



Town of Wyoming
Council Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2024, 6:30 P.M.

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER –Mayor Denison called the meeting to order at 6:30p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor Denison

MOMENT OF SILENCE – honoring Daniel Creech- Mayor Denison

ROLL CALL

Council attending: Mayor- Doug Denison, Vice- Mayor, Tracy Johovic, Treasurer- Kyle Dixon, Secretary- Melissa Wooleyhand, and Parks and Streets Commissioner, Cathy George.

Council Absent: None

Staff attending: Chief Baker; Town Clerk, Roseann Lamar and Clerk of Council, Audrey Lindale.

Audience attending: Ernie Piazza, Joyce Stockslager, Jane Sweeney James Fischbach, Sherri Walsh, Jean Thomas, Gwen Colston, James Winchell, Sean Griffith, Myke Davis, Mike Wolfer, and Chuck Connor.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Dixon moved with a second by Mrs. Wooleyhand to adopt agenda as presented. Mayor Denison, Ms. Johovic, Mr. Dixon, Mrs. Wooleyhand and Ms. George, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Mr. Wolfer thanked town council and Wyoming Police Department for their assistance with community issues.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – GOOD NEWS

- Mayor Denison announced the winner of the 2024 Town of Wyoming Scholarship was Evan Gebhart. Evan will be attending the University of Delaware with a major in engineering. Evan volunteers for Special Olympics and Autism Delaware.

- Mayor Denison advised that trash contract had been renewed and will now include a yard waste container. Bulk pick up will be the last Friday of the month starting in July.

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- May 6, 2024- Council Meeting
- May 6, 2024- Executive Session

Mr. Dixon moved with a second by Mrs. George to adopt previous minutes as presented. Mayor Denison, Ms. Johovic, Mr. Dixon, Mrs. Wooleyhand and Ms. George, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Mr. Dixon advised that balances, profit and loss reports and check register were in council's packet for review.
- Mr. Dixon stated that budget workshop would be held on Tuesday June 4th @ 5:30pm.
- Budget Meeting to approve budget and hold assessments and appeals would be held on Monday June 24th @ 5:30pm.

Mrs. Wooleyhand moved with a second by Ms. Johovic to approve the treasurer's reports as presented. Mayor Denison, Ms. Johovic, Mr. Dixon, Mrs. Wooleyhand and Ms. George, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

POLICE REPORT

- Chief Baker presented May's police report to the council.
- There were 45 traffic tickets, 150 town ordinance tickets, 36 warnings, 4 criminal arrests, 4 local fugitives, 5 accidents, 0 DUI and 297 total complaints handled by the WPD.
- The speed trailer was placed on Old North Rd.
- A total of 155977 vehicles between 5/1 and 5/31.
- 578 vehicles were above the excessive speed set.
- Mr. Dixon commented that it was nice to see the police department assisting W. B. Simpon's field day. Nice to see the community outreach.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

- Mr. Piazza presented report from Fire Department.
- CWFD saw:
 - 78 alarms
 - 389 EMS
 - 2743 total manpower hours
 - Manpower average per alarm -14
 - Total time 45 hours
 - Average alarm 57 minutes
 - First truck enroute- 3.1 minutes

C/W SEWER & WATER REPORT

- None

PLANNING & ZONING

- Mrs. Lamar advised that Delmarva Land Holdings has asked to rezone 307 N. Layton from residential to commercial. Public Hearing set for Wednesday June 26th at 6pm.
- Mrs. Stockslager asked if she would be notified of hearing as she owns 305 N. Layton. It was advised that letters are being printed to be sent out.
- Mrs. Lamar stated that 37 S. Mechanic St. has applied to a variance. Public Hearing to be held on Thursday June 27th @ 6pm.
- Mr. Winchell asked if council had a say in the rezoning and variance.
- It was advised that the Board of Adjustments determines variance requests, but council would make decision over the rezoning.
- Mrs. Lamar advised that the Commissioner of Marijuana attended Planning and Zoning Meeting and presented to members how the licensing works for marijuana businesses.
- An ordinance was presented that would require potential business owners to get approved for a conditional use for a marijuana business.
- A public hearing will be scheduled for July regarding the proposed ordinance.

BUILDING PERMITS

- Mrs. Lamar presented report to council.
 - 10 new permits, 41 open, 1 closed.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

- None

PARK/STREET

- Ms. George presented pictures of the Johnson Square damage. The sign is in need of repair and/or replacement.
- Pictures show that wood is rotting and appears to be insect damaged.
- Discussion ensued on age of sign and potential other alternatives to wood.
- Mrs. Lindale advised that we have emails out to a few companies regarding the repair/replacement of the sign.
- Mrs. Wooleyhand recommended asking local businesses and organizations for funds to assist with this project.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Mrs. Lindale advised that Fishing Derby is this Saturday June 8th from 8-11am.
- Mrs. Lindale advised that Peach Festival currently has 147 applicants. 28 community, 12 food, 1 politician and 106 crafters/vendors.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Buffalo Stampede Resolution**
 - Mrs. Lindale read resolution that would allow N. Railroad Ave. in front of Brown's Tavern to be blocked off. It also allows food and alcoholic beverages to be served in this area from 6am until noon on Saturday July 13, 2024.

Mrs. Wooleyhand moved with a second by Mr. Dixon to adopt the resolution as presented. Mayor Denison, Mr. Dixon, Mrs. Wooleyhand and Ms. George, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

- **Peach Festival T-shirt Contest**
 - Mayor Denison presented the winner Sean Griffith a t-shirt with his winning design.
 - Sean's teachers were in attendance.

- Mayor Denison thanked Sean for entering his design.
- **Storm Drains/Ditch**
 - Mrs. Lindale advised that the storm drain/ditch located on S. Caesar Ave was being discussed with Kent Conservation, DNREC and DeIDOT.
 - A plan is being developed to clean out ditch, install piping and get the water to flow to the tax ditch behind the property.
 - Mr. Dixon asked who was going to be financially responsible.
 - Discussion ensued regarding where the financial responsibility would fall.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- None

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Budget Workshop- Tuesday 6/4/2024 @5:30pm- Town Hall
- Fishing Derby 6/8/2024, @8am-11am- Wyoming Park
- Special Events- Tuesday 6/11/2024 @ 5:30pm- Town Hall
- Town Hall Closed- Wednesday 6/19 - Juneteeth
- Budget Meeting- Assessments and Appeals – Monday 6/24/2024 @5:30pm- Town Hall
- Public Hearing (307 N Layton) 6/26/2024 @ 6pm
- Planning & Zoning Meeting, 6/26/2024, @ 6:30 p.m.- Town Hall
- Public Hearing (Variance 37 S. Mechanic)- Thursday 6/27/2024 @ 6pm
- Town Council Meeting, 7/8/2024, @ 6:30 p.m.- Town Hall

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Mr. Winchell advised that he had observed when cars are making a left turn from Railroad Ave onto Camden Wyoming Ave, there are cars passing on right onto the sidewalk and into parking spaces.
- Chief advised that he would have that area watched during the late afternoon/evening hours.
- Mrs. Stockslager stated that too many cars are still parked on Broad St. when street sweeper comes through.
- Mayor Denison advised that we could get letters out to the residents on that street.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- None

Mrs. Wooleyhand moved with a second by Mr. Dixon to adjourn meeting at 7:05pm. Mayor Denison, Mr. Dixon, Mrs. Wooleyhand and Ms. George, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned.

Audrey Lindale
Clerk of Council