

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 3, 2021

The COUNCIL Meeting of the Borough of Lawnside was called to order by Mayor Mary Ann Wardlow on November 3, 2021 at 7:05p.m. Via ZOOM Conference Call.

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

Roll Call showed present:

Mary Ann Wardlow	Mayor
Ronald DeAbreu	Councilperson
Robert Lee	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
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.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES: Council Meeting Minutes – October 6, 2021

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

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

REMARKS BY CITIZENS –

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

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

- NONE

It was moved by Wardlow-Hurley and seconded by Wright-McLeod to **Close Public Comment**.

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

INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 11-2021:

An Ordinance Authorizing the Approval of Financial Agreement for the Historic Borough of Lawnside Station Business Park II Project

A motion was made by Wilcox and seconded by Lee to **Introduce Ordinance No. 11-2021**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 12-2021:

An Ordinance Permitting the Operation of Cannabis Businesses as Permitted used within the Oak Avenue Redevelopment Area, repealing Ordinance 04-2021 and Previously Adopted Chapter 51A of the Lawnside Code and Amending the Lawnside Code to Create a New Chapter 51A

A motion was made by Wardlow-Hurley and seconded by DeAbreu to **Introduce Ordinance No. 12-2021**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 13-2021: An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing the Salaries and Other Compensation of the Officials and Employees of the Borough of Lawnside

A motion was made by DeAbreu and seconded by Lee to **Introduce Ordinance No. 13-2021**

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

PUBLIC HEARING & ADOPTION:

ORDINANCE 09-2021: An Ordinance Prohibiting Left Turn from Walter A. Gaines Way onto East Charleston Avenue on Operating School Days

A motion was made by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Wardlow-Hurley to **Open Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 09-2021**

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

- NONE

A motion was made by Wright-McLeod and seconded by DeAbreu to **Close Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 09- 2021**

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

A motion was made by Wilcox and seconded by Wright-McLeod to **Adopt Ordinance No. 09-2021**

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

ORDINANCE 10-2021: An Ordinance Accepting Deed Acquisition of Real Property Designated Block 605 Lot 2, Block 510 Lot 21

A motion was made by Wilcox and seconded by DeAbreu to **Open Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 10 - 2021**

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

- NONE

A motion was made by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Wardlow-Hurley to **Close Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 10 - 2021**

Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu y; Lee 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 Wardlow-Hurley to **Adopt Ordinance No. 10-2021**

Roll Call: DeAbreu y; Lee 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
CONSENT AGENDA:**

A. Resolutions

1. Resolution No. 105 - 2021 – Approving Cancellation of Sewer Billing
2. Resolution No. 106 - 2021 – Awarding A 3 Month Contract for Solid Waste and Bulky Waste Collection
3. Resolution No. 107 - 2021 – Adopting Revised Personnel Policies and Procedures
4. Resolution No. 108 - 2021 – Affirming A Civil Rights Policy
5. Resolution No. 109 - 2021 – Ratifying Temporary Salary Increase for Certain Construction Dept. Employees for OAR Area – New Jersey American Water
6. Resolution No. 110 – 2021 - Approving Revised Employee Handbook
7. Resolution No. 111 – 2021 - Authorizing The Sale of Property Owned by The Borough of Lawnside – 231 Ashland Ave- Block 903 Lot 1

A. PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Wilcox and seconded by Lee to **accept items listed under the Consent Agenda and Payment of Bills.**

***Councilwoman Wardlow-Hurley inquired about Resolution No. 111-2021; Mayor paused meeting and Ms. Wright sent Councilwoman a copy of resolution again via email for her to review.*

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

<u>MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS:</u>	SEPTEMBER 2021
BOROUGH CLERK	\$ 10,376.51
CONSTRUCTION	\$ 37,594.07
DOG ACCOUNT	\$ 2,944.44
TAX COLLECTOR	\$ 1,833,851.69
SEWER RENTALS	\$ 11,548.39
MUNICIPAL COURT	\$ 13,171.47
PRO CHAMPS	\$ 1,000.00
	\$ 21,900.00 - 2021 YTD TOTAL

Please notate that the wrong amount was reported at the October 6th Council meeting for Municipal Court August 2021 Monthly report and the correction is that August 2021 is \$11,777.50.

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

****Councilman Lee questioned the Monthly Court Reports and Ms. Wright explained the mix-up of documents and that the corrections will be notated in this meeting minutes.*

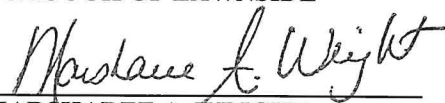
Roll Call: DeAbreu y; Lee y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, Motion declared carried

REMARKS:

- **Mayor Wardlow** - Wished everyone A Happy Thanksgiving and Congratulated Councilwoman Wright-McLeod and Councilman DeAbreu on another term as councilpersons in the Borough of Lawnside.
- **Councilman Lee** – Congratulated Councilwoman Wright-McLeod and Councilman DeAbreu on another term as councilpersons in the Borough of Lawnside. He announced Leaf Pick up dates within town will be poste don street signs
- **Councilwoman Wardlow-Hurley** – Thanked DPW for their help with the Trunk or Treat Events and announced upcoming Holiday events to take place.

At 7:33pm there was a Motion Made by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Wardlow-Hurley to Adjourn the Meeting. The Voice Vote was unanimous in the affirmative action. Motion declared carried

Meeting Adjourned 7:33 P.M.
BOROUGH OF LAWNSIDE


MARSHAREE A. WRIGHT
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK


MARY-ANN WARDLOW
MAYOR