



The Town of Bowers

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MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm on July 9, 2025 by Mayor Puzzo Council members present: Chris Telles, Shirley Pennington, Bob DeVitt, and Jay Apicelli

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

Motion to amend the agenda to include Executive Session by Bob and seconded by Chris.

Minutes: Motion to accept June 2026 Minutes by Chris. Second by Ada. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Tabled till August Meeting and final budget.

Executive Session at 7:10PM

Motion by Bob to return to Return to Public Hearing at 8:14 PM. All in favor.

Chris thanked everyone for their patience. Executive Session was to discuss pending litigation involving the North Bayshore drainage project (29 Del. C. Sec. 10004(b)(4)). It was agreed to postpone awarding of the contract. There will be an Executive Session meeting on July 21 at 7PM.

Motion to postpone awarding the contract made by Chris Seconded by Shirley. All in Favor.

GRANTS and PROJECTS

North Bayshore Drainage: On going

UD Flood Risk Reduction Feasibility Study and Preliminary Engineering Report: No Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parks and Recreation: No Report.

Town Events: No Report.

Planning Committee: No Report.

Public Water: Jay reported he is continuing to work with U. of Delaware Rural Cohort on this item.

Code Enforcement: No Report

Board of Adjustments: Hearing to combine 2 lots on the corner of North Flack and Main Street. The lots are zoned residential. All processes have been followed and completed. Passed. All applicable documents signed by town council.

Museum: Meet the candidates will be help July 11th 1PM.

Fire Department Phil Pennington reported that a volunteer fireman has passed away. On July 11th there will be a “last alarm”, celebration of life event at the fire station. Main Street will be closed from 1PM to 1:30PM. They are expecting 200 people. Phil also reported the fire department has been busy with 9 calls in 2 hours. Twenty-three personnel responded to call.

OLD BUSINESS

RV Ordinance- No report

Election

Shirley presented how to get absentee ballots. She will be available at the fire station to assist anyone looking for an absentee ballot. Erica Oropallo volunteered for the election.

NEW BUSINESS

Resident Topics

Council Comments:

NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next town meeting will be held on August 13, 2026 starting at 7:00 pm and will be in person meeting as well as Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM Motion by Bob seconded by Shirley. All in favor.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Jay Apicelli
Secretary