

**BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE
ORGANIZATIONAL & REGULAR MEETING
January 6, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Diana Barnes called the Organizational Meeting/Regular Meeting of the Lawrenceville Borough Council to order at 7:16 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

**Jack Young
Marian Russell
Maxine Smith
Gordon Chilson
Larry Barnes
Brad Hackett – arrived 7:26
Mansel O'Dell**

Mayor:

Diana Barnes

Secretary:

Judy Woythal

Visitors:

**Corey Mosher
Bev & Bill Shoup
Marty Burrows
Martha Baker**

Walt Beach

Bill Dincher

Howard Six

David Scrimshaw-Westfield Free Press

Mayor Diana Barnes swore in the elected Council Members: Marian Russell, Maxine Smith and Mansel O'Dell.

Marian Russell made a Motion to open nominations for officers, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

Marian Russell nominated Jack Young as Council President, seconded by Maxine Smith. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to close the nominations, seconded by Mansel O'Dell. With no other nominations, all members present voted yea.

Jack Young nominated Marian Russell as Council Vice-President, seconded by Maxine Smith. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to close the nominations, seconded by Mansel O'Dell. With no other nominations, all members present voted yea.

Jack Young nominated Larry Barnes as 3rd Council President Pro-Tempore, seconded by Marian Russell. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to close the nominations, seconded by Mansel O'Dell. With no other nominations, all members present voted yea.

Gordon Chilson nominated Maxine Smith as 4th Council President Pro-Tempore, seconded by Mansel O'Dell. Jack Young made a Motion to close the nominations, seconded by Marian Russell. With no other nominations, all members present voted yea.

Mayor Diana Barnes handed the meeting over to the Council President, Jack Young.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Maxine Smith made a Motion to approve the minutes of December 2nd, and 23rd, 2013, seconded by Marian Russell. All members present voted yea. Maxine Smith commented that for the 4th year we have NOT raised taxes.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – There was a complaint that the sidewalks were plowed in at the Pump and Pantry and the crosswalks were blocked with snow.

COMMUNICATIONS – The Fireman’s Annual Banquet will be held January 11, 2014 and the Association dinner will be held on January 16, 2014 in Mansfield.

TREASURER’S REPORT- Marian Russell made a Motion to accept the Treasurer’s report, seconded by Maxine Smith. All members present voted yea.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – Larry Barnes made a Motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$ 8,105.96, seconded by Mansel O’Dell. All members present voted yea.

MAYOR’S REPORT-Diana Barnes reported that \$ 13,000 was received from TCDC for the Williamson and CV schools.

POLICE REPORT – Police Chief Corey Mosher read his Police report. He thanked the Elkland Moose Lodge for the \$ 1,000 donation he received from them. Maxine Smith complimented the Police Chief for his service. Jack Young commented that the Council is thankful for his service also.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Library-

B. Building Enforcement/Zoning Officer- Bill Dincher reported that 61 Main Street has cleaned up. Several letters were sent regarding snow removal to clear sidewalks. Bill handled a complaint regarding snow being pushed on the Borough Office sidewalk.

C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes –

D. Personnel and Appointment –

Marian Russell stated she was resigning from the Planning Commission. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to appoint Mansel O’Dell to the Planning Commission, seconded by Maxine Smith. All members present voted yea.

Gordon Chilson made a Motion to appoint Martha Baker to the Vacancy Board, seconded by Mansel O’Dell. All members present voted yea.

Gordon Chilson made a Motion to approve Lisa Guthrie, CPA as the auditor, seconded by Maxine Smith. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Gordon Chilson made a Motion to appoint Cox, Stokes & Lantz as the solicitor, seconded by Mansel O'Dell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Gordon Chilson made a Motion to Appoint Tim Steed, Hunt Engineers as the engineer, seconded by Mansel O'Dell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all member present voting yea.

The Council discussed the Council Committee list and agreed to the following list:

Streets-Chairman Gordon Chilson, Brad Hackett, Mansel O'Dell

Dikes-Chairman Brad Hackett, Larry Barnes, Gordon Chilson, Mansel O'Dell

Finance-Chairman Marian Russell, Maxine Smith, Judy Woythal

Building-Chairman Larry Barnes, Mansel O'Dell, Gordon Chilson

Personnel-Chairman Marian Russell, Maxine Smith, Diana Barnes

Public Safety-Chairman Diana Barnes, Marian Russell, Maxine Smith, Gordon Chilson, Brad Hackett

Library Upkeep-Chairman Mansel O'Dell, Gordon Chilson, Larry Barnes

Recreation-Chairman Brad Hackett, Larry Barnes, Mansel O'Dell, Gordon Chilson

Community Relations – Events – Chairman Maxine Smith, Martha Baker

The Council President is on all committees.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

Zoning map – comprehensive plan-planning commission is working on this.

TARM agreement – We are waiting for response from Attorney Luschas on the final agreement.

NEW BUSINESS

Christmas Lights – There is a problem with the wiring that goes to the Christmas decorations, only part of them light up. The electrical repair for the Christmas lights will be on the agenda in June.

Gordon Chilson suggested that we apply to the Krieger Foundation for grant funds to purchase more Christmas decorations and for the repair cost. The Borough will contribute 50 % as a match.

Marian Russell made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM, seconded by Larry Barnes.

Minutes reported by and printed by Judy Woythal, Secretary