

AGENDA
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MAY 23, 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.

Presentation

John Manna made a presentation concerning the restoration of the Morris Canal Lock 2 East site with the assistance of Margaret Hickey, architect. They both discussed how the restoration of the lock, which is at 75% completion, and the lock tender's house could help with bringing tourism into town and revitalizing Main Street. The presentation included a video of the Greenway plans including Waterloo Village and Saxton Falls as sites undergoing restorations.

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.

George Stafford, 16 Kitchell Ave, representing the Highlands Coalition made a request for help from the Mayor and Council. He would like their support in a request to the Governor's Office and the Department of Environmental protection to release the Water Supply Master Plan. He has a resolution he would like the Mayor and Council to look over.

Mayor Chegwidden closed the meeting to the public.

Ordinance

Councilman Binkoski presented O-12-16, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 315, Article II, 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.

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

Motion by Councilman Binkoski and seconded by Councilman Corbett to adopt O-12-16 on second and final reading.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance

Council President Norton presented O-13-16, “An Ordinance Amending Chapter 40, Article I, Section 4 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.

Motion by Council President Norton and seconded by Councilman Yeager to adopt O-13-16 on second and final reading.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance

Councilman Corbett introduced O-14-16, “Bond Ordinance Providing for the Construction of a Water Tank in and by the Borough of Wharton, In the County of Morris, New Jersey, Appropriating \$1,500,000 therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of ,” on first reading by title only.

Motion by Councilman Corbett and seconded by Council President Norton to adopt O-14-16 on first reading.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Chegwiddden set the date of June 13 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.

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

Approve Minutes from 5/9/16

**Resolutions: R-80-16: Approve Tax Sale Redemption TSC 2011-08
R-81-16: Chapter 159- Clean Communities**

Motion by Council President Norton and seconded by Councilwoman Hayes 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 Ellie McCann and Nicole Jentz re: planting a memorial tree at Robert Street Park**
 - Councilwoman Hayes suggested a small plaque accompany the tree.**

2. Public Notice from Picatinny Arsenal
3. Notice of Ordinance from Township of Roxbury

Council Reports

Council President Norton: None

Councilman Binkoski: None

Councilman Corbett: Councilman Corbett reminded all that the Memorial Day services were on May 30th. The American Legion is taking donations for troops.

Councilwoman Hayes: Councilwoman Hayes stated that she, Council President Norton and Mr. Hutchins went out to look at our parks in town. She stated that Wharton Pride Day went well and thanked Ms. Craven for coordinating it. She reminded everyone that the Municipal Alliance Carnival is June 8th-11th.

Councilwoman Wickenheisser: Councilwoman Wickenheisser stated that she had met with Mr. Manna and Ms. Hickey to discuss the Lock 2 East project. She appreciated their time showing her the plans.

Councilman Yeager: Councilman Yeager stated that he had attended the League of Municipalities meeting. It was very good and informational. He stated that Wharton Pride Day was great. Good turnout of people.

Mayor's Report Mayor Chegwidden stated that Chief Fernandez notified him that the amount of tickets issued for speeding are up. He thanked the State for allowing the use of the route over the mountain for the trucks being used for Wharton Woods project. He attended the FOP fishing contest. He said that they had a good turnout. He attended the Hungarian churches stuffed cabbage dinner. They are trying to raise funds for a new roof. He also notified everyone that as of June 6th the County will start the milling and paving of Main Street.

Open to the Public

In accordance with Local Ordinance O-18-03, "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.

Adjournment

Motion by Councilman Binkoski seconded by Council President Norton to close this meeting. The motion was approved by voice vote.

May 23, 2016

ATTEST:

**Robin Ghebreal,
Deputy Borough Clerk**

BOROUGH OF WHARTON

**WILLIAM J. CHEGWIDDEN,
MAYOR**