



City of Glenarden  
Regular Meeting  
February 8, 2016  
7:30PM  
Minutes

Council President – Maxine Phifer  
Council Vice President – James Herring  
Councilwoman – Elaine Carter  
Councilwoman – Judy Diggs  
Councilwoman – Deborah Eason  
Councilwoman - Carolyn Smallwood  
Mayor Dennis C. Smith  
City Manager – Eddie Tobias  
Treasurer – Alvin Bratton

- Call to Order 7:34PM
- Invocation led by Council President Maxine Phifer
- Roll Call

Councilwoman Carter - Present  
Councilwoman Diggs – Present  
Councilwoman Eason – Present  
Councilwoman Jenkins – Absent **(Public Hearing for County)**  
Councilwoman Smallwood – Present  
Councilman Herring – Present  
Councilwoman Phifer – Present  
**We have a Quorum**

- Motion to Adopt Agenda

Councilwoman Phifer motion to adopt the agenda – Seconded by Councilman Herring

Councilwoman Carter - Yes  
Councilwoman Diggs – Yes  
Councilwoman Eason – Yes  
Councilwoman Jenkins - Absent

Councilwoman Smallwood – Yes

Councilman Herring – Yes

Councilwoman Phifer – Yes

**6 Yes**

**Agenda Approved**

- Presentation (late arrival / offered prior to the Department reports)

Joyce Butler c/o Veterans Memorial Committee

Also in attendance are other VA Committee members

Submitted all documents on June 1, 2014

Approved on June 27, 2014

Landscaping company was Brickman Group

VA Park completed November 2014

12/23/2014 final deadline

4 more benches, etc.

286 names on the pavers and plaques

Phase II: 116 names on the pavers that were added

- Approval of Minutes
  - 11-02-2015 Work Session
  - 11-09-2015 Regular Session
  - 12-07-2015 Work Session

Councilman Herring motion to adopt the agenda with any edits – Seconded by Councilwoman Diggs

Councilwoman Carter - Yes

Councilwoman Diggs – Yes

Councilwoman Eason – Yes

Councilwoman Jenkins - Absent

Councilwoman Smallwood –Yes

Councilman Herring – Yes

Councilwoman Phifer – Yes

6 Yes

**Approved**

- Citizen Comments on Legislation (two minutes)
  - Hearing None/Seeing None
- Legislation

O-04-2016 An Ordinance to Amend the City of Glenarden's Budget for FY 2015 to Authorize the Transfer of Funds **(Second Reading)**

Councilman Herring motion to adopt the agenda – Seconded by Councilwoman Eason

Councilwoman Carter - No  
Councilwoman Diggs – Yes  
Councilwoman Eason – Yes  
Councilwoman Jenkins - Absent  
Councilwoman Smallwood –Yes  
Councilman Herring – Yes  
Councilwoman Phifer – Yes

**5 Yes 1 No**

**Approved**

R-25-2016 - A Resolution to Issue Building Permits for Construction of Single Family Dwellings on Nine Lots in the Woodmore Towne Centre at Glenarden

Councilwoman Carter motion to adopt the agenda – Seconded by Councilwoman Eason

Councilwoman Carter - Yes  
Councilwoman Diggs – Yes  
Councilwoman Eason – Yes  
Councilwoman Jenkins - Absent  
Councilwoman Smallwood –No  
Councilman Herring – No  
Councilwoman Phifer – Yes

**4 Yes 2 No's**

**Approved**

R-28-2016 A Resolution to Issue a Building Permit for Hampton Inn & Suites

Councilman Herring motion to table – Seconded by Councilwoman Eason

Councilwoman Carter - Yes  
Councilwoman Diggs – Yes  
Councilwoman Eason – Yes  
Councilwoman Jenkins - Absent  
Councilwoman Smallwood –Yes  
Councilman Herring – Yes  
Councilwoman Phifer – Yes

**6 Yes**

**Legislation Tabled**

R-29-2016 Emergency Resolution to Authorize Acquisition of a Konica Minolta C654e Color Copier

Councilwoman Carter motion to adopt the agenda – Seconded by Councilman Herring

Councilwoman Carter - Yes  
Councilwoman Diggs – Yes  
Councilwoman Eason – Yes  
Councilwoman Jenkins - Absent  
Councilwoman Smallwood –No  
Councilman Herring – Yes  
Councilwoman Phifer – Yes

**5 Yes 1 No**

**Passed**

R-30-2016 A Resolution to Issue Building Permit For One Renovation and Addition to Existing School (Glenarden Wood Elementary School)

Councilwoman Carter motion to adopt the agenda – Seconded by Councilwoman Diggs

Councilwoman Carter - Yes  
Councilwoman Diggs – Yes  
Councilwoman Eason – Yes  
Councilwoman Jenkins - Absent  
Councilwoman Smallwood –Yes  
Councilman Herring – Yes  
Councilwoman Phifer – Yes

**6 Yes**

**Passed**

**Mayor Smith recuses himself of this legislation.**

Councilwoman Carter motion to replace R-31-2016 with R-27-2016 –Seconded by Councilwoman Phifer

