

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 27, 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 - Excused
Councilwoman Hayes - Present
Councilman Norton - Present
Councilwoman Vasquez - Present
Councilwoman Wickenheisser - Present
Councilman Yeager - Present

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-152-23 Ascend – Resolution Awarding License**			
R-153-23 Appointment of Temporary Plumbing Sub Code Official			
R-154-23 Appointment of Temporary Electrical Sub Code Official			
R-155-23 Appointment of Permanent Police Officer			
R-156-23 Resolution Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation			
N.J.S.A 40A:4-87			
Approve Fire Fighter Application - Gabrielle Nunn			
Approve Fire Fighter Application - Cristhian Garcia-Reyes			
**Moved from Consent Agenda to be voted on separately at Councilwoman Wickenheisser’s request.			
A motion was made by Councilwoman Hayes which was seconded by Councilman Yeager to approve all of the items on the Consent Agenda.			
ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA: 5 NAY: ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN:			
MOTION CARRIED			

Resolution

Councilwoman Hayes introduced R-152-23, “A Resolution of the Borough of Wharton Awarding a Cannabis Retailer License to Ascend New Jersey, LLC”

A motion was made by Councilwoman Hayes and seconded by Councilman Yeager to adopt R-152-23.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA: 4	NAY: 01	ABSENT: 1	ABSTAIN:
	WICKENHEISSER		MOTION CARRIED

Correspondence

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Council Reports

Councilwoman Hayes: No report

Councilman Norton: No Report

Councilwoman Vasquez: Congratulated Mayor Chegwidden on being sworn in as President, New Jersey League of Municipalities at the Annual Conference in Atlantic City, NJ. She attended the conference and found the meetings very informative and interesting.

Councilwoman Wickenheisser: Congratulated Mayor Chegwidden on his appointment as President, New Jersey League of Municipalities.

Councilman Yeager: No report.

Mayor Chegwidden's Report: Attended the New Jersey League of Municipalities Conference in Atlantic City. He thanked the League for the nomination and allowing him to be President. He also thanked all those who attended. Visited the Library's Pancake Breakfast. Thanked Miss Kim at the Library, she has a great program. He attended Mayor Blackman's retirement party and thanked Mayor Blackman for her service and congratulated her on her retirement. He also brought to the attention of the Council a letter he received regarding a resident's garbage collection.

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Closed Session

Councilwoman Hayes introduced R-124-23 to close the meeting to the public for discussion on Litigation.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Hayes and was seconded by Councilman Yeager to approve R-124-23.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEA: 5	NAY:	ABSENT: 1	ABSTAIN:
			MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Councilwoman Hayes and was seconded by Councilman Yeager to return to open session. This motion was approved via voice vote.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilwoman Hayes and was seconded by Councilman Yeager to close the meeting. This motion was approved via voice vote.

November 27, 2023

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF WHARTON

Cheryl Muzzillo,
Deputy Borough Clerk

WILLIAM J. CHEGWIDDEN,
MAYOR