



Town of Wyoming
Council Meeting Minutes
Wyoming Municipal Building
July 11, 2016
7:30 P.M.

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA –
Mayor Dale Rife

MOMENT OF SILENCE – for our Troops and Residents of Dallas, TX – Mayor Dale Rife

ROLL CALL

Council attending: Mayor, Dale Rife; Secretary, Georgette Williams; Treasurer Kyle Dixon;
Council Member, Doug Denison

Council Absent: Vice-Mayor Terry Witt

Ms. Williams motioned with a second from Mr. Dixon to excuse Mr. Witt from the meeting due to illness. Ms. Williams, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Dennison, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

Staff attending: Town Clerk, Laura Connor; Finance Clerk Pamela Haddick; Chief of Police,
Martin Willey

Audience attending: Ernie Piazza; Michael Wooleyhand; William Welch; Jesse Welch; Alexis
Welch; Kay Wood Bailey; Sheryl Ford, Jimmy Winchell

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Kay Wood Bailey made comments regarding
 - the letter she received regarding the height of her grass;
 - After discussion, it was noted that letters are mailed when residents are just over the height requirements so that by the time the resident receives the letter, the height of the grass is not overwhelming
 - stated the appreciation of the work that Lew has been doing in the recent heat;
 - recognized Nicole, Pam and Susan for preserving the historic documents during the recent move;
 - and questioned the reason why Wyoming is associated with Camden-Wyoming with the post office and asked why we could not have our own post office.

- After discussion, it was communicated that it is the resident's responsibility to change the city on any mail to Wyoming and we do not have any control on how businesses determine what town to use. Mayor Rife also communicated that if we separate from Camden post office, we would have to obtain our own zip code and the post office does not currently have the funding to open a new post office.
- Michael Wooleyhand made comments regarding
 - why he did not receive a call back from the message he left on the non-emergency number over two weeks ago regarding the residents that are renting behind him that damaged his fence.
 - After discussion with Chief Willey and Chuck Groce apology was provided with assurance that there will be increased presence in that area.
 - It was also agreed that the non-emergency police number would be printed in the newsletter
- James Winchell made a comment regarding
 - the sign in Acme that references Papen Farms being in Maryland

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Denison moved with second by Mr. Dixon to adopt the agenda as published. Mr. Denison, Ms. Williams and Mr. Dixon, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – GOOD NEWS – MAYOR'S REPORT

- Mayor Rife proudly announced that the taxes are completed and all are mailed.
- Mayor Rife introduced Laura Connor as the new Town Clerk
- Mayor Rife mentioned that there were two (2) flags that were stolen from the park. If anyone has any information regarding this it would be appreciated.
- Mayor Rife indicated that the clearing of the lot at 321 Broad Street is going well
- Mayor Rife provided an update on the overgrown vines in front of the school. Several utilities companies have been contacted and they will not remove the vines until one of the lines break. There is nothing that we can do, until the line breaks.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Correspondence is available in Town Hall for anyone interested.

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- June 6, 2016 Council Meeting
- June 6, 2016 Executive Session

Mr. Denison moved with a second from Mr. Dixon to approve all of the Council Meeting minutes as published. Mr. Denison, Ms. Williams, Mr. Dixon, Aye. Ms. Williams questioned why the Executive Session minutes were to be turned back in – response: not for public knowledge. None opposed. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Mr. Dixon presented the reports for council to review.
- Mr. Dixon recognized everyone for the hard work to get the taxes done and mailed.
Ms. Williams moved with a second from Mr. Denison to approve the Treasurer's Report subject to audit. Ms. Williams, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Denison, Aye. None opposed. Motion carried.

POLICE REPORT

- Chief Willey presented his report (attached).
- The Chief stated that burglaries and thefts are increasing in Town. Be sure to keep your cars locked at all times.
- The Chief also reminded everyone that Residential Security Check form is available and should be utilized when residents are out of town.
- Kay Wood Bailey questioned why the reports in the paper group Wyoming with surrounding areas – The Chief responded with we are grouped with surrounding towns based on zip codes and not by town limits which in turn increase the numbers
- The Chief introduced Chuck Groce as the newest member of the Wyoming Police Department.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

- No one present to report

C/W SEWER & WATER REPORT

- James Winchell represented
- Discussion resulted in complaints due to non-response from the emergency water main that occurred on Saturday, July 9th. Work was not completed until Monday, July 11th. Mayor Rife made note that the road repairs should be just as they were prior to the emergency.
- Mr. Winchell stated that the issue with the water tower is currently in front of a judge. Additional updates should be available at the next Sewer and Water meeting scheduled for Tuesday, July 12, 2016.

PLANNING & ZONING

- Mayor Rife appointed two (2) new members to the Planning & Zoning Committee.
 - Ernie Piazza
 - Corporal Mike Petyo
- *Ms. Williams moved with a second from Mr. Denison to approve the new members. Ms. Williams, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Denison, Aye. None opposed. Motion carried.*

BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT

- No one present but report was provided and reviewed
- Workshop is scheduled for Saturday, August 20, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. to discuss Vacant Building Ordinance and Rental Ordinance.

PARK/STREET REPORT

- The new mulch at the playground in the park is completed and looks good.
- The painting of the curbs is looking great. Camden-Wyoming Avenue is completed on both sides and he will begin on the side streets
- Comments were made regarding the property on the corner of N. Layton Avenue and Camden Wyoming Avenue – the bushes are overgrown and it is difficult to pull out safely. Ms. Williams agreed to contact the homeowners (she indicated that recently they were not feeling well) and ask them to cut back or even cut down the bushes for safety reasons.
- Concerns were voiced regarding making the crosswalks more visible in front of Camden Wyoming Market and across from Simply Charming. Once the curbs are painted, concentration will be made on crosswalks and handicapped parking areas.

ANNEXATION

- There is an Annexation Meeting scheduled for Friday, July 15, 2016 at 12:00 noon to discuss the annexation of 12181 Willow Grove Road into the Town of Wyoming.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Vacant Properties Ordinance – Workshop scheduled for Saturday, August 20, 2016
- Rental Property Inspection Ordinance – Workshop scheduled for Saturday, August 20, 2016
- Update on 321 Broad Street – clearing is continuing and going well. There are two (2) trees that still need to be removed.

NEW BUSINESS

- None

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – Tentative schedule of meetings. Please check with Town Hall for any changes or cancellations.

- Town Council Meeting – 08/15/2016, 7:30 p.m., Municipal Building
- CWSWA – 7/12/16, 7:00 p.m., CWSWA Office
- Peach Festival Committee – 7/19/16, 7:00 p.m., Municipal Building
- Public Hearing – 7/20/16, 7:00 p.m., Municipal Building
- Planning & Zoning – 7/20/16, 7:30 p.m., Municipal Building
- Board of Adjustment – 8/03/16, 7:00 p.m., Municipal Building
- Town Council Workshop – 08/20/16, 10:00 a.m., Municipal Building

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- James Winchell shared examples of two (2) customers that experienced extraordinary events involving the Sewer and Water Authority

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Ms. Williams commented on the parking between the corner at Railroad Avenue and Wyoming Tavern – she questioned why some parking is parallel and some is vertical. Chief Willey agreed to look into making the parking all the same.
- Ms. Williams questioned the status of the handicapped sign in front of Wyoming Tavern. It was noted that there is a sewer/water line where the sign is to be placed. One option is to have Mr. Spruill weld a holder for the sign. Approval was given to proceed with this suggestion.

Ms. Williams moved with a second by Mr. Dixon to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Dixon, Mr. Denison, Ms. Williams, Aye. None opposed. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Laura Connor
Town Clerk