



Town of Wyoming
Council Meeting Minutes
Wyoming Municipal Building
September 10, 2018, 6:30 P.M.

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Rife called the Meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor Rife

MOMENT OF SILENCE – Mayor Rife

ROLL CALL

Council attending: Mayor, Frankie Dale Rife; Vice-Mayor, Doug Denison; Treasurer, Kyle Dixon; and Secretary, Jonny Johnson.

Council absent: Council Person, Carlen Kenley

Staff attending: Laura Connor, Town Clerk; and Chief Martin Willey

Audience attending: Joyce Stockslager, Shannon Eachus, Shannon Tullach, Seth Greenberg, Erin Greenberg, Frank DiMondi, Sal Leone, Mike Quinn, Sheryl Ford, Mike Marasco

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Joyce Stockslager questioned the new town hall status and the Railroad Avenue parking.
- Mike Marasco questioned if the public would be included in the decisions on the new town hall.
- Mayor Rife mentioned that the trees that were removed are part of the new town hall project but they needed to be cut down anyway due to damage and dying.
- Chief Willey stated that he has requested additional “no parking signs” next to Railroad Avenue so they can be closer together. It was clarified that these signs were displayed by the Railroad due to accidents statewide next to railroad tracks.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Denison moved with a second by Mr. Dixon to adopt the agenda as published. Mayor Rife, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Johnson, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – GOOD NEWS

- Mayor Rife reminded everyone that the DLLG Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 27, 2018.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Correspondence is available in Town Hall for anyone interested.

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

The following minutes were presented:

- August 13, 2018, Council Meeting
- August 13, 2018, Executive Session

Mr. Dixon moved with a second by Mr. Denison to approve the minutes as presented. Mayor Rife, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Johnson, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT

- Mr. Dixon presented the Treasure’s Report Balances, Profit & Loss, and Check Register for review.
- The audit was completed in one day on August 15, 2018.

Mr. Denison moved with a second from Mr. Johnson to approve the reports as presented subject to audit. Mayor Rife, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Johnson, Aye. None opposed. Motion carried.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

- No one present to provide report

C/W SEWER & WATER REPORT

- Mr. Quinn stated that there is not much to report. He would like to see more residents participate in monthly meetings. He also stated that Mr. McFann passed away last week and his services are later this week.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

- August Building Permit Report was provided for review

CODE ENFORCEMENT

- It was stated that we are giving a little leeway with enforcing the grass ordinance due to the vast amount of rain we have been getting recently.

- There is a possible public nuisance that may be presented in the near future if the resident does not comply with recent letters that have been mailed.

PARK/STREET REPORT

- It was stated that the Town looks really good. There have been some recent issues at the park and Dave is working with the police department to resolve.
- Two (2) new grills have been ordered, received and are in the process of being installed at the park.
- There was discussion of possibly closing the park due to the upcoming storm. A decision will be made later in the week.

NEW BUSINESS

- Pam Haddick Acknowledgement

A letter from Frank DiMondi, TLFD Wynsome Management was provided for review. The letter was read to all in attendance.

- Harvest Hustle Sponsor - Sponsorship letter and form were presented for review.

Mr. Denison moved with a second from Mr. Dixon to approve a \$100 Silver Sponsorship to the Harvest Hustle for October 20, 2018. Mayor Rife, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Johnson, Aye. None opposed. Motion carried.

- New Employee – PT Admin – Tracy Wirick

Tracy Wirick has accepted the position of the part-time Administrative Assistant and her first day was Tuesday, September 4, 2018. The full-time Financial Clerk is scheduled to start next week.

- Girl Scout Scavenger Hunt

Shannon Tulloch briefly described the Scavenger Hunt event that would be a fundraiser for the Girl Scout Troop. She is working with the Fire Police to assist in crossing Camden Wyoming Avenue. She stated that she has nine (9) vendors interested in the event, but the Non-Resident License requirements are a little steep and she asked if this requirement could be waived for this event. Mr. Johnson asked if the Girl Scouts could pay the fee for the license – Ms. Tulloch responded with that is not possible. Chief Willey and Frank DiMondi stated they were willing to sponsor the event and cover the cost of the licensing, but there are other requirements (Delaware State License and Certificate of Insurance) besides the fee that are also a concern. Discussion ensued. Possibility of creating an “Event License” similar to the City of Dover, but we could not make it happen before this event is scheduled. It was confirmed by Ms. Tulloch that the Girl Scouts do hold a Certificate of Liability for events held by the Girl Scouts.

