

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MAY 5, 2021

The COUNCIL Meeting of the Borough of Lawnside was called to order by Mayor Mary Ann Wardlow on May 5, 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 Wilcox 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
Eric Wilcox	Councilperson
Dawn Wright-McLeod	Councilperson

Also present were:

Edward H. Hill	Borough Solicitor
Sean S. Smith	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 Lee to **Open Public Comment**.

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

- **NONE**

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

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

ADOPTION OF MINUTES: Council Meeting Minutes – April 7, 2021

It was moved by Lee and seconded by Wilcox to **Adopt Minutes**.

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

PUBLIC HEARING & ADOPTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 03-2021 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 122 Storm Water Control

A motion was made by Lee and seconded by Wright-McLeod to **Open Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 03-2021:**

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

- **NONE**

A motion was made by Pollard and seconded by Wright-McLeod to **Close Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 03-2021:**

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

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A motion as 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; 5Ayes, 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. 46 - 2021 – Authorizing Promotion to Lieutenant
2. Resolution No. 50 - 2021 – Authorizing The Hiring of Crossing Guards
3. Resolution No. 51 - 2021 – Appointing A Municipal Judge
4. Resolution No. 52 - 2021 – Proclamation in Memory of Vincent A. Rochester, Sr.
5. Resolution No. 53 - 2021 – Authorizing The Recycling Tonnage Grant
6. Resolution No. 54 - 2021 – Proclamation Congratulating the Hiram Lodge No. 5 Annual Charity Ball
7. Resolution No. 55 - 2021 – Cancellation of Sewer Billing for 2021
8. Resolution No. 56 - 2021 - Awarding Contract for the Lions Gate Drive Resurfacing Project
9. Resolution No. 57 - 2021 - Ratifying Temporary Salary Increase for Certain Construction Dept.
Employees for OAR Area – The Flex/Retail Space Woodcrest Station
Business Park
10. Resolution No. 58 -2021 – Releasing CCMUA Monies Collected for CCMUA Charges Due
11. Resolution No. 59 -2021 – Authorizing Estimated Tax Bills
12. Resolution No. 60 - 2021 – Extending 3rd Quarter Property Taxes Grace Period
13. Resolution No. 61 - 2021 – Approving Cancellation of Municipal Tax Liens
14. Resolution No. 62 – 2021 - Releasing CCMUA Monies Collected for CCMUA Charges Due

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

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

A motion was made by Wardlow-Hurley 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; 5Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Motion declared carried

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS:

BOROUGH CLERK

MARCH 2021

\$26,069.18

CONSTRUCTION

\$ 162,300.51

DOG ACCOUNT

\$ 2,829.84

TAX COLLECTOR

\$ 775,085.79

SEWER RENTALS

\$ 30,353.39

MUNICIPAL COURT

\$ 5,599.04

PRO CHAMPS

\$ 2,200.00

\$ 4,100.00 - 2021 YTD TOTAL

It was moved by Wilcox and seconded by Wardlow-Hurley to **accept the Financial Reports.**

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

*****Special Presentation: Swearing in of Promoted Officers by the Public Safety Committee*****
Daniel Battista was sworn in as Lieutenant by Solicitor Edward Hill.

Mayor Wardlow recognized Judge Aziz's resignation and thanked her for her time at the Borough and will celebrate her at a later event.

Mayor acknowledged Judge Smith and Welcomed Mr. Garnes.

Judge Smith recognized the delegates and officials that were on the Zoom Call and expressed his joy in participating with the Oath and congratulated Mr. Garnes with his new endeavors in Lawnside.

*****Special Presentation: Swearing in of Municipal Judge*****

David Garnes, JMC was sworn in as Municipal Judge by Judge Morris G. Smith and Judge Smith exited the meeting.

Borough Engineer, Sean Smith gave a brief synopsis on the Sustainable Jersey 2021 EDF Climate Corps Program Grant Application that was submitted on 4/13/2021 and that a resolution was needed to further complete the application process.

The Acting Clerk read into the meeting that the following item will be added in, Resolution No. 63-2021 – Resolution of Support from Local Governing Body Authorizing the Sustainable Jersey 2021 EDF Climate Corps Program Application.

A motion was made Wright-McLeod and seconded by Lee to **accept Resolution No. 63-2021 – Resolution of Support from Local Governing Body Authorizing the Sustainable Jersey 2021 EDF Climate Corps Program Application**

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: Announced that there are programs still going in within the Borough such as Young at Heart, Health Initiative, and The Farmers Market will take place every Saturday until October. Mayor Wardlow encouraged everyone to remain safe, wear your mask, wash your hands and socially distance.

REMARKS:

- **Councilwoman Wright-McLeod** – Announced that there are Funeral Funds available to assist with any COVID-19 Related deaths. If anyone is homebound and would like vaccine, please contact the Board of Health and that The Community prayer will take place tomorrow, Thursday, May 6th from 6p-7p in the park.

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

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



MARSHAREE A. WRIGHT
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK


MARY ANN WARDLOW
MAYOR