

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 13, 2023

Mayor Chegwidden called the Meeting to Order.

Mayor Chegwidden read the Open Public Meeting Statement.

Roll Call

Mayor Chegwidden requested Roll Call:

Council President Binkoski - Present
Councilwoman Hayes - Present
Councilman Norton - Present
Councilwoman Vasquez - Present
Councilwoman Wickenheisser - Present
Councilman Yeager - Present

Also in attendance were Administrator Joseph Kovalcik Jr., Attorney Roman Hirniak and Deputy Borough Clerk Cheryl Muzzillo.

Flag Salute

Mayor Chegwidden led those present in the Salute to the American Flag.

Open to the Public

Mayor Chegwidden opened the meeting to the public.

No one wishing to be heard, Mayor Chegwidden closed the meeting to the public.

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.

Approval of Bills: Approve all bills referred to the Finance Committee

**R-142-23 Resolution Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation
N.J.S.A 40A:4-87**

R-144-23 Transfer of Person-to-Person Liquor License – Main Street Liquors

R-145-23 Purchase of Bock 607 Lot 2

R-146-23 Transfer of Dental Benefits from Delta Dental to MetLife

R-147-23 Award of Various Policies and Coverages to MetLife

R-148-23 Award of ESCNJ Purchase – Cliffside Body Corporation

R-149-23 Award of State Contract Purchase – Route 23 Automall

R-150-23 Award of State Contract Purchase – Nielsen Ford

R-151-23 2023 Budget Transfers

**A motion was made by Council President Binkoski which was seconded by
Councilman Yeager to approve all items listed on the Consent Agenda.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA: 6 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Correspondence

- **NJ Transit – Notice of Public Hearing**
- **Borough of Netcong – Notice of Resolution**

Council Reports

Council President Binkoski: He appreciates all the support and thanked everyone who voted for him. He attended the Veterans Eve ceremony.

Councilwoman Hayes: She congratulated Councilman Binkoski and Councilwoman Jones and thanked them for their service.

Councilman Norton: He congratulated Councilman Binkoski and Councilwoman Jones. He attended the St. Mary’s Church 150th Anniversary celebration and the Veterans Eve Parade, they were very nice services. He thanked the Fire Department for their response to the house fire on Cornell Street.

Councilwoman Vasquez: She congratulated Councilman Binkoski and Councilwoman Jones. She also attended the St. Mary’s Church 150th Anniversary celebration and thanked the food pantry for their support of the community.

Councilwoman Wickenheisser: She congratulated Councilman Binkoski and Councilwoman Jones. She attended the beautiful St. Mary’s 150th Anniversary mass. She thanked their food pantry for the amazing work they do. She also attended the Veterans Eve ceremony.

Councilman Yeager: He congratulated Councilman Binkoski and Councilwoman Jones on their well-deserved win. He attended the Veterans Eve ceremony. It was a great event and he thanked the American Legion for hosting it.

Mayor Chegwidden’s Report: He congratulated Councilman Binkoski and Councilwoman Jones. He attended the Veterans Eve ceremony and it was an honor to be asked to speak at the event. He met with the Seniors at their luncheon at the American Legion and showed them the plans for Columbia St. Park. He briefed them on taxes and where their tax dollars go. He let them know the town would provide the transportation for them to attend the concert at County College of Morris on December 1st.

He met Governor Huckabee from Arkansas the other night. It was a great honor.

He thanked the Fire Department for their response to the Cornell Street fire.

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Closed Session

Council President Binkoski introduced R-124-23 to close the meeting to the public for discussion upon Contractual Items in Nature.

A motion was made by Council President Binkoski and seconded by Councilwoman Hayes to approve R-124-23.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA: 6	NAY: 0	ABSENT: 0	ABSTAIN: 0
MOTION CARRIED			

A motion was made by Council President Binkoski and seconded by Councilwoman Hayes to return to open session. This motion was approved via voice vote.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Council President Binkoski and was seconded by Councilwoman Hayes to close the meeting. This motion was approved via voice vote.

November 13, 2023

BOROUGH OF WHARTON

ATTEST:

**_____
WILLIAM J. CHEGWIDDEN,
MAYOR**

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Cheryl Muzzillo,
Deputy Borough Clerk**