



Town of Wyoming
Council Meeting
Wyoming Town Annex
June 6, 2011
7:30 P.M.

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

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

PLEDGE – Mayor Rife

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR OUR TROOPS – Mayor Rife

Council attending: Mayor Dale Rife, Secretary Jacqueline Stokes, Treasurer Georgette Williams, Councilwoman Tracy Greenwood

Council absent: Vice Mayor Terry Witt - *Ms. Williams made a motion which was seconded by Ms. Greenwood to excuse Mr. Witt as he was attending his son's graduation from law school. All in favor; none opposed.*

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

Audience attending: Elaine Bilow, Georganne Wagner, Joyce Stockslager, Fred Jester, Donna Storan, Mike Quinn, Lisa Fulcher, Louise Fair, Lawaun Parham

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- *Ms. Stokes made a motion to adopt the agenda as published. Ms. Greenwood seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed.*

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- *Ms. Williams made a motion to approve all of the previous month's minutes as follows:
050211 Reorganization Meeting
050211 Council Meeting
050211 Executive Session
050911 Special Meeting
051111 Budget Workshop
051311 Bd. Of Revisions & Appeals Hearing
051311 Sr. Cit. Disc. Review, 2012 Tax Rate, 2012 Budget Meeting
052211 Special Meeting
052411 Special Meeting
Ms. Stokes seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed.*

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Ms. Williams reported that the tax bills have gone out and payments are already coming in. *Ms. Greenwood made a motion seconded by Ms. Stokes to accept the Treasurer's Report subject to audit. All in favor; none opposed.*

POLICE REPORT – CPL. MARTIN WILLEY

- Lt. Willey gave the police report for May. The written report is part of the packet.
- Mayor Rife introduced Lt. Willey to the audience as our new lieutenant.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

- Mr. Fred Jester was present from the Fire Company. During the month of May the fire company had 176 ambulance calls and 49 fire calls.
- This coming Saturday night the auxiliary will be holding a dance featuring Mike Hines and The Look, there is a crab feast coming up, and the once a month Sunday breakfasts will continue.

ANNEXATION REPORT

- There is currently no annexation activity.

PLANNING & ZONING

- Donna Storan gave a brief report of the last meeting. There is no current activity.
- Mayor Rife stated that she has received two letters of resignation from the Planning & Zoning Committee, one from Acting Chairman Kelly Crumpley, the other from John David in addition to the letter from Rick Eachus requesting a one year leave of absence. Kelly Crumpley has stated for several years that since he has moved out of town he would be resigning from the committee as soon as the Land Use & Development Code and the Comprehensive Plan were finished and approved by Council. John David also has plans of moving out of town and has a really full plate at this time. They have both spent many years on the committee and we appreciate all the support they have given the Town of Wyoming. Council has received one letter of interest in these seats from Bill Spruill and Bill Carnivale has also agreed to submit a letter. Rick Eachus' wife has agreed to fill his seat and be acting chair until his return next May. *Ms. Stokes made a motion seconded by Ms. Greenwood to accept Rick Eachus' request for leave and to accept his wife to fill his seat temporarily and be acting chairman of the committee until his return. All in favor; none opposed. Ms. Williams made a motion to appoint Bill Spruill to the committee, seconded by Ms. Greenwood. All in favor; none opposed.* Mr. Carnivale will be appointed next month after the receipt of his letter.

BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT/ CODE VIOLATION REPORT

- Mr. Snyder was not available to give a report; however, written reports are in the packets.

C/W SEWER & WATER REPORT

- Mr. Mike Quinn reported that the Authority has been working on the new water mains on Meadow, Peach, Apple Tree & S. Layton. They should be finished with the mains this week and will then only have to do the lateral hook ups.
- Mayor Rife stated that Council has received a letter of resignation from Sewer & Water from Mr. Lester Stillson. He will be away from town for the next four months and doesn't feel that is fair to the Town. Mr. James Winchell has submitted a letter of interest in a seat on the Sewer & Water Authority. He has many years of experience in waste water processing and should be an excellent addition to the Authority. *Ms. Stokes made a*

motion seconded by Ms. Williams to accept Mr. Stillson's resignation and to appoint Mr. Winchell to the Camden Wyoming Sewer & Water Authority. All in favor; none opposed.

- Mayor Rife stated that Ms. Williams' second FOIA request to the Authority has been denied again. We are waiting for a response from the Attorney General's office.

