

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-4 NAY-0 ABSENT-2 ABSTAIN-0

MOTION CARRIED

Correspondence

- **Notification of Grant for E Sterling to Columbia Walkway Project from NJDOT**
- **Letter from St. Mary’s Senior Club**
- **Notice of Ordinances from Jefferson**
- **Monthly Reports Clerk, Construction**

Council Reports

Council President Wickenheisser: No Report

Councilman Binkoski: Absent, Excused

Councilwoman Hayes: Absent, Excused

Councilman Norton: No Report

Councilwoman Vasquez: She thanks everyone who has been working on the library. It looks great so far.

Councilman Yeager: No Report

Mayor Chegwiddden's Report: An appraisal on the Vasquez property on Main St. has been ordered. Work has begun on having an event in September at Betty Poyer Field. There will be a concert by an Eagles cover band and Jersey Girl Brewery will be there as well. The construction on Main Street has begun to slow down because they are having trouble getting the supplies that they need.

Open to the Public

Mayor Chegwiddden opened the meeting to the public.

Gabriel Gonzalez, 32 Fern Ave.: Mr. Gonzalez would like to participate more in town events, but he feels like he is getting brushed off when someone else is getting hired. Mayor Chegwiddden invited him to come to the next quarterly Municipal Alliance meeting and Councilman Norton advised that Mr. Gonzalez can contact him at any time.

No one else wishing to be heard, Mayor Chegwiddden closed the meeting to the public.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilman Norton and was seconded by Councilman Yeager to close the meeting. This motion was approved by voice vote.

July 19, 2021

ATTEST:

Gabrielle Evangelista,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF WHARTON

WILLIAM J. CHEGWIDDEN,
MAYOR