

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 2, 2022

The COUNCIL Meeting of the Borough of Lawnside was called to order by Mayor Mary Ann Wardlow on **March 2, 2022 at 7:00p.m.** Via ZOOM Conference Call.

Following a prayer led by Councilwoman Wright-McLeod and flag salute led by Councilman Wilcox, the Acting Municipal Clerk called the roll.

Roll Call showed present:

Mary Ann Wardlow	Mayor	
Ronald DeAbreu	Councilperson	
Robert Lee	Councilperson	7:12pm arrival
Steven Pollard	Councilperson	
Rhonda Wardlow-Hurley	Councilperson	
Eric J. Wilcox, Sr.	Councilperson	
Dawn Wright-McLeod	Councilperson	

Also present were:

Edward H. Hill	Borough Solicitor	
Sean Smith, Sr.	Borough Engineer	
Angelique Rankins	Business Administrator	
Marsharee A. Wright	Acting Borough Clerk	
Sgt. Hendricks	Public Safety	
Rafiq Golphin	Public Works Supervisor	
Chief Lewis	Fire Department	7:20pm arrival

Mayor Wardlow declared the meeting officially open and the Acting Borough Clerk read that the meeting had been properly publicized as to the time, date, and place, in accordance with P.L. 1985, Chapter 231.

REMARKS BY CITIZENS:

A motion was made by DeAbreu and seconded by Wardlow-Hurley to **Open Public Comments**

Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu y; Lee Absent; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 5Ayes, 1 Absent, 0 Nays. Motion declared carried.

- **Thelma Tutt – 110 Williams Avenue** – Questioned how many days before the meeting is the notice posted on the website and what is the outcome with the concerns she spoke of regarding Free Haven Farms located at 105 Williams Avenue
- **Yvonne Savior - 412 Quaker Court** - Asked if the Borough was gender specific or gender neutral because a bid advertisement was completed stating “his proposal” and she addressed that the town should re-consider wording to use terms such as “prospective bidder”. Mrs. Savior will put her request in writing to Clerk’s Office

A motion was made by DeAbreu and seconded by Wright-McLeod to **Close Public Comments**

Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu y; Lee Absent; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 5Ayes, 1 Absent, 0 Nays. Motion declared carried

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

Council Meeting - February 2, 2022
Special Council Meeting – February 16, 2022
Workshop Meeting – February 23, 2022
Special Council Meeting – February 28, 2022

A motion was made by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Wardlow-Hurley to **Adopt Meeting Minutes**

Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu y; Lee Absent; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 5Ayes, 1 Absent, 0 Nays. Motion declared

PUBLIC HEARING & ADOPTION:

ORDINANCE 01-2022:

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 80 Garbage, Rubbish, and Refuse

A motion was made by DeAbreu and seconded by Wright-McLeod to **Open Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 01-2022**
Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu y; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 6Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion declared carried

- NONE

A motion was made by Wardlow-Hurley and seconded by Lee to **Close Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 01-2022**

Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu y; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 6Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion declared carried

A motion was made by Wardlow-Hurley and seconded by Wright-McLeod to **Adopt Ordinance No. 01-2022**

Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu y; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 6Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion declared carried

ORDINANCE 02-2022:

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 109 Property Maintenance Code

A motion was made by DeAbreu and seconded by Pollard to **Open Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 02-2022**

Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu y; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 6Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion declared carried

- NONE

A motion was made by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Wardlow-Hurley to **Close Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 02-2022**

Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu y; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 6Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion declared carried

A motion was made by Lee and seconded by Wright-McLeod to **Adopt Ordinance No. 02-2022**

Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu y; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 6Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion declared carried

THE NEW BUSINESS STATEMENT WAS READ BY THE ACTING BOROUGH CLERK CONSENT AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Resolutions:

