

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 14, 2015

Opening Items

Mayor Chegwidden called the Meeting to Order.

Mayor Chegwidden read the Open Public Meeting Statement.

Roll Call

Mayor Chegwidden requested Roll Call:

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

Also in attendance were Administrator/CFO Jon Rheinhardt, Borough Clerk Gabrielle Evangelista, and Attorney Bill Johnson.

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, the Mayor or Council President shall have the discretion to terminate any 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.

Ordinance

Councilwoman Hayes presented 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 second reading, by title only.

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

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

A motion was made by Councilwoman Hayes and was seconded by Councilman Corbett to adopt O-13-15 on second and final reading.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-5 NAY-0 ABSENT-1 ABSTAIN- 0	MOTION CARRIED
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Ordinance

Council President Wickenheisser presented 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 second reading, by title only.

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

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

A motion was made by Council President Wickenheisser and was seconded by Councilman Yeager to adopt O-14-15 on second and final reading.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-5 NAY-0 ABSENT-1 ABSTAIN- 0	MOTION CARRIED
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Ordinance

Councilman Binkoski introduced O-15-15, “An Ordinance Adding to Chapter 315, Section 8 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Wharton, County of Morris, State of New Jersey,” on first reading, by title only.

A motion was made by Councilman Binkoski and was seconded by Council President Wickenheisser to adopt O-15-15 on first reading.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-5 NAY-0 ABSENT-1 ABSTAIN- 0	MOTION CARRIED
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Mayor Chegwidden set the date of September 28, 2015 for second and final reading.

Ordinance

Council President Wickenheisser introduced O-16-15, “An Ordinance Adding Chapter 283 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Wharton, County of Morris, State of New Jersey,” on first reading, by title only.

A motion was made by Council President Wickenheisser and was seconded by Councilman Binkoski to adopt O-16-15 on first reading.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-5 NAY-0 ABSENT-1 ABSTAIN- 0	MOTION CARRIED
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Mayor Chegwidden set the date of September 28, 2015 for second and final reading.

Ordinance

Councilwoman Hayes introduced O-17-15, “An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Agreement with the Wharton Borough Teamsters Union Local 102,” on first reading, by title only.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Hayes and was seconded by Councilman Corbett to adopt O-17-15 on first reading.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-5 NAY-0 ABSENT-1 ABSTAIN- 0	MOTION CARRIED
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Mayor Chegwidden set the date of September 28, 2015 for second and final reading.

Ordinance

Councilman Corbett introduced O-18-15, “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.

A motion was made by Councilman Corbett and was seconded by Councilwoman Hayes to adopt O-18-15 on first reading.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-5 NAY-0 ABSENT-1 ABSTAIN- 0	MOTION CARRIED
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Mayor Chegwidden set the date of September 28, 2015 for second and final reading.

Resolution

Councilman Corbett introduced R-117-15, “Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Not Exceeding \$2,607,00 Bond Anticipation Notes of the Borough of Wharton, in the County of Morris, New Jersey.

A motion was made by Councilman Corbett and was seconded by Councilwoman Hayes to adopt R-117-15.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-5 NAY-0 ABSENT-1 ABSTAIN- 0	MOTION CARRIED
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Discussion

Mobile Food Vendor Licenses- Mayor Chegwidden recommended creating a committee to work on this ordinance. Councilman Binkoski and Councilwoman Hayes will be on this committee.

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>Approval of Bills: All bills referred to the finance committee to be paid if found correct.</p> <p>Approval of Minutes from 8/17/15</p> <p>Resolution: R-118-15: Support JCP&L Montville-Whippany Reinforcement Project R-119-15: Approve Water Overpayment Refund R-120-15: Approve Property Tax Overpayment Refund R-121-15: Amend R-97-15 R-122-15: Liquor License Renewals R-123-15: Chapter 159- Municipal Alliance</p> <p>Approve Junior Fire Fighter Applications</p> <p>Approve Rec. Application for In the Zone for weekend dates from 9/12/15-10/25/15</p> <p>A motion was made by Council President Wickenheisser and was seconded by Councilwoman Hayes to approve all of the items listed on the Consent Agenda.</p>

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

MOTION CARRIED

Correspondence

1. Notice of Ordinance from Township of Mine Hill rec'd August 18, 2015.
2. Letter from Montville Township re: JCP&L Montville-Whippany Project rec'd August 22, 2015.
3. RVRSA Meeting Minutes rec'd August 31, 2015.
4. Monthly Reports from Clerk and Construction

Council Reports

Council President Wickenheisser: The Municipal Alliance 5K is coming up on Sunday, September 27th. The Job Fair will be held on Tuesday, September 22nd at the American Legion. Congratulations to Ed Hastings and Tom Reynolds for a job well done at the Little League World Series. Also congratulations to the Wharton Fire Department for winning multiple awards at the Boonton Parade.

Councilman Binkoski: He attended a meeting with the Fire Department and Mr. Rheinhardt. They discussed plans for next year and some financial things. Membership is up and they have a lot of active members. He also attended a meeting with Lieutenant Young to discuss the status of the Police Department. He would also like to congratulate the Fire Department on their wins at the Boonton Parade.

Councilman Corbett: He attended the RVRSA budget meeting. They are planning on introducing the budget at their next meeting on October 8th. They are looking at several different scenarios but the maximum increase would be 3% to the town. He also attended the regular meeting of the RVRSA and we are receiving a credit of \$630 due to meter adjustments in other towns. He also attended a RVRSA infrastructure committee meeting and a rate review committee meeting. On September 5th he attended the Boonton Parade and watched the Fire Department win the first place trophy with band, which is the most prestigious award. On September 12th he attended the Rock the Pine event at the Knotty Pine and the fundraiser for the Animal Shelter at the Canal House.

Councilwoman Hayes: No Report

Councilman Norton: Absent.

Councilman Yeager: No Report.

Mr. Rheinhardt explained the results of the state Best Practices Inventory. There are 50 questions overall. We answered yes to 35, no to 3, perspective to 2 and 10 that didn't apply to our town. Our overall score was 94%. He then explained the questions that had no answers.

Councilman Corbett made a motion to accept the Best Practices Results which was seconded by Councilwoman Hayes.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Chegwiddden's Report: He attended the Opening Day of Soccer and the fields look great.

Open to the Public

Mayor Chegwiddden opened the meeting to the public.

John McCusker, 34 Ford Ave.: Mr. McCusker had a question about a Volunteer EMS program. Mayor Chegwidden advised that we used to but over the years they were unable to get enough volunteers so we switched to using St. Clare's.

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

Adjournment

No further business to attend to this evening, Councilman Binkoski made a motion to adjourn this meeting. This was seconded by Councilman Corbett. This motion was approved by a voice vote.

September 14, 2015

BOROUGH OF WHARTON

ATTEST:

WILLIAM J. CHEGWIDDEN,
MAYOR

Gabrielle Evangelista,
Borough Clerk