



City of Glenarden
Regular Meeting
October 15, 2019 at 7:30PM

Minutes

Attendees:

Council President – James Herring
Councilwoman – Celestine Wilson
Councilwoman – Deborah Eason
Councilwoman – Angela Ferguson
Councilwoman – Robin Jones
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood
Councilman – Donjuan Williams
Edward Estes, Mayor
Ken Jones, City Manager
Alvin Bratton – Treasurer

- Call to Order at 7:34PM
- Invocation led by Jacqueline Garrison
- Roll Call

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

We have a Quorum

- Motion to Adopt Agenda

Councilwoman Jones motion to adopt the agenda with an additional item under presentation; Proclamations to the Glenarden Boys and Girls Track Club members – Seconded by Councilwoman Smallwood

Council President – James Herring - Yes
Council Vice President – Celestine Wilson - Yes
Councilwoman – Deborah Eason - Yes
Councilwoman - Angela Ferguson - Yes
Councilwoman – Robin Jones - Yes
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood – Yes



Councilman – Donjuan Williams - Yes

7 Yes – Passed

- Presentation
 - Jolene Ivey, Prince George’s County Councilmember
 - To honor former Mayor Obie Pinkney with a Proclamation
 - Mr. Pinkney noted to Councilwoman Ivey that the Glenarden Library was closed on Friday’s and Sunday’s; but the need to have the library open seven days a week for the citizens was requested
 - To-date now, due to Mr. Pinkey’s conviction, the library is open seven days a week
 - Councilwoman Ivey Presented a Proclamation to The Honorable Obie Pinkney
 - Obie Pinkey offers acceptance of the Proclamation and give words of honor
 - Councilman Williams and Council President Herring offer several Proclamations to the Track Club members:
 - Payton Payne
 - Morgan Rothwell
 - Gabrielle White
 - Lauren McEwen
 - Laurenz Colbert
- Approval of Minutes
 - 05-23-2019 Budget Hearing
 - 07-23-2019 Special Work Session (Closed)
 - 07-30-2019 Special Regular Meeting
 - 08-27-2019 Public Hearing
 - 09-03-2019 Work Session
 - 09-09-2019 Regular Meeting
 - 09-17-2019 Public Hearing



Councilman Williams motion to approve the minutes – Seconded by Councilwoman Smallwood

Council President – James Herring - Yes
Council Vice President – Celestine Wilson - Yes
Councilwoman – Deborah Eason - Yes
Councilwoman - Angela Ferguson - Yes
Councilwoman – Robin Jones - Yes
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood - Yes
Councilman – Donjuan Williams - Yes
7 Yes – Passed

- Legislation

- CR-01-2020 A Charter Resolution to Amend Article VIII “Finance” Section 818 “Contract Procedure”

Councilwoman Wilson motion to table legislation – Seconded by Councilwoman Smallwood

Council President – James Herring - No
Council Vice President – Celestine Wilson - No
Councilwoman – Deborah Eason - Yes
Councilwoman - Angela Ferguson - Yes
Councilwoman – Robin Jones - Yes
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood - No
Councilman – Donjuan Williams - Yes
4 Yes 3 No’s – Passed To TABLE

- O-02-2020 An Ordinance to Increase the Salary of the City Mayor of Glenarden, Maryland (**First Reading**)
- O-03-2020 An Ordinance to Increase the Salary of the City Council of Glenarden, Maryland (**First Reading**)
- R-14-2020 A Resolution to Authorize a Match for a Functional Public Art/Bus Shelters

Councilwoman Wilson motion to adopt – Seconded by Councilwoman Jones

Council President – James Herring - Yes



Council Vice President – Celestine Wilson – Yes
Councilwoman – Deborah Eason - Yes
Councilwoman - Angela Ferguson - Yes
Councilwoman – Robin Jones - Yes
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood - Yes
Councilman – Donjuan Williams - Yes
7 Yes – Passed

- R-15-2020 A Resolution Granting the Glenarden Truck Club, Glenarden Civic Association and the Glenarden Boys and Girls Club Gratis for use of the Gold Room one event per year

