



City of Glenarden
Special Public Hearing
Monday, March 22, 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 Celestine E. Wilson
- Roll Call

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We have a Quorum

- Motion to Adopt Agenda

Councilman Williams motioned to adopt the agenda – Seconded by Councilwoman Ferguson.

Councilwoman Eason what is the time frame for the legislation?

There was dialog amongst the council regarding Councilman's Williams Juneteenth legislation.



Councilwoman Smallwood suggested that the legislation be removed from the agenda because it was submitted passed the deadline.

Councilman Williams replied that the legislation was submitted on time and was scheduled for a public hearing. Council President Jones suggested that it be pushed back since it was the only legislation on the agenda, so that the emergency ordinance be addressed.

Councilman Herring said that Council President Jones was showing preferential treatment because when he brought his legislation to the Council Clerk in a timely manner, it was not allowed to be added onto the agenda.

Council President – Robin Jones - Yes
Council Vice President – Angela D. Ferguson - Yes
Councilwoman – Deborah A. Eason - Yes
Councilman – James A. Herring - No
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood - No
Councilman – Donjuan Williams – Yes
Councilwoman – Celestine E. Wilson – No
4 Yes – 3 No PASSED

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- Legislation (March)
 - O-06-2021 An Ordinance to Provide for Continuance of Operations in the Administration of the City's Financial Affairs and Specifically, the issuance of Checks during the Absence of the City Treasurer.
 - O-XX-2021 An Ordinance to Establish Juneteenth Day as a City of Glenarden Holiday.
 - 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.

- Adjourn 7:26 PM

Submitted by:

Robin Jones
Council President