Mr. Denison moved with a second from Mr. Dixon to grant a waiver to exclude the Non-Resident Business License requirement for up to 10 non-food vendors for the Scavenger Hunt being held on Saturday, October 20, 2018. Mayor Rife, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Aye. Mr. Johnson, opposed. Motion carried.

POLICE REPORT

- Chief Willey presented report for August.
- He stated that the Criminal Arrests were due to drugs and domestics. Several officers have been on Special Duty that results in extra traffic tickets. Three (3) new radars have been purchased in the amount of around \$9,000 that was paid with through a grant.

PLANNING & ZONING

- Traffic flow North and South Drive

Planning and Zoning recommended to waive the traffic study at their last meeting held on August 30, 2018, but it was clarified that the proposal presented was not just a traffic study, but a feasibility study. This Feasibility Study is proposed by Dover / Kent County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and will study all of the impacts of any changes. It was recommended having MPO proceed with the study presented.

- Schoolview Crossing recommendation

Planning and Zoning accepted the Preliminary Plan as presented at the meeting held on August 30, 2018. Sal Leone provided drawings to view.

Mr. Denison moved with a second from Mr. Dixon to accept the Preliminary Plans recommended by Planning and Zoning and approve the Schoolview Crossing proposal. Mayor Rife, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Johnson, Aye. None opposed. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS cont.

- Railroad Avenue paving estimates

Three (3) estimates to re-pave Railroad Avenue from Southern Boulevard to Front Street were provided for review. It was clarified that the current drainage issues will be addressed during the re-paving. There is a concern with increased traffic on Railroad Avenue. Discussion ensued. No action taken.

- Town Hall Discussion

Several residents asked about the New Town Hall and were wondering why it has not been public knowledge. It was clarified that it was briefly discussed in the previous meeting and it is a budgeted line item. Discussion ensued. Agreement was made to provide updates as much as possible. No action taken.

- Ordinance #48-18 - Authorizing the Town to Issue Electronic Tickets for Ordinance Violations and Authorizing the Collection of Court Costs and Administrative Fees Associated with Electronic Tickets

1st Reading of Ordinance #48-18

- Ordinance #49-18 – To Amend Ordinance #17-11 “An Ordinance Authorizing the Town to Employ Voluntary Assessment Procedures” to Require the Payment of all Court Costs and

Administrative Fees Established by the State of Delaware as Part of the Voluntary Assessment Process

1st Reading of Ordinance #49-18

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Noise Ordinance #2-11

No recent complaints received. Closed issue.

- Community Yard Sale – 09/29/18

Community Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday, September 29, 2018 from 7:00 am – 2:00 pm. It will be posted around town and in the newspaper.

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

- CWSWA, 09/11/18, 7:00 p.m., CWSWA Office
- Planning & Zoning Meeting, 09/26/2018, 6:30 p.m. Municipal Building
- Town Council Meeting, 10/01/18, 6:30 p.m., Municipal Building
- Halloween, 10/31/18, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, Train Platform

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Mrs. Stockslager stated that Mr. Riegler recently passed away and his services are scheduled for August 29th.
- Seth Greenberg mentioned that Planning & Zoning has workshops scheduled for September 15, 2018 and September 22, 2018 starting at 8:00 am to discuss Ordinance Review and New Zoning
- Sheryl Ford clarified the e-ticket process and asked if residential street parking is permitted. Chief Willey responded “no” and a ticket will be issued.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- None

Council took a break at 8:39 p.m.

Mr. Denison moved and was seconded by Mr. Dixon to move into Executive Session at 8:45 p.m. Mayor Rife, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, and Mr. Johnson, Aye. None opposed. Motion carried.

Council returned to regular session at 9:29 p.m.

Mr. Denison moved with a second by Mr. Johnson to move from Executive Session back to Regular Session at 9:29 p.m. Mayor Rife, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Johnson, Aye. None opposed. Motion carried.

Mr. Denison moved with a second by Mr. Johnson to give Chief Martin Willey a \$500 raise effective the first full pay period in October (10/8/18). Mayor Rife, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Johnson, Aye. None opposed. Motion carried.

Mr. Denison moved with a second by Mr. Dixon to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Rife, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Johnson, Aye. None opposed. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

Laura Connor
Town Clerk