PARK/STREET REPORT

- Due to Mr. Witt's absence there was no park/street report.
- Mayor Rife did mention that the park is looking beautiful and Town Pride Day on Saturday evening went over really well. She stated that approximately 75 people attended throughout the evening. Everyone had a good time. Next year we may plan to start the event earlier in the day (around 2:00 p.m.) so that more people will be around to enjoy the festivities.
- Vitale's has shown some interest in possibly pulling their cart into the park on weekends through the summer months.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Ordinance Committee – No report
- Peach Festival – Ms. Stokes stated that so far there are 83 vendors that have applied for space at the festival and 11 food people, one new one who will have cupcakes (including peach cupcakes). Lisa Fulcher is still working on the map. Some churches have volunteered to donate bottled water. Everything is moving along smoothly.

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- There have been complaints of people speeding around Downey Oak Circle in The Greens at Wyoming. The Town will be placing two 25 MPH signs on this street and two Children at Play signs. The signs have to be ordered as we have none in storage. We will get them up as soon as we receive them. Our police department will start patrolling that area regularly and tickets will be written to offenders.
- Mayor Rife explained that we have received a quote from Allied Waste to add yard waste pickups to our current trash and recycling contract that we have with them. We will be doing this in conjunction with the Town of Camden. The fee for the additional yard waste pick-ups will be \$2.50 per unit per month, totaling \$30.00 per unit per year. The trash and recycling will stay exactly as they are. We will be adding a yard waste pick-up every other week. Each resident has the option of signing up with DSWA now to receive a free yard waste bin with the purchase of \$10.00 worth of tickets using 3 tickets for each pick-up, **OR** purchasing a bin from Allied when they start doing the pick-ups for \$60.00, **OR** purchasing your own bin from Lowes or Home Depot or some place such as that for around \$95.00 (must be plastic, not metal), **OR** purchasing biodegradable bags from Lowes or Home Depot at approximately \$2.00 for 5 bags. (Regular trash bags cannot be used.) The best option is to call DSWA and sign up with them for now. Once you stop using their services when Allied starts service, they will let you keep the bin they have provided you with, and you will have a bin that cost you nothing. *Ms. Williams motioned to accept Allied's bid of \$2.50 per unit per month for year-round yard waste pick-up every other week. Ms. Stokes seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed.*

CORRESPONDENCE

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- A. Town Council Meeting – 7/11/11, 7:30 pm, Annex
- B. Planning & Zoning – 6/14/11, 7:30 pm, Annex
- C. CWSWA – 6/14/11, 7:00 pm, CWSWA office
- D. Peach Festival Committee – 6/21/11, 7:30 p.m., Annex
- E. Independence Day – Town Hall Closed – 7/4/11

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- More discussion ensued about yard waste. Ms. Haddick gave out the phone number for DSWA – 1-800-404-7080 and suggested speaking with Marcia.
- Donna Storan asked how to get sidewalks on S. Layton Avenue. There is an extreme amount of foot traffic on that street due to the entrance to the Little League Park being on the corner of S. Layton and Peach. She is concerned about safety for the walkers. Mayor Rife stated that we are currently working on getting Remus Lane paved. Once that is done getting sidewalks on S. Layton Avenue is next on her list of projects to work on. We have to try to get funding through our legislators.
- Georgette Williams stated that the flags on Camden Wyoming Avenue look great. Lew did a great job.
- Joyce Stockslager mentioned that Vacation Bible School followed by the Boys & Girls Club Summer Camp will be starting up soon at the Wyoming United Methodist Church on Mill Road.
- Lawaun Parham questioned the status of the Ordinance Committee. Mayor Rife stated that it has been temporarily inactive but will be starting up again soon. Lawaun is concerned whether there is any kind of ordinance being considered to regulate dog waste. Mayor Rife stated that we currently have an ordinance requiring dog owners to pick up dog waste when walking their dogs on public areas (streets, sidewalks, parks, etc.) Lawaun is aware of that but what about yards adjoining other residents' property that don't like the smell and the flies that dog waste attracts. It was suggested that she call the SPCA but she would prefer that it be addressed through the ordinances.
- Lawaun Parham also questioned whether the Town was planning to hire a Chief of Police. The Mayor explained the Lieutenant was the Officer in Charge of the Department and that for the time being that is all that is planned.
- Lisa Fulcher also questioned the Chief situation. More discussion ensued.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Haddick, Town Clerk