

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MARCH 3, 2021

The COUNCIL Meeting of the Borough of Lawnside was called to order by Mayor Mary Ann Wardlow on March 3, 2021 at 7:00p.m. Via ZOOM Conference Call.

Following a prayer led by Councilwoman Wright-McLeod, a moment of silence and flag salute led by Councilman Lee and The Acting Municipal Clerk called the roll

Roll Call showed present:

Mary Ann Wardlow	Mayor	
Robert Lee	Councilperson	
Steve Pollard	Councilperson	
Rhonda Wardlow-Hurley	Councilperson	ARRIVED at 7:13pm
Eric Wilcox	Councilperson	
Dawn Wright-McLeod	Councilperson	

Also present were:

Edward H. Hill	Borough Solicitor
Sean S. Smith, Sr.	Borough Engineer
Angelique Rankins	Business Administrator
Marsharee A. Wright	Acting Borough Clerk
Captain Plenty	Public Safety
Rafiq Golphin	Acting Public Works Supervisor

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 - Please state your name and address for the record. Council will give all comments appropriate consideration. Each citizen will be allotted up to three (3) minutes to speak, in order to allow everyone an opportunity to ask questions and express their opinions or concerns. Please direct all comments to the Mayor. Each citizen may only speak once during each public portion.

It was moved by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Pollard to **Open Public Comment**.

Roll Call: DeAbreu Absent; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley Absent; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent.
Motion declared carried

- **Gail Harris – 327 FDR Terrace** – Gave her proposal to host a Farmers' Market at the Community Center Parking Lot every Saturday from May 1st to October 2nd from 8:30am – 1:30pm. Her information was emailed to Mayor and Ms. Rankins who will forward to Legal and Insurance Representatives for further review and advisement.

It was moved by Lee and seconded by Wilcox to **Close Public Comment**.

Roll Call: DeAbreu Absent; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley Absent; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent.
Motion declared carried

ADOPTION OF MINUTES: Council Meeting Minutes February 10, 2021

It was moved by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Pollard to **Adopt Minutes**.

Roll Call: DeAbreu Absent; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley Absent; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent.
Motion declared carried.

PUBLIC HEARING & ADOPTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 01-2021 **An Ordinance Amending Chapter 133 Article XII - No Parking – West Charleston Avenue, Center Oak Avenue, Elizabeth Avenue**

A motion was made by Pollard and seconded by Lee to **Open Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 01-2021:**

Roll Call: DeAbreu Absent; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley Absent; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent.
Motion declared carried

- **NONE**

A motion was made by Pollard and seconded by Wright-McLeod to **Close Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 01-2021:**

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

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A motion was made by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Pollard to **Adopt Ordinance No. 01-2021:**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 02-2021 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 133 Article XII – One Way – West Charleston Avenue, Center Oak Avenue

A motion was made by Pollard and seconded by Lee to **Open Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 02-2021:**

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

- **NONE**

A motion was made by Wilcox and seconded by Wright-McLeod to **Close Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 02-2021:**

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

A motion was made by Pollard and seconded by Lee to **Adopt Ordinance No. 02-2021:**

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

THE NEW BUSINESS STATEMENT WAS READ BY THE ACTING BOROUGH CLERK

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Resolutions:

1. Resolution No. 26-2021 – Appointing A Borough Solicitor and Authorizing Contract with Borough Solicitor
2. Resolution No. 27-2021 – Authorizing Appointment of A Municipal Prosecutor
3. Resolution No. 28-2021 - Authorizing Appointment of a Municipal Public Defender
4. Resolution No. 29-2021 – Authorizing Appointment of A Municipal Engineer
5. Resolution No. 30-2021 – Appointing A Planning Board Attorney
6. Resolution No. 31-2021 – Appointing A Zoning Board Attorney
7. Resolution No. 32-2021 - Appointing A Planning and Zoning Board Engineer
8. Resolution No. 33-2021 – Authorizing Appointment of An Insurance Broker
9. Resolution No. 34-2021 – Appointing Borough Auditor
10. Resolution No. 35-2021 – Authorizing the Hiring of Redevelopment Counsel
11. Resolution No. 36-2021 – Authorizing the Agreement for Bond Counsel Services
12. Resolution No. 37-2021 – Authorizing the Hiring of Redevelopment Consulting Engineer
13. Resolution No. 38-2021 – Appointing A Borough Special Counsel Open Public Records and Conflict Counsel and Authorizing Contract with the Borough Special Counsel
14. Resolution No. 39-2021 – Authorizing Cash Management Plan for 2021
15. Resolution No. 40- 2021 – Authorizing The Appointment of a Municipal Court Administrator
16. Resolution No. 41-2021 – Awarding Contract for The Center Oak Avenue Resurfacing Improvement Project

A motion was made by Lee and seconded by Pollard to **accept items listed under the Consent Agenda**

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

A motion was made by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Lee to **accept items The Payment of Bills**

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

A motion was made by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Wardlow-Hurley to **add Resolution No. 42-2021 to the agenda submitted by Engineer, Sean S. Smith**

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

A motion was made by Lee and seconded by Wilcox to **accept Resolution No. 42-2021 – Authorizing Application for Program Year 2021 CDBG – Senior Community Center Roof Repairs**
Roll Call: DeAbreu Absent; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Motion declared carried

<u>MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS:</u>	JANUARY 2021
BOROUGH CLERK	\$ 18,778.50
CONSTRUCTION	\$ 18,657.81
DOG ACCOUNT	\$ 2,829.15
TAX COLLECTOR	\$ 204,194.84
SEWER RENTALS	\$ 62,980.48
MUNICIPAL COURT	\$ 8,761.85
PRO CHAMPS	\$ 1,200.00
	\$ 1,200.00 - 2021 YTD TOTAL

It was moved by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Pollard to **accept the Financial Reports.**
Roll Call: DeAbreu Absent; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Motion declared carried

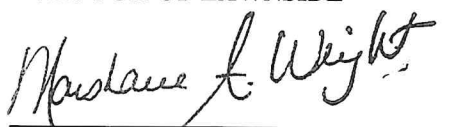
REMARKS BY MAYOR: Thanked all Borough employees for their hard work during this time. She thanked the COVID-19 Angels for assisting with scheduling vaccination appointments. Mayor advised everyone to check on your neighbors to make sure that they are okay and if they are in need if any assistance and keep everyone in prayers as reports are indicating that younger people are contracting the COVID -19.

REMARKS:

- **Councilwoman Wardlow-Hurley** - Thanked DPW and the Administrative Staff for all their work. She stated although COVID numbers are down, please continue to follow the CDC guidelines. The town has suffered many lost and the residents are hurting. She expressed her condolences to all the affected families and asked everyone to continue to keep all in prayers. Councilwoman also Thanked Sean Smith and Dr. Johnson for the intergenerational collaboration with the Young At Heart program for the Senior Citizens and the youth in town. Anyone interested in the program can contact Mr. Smith or Ms. Rankins.
- **Councilman Pollard** – Announced that Lawnside Clean Up Day will be Saturday, April 3, 2021 9am – 12pm meeting at the Community center. This event is a collaboration with Administrator, DPW, Councilman Lee and Gail & Ed Harris.

At 7:39pm there was a Motion Made by Pollard and seconded by Wright-McLeod to Adjourn the Meeting
Roll Call: DeAbreu Absent; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Motion declared carried

Meeting Adjourned 7:39P.M.
BOROUGH OF LAWNSIDE


MARSHAREE A. WRIGHT
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK


MARY ANN WARDLOW
MAYOR