1. Resolution No. 25-2022 - Appointing A Borough Solicitor and Authorizing Contract with Borough Solicitor
2. Resolution No. 26-2022 - Authorizing Appointment of A Municipal Prosecutor
3. Resolution No. 27-2022 - Authorizing Appointment of a Municipal Public Defender
4. Resolution No. 28-2022 - Authorizing Appointment of A Municipal Engineer
5. Resolution No. 29-2022 - Appointing A Planning Board Attorney
6. Resolution No. 30-2022 - Appointing A Zoning Board Attorney
7. Resolution No. 31-2022 - Appointing A Planning and Zoning Board Engineer
8. Resolution No. 32-2022 - Authorizing Appointment of An Insurance Broker
9. Resolution No. 33-2022 - Appointing Borough Auditor
10. Resolution No. 34-2022 - Authorizing the Hiring of Redevelopment Counsel
11. Resolution No. 35-2022 - Authorizing the Agreement for Bond Counsel Services
12. Resolution No. 36-2022 - Authorizing the Hiring of Redevelopment Consulting Engineer
13. Resolution No. 37-2022 - Appointing A Borough Special Counsel OPRA & Conflict Counsel and Authorizing Contract with the Borough Special Counsel
14. Resolution No. 38-2022 - Re-Appointing A Tax Search Officer
15. Resolution No. 39-2022 - Re-Appointing The Sewer Rental Collector
16. Resolution No. 40-2022 - Re-Appointing An Aide to Mayor

17. Resolution No. 41-2022 - Authorizing Appointment of Representative and Co-Representative to the Camden County Council on Aging
18. Resolution No. 42-2022 - Authorizing the Re-Appointment of Representative and Alternate to the Camden County Community Development Advisory Board
19. Resolution No. 43-2022 - Authorizing the Re- Appointment of A Zoning Officer
20. Resolution No. 44-2022 - Authorizing the Re- Appointment of A Zoning Board Secretary
21. Resolution No. 45-2022 - Authorizing the Re- Appointment of A Planning Board Secretary
22. Resolution No. 46-2022 - Re- Appointing A Part- Time Clerk in The Tax Assessor's Office
23. Resolution No. 47-2022 - Appointing An Authorized Agent to Represent the Borough for Tax Appeals
24. Resolution No. 48-2022 - Authorizing A Closed Executive Session for Council
25. Resolution No. 49-2022 - Awarding A 3 Month Contract for Solid Waste and Bulky Waste Collection
26. Resolution No. 50-2022 - Proclamation in Memory of Ronald G. Al-Uqdah
27. Resolution No. 51-2022 – Authorizing to Enter Into Contracts for the Services of Roof Replacement at the Wayne R. Bryant Sr. Community Center

B. PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Lee to **Adopt Resolutions and Payment of Bills**
Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu y; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 6Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion declared carried

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS: JANUARY 2022

BOROUGH CLERK	\$ 16,856.78
CONSTRUCTION	\$ 77,522.13
DOG ACCOUNT	\$ 3,309.03
TAX COLLECTOR	\$ 715,252.09
SEWER RENTALS	\$ 70,222.71
MUNICIPAL COURT	\$ 15,718.89

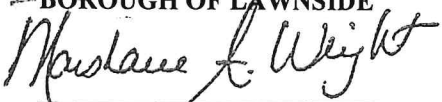
A motion was made by DeAbreu and seconded by Wardlow-Hurley to **Accept Monthly Financial Reports**
Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu y; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 6Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion declared carried

REMARKS:

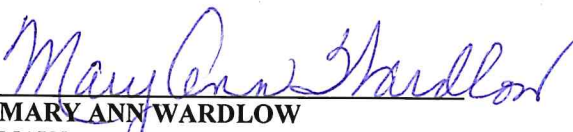
- **Councilwoman Wardlow-Hurley** – Thanked Dr. Johnson, the Lawnside School Staff and Ms. Higgs for all the Black History Month activities that the students participated in. She also thanked Ms. Shockey and the Lawnside historical, Society for the events that took place at the Peter Mott House. Councilwoman also thanked Sheriff Whipp Wilson and his staff for hosting the mask giveaway in Lawnside.
- **Councilman Lee** – Expressed his condolences to DPW Supervisor Rafiq and his family and thanked the staff for their work during his absence.
- **Fire Chief Lewis** – Read aloud the February 2022 Fire Department Report.

At 7:26pm there was a Motion Made by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Wardlow-Hurley to Adjourn the Meeting.
Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu y; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 6Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion declared carried

Meeting Adjourned 7:26 P.M.
BOROUGH OF LAWNSIDE



MARSHAREE A. WRIGHT
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK



MARY ANN WARDLOW
MAYOR