



Town of Wyoming
Council Meeting
Wyoming Town Annex
March 7, 2011
7:30 P.M.

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER – Acting Mayor Arnold called the Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Council attending: Acting Mayor Arnold, Treasurer Georgette Williams, Councilman Terry Witt, Councilwoman Jacqueline Stokes

Council absent: Secretary Georganne Wagner

Staff attending: Town Clerk Pamela Haddick, Police Corporal Martin Willey

Audience attending: Lisa Fulcher, Kelly Crumpley, Tracy Greenwood, Gene & Carol McFann, Jesse Swartzentruber, Paula King, Elaine Bilow, Joyce Stockslager, Mike Marasco, Louise Fair, Mike McFann, Fred Jester, Harold Scott, Jr. & Tom Rigsby.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- *Mr. Witt made a motion to adopt the agenda. Ms. Stokes seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed.*

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- *Ms. Williams made a motion to accept all of the previous month's minutes. Mr. Witt seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed.*

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Ms. Williams stated that the figure in general funds is broken down as \$72,105.00 general funds and \$27,122.00 balance in the W. B. Simpson School fund. *Mr. Witt made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report subject to audit. Ms. Stokes seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed.*

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

- Mr. Fred Jester was present to give the fire company report. During February there were 56 fire alarms and 169 ambulance runs. Reminder: Sunday morning is the first day of Daylight Savings Time. Clocks need to spring forward one hour.
- Harold Scott Jr. and Tom Rigsby of the Camden Wyoming Fire Company reported that a rumor had reached them that complaints were being made on their alleged slow response

to the fire at the Wyoming Garage on Caesar Rodney Avenue several weeks ago. The facts are that they had a truck on the scene within 7 minutes of the original call. Other than some melted siding on the adjacent building, no other buildings were damaged by the fire and the roof on the burned building was still intact when the fire was controlled. If their response time had been the 45 minutes that the rumor stated, the adjacent building would probably have been destroyed as well. A thank you to the fire company for their quick response will be going in the March Newsletter.

POLICE REPORT – CPL. MARTIN WILLEY

- Cpl. Willey gave the police report for February. The written report is part of the packet.

ANNEXATION REPORT

- There is currently no annexation activity.

PLANNING & ZONING

- There was nobody available to give a report; however, the Planning & Zoning Committee has sent their recommendation to Council to accept the 2010 Update to the 2004 Comprehensive Plan.

BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT/ CODE VIOLATION REPORT

- Mr. Snyder was not in attendance; however, both reports are available in the council packets.

C/W SEWER & WATER REPORT

- Mr. Mike Quinn was not able to attend the meeting; however, he had dropped off information to Town Hall to be read at the meeting. Ms. Haddick read the memos. Fire hydrants along Camden Wyoming Avenue are going to be replaced one at a time. Residents in the area affected by water shut-offs will be notified a week in advance in writing. New, larger water mains will be run on Meadow Avenue including a new fire hydrant about midway on the street.

PARK/STREET REPORT

- Mr. Witt reported that the Park is fairly quiet.
- Lew has been cleaning out the catch basins throughout town.
- A retiree from Dover who has experience working on street sweepers has offered his time to work on our street sweeper and fix some of the problems we are having with it. He feels the sweeper is worth fixing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Ordinance Committee – Ms. King reported that she does not know how to direct the committee. She is still waiting for Council to decide which way to proceed with the ordinances. Mr. Jaywork has told Ms. Haddick that his office was not involved with the updates that were done on several ordinances in 2007; therefore, any review his office does now will not be a duplication of what his office has already done as we had originally thought. The only changes made in 2007 were fine amounts and the numbering of the ordinances. He should be paid for anything he does on our ordinances. If any bills come through that Ms. Williams feels are uncalled for, she will negotiate that with Mr. Jaywork. Council will try to schedule a workshop this month to discuss the ordinances.
- Peach Festival – Ms. Stokes stated that the committee received a grant from Kent County Levy Court in the amount of \$150.00 for stamps. The registration forms for vendors are

