

**MINUTES**  
**MAYOR AND COUNCIL**  
**FEBRUARY 25, 2019**

Councilman Binkoski Called the Meeting to Order

Councilman Binkoski read the Open Public Meeting Statement

Councilman Binkoski requested Roll Call:

Council President Corbett – Absent & Excused  
Councilman Binkoski - Present  
Councilwoman Hayes - Present  
Councilwoman Veres - Present  
Councilwoman Wickenheisser - Present  
Councilman Yeager – Present

Also in attendance was Assistant Administrator Gabrielle Evangelista, Deputy Borough Clerk Robin Ghebreah, and Attorney Matthew Petracca.

**Flag Salute**

Councilman Binkoski led those in attendance with the salute to the American Flag.

**Open to the Public**

In accordance with Local Ordinance O-18-03, “Persons making public comment at the first public portion shall be limited to five (5) minutes. During the second public portion repetitive, irrelevant or excessive public comment in the interest of permitting all members of the public time to speak on any governmental issue and completing the public business within a reasonable period of time”.

Councilman Binkoski opened the meeting to the public.

No one wishing to be heard, Councilman Binkoski closed the meeting to the public.

**Ordinance**

Councilwoman Hayes presented O-01-19, “An Ordinance to Provide for General Capital Projects Enumerated Within for the Borough of Wharton, County of Morris and to Provide for the Funding Thereof,” on second reading, by title only.

Councilman Binkoski opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments on this Ordinance only.

No one wishing to be heard, Councilman Binkoski closed the meeting to the public.

Motion by Councilwoman Hayes seconded by Councilman Yeager to adopt O-01-19 on second and final reading.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:5</b>	<b>NAY:0</b>	<b>ABSENT:1</b>	<b>ABSTAIN:0</b>
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**Ordinance**

Councilman Yeager introduced O-02-19, “An Ordinance to Provide for A General Capital Project Enumerated Within for the Borough of Wharton, County of Morris and to Provide for the Funding Thereof,” on first reading, by title only.

Motion by Councilman Yeager seconded by Councilwoman Hayes to adopt O-02-19 on first reading.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:5</b>	<b>NAY:0</b>	<b>ABSENT:1</b>	<b>ABSTAIN:0</b>
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Councilman Binkoski set the date of March 11, 2019 for second and final reading.

**Ordinance**

Councilwoman Wickenheisser introduced O-03-19, “An Ordinance to Provide for a General Capital Project Enumerated Within for the Borough of Wharton, County of Morris and to Provide for the Funding Thereof,” on first reading, by title only.

Motion by Councilwoman Wickenheisser seconded by Councilwoman Hayes to adopt O-03-19 on first reading.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:5	NAY:0	ABSENT:1	ABSTAIN:0
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**Ordinance**

Councilwoman Veres introduced O-04-19, “An Ordinance to Provide for a General Capital Project Enumerated Within for the Borough of Wharton, County of Morris and to Provide for the Funding Thereof,” on first reading, by title only.

Motion by Councilwoman Veres seconded by Councilwoman Hayes to adopt O-04-19 on first reading.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:5	NAY:0	ABSENT:1	ABSTAIN:0
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Councilman Binkoski set the date of March 11, 2019 for second and final reading.

**Ordinance**

Councilwoman Hayes introduced O-05-19, “An Ordinance to Provide for A Sewer Utility Capital Project Enumerated Within for the Borough of Wharton, County of Morris and to Provide for the Funding Thereof,” on first reading, by title only.

Motion by Councilwoman Hayes seconded by Councilman Yeager to adopt O-05-19 on first reading.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:5	NAY:0	ABSENT:1	ABSTAIN:0
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Councilman Binkoski set the date of March 11, 2019 for second and final reading.

**Resolution**

Councilwoman Wickenheisser introduced R-51-19, “Resolution Adopting Prequalification Regulations in Connection with Bids for the Restoration and Rehabilitation of the Lock and Lock Tender’s House at Lock 2 East of the Morris Canal.”

