



City of Glenarden
Regular Meeting (Virtual)
Monday, January 11, 2021 at 7:30PM

Minutes

Attendees:

Council President – Robin Jones
Councilwoman – Angela D. Ferguson
Councilwoman – Deborah A. Eason
Councilman – James A. Herring
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood
Councilwoman – Celestine E. Wilson
City Manager – Timothy George
Chief of Police – Philip O’Donnell
Treasurer – Alvin Bratton

- Call to Order at 7:30PM
- Invocation led by Jacqueline Garrison
- Roll Call

Council President – Robin Jones
Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson
Councilwoman – Deborah A. Eason
Councilman – James A. Herring
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood
Councilman – Donjuan Williams - Absent
Councilwoman – Celestine E. Wilson

We have a Quorum

- Motion to Adopt Agenda

Councilwoman Smallwood motioned to adopt the agenda – Seconded by Councilman Herring

Council President – Robin Jones - Yes
Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson - Yes
Councilwoman – Deborah A. Eason - Yes
Councilman – James A. Herring - Yes
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood -Yes
Councilman – Donjuan Williams – Absent
Councilwoman – Celestine E. Wilson – Yes

6 Yes - APPROVED



- Approval of Minutes

- 11-16-2020 Special Work Session (Budget)
- 11-17-2020 Public Hearing
- 11-17-2020 Special Regular Meeting
- 11-19-2020 Special Public Hearing
- 11-25-2020 Special Regular Meeting
- 12-01-2020 Special Work Session (Budget)
- 12-07-2020 Work Session
- 12-10-2020 Special Work Session

Councilwoman Eason motioned to approve all minutes - Seconded by Councilwoman Wilson

Council President – Robin Jones - Yes
Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson - Yes
Councilwoman – Deborah A. Eason - Yes
Councilman – James A. Herring - Yes
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood – Yes
Councilman – Donjuan Williams - Absent
Councilwoman – Celestine E. Wilson - Yes
6 Yes – All Minutes APPROVED

- Legislation (January)

- O-05-2021 An Ordinance to Amend the Personnel Manual (**First Reading**)
- R-17-2021 A Resolution to Censure Mayor Edward Estes for Violation of the City Charter

Councilwoman Smallwood motioned to adopt - Seconded by Councilman Herring

Council President – Robin Jones - Abstain
Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson - Abstain
Councilwoman – Deborah A. Eason - Abstain
Councilman – James A. Herring – Yes
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood – Yes
Councilman – Donjuan Williams – Absent
Councilwoman – Celestine E. Wilson - Yes
3 Yes 3 Abstain – FAILED



- Mayor's Report **(have not received to date)**
- Acting City Manager's Report – See Report
- Chief of Police Report – See Report
- City Treasurer's Report – See Report
- Citizens Comments/Questions (five minutes)

Ricky Thomas asked if the City of Glenarden has a food bank or a stipend for residents that are not working due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

Councilwoman Jones offered Shabach Ministries, Inc. at First Baptist Church of Glenarden has done the food giveaways – and the City of Glenarden does not have a stipend for the residents.

Richard Arroyo Montgomery addressed that this is the 3rd attempt to censure Mayor Estes. Also, addressed the letter from Councilman Herring, Councilwoman Wilson and Councilwoman Smallwood; that was mailed out that mentioned his name with false statements.

Kathleen Guillaume-Delmemar offered she wanted to hear from the Mayor on why he has not offered a monthly report. Also, spoke toward the letter that Mr. Arroyo-Montgomery mentioned and she felt it was disturbing and Glenarden residents are above the retribution.

Mayor Estes offered his reasons for not turning in his monthly reports: is due to being under scrutiny of censorship and he and Council President Jones have not agreed on a due date for the Mayor to turn in his reports. He has spoken to the City Attorney referencing this concern, and he is willing to go back to Council President Jones and compromise to resolve the issue.



Council President Jones also stated she is willing to re-visit this concern with the Mayor and try to come to a resolve.

Derek Curtis, II asked if the City had heard of any security measures for the upcoming Presidential Inauguration; since the City is close to the DC area, in light of the recent violent riot at the Capital Building. Also, asked if Mayor Estes had any back-logged reports he could offer to the citizens.

Chief O'Donnell responded that he receives reports from the Prince George's County Police and he had not received any security measure information to date.

Mayor Estes offered he has some back-logged monthly reports on his website, www.mayoredwardestes.com.

Erika Fareed asked for the Election Board status and if volunteers were needed to assist seniors in the city.

Council President Jones offered that names had been submitted for the Election Board and believes she has up to ten names, and she might could use one more volunteer as an alternate. Council President also stated that at the next Public Hearing there will be legislation for the Election Board Appointees; and a Special Regular meeting will come shortly thereafter for a vote.

Christopher Beccles asked the Council President if she had his name as a volunteer. Also, asked the Councilmembers that signed the letter that Mr. Arroyo Montgomery spoke on; what was the intent, and to be more professional and positive.



Council President Jones offered she would be speaking with the City Attorney and or Ethics Committee for a response to the letter concern.

Sennieal Crutchfield spoke on the possibility of having a city newsletter to go out to citizens to keep everyone updated.

- Adjourned at 8:55PM

Submitted by:

M. Toni Taylor, CMC
Clerk to the Council

APPROVED