



**The Town of Bowers**  
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## **MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm on February 12, 2026 by Mayor Puzzo Council members present: Chris Telles, Shirley Pennington, Bob McDevitt and Jay Apicelli.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

Motion to make the meeting interactive by Zoom. Motion by Bob, Seconded by Shirley. All in favor.

**Minutes:** Motion to accept December 2025 minutes by Bob Seconded by Shirley. All in favor  
Motion to accept January 2026 minutes by Bob Seconded by Shirley. All in favor

**Treasurer's Report:** Motion to accept January 2026 Treasurers Report by Bob. Seconded by Jay. All in favor.

## **GRANTS and PROJECTS**

**North Bayshore Drainage:** Ada reported the application has been submitted to DNREC. Hoping the application will be approved in 60 days. We are on a very tight time line. Army Corps of Engineers timeline and DNREC timelines. Should the Army Corps of Engineer permit expire we will have to resubmit.

**UD Flood Risk Reduction Feasibility Study and Preliminary Engineering Report:** Design work for the project will be added by University of Delaware interns.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Parks and Recreation:** No Report

**Town Events:** Jay Baker reported Steven O'Boyle will perform on May 15, for First beach Music and Arts. Looking for volunteers. Will be meeting with Shirley.

**Planning Committee:** No Report

**Public Water:** Grant application was submitted in July, awaiting approval by EPA.

**Code Enforcement:** No Report

**Board of Adjustments:** No Report

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Museum:** On March 18<sup>th</sup> a fund raiser will be held at Applebee's restaurant.

**Resident Topics** No Report

**Council Comments:** Jay Apicelli presented he is working with the University of Delaware Rural Community Development Cohort. There are several towns in the cohort. The intent of the DRCC is to provide free technical assistance to communities.

Ada and Chris Eisenhart stated the Beach Access Plan is going well. Ada added the Beach Access signage portion of the plan should be incorporated into the Museum Signage group of Judy Martin, Tony Albano and Jay A.

**NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:43 pm by motion made by Bob and seconded by Shirley. All in favor

The next town meeting will be held on March 11, 2026 starting at 7:00 pm and will be in person.

Town Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month unless changed by the mayor.

Respectfully submitted,

**Jay Apicelli**

Secretary