

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
APRIL 6, 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- Present
Councilman Yeager- Present

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

Councilman Corbett presented O-03-15, “An Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14),” 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 Councilman Corbett and was seconded by Councilman Binkoski to adopt O-03-15 on second and final reading.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-6 NAY-0 ABSENT-0 ABSTAIN- 0
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MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance

Councilman Norton presented O-04-15, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 216, Section 1 (14) of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Wharton, County of Morris, State of New Jersey," on second reading by title only.

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

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

A motion was made by Councilman Norton and was seconded by Councilman Yeager to adopt O-04-15 on second and final reading.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-6 NAY-0 ABSENT-0 ABSTAIN- 0
MOTION CARRIED

Resolution

Councilman Yeager introduced R-69-15, "Resolution for a Place to Place Liquor License Transfer."

Mayor Chegwiddden opened the meeting to the public about this Resolution only.

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

A motion was made by Councilman Yeager and was seconded by Councilwoman Hayes to approve R-69-15.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-6 NAY-0 ABSENT-0 ABSTAIN- 0
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 Bills: All bills referred to the finance committee to be paid if found correct.
Approval of Minutes from 3/23/15
Resolution: R-70-15: Reassessment for 2016
R-71-15: Approve Tax Sale Redemption TSC 2012-018
Approve Blue Light Permit for Bryan Baracaldo
Approve Blue Light Permit for Robert K. Roper
A motion was made by Council President Wickenheisser and was seconded by Councilman Corbett to approve all of the items listed on the Consent Agenda.
ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-6 NAY-0 ABSENT-0 ABSTAIN- 0
MOTION CARRIED

Correspondence

1. Letter from legislators re: Grant Award rec'd March 30, 2015

2. Letter from Town of Dover re: Joint Municipal Court of Dover rec'd March 23, 2015.
3. Letter from Highlands Council re: Adopted Reexamination Report rec'd March 30, 2015
4. Letter from NJDOT re: Grant Application rec'd March 26, 2015
5. Letter from Morris County Freeholders re: Opposing Pilgrim Pipeline rec'd March 30, 2015
6. Monthly Report from Clerk and Construction
7. RVRSA Meeting Minutes rec'd March 23, 2015

Council Reports

Council President Wickenheisser: No Report

Councilman Binkoski: He introduced O-05-15, "An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Agreement with the Wharton Borough Fraternal Order of Police, on first reading by title only."

A motion was made by Councilman Binkoski and was seconded by Councilman Corbett to approve O-05-15.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-6 NAY-0 ABSENT-0 ABSTAIN- 0	MOTION CARRIED
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Mayor Chegwiddden set the meeting of April 20, 2015 for second and final reading.

He would like to make a motion to approve the FOP to use Hugh Force Park for their annual fishing contest on May 2, 2015 which was seconded by Councilman Yeager

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA-6 NAY-0 ABSENT-0 ABSTAIN- 0	MOTION CARRIED
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Councilman Corbett: He met with Mr. Rheinhardt to discuss a Police education issue under the terms of the contract which has been resolved. He attended the Pub Crawl on March 28 and would like to congratulate everyone who was involved with that event. He has a RVRSA meeting this week. For anyone who doesn't know the American Legion is accepting applications for its scholarship program.

Councilwoman Hayes: She also attended the Pub Crawl. They made a lot of money for a good cause. Thank you to everyone who was involved especially the Police Department. She attended the Easter Egg Hunt which was sponsored by the Fire Department. She'd like to thank them for hosting that event and for their generosity. The Republican Club scholarship is still available.

Councilman Norton: He also attended the Easter Egg Hunt. It was well attended and all of the kids walked away with smiles on their faces. The Fire Department does a fantastic job.

Councilman Yeager: He met with Mr. Moreno about a few issues. He'd like to thank everyone who attended the Boy Scout pancake breakfast. It was a big success.

Mayor Chegwiddden's Report: Along with Mr. Rheinhardt, and Mr. Manna he attended the transportation conference and put on the map some of the projects we are hoping to do in town. He attended the Boy Scout breakfast. We recently received a few grants one from the NJDOT for \$180,000 for West Central Avenue to Pine Street. Another one is \$100,000 for Safe Routes to school. He received a letter from the Highlands commission and so far \$101,000 in grants coming from the Highlands for all of the Planning that has been going on.

Open to the Public

Mayor Chegwidden opened the meeting to the public.

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

Prior to adjournment Mayor Chegwidden noted that the Fire Department Beefsteak Dinner is on Saturday.

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.

April 6, 2015

ATTEST:

Gabrielle Evangelista,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF WHARTON

WILLIAM J. CHEGWIDDEN,
MAYOR