



City of Glenarden
Public Hearing
Tuesday, February 16, 2021 – 7:00PM
Virtual Meeting
Minutes

Attendees:

Council President – Robin Jones
Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson
Councilwoman – Deborah A. Eason
Councilman – James A. Herring
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood
Councilman – Donjuan Williams
Councilwoman – Celestine E. Wilson
Mayor - Edward Estes
City Manager - Timothy George

- Call to Order at 7:00PM
- Invocation led by Angela D. Ferguson
- Roll Call

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We have a Quorum

- Motion to Adopt Agenda

Councilman Herring requested his legislation be added to the agenda.

Council President Jones took a consensus to add Councilman Herring's legislation to the agenda.

Council President – Robin Jones - Yes
Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson - Abstain



Councilwoman – Deborah A. Eason - Yes
Councilman – James A. Herring - Yes
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood - Yes
Councilman – Donjuan Williams – Yes
Councilwoman – Celestine E. Wilson – Yes

6 Yes – 1 Abstain Legislation added to the Agenda

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Councilwoman Smallwood motioned to approve the agenda with the added legislation from Councilman Herring – Seconded by Councilwoman Ferguson

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 – Yes
Councilwoman – Celestine E. Wilson – Yes

7 Yes – APPROVED

- Presentation by auditor Karen Dojan c/o Weyrich Cronin & Sorra Chartered

- Audit report covers July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020
- Request for Extension Granted; new deadline is February 28, 2021
- Clean Audit for FY 2020
 - Majority of City revenue comes from Property and Retail tax; which was received prior to the COVID-19 pandemic occurring
 - FY 2020 financials were not affected by COVID-19 pandemic
 - FY 2021 budget- no one can predict the future financial stability due to the COVID-19 pandemic
 - City of Glenarden has approximately \$5 million in reserves

- Citizens comments on Proposed Legislation (five minutes)



Adrian Wilson asked how can we join together the Woodmore community and Ward I & II community?

Elaine Carter asked if there could be a Public Forum prior to the vote on Ordinance 05-2021 (updated Personnel Manual). Also, asked for summary of the Public Works Power Mowers.

Councilwoman Jones offered that the personnel manual has been vetted by the Human Resources Specialist, City Manager and the City Attorney. The legislation for the power mowers is three pieces of equipment; 1 walk behind and 2 ride-on mowers, commercial grade with warranty's included. And are budgeted in the FY 2022 budget.

***Announcement: Special Regular Meeting on February 24, 2021 at 7:00PM
for the Council vote on the Audit Report***

Derek Curtis asked if the laptops mentioned in Councilman Herring's legislation were assets to the City. And offered that it is so close to the upcoming election that the legislation is not needed.

Christopher Beccles commended Council President Jones for adding the legislation to the agenda, noted it is a legislation to Remove the Council President Jones.

Erika Fareed offered that the legislation to remove Council President Jones is a lot to process at this given time, especially since she cannot see or read it for herself. Also, offered a thank you to Council President Jones for her professionalism and decorum.



Richard Arroyo-Montgomery stated he is bothered by this legislation that Councilman Herring brings forth and feels it is “retaliation”. Feels Councilman Herring signed a \$90K check for the trash contract with-out the approval of the whole council.

Kathleen Guilliam-Delmar offered that this legislation is a lot to take in for now. And agreed with Mr. Curtis that the May election is upcoming and he has not seen Council President Jones or Council Vice President be unprofessional.

Councilman Herring offered he brought his legislation to the Council Clerk in a timely manner, and it was not allowed to be added onto the agenda.

- Legislation (March)
 - CR-XX-2021 A Charter Resolution to Amend Article IV “The Mayor”, Section 404, “Powers and Duties Generally”
 - O-05-2021 An Ordinance to Amend the Personnel Manual
 - R-XX-2021 A Resolution to Authorize Purchase a Walk Behind Power Mower for the Public Works Department
 - R-XX-2021 A Resolution to Authorize Purchase of a Ride-On Power Lawn Mower Z920M ZTrak for the Public Works Department
 - R-XX-2021 A Resolution to Authorize Purchase of a Ride-On Power Lawn Mower Z950M ZTrak for the Public Works Department



- R-XX-2021 A Resolution Accepting the FY 2020 Independent Auditor's Report
- R-XX-2021 A Resolution for Authorization for Magnolia to Perform Repairs on the Sewer System at Martin Luther King (MLK) Park
- Adjourn 8:19PM

Submitted by:

M. Foni Taylor, CMC
Clerk to the Council

APPROVED