Councilman Binkoski opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments on this Resolution only.

No one wishing to be heard, Councilman Binkoski closed the meeting to the public.

Motion by Councilwoman Wickenheisser and seconded by Councilwoman Hayes to adopt R-51-19.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:5	NAY:0	ABSENT:1	ABSTAIN:0
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**Resolution**

Councilwoman Hayes introduced R-52-19, “Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Police Officers.”

Motion by Councilwoman Hayes and seconded by Councilwoman Wickenheisser to adopt R-52-19.

<b>ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:5</b>	<b>NAY:0</b>	<b>ABSENT:1</b>	<b>ABSTAIN:0</b>
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**Consent Agenda**

The following items are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Mayor and Council and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a council member or citizen so requests, in which case, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in a normal sequence on the agenda.

<p><b>Approval of Bills: All bills referred to the finance committee to be paid if found correct.</b></p> <p><b>Approval of Minutes from 2/4/19</b></p> <p><b>Resolutions: R-53-19: Amend R-42-19</b>  <b>R-54-19: Approve Tax Sale Redemption TSC 2018-009</b>  <b>R-55-19: General Capital Ordinance Cancellation</b>  <b>R-56-19: Approve Job Description- Assistant Foreman</b>  <b>R-57-19: Approve Job Description- Director of Public Works</b>  <b>R-58-19: Approve Job Description- Public Works Laborer</b>  <b>R-59-19: Approve Job Description- Recycling Coordinator</b>  <b>R-60-19: Approve Job Description- Senior Bus Driver</b>  <b>R-61-19: Approve Job Description- Senior Machine Operator</b>  <b>R-62-19: Approve Job Description- Truck Driver</b>  <b>R-63-19: Approve Job Description- Utility Supervisor</b>  <b>R-64-19: Approve Job Description- Water/Sewer Operator</b>  <b>R-65-19: Approve Job Description- Working Foreman</b>  <b>R-66-19: Refund Tax Overpayments</b>  <b>R-67-19: Approve Payout Grohowski</b>  <b>R-68-19: Amend Borough Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual- “Vendor Certification”</b></p> <p><b>Approve Blue Light Permit Application Tyler Galuska</b></p> <p><b>Motion by Councilwoman Veres seconded by Councilwoman Hayes to approve all items listed on the Consent Agenda.</b></p> <p><b>ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA:5      NAY:0      ABSENT:1      ABSTAIN:0</b></p>
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**Correspondence**

- Notices of Ordinances from Mine Hill and Jefferson
- Monthly Report from Treasurer
- Notice of Rate Changes from Morris County MUA

**Council Reports**

Council President Corbett: Absent

**Councilman Binkoski:** Stated he met with the Wharton Fire Department Chief to go over their budget. He met with the Wharton Police Department Chief regarding progress towards new hires.

**Councilwoman Hayes:** Stated she attended the Wharton Kids First Foundation dinner. They had a 20% increase in attendance. Thanked everyone in the community who donated food. She also thanked the Department of Public Works for all their efforts with the snow removal.

**Councilwoman Veres:** Stated that she attended the Library Board of Trustees meeting. They have their budget ready to be submitted to the Borough.

**Councilwoman Wickenheisser:** Stated that she attended the Municipal Alliance meeting. She also attended the Wharton Soccer Club meeting. She is working on getting an AED donated to the American Legion.

**Councilman Yeager:** Stated he attended the Wharton Kids First Foundation dinner. He also attended the Tenancy Review Committee meeting for the American Legion who is looking to get new digital signs.

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**Adjournment**

Motion by Councilwoman Hayes seconded by Councilwoman Wickenheisser to close this meeting.

February 25, 2019

ATTEST:

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Robin Ghebreal,  
Deputy Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF WHARTON

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VINCENT BINKOSKI,  
COUNCILMAN