available on the Wyoming Website. March 15th will be the next meeting. Ms. Stokes also stated that she wanted to thank Elaine and Donald Bilow for their many, many years of service to the Wyoming Peach Festival. Ms. Lisa Fulcher has stepped up and agreed to take over some of their responsibilities.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- Ms. Haddick explained the Mosquito Control contract that the Town signs with DNREC each year and asked the residents present to be sure to let Town Hall know if they notice infestations of mosquitoes at various locations in Town during the summer months. *Ms. Stokes made a motion to approve the Mosquito Control contract. Mr. Witt seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed.*
- *Ms. Williams made a motion to dispense with the first reading of the Ordinance to adopt the 2010 Update to the 2004 Wyoming Comprehensive Plan. Ms. Stokes seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed.* The draft of the Comprehensive Plan is available online on the Wyoming Website if anyone is interested in reading it. If anyone does not have access to the computer but is interested in seeing the Plan, contact Town Hall and a copy will be provided for you.

CORRESPONDENCE

- All correspondence is on file at Town Hall if anyone is interested in seeing it.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- a. Public Hearing – Conditional Use – 4/4/11, 7:00 pm, Town Annex
- b. Town Council Meeting – 4/4/11, 7:30 pm, Town Annex
- c. Planning & Zoning – 3/8/11, 7:30 pm, Town Annex
- d. CWSWA – 3/8/11, 7:00 pm, CWSWA office
- e. Peach Festival Committee – 3/15/11, 7:30 p.m., Annex

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Ms. Joyce Stockslager stated that there is a group of bikers that bike every Tuesday afternoon after work once Daylight Savings Time starts. They start from the Park and need a place to change their clothes. Discussion ensued about opening the bathrooms for the spring. Due to the possibility of another freeze, the water cannot be turned on in the bathrooms until April. The police department could unlock the bathrooms just for the bikers to change in and then re-lock them. Signs will be posted that there is no running water until April. The port-a-potty will still be there until April 1.
- Mr. Gene McFann stated that he has not mentioned the 6 S. Railroad Avenue property for the past few months hoping that the Town would get back to him as to when it would be cleaned up. He has heard nothing and wants to know what is happening. Do they have a permit for the demolition that is being done? Ms. Haddick stated that they do not have a permit; the Town was not aware they were working there. Mr. Snyder will be asked to check it out.
- Mr. Mike McFann asked about the 6 S. Railroad Avenue property also. He says the Town's story about the issue being in the hands of the attorney does not match the attorney's story.
- Mr. Mike McFann also asked about Ms. Rife's letter of intent for the Mayor's seat. It was stamped in at 12:05 p.m. on the deadline date of January 28th. When asked if any letters

had come in during the afternoon of the 28th, Ms. Haddick said none had come in. Ms. Haddick responded that Ms. Rife had given Ms. Haddick her letter during Ms. Haddick's lunch hour on the 28th. Ms. Rife had appointments scheduled that afternoon and would not be available to get it to Town Hall closer to the cut-off time of 4:30 p.m. She asked Ms. Haddick not to announce that she had turned in a letter because she was hoping another viable candidate would turn in a letter; and, if that were to happen, she may decide to pull her name back out of the running. At 4:30 no other letters had come in so at that time Ms. Haddick announced to members of Council that a letter of intent for the mayor's seat had come in from Ms. Rife.

- Acting Mayor Arnold stated that Mr. Gene McFann has always been agreeable to helping out the Town of Wyoming especially with electrical matters and the Town has greatly appreciated his help. Mr. Arnold was hoping that maybe he would now be willing to help the Town again by talking to his son Mike and trying to get him to move the trailer he has parked on Mechanic Street across from Franklin Street. It is a traffic hazard. Mr. McFann said he would not be willing to do that. The trailer is properly tagged and in a legal parking spot. The Town will have to take that up with his son.
- Ms. Lisa Fulcher spoke up and stated that if the Town is doing nothing to help Mr. McFann out on the 6 S. Railroad Avenue property, why should he do anything to help the Town?

Mr. Terry Witt made a motion to move into executive session at 8:27 p.m. Ms. Stokes seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed.

Council came back into regular session at 8:45 p.m.

Ms. Stokes made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Witt seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Haddick, Town Clerk