

Town of Wyoming Council Meeting Minutes May 5, 2025, 6:30 P.M.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Mayor Denison

MOMENT OF SILENCE – Mayor Denison

ROLL CALL

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

Mrs. Wooleyhand moved with a second from Ms. Johovic to excuse Mr. Dixon. Mayor Denison, Ms. Johovic, Mrs. Wooleyhand, and Mrs. George, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

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

Audience attending: Donna Mason, Ernie Piazza, Kevin and Rose Gibbs, Gwen Colston, Elaine Bilow, Marlena McKee, Dave and BJ Van Kavelaar, Lillian Woll, Chrystal Yates, Seth Greenberg, Jane Sweeney and Kevin Minnich.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mrs. George moved with a second from Ms. Johovic to adopt the agenda with Quinn resignation removed as it was addressed in April. Mayor Denison, Ms. Johovic, Mrs. Wooleyhand, and Mrs. George, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Ms. Sweeney asked about children at play sign for S. Layton.
- Mr. Wooleyhand advised that signs have been ordered but not received.
- Mrs. Van Kavelaar thanked council for paving Franklin St. states it looks beautiful.
- Mr. Van Kavelaar stated that the train holds up residents for residents on the other side of the tracks.

- Mayor Denison advised that the town has no control over the trains.
- Ms. Colston asked when the paving for the Greens would be done.
- Mr. Wooleyhand advised that it will be addressed later in meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – GOOD NEWS

• None

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

o April 7, 2025- Council Meeting

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

TREASURERS REPORT

- Mayor Denison advised that reports were in council books for review.
- Mr. Wooleyhand stated that a budget will need to take place this month.
- Council agreed upon Wednesday May 28th at 5:30pm.

Ms. Johovic moved with a second from Mrs. Wooleyhand to adopt the Treasurer's Reports as presented. Mayor Denison, Ms. Johovic, Mrs. Wooleyhand, and Mrs. George, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

POLICE REPORT

- Chief Baker presented April's police report to the council.
- There were 82 traffic tickets, 122 town ordinance tickets, 44 warnings, 4 criminal arrests, 6 accidents, 4 local fugitives and 274 total complaints handled by the WPD.
- Speed trailer was placed on N. Layton Ave from 4/1-4/30.
- Total vehicles- 91,265 with 0.9% over the speed limit.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

- Mr. Piazza presented April's report for the fire company.
- CWFD saw:
 - o 80 alarms
 - o 393 EMS calls
 - o 934 total manpower hours
 - Manpower average per alarm −12
 - o Total time 31.9 hours
 - o Average alarm 39 minutes
 - o First truck enroute- 3 minutes
- Mr. Piazza advised that 2 new ambulances will be delivered in June and ready for road in July.

C/W SEWER & WATER REPORT

- Vacancy on board currently and another anticipated.
- Mayor Denison encouraged anyone interested to submit a letter of interest.

PLANNING & ZONING

• Mrs. Lamar advised the committee approved an 8 ft fence for 2 S. Ceasar Rodney Ave.

BUILDING PERMITS

- Mrs. Lamar presented report to council.
 - 9 new permits, 46 open, 2 closed.
- Business Park submitted first permit.
- Sign permit was approved for Business Park.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

• None

PARK/STREET

- Mrs. George advised that travel baseball team would like to hold a derby at the pond in September to help raise funds for the team.
- Council had no objections to the park and pond being used for an event.
- Mrs. George asked about limitations.
- Mrs. Lindale advised that the fishing derby is capped at 40 due to space.
- Mayor Denison stated if they wanted pavilions they would need to rent them.
- Mrs. McKee from Raising Primaries, who currently runs nature lessons for young children at Wyoming Park, was available to present to council.
- Mrs. McKee explained with a presentation some of activities they do with the children at the park.
- Mrs. McKee would like to work with the town to spread the word of these classes and attend some of the town events to promote them herself.
- Mrs. Lindale will share events on the town's Facebook page.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

- Mr. Wooleyhand advised the pavement agreement for the Greens of Wyoming has been signed and work should begin in the next few months.
- Prime Developers have not paid the street light bill in 2 months and states there are no funds to pay the bill. Total due is \$2579.27. Delmarva Power sent shut off notice.
- Mr. Wooleyhand advised that he negotiated with Delmarva Power to give another month while things are sorted.
- The town is not responsible for the lights as the streets are not dedicated to the town yet.
- Mr. Wooleyhand advised council of lawyers' response.
- Mr. Denison stated that town would take over streetlights but would not pay the past due balance.
- Ms. Colston stated that the attorneys for Greens of Wyoming LLC will no longer represent them.
- Mr. Wooleyhand advised that the Greens of Wyoming had a community cleanup day on 4/26.
- Mr. Wooleyhand stated that the town does not have control over the speed limit until streets are dedicated but HOA can change speed limits.
- Chetty Builders is finalizing final house in the Greens of Wyoming.
- FEMA funding has been shut down at the federal level.
- Staff was to attend training to become FEMA compliant, however training was cancelled.
- The town asked for \$900,000 from the Bond Bill for paving, property acquisition and town storm water system.

Medallion project is still in the works. There will be 2 easements. One for construction as
no one knows where the storm pipes are located and a second permanent one after
construction is done.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Mrs. Lindale advised that fishing derby was on Saturday June 7th from 8-11am. Volunteers are needed.
- Mrs. Mason stated that we currently have 87 applications for the Peach Festival.

NEW BUSINESS

Municipal Clerks Week

 Mayor Denison read proclamation recognizing Professional Municipal Clerks Week and extending appreciation for the town's staff, Michael Wooleyhand, Roseann Lamar and Audrey Lindale.

Police Week

 Mayor Denison read proclamation recognizing the important role the Wyoming Police Department plays in the community.

Buffalo Stampede

Mrs. Lindale read the resolution.

Ms. Johovic moved with a second from Mrs. Wooleyhand to adopt the resolution for the Buffalo Stampede. Mayor Denison, Ms. Johovic, Mrs. Wooleyhand, and Mrs. George, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

Park

- Mr. Wooleyhand explained that the pavilions are being trashed by those that do not have reservations.
- Mr. Reed has spent as much as 4.5 hours cleaning up after parties.
- Discussion ensued to include raising of fees, fines for those that do not have reservations, ordinance that would allow fines, maintenance scheduled adjusted to have coverage on weekends, police to have rental schedule and ask those that do not have reservations to remove themselves.
- Mr. Wooleyhand will reach out to attorney to draft an ordinance.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Special Events, 5/13/2025 @ 5:30pm- Town Hall
- Planning and Zoning, 5/28/2025, 6:30 p.m.- Town Hall

- Town Hall Town Council Meeting, 6/2/2025, 6:30 p.m.- Town Hall
- Fishing Derby, 6/7/2025 @ 8-11am- Wyoming Park
- Budget Workshop, 5/28/2025 @5:30pm- Town Hall

COUNCIL COMMENTS

• None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

• None

Mrs. Wooleyhand moved with a second by Ms. Johovic to adjourn meeting at 7:38pm. Mayor Denison, Ms. Johovic, Mrs. Wooleyhand, and Mrs. George, Aye. None Opposed. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

Audrey Lindale Clerk of Council