Councilwoman Jones motion to table – Seconded by Councilwoman Smallwood

Council President – James Herring - No
Council Vice President – Celestine Wilson - Yes
Councilwoman – Deborah Eason - Yes
Councilwoman - Angela Ferguson - Yes
Councilwoman – Robin Jones - Yes
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood - Yes
Councilman – Donjuan Williams - No
5 Yes 2 No's – Passed to TABLE

- R-16-2020 A Resolution Authorizing the Sale/Disposal of City Surplus Items

Councilwoman Wilson motion to adopt – Seconded by Councilwoman Smallwood

Council President – James Herring – Yes
Council Vice President – Celestine Wilson - Yes
Councilwoman – Deborah Eason - Yes
Councilwoman - Angela Ferguson - Yes
Councilwoman – Robin Jones - Yes
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood - Yes
Councilman – Donjuan Williams – Yes
7 Yes – Passed

- R-17-2020 The Mayor and Council of the City of Glenarden, Proclaim November 2019 to be Municipal Government Works Month



Councilwoman Wilson motion to adopt – Seconded by Councilwoman Ferguson

Council President – James Herring - Yes
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Councilwoman – Deborah Eason - Yes
Councilwoman - Angela Ferguson - Yes
Councilwoman – Robin Jones - Yes
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood - Yes
Councilman – Donjuan Williams – Yes

7 Yes – Passed

- R-18-2020 A Resolution to Recognize and Congratulate Payton Payne as a National Track and Field Champion of the Glenarden Track Club

Councilman Williams motion to adopt – Seconded by Councilwoman Ferguson

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

7 Yes - Passed

- R-19-2020 A Resolution to Recognize and Congratulate the Glenarden Track Club for the 4x100 Relay Team at the National Champion Track and Field

Councilman Williams motion to adopt – Seconded by Councilwoman Jones

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Councilwoman – Deborah Eason - Yes
Councilwoman - Angela Ferguson - Yes
Councilwoman – Robin Jones - Yes
Councilwoman – Carolyn Smallwood - Yes
Councilman – Donjuan Williams - Yes

7 Yes – Passed



- Mayor's Report (fifteen minutes) – See Report
- City Manager's Report (five minutes) – See Report
- Chief of Police Report (five minutes) – See Report
- City Treasurer's Report (five minutes) – See Report
- Citizens Comments/Questions (five minutes)

Jacqueline Garrison concern for the Gold Room renovations and completion; and wants to know the marketing strategy to gain more business for the Gold Room; and the Street sign on Tyrol drive is missing.

The Gold Room is 95% complete but the air conditioner in the gold room is not running well and the exhaust fan on the stove is not working. The Gold Room staff has been dwindled down to one staff person.

City Manager offers he will look into the missing street sign on Tyrol Drive.

Anthony Powell states that he appreciates the recognition with the proclamations that was offered to the Glenarden Boys and Girls Track Club. Mr. Powell suggest all Glenarden non-profit organizations be offered one gratis per year.

Elaine Carter request that the Ordinances 02 and 03 – 2020 be at the next public hearing with the figures included in the legislation. And pertaining to R-16-2020 request the date and time be offered to citizens for purchasing the surplus items. Ms. Carter offers a concern regarding the \$473,638 deficit; and request the June 2019 end of the year report be made available.

Rubin Reid wants the budget for the 80th Anniversary from the Treasurer. Also request how the salary amounts were derived in ordinances 02 and 03.

Councilman Williams offered the salary amounts were researched from other comparable cities salaries.



Mr. Melvin Felder offered a “thank you” to the Council for recognizing the youth on the track team.

Jacqueline Garrison offered why the Glenarden Track Club picture was not published in the 80th Anniversary booklet.

Councilwoman Smallwood responded that she offered the picture to the printing company and it was initially lost then found and the company offered it was not a good quality picture. An apology was offered and the cost was reimbursed.

Maxine Phifer offered she is still awaiting the 80th Anniversary final budget report and still wants her streets repaired.

- Adjourn 11:01PM

Submitted by:

M. Toni Taylor, City of Glenarden Council Clerk