



Town of Wyoming

Special Meeting Minutes

Assessment Appeals Sr. Citizen/Disability Exemptions, Tax Rate & Budget Workshop

Virtual Meeting
June 15, 2020

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Bilbrough called the Meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor Bilbrough

MOMENT OF SILENCE – Mayor Bilbrough

ROLL CALL

Council attending: Mayor, Steve Bilbrough; Vice-Mayor, Doug Denison; Treasurer, Kyle Dixon; Secretary, Tracy Johovic; and Council Person Carlen Kenley

Council absent: None

Staff attending: Chief Martin Willey and Laura Connor, Office Manager

Audience attending: John Willard

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Ms. Johovic moved with a second by Mr. Denison to adopt the agenda as published. Mayor Bilbrough, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Ms. Johovic, Mr. Kenley, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- Planning & Zoning

It was discussed that there is not a requirement for Council to take action on resignations.

Mayor Bilbrough recommended Tom Lindale to fill the Planning & Zoning open position. Mayor Bilbrough, Mr. Dixon, Ms. Johovic, Mr. Kenley, Aye. Mr. Denison Opposed. Motion carried

Mayor Bilbrough recommended John Willard to fill the Planning & Zoning open position. Mayor Bilbrough, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Ms. Johovic, Mr. Kenley, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried

- Interactive Street Art Mural

Memorandum of Understanding was presented for review. Mr. Denison provided an overview of the project.

Mr. Denison moved with a second from Ms. Johovic to accept the Memorandum of Understanding between the Delaware Tourism Office and the Town of Wyoming. Mayor Bilbrough, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Ms. Johovic, Mr. Kenley, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried

- Assessment Appeals
 - No one present

- Sr. Citizen / Disability Exemptions

- The following exemptions from Kent County have been identified:
 - Elderly – 6
 - Handicap – 3
 - Veteran – 1

Mr. Denison moved with a second from Ms. Johovic to accept the exemptions from Kent County as presented. Mayor Bilbrough, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Ms. Johovic, Mr. Kenley, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

- Tax Rate

Mr. Denison moved with a second from Mr. Dixon to assign a 1.1% tax rate per \$100 of the assessment value provided by Kent County Delaware which represents no change from the previous year. Mayor Bilbrough, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Ms. Johovic, Mr. Kenley, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

- Budget Discussion

General discussion occurred. Some specific items that were discussed included reducing the Police from four (4) to three (3) employees, Messaging services, Cell phone for officer on duty, U of D IPA agreement to complete the Comp Plan, and Fine Revenue. It was also discussed to have a Public Workshop to discuss options for current Town Hall and Police buildings.

Mr. Dixon thanked Laura for all of the work that she has put into the budget.

Mr. Denison moved with a second from Mr. Kenley to accept and execute the contract to update the 10 year Comprehensive Plan with the University of Delaware. Mayor Bilbrough, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Ms. Johovic, Mr. Kenley, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

Mr. Denison moved with a second from Ms. Johovic to adopt the FY 20/21 Budget with a balanced budget of \$1,158,400 with no increase in taxes to residents. Mayor Bilbrough, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Ms. Johovic, Mr. Kenley, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- None

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Mayor Bilbrough thanked Laura for all of the work she has done.
- Mr. Kenley confirmed that taxes are not being raised.

Mr. Denison moved with a second by Mr. Kenley to move into Executive Session at 7:16. Mayor Bilbrough, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Ms. Johovic and Mr. Kenley, Aye. None opposed. Motion carried.

Council took a break at 7:16 p.m.

Council members exited Council Meeting GoToMeeting and logged into Executive Session.

Council returned to regular session at 8:22 p.m.

Mr. Denison moved and was seconded by Mrs. Johovic to proceed with the actions regarding reallocating police salaries according to the budget. Mayor Bilbrough, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Ms. Johovic, Aye. Mr. Kenley opposed. Motion carried.

Mr. Denison moved and was seconded by Mr. Dixon to adjourn meeting at 8:25 p.m. Mayor Bilbrough, Mr. Denison, Mr. Dixon, Mrs. Johovic, Mr. Kenley, Aye. None opposed. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned.

Laura Connor
Office Manager