

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL**  
**AUGUST 17, 2015**

Mayor Chegwidden to Call the Meeting to Order

Mayor Chegwidden to read the Open Public Meeting Statement

Mayor Chegwidden to request Roll Call:

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

**Flag Salute**

Mayor Chegwidden lead 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.

Resident Gary Cole, 66 Robert St., came to speak with the Mayor and Council regarding a hot dog cart he would like to operate in town. He asked that the current ordinance in place stating that no one can stay in the same place for more than 20 minutes be revised. He has a variance and a spot on Dewey Ave. to operate.

Mayor Chegwidden closed the meeting to the public.

**Ordinance**

Councilman Yeager presented O-11-15, "An Ordinance Adopting an Amended Redevelopment Plan for Block 301, Lot 1 and Block 801, Lot 3 in the Borough of Wharton," 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 Norton to adopt O-11-15 on second and final reading.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:5      NAY: 0      ABSENT:1      ABSTAIN:</b>
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**Ordinance**

Councilman Norton presented O-12-15, "An Ordinance Adopting Redevelopment Plan for Block 1319, Lots 1 and 1.01 in the Borough of Wharton," on second reading, by title only.

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

Rick from Equinet Realty thanked the Mayor and council for having such a great group of people here in town to work with.

Mayor Chegwidden closed the meeting to the public.

Motion by Councilman Norton and seconded by Councilman Yeager to adopt O-12-15 on second and final reading.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:5      NAY: 0      ABSENT:1      ABSTAIN:</b>
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**Ordinance**

Councilwoman Hayes introduced O-13-15, “An Ordinance Authorizing the Borough of Wharton to Provide Direct Water Service to Certain Properties Located in the Township of Rockaway and Authorizing the Acceptance of Certain Water Lines and Appurtenances by the Borough of Wharton,” on first reading, by title only.

Motion by Councilwoman Hayes and seconded by Council President Wickenheisser to adopt O-13-15 on first reading.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:5      NAY: 0      ABSENT:1      ABSTAIN:</b>
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Mayor Chegwidden set the date of September 14, 2015 for second and final reading.

**Ordinance**

Council President Wickenheisser introduced O-14-15, “An Ordinance Amending Chapter 150, Section 2 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Wharton, County of Morris, State of New Jersey” on first reading, by title only.

Motion by Council President Wickenheisser and seconded by Councilman Yeager to adopt O-14-15 on first reading.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:5      NAY: 0      ABSENT:1      ABSTAIN:</b>
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Mayor Chegwidden set the date of September 14, 2015 for second and final reading.

**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.

<p><b>Approval of Bills: All bills referred to the finance committee to be paid if found correct.</b></p> <p><b>Approval of Minutes from 7/13/15</b></p> <p><b>Resolution:    R-113-15: Authorize Signing of a Grant Agreement- Morris County Historic Preservation Trust Fund</b> <b>                      R-114-15: Authorize County Co-Op Purchase Police Vehicles</b> <b>                      R-115-15: Liquor License Renewals</b> <b>                      R-116-15: Adopt Hazard Mitigation Plan</b></p> <p><b>Approve Fire Fighter Application for Joshua Rossy</b></p> <p><b>Approve Jr. Knights Rec. Application for August 1 – November 20</b></p>
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**Motion by Council President Wickenheisser seconded by Councilman Norton to approve all of the items listed on the Consent Agenda.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:5      NAY: 0      ABSENT:1      ABSTAIN:**

**Correspondence**

- 1. Letter from Morris County Freeholders re: Morris County Historic Trust Preservation Trust Fund Grant rec'd July 20, 2015**
- 2. Letter from Morris County Freeholders re: Municipal Alliance Supplemental Funding rec'd July 20, 2015**
- 3. Letter from Senator Weinberg re: OPRA/OPMA Bill rec'd August 6, 2015**
- 4. Notice of Ordinance from Township of Rockaway rec'd July 21, 2015**
- 5. Notice of Ordinance from Township of Mine Hill rec'd August 3, 2015**
- 6. Notice of Ordinance from Township of Roxbury rec'd August 3, 2015**
- 7. RVRSA Meeting Minutes rec'd July 20, 2015**
- 8. Monthly Reports from Clerk and Construction**

**Council Reports**

**Council President Wickenheisser: No Report**

**Councilman Binkoski: Absent**

**Councilman Corbett: Stated that he attended the American Legion Clam Bake which was sold out. Everyone had a good time. Invited everyone to Canal Day on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Councilwoman Hayes: She stated that Wharton Kids First will be holding a trivia night on Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> and invited all to attend.**

**Councilman Norton: Stated that a girls' softball team had inquired about using our fields for try outs. The filled out their paperwork, paid the fees and were set. He also attended the finale of the Summer Reading Program at the library.**

**Councilman Yeager: Stated that he had attended the Planning Board Meeting on August 11<sup>th</sup>.**

**Mayor's Report**

**Stated that he had attended the Summer Reading Finale at the library. Kids had a great time. Reminded everyone to come to Canal day and see the fireworks. Made the council aware that there may be protestors at the event regarding the elephant's attendance. He stated that both of the ordinances that went before the planning board had been approved. Mary Ryan has been appointed to the Library Board of Trustees. He informed the council that a map from 1908 of Joseph Wharton's holding has been presented to him, and was obtained to be kept in town hall. He reminded everyone that the residents were getting their letters regarding the energy aggregate program, a BPU approved program. Mayor Chegwidden, Jon Rheinhardt & John Manna had attended a meeting together with the County Park Commission. They had all met regarding a possible plan implementation of a trolley that would run along the track beds up above the canal. There would be no cost to the Borough for the tracks, trolley or the trolley house. This plan is being looked into.**

**Open to the Public**

**Mayor Chegwidden opened the meeting to the public. If you wish to be heard, please stand, stating your name and address.**

**Mayor Chegwidden closed the meeting to the public.**

**Adjournment**

**Motion by Council President Wickenheisser seconded by Councilwoman Hayes to close this meeting.**

**August 17, 2015**

**ATTEST:**

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**Robin Ghebreal,  
Deputy Borough Clerk**

**BOROUGH OF WHARTON**

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**WILLIAM J. CHEGWIDDEN,  
MAYOR**