

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MAY 3, 2023

The COUNCIL Meeting of the Borough of Lawnside was called to order by Mayor Mary Ann Wardlow on **May 3, 2023 at 7:02p.m.** Via Microsoft Teams.

Following a prayer led by Councilwoman Wright-Mcleod and a Flag Salute by Councilman Wilcox, The Deputy Clerk called the roll.

Roll Call showed present:

Mary Ann Wardlow	Mayor	
Robert Lee	Councilperson	
Steven Pollard	Councilperson	
Rhonda Wardlow-Hurley	Councilperson	LATE ARRIVAL at 7:10 pm
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	Deputy Borough Clerk
Captain Plenty	Public Safety
Rafiq Golphin	Public Works Supervisor

Mayor Wardlow declared the meeting officially open and the Deputy 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 Wright-McLeod and seconded by DeAbreu to **Open Public Comments**

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

- **Linda Shockley – 231 E. Charleston Avenue** – Read the letter sent in to Mayor and Council “Thanks so much to borough engineer Sean Smith for his thoughtful work on the American Revolutionary War sign to be installed on Charleston Avenue. The Lawnside Historical Society is excited to partner in this effort and applauds the quick progress. The Society's board of directors is supportive of Option 2 closer to the community center. The board is willing to help defray the cost of installing the solar lighting system there as outlined in Mr. Smith's April 20 email message. That is two solar lights at an approximate cost of \$1,750 - \$2,000 including installation LED 150W- approximately 2100 lumens with motion sensor. Our objections to Option 1 cite its proximity to the abandoned, disheveled house and limited space in front of the drainage basin. Option 3, while nearer the streetlight at Walter Gaines Way, is similarly less desirable. Again, thanks so much for this extraordinary opportunity.”

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

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

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

Council Meeting – April 5, 2023

A motion was made by Lee and seconded by Wilcox to **Adopt Meeting Minutes**

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

INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 05-2023

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 99 LEAD BASED PAINT
INSPECTIONS - FEES**

A motion was made by Pollard and seconded by Lee to **Introduce Ordinance No. 05-2023**

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

PUBLIC HEARING & ADOPTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 04 - 2023

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 28, POLICE, DIVISION OF

A motion was made by DeAbreu and seconded by Wilcox to **Open Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 04-2023**

Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu y; Lee y; Pollard not voting; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 not voting. Motion declared carried.

Public Hearing Comments:

- NONE

A motion was made by DeAbreu and seconded by Wright-McLeod to **Close Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 04-2023**

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

A motion was made by Wright-McLeod and seconded by DeAbreu to **Adopt Ordinance No. 04-2023**

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

THE NEW BUSINESS STATEMENT WAS READ BY THE DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Resolutions:

1. Resolution No. 48-2023 – Authorizing the 4th of July Committee to Host Lawnside Heritage Day – June 24, 2023
2. Resolution No. 49-2023 - Approving the Fireworks Display for Lawnside Heritage Day 2023
3. Resolution No. 50-2023 – Authorizing the Filing of A Recycling Tonnage Grant
4. Resolution No. 51-2023 - Authorizing Execution Of A Shared Services Agreement With The Township Of Voorhees for Engineering Design and Grant Management Services In Accordance With N.J.S.A. 40a:65-1 Et Seq. For The Pedestrian and Bicycle Infrastructure Improvements at Ashland PATCO Station
5. Resolution No. 52-2023 - Granting Veteran Deduction For Certain Property – BL 805, Lot 15.01
6. Resolution No. 53-2023 – Granting Veteran Deduction For certain Property – BL 1008, Lot 30
7. Resolution No. 54-2023 – Granting A Totally Disabled Veteran Status and Cancellation of Taxes Due to Tax Exemption, BL 202, Lot 8
8. Resolution No. 55-2023 – Approving The Crossroads of The Revolution Historic Interpretive Sign Location

B. PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Pollard to **Adopt Resolutions and Payment of Bills**

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

MARCH 2023 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS:

BOROUGH CLERK	\$ 21,282.56
CONSTRUCTION	\$ 39,743.93
DOG ACCOUNT	\$ 3,193.60
TAX COLLECTOR	\$ 122,230.86
SEWER RENTALS	\$ 9,327.57
MUNICIPAL COURT	\$ 16,375.81
PRO CHAMPS –	\$ 900.00
Defaulted Mortgage Registration Program	\$ 2,800.00 - 2023 YTD TOTAL

A motion was made by Lee and seconded by Wilcox to **Accept Monthly Financial Reports**

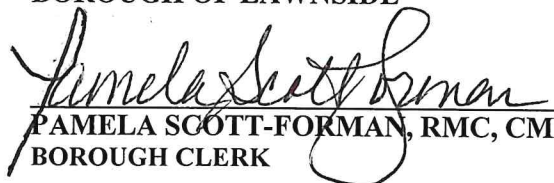
Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu y; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion declared carried

REMARKS:

- **Mayor Wardlow** - Thanked the Lawnside historical Society and Sean Smith for the collaboration with the County to get the American Revolution Sign completed. She announced that the Tea Party will be this upcoming Saturday and all Table Hostesses should have contacted their guests and host will be available to serve the guests.
- **Councilman Lee** – Reported that DPW will start planting flowers, repairing potholes, and repainting street lines once the county is complete with their roads within the town.
- **Councilwoman Wardlow-Hurley** – Announced the Reopening of the Super Seniors Nutrition Site to take place on 5/8/2023 at 10:30Am. They will meet the new bus driver, complete surveys and have door prizes. There will be upcoming trips, joined by neighboring towns' senior citizen residents and will practice social distancing protocols as required. She also thanked Sgt. Hendricks and Corporal Hernandez for handling the Trash Patrol Complaints.
- **Councilman Pollard** – Announced that The Town Watch meeting will be Saturday, May 13th and they are looking for volunteers to assist with the National Night Out Event. He mentioned that the Car Incidents at Kmart did not include the Lawnside Street Legends. He also asked that everyone come out and support the Baseball Team.

At 7:28pm there was a Motion Made by Lee and seconded by Wright-McLeod to Adjourn the Meeting.
The Voice Vote was unanimous in the affirmative action. Motion declared carried

Meeting Adjourned 7:28 P.M.
BOROUGH OF LAWNSIDE


PAMELA SCOTT-FORMAN, RMC, CMR
BOROUGH CLERK


MARY ANN WARDLOW
MAYOR