Councilwoman Carter - Yes  
Councilwoman Diggs – Yes  
Councilwoman Eason – No  
Councilwoman Jenkins - Absent  
Councilwoman Smallwood –No  
Councilman Herring – No  
Councilwoman Phifer – Yes

**3 Yes 3 No's**

**Failed**

R-31-2016 Resolution to Adopt Competitive Bidding Process for Sale of Unbuildable Lots

Councilwoman Carter motion to adopt the agenda – Seconded by Councilwoman Eason

Councilwoman Carter - Yes  
Councilwoman Diggs – Yes  
Councilwoman Eason – Yes  
Councilwoman Jenkins - Absent  
Councilwoman Smallwood –No  
Councilman Herring – Yes  
Councilwoman Phifer – Yes

**5 Yes 1 No**

**Passed**

- Mayor's Report
  - Engineering contract being reviewed by the Attorney and will be brought to the Council within the next 2/3 weeks
  - Request comment from the residence on snow removal
  - Introducing the Temporary City Manager – Mr. Eddie Tobias
- City Manager's Report (See Report)
  - Questions – Read the 1989 Personnel Manual
  - Provide a copy of the new personnel manual to Temporary City Manager

- Welcome sign – plans for paying for the signage – State Highway Administration will install and city is responsible for maintenance
- Purpose of the Personnel Committee was to offer recommendations to the up-to-date personnel manual
- Mr. Proctor has not offered information on the roof and King site.

Councilwoman Jenkins – Arrival at 8:50PM

- Seasonal service updates – inaccurate information of fees and information on the mailer – revise it on the City cable station
- Stump Removal – City Attorney has the contract
  - Payment is by MNCPP
- Contract for GS Proctor
- Councilwoman Jenkins offers that CR-01-2015 – Section F states that Mayor Smith cannot enter into any contract for the City
- Chief of Police Report (See Report)
  - Incidents in the City of Glenarden – regarding Deonte Carraway with charges of child pornography
  - Read the Press Release
  - Councilwoman Carter – wants to rescind the general orders legislation R-23-2016
  - Councilwoman Phifer notes that R-23-2016 has already passed and is under legal advisement with the City Attorney
- City Treasurer’s Report (See Report)
  - Harbor Bank Status –
  - PNC Account –funds will be moved to the Mercantile account
- Citizen Comments/Questions (five minutes)
  - Leo Wilson – Child Pornography police matter; did this person work for the city? Did he rent the space in the building for use?

- Snow removal during the 2016 blizzard – was not a good experience – a better job is requested
- Ms. Royette Smith - Unbuidable lot – Ask for support to allow the Unbuidable lot for her Father, Raymond Smith (98 years old) while he still is living. The document from the County only has the Raymond Smith on that document.
- Flowers High School is hosting the Teen Domestic Violence Summit, on February 20<sup>th</sup> 9am until 3:30pm
- Ms. Ealy give God the Grace in the community for 50+ year – also request a newsletter for the community and share with the Apt complex across from the City Hall
- Mr. Oshodi – notes there has been a surge of violence and car theft and wants to thank the City of Glenarden Police for their work
  - Request budget cost matching program – wants a fence between recreation and Frost Community/ proposal \$42K for matching of this cost; Frost community residents are willing to pay an extra assessment – Council will take under advisement
  - Ms. Robin Jones – disappointment with the snow removal and wanted to make sure the emergency vehicles are able to come into the neighborhood
  - Ms. Celestine Wilson offers that the monthly reports should reflect a **Temporary** City Manager. Trash pick-up in Woodmore - does the City pay for that trash pick-up. Goode Trash pilot program needs to be assessed by those participating residents. Snow removal - Work Session that occurred on Monday the temporary City Manager spoke to Mr. Hepler that the street be passable, need a definition for passable.

- Ms. Joyce Butler – American flag goes to the left. State flag to the right - When Joanne Benson asked for the American flag from the Council meeting; and was denied – should not happen again.
  - Mr. Steve Queen - Prince George’s not PG – Prince George Denmark the biggest slave traders in the world - Recognize our pioneers of the county and acknowledge those persons
  - Mr. John Anderson – safety should be first focus with the snow removal budget.
    - Treasurer Report should signed by the Treasurer
    - Veterans Park maintenance by the Public Works Department
    - The Gold Room ADA Compliant - Perhaps the chairs should be removed from the hallway
    - Is the Frost Community apart of the Glenarden Community- safety concerns to be checked into
  - Mr. Rubin Reid – 2014 audit report - auditors requested additional information and Treasurer will have by the end of the week.
    - Councilwoman Jenkins – on record - no waiver to be offered to the School Board for the permit fees.
  - Marianne White – Proclamation written for Dr. Charles R. Ellis – Music Director and Conductor of the Philmontic orchestra. Passed January 1, 2016. Wanted the community to enjoy the classical music.
  - City of Glenarden Police Department is accepting water to offer to the residents of Flint Michigan.
- Adjourn at 10:40PM

Submitted by:

Toni Taylor, Council Clerk