

**BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE  
ORGANIZATIONAL & REGULAR MEETING  
January 4, 2010**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Diana Barnes called the Organizational Meeting/Regular Meeting of the Lawrenceville Borough Council to order at 7:02 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

**Council Members:**

**Marian Russell**

**Mildred Bliss**

**Maxine Smith**

**Gordon Chilson**

**Larry Barnes**

**Melvin Davis**

**Jack Young**

**Mayor:**

**Diana Barnes**

**Secretary:**

**Judy Woythal**

**Visitors: Bryce Taft**

**Walt Beach**

**Peggy Miles**

**Gene Haley**

**Fern Deming**

**Wayne Hopper**

**Gordon Chilson made a Motion to open nominations for Council Officers, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members voted yea.**

**Mildred Bliss nominated Jack Young as Council President, seconded by Gordon Chilson. With no 2<sup>nd</sup> nominations, Maxine Smith made a Motion to close the nominations, seconded by Mildred Bliss. A Roll Call Vote to close nominations was taken with all members present voting yea, except Jack Young abstained. A Roll Call Vote was taken for Jack Young as Council President. All members present voted yea, except Jack Young abstained.**

**Jack Young nominated Gordon Chilson as Council Vice-President, seconded by Mildred Bliss. With no 2<sup>nd</sup> nominations, Larry Barnes made a Motion to close the nominations, seconded by Maxine Smith. A Roll Call Vote to close nominations was taken with all members present voting yea, except Gordon Chilson abstained. A Roll Call Vote was taken for Gordon Chilson as Council Vice-President. All members present voted yea, except Gordon Chilson abstained.**

**Gordon Chilson nominated Maxine Smith as 3<sup>rd</sup> Council President Pro-Tempore, seconded by Jack Young. With no 2<sup>nd</sup> nominations, Gordon Chilson made a Motion to close the nominations, seconded by Larry Barnes. A Roll Call Vote to close nominations was taken with all members present voting yea, except Maxine Smith abstained. A Roll Call Vote was taken for Maxine Smith as 3<sup>rd</sup> Council President Pro-Tempore. All members present voted yea, except Maxine Smith abstained.**

**Jack Young nominated Larry Barnes as 4<sup>th</sup> Council President Pro-Tempore, seconded by Mildred Bliss. With no 2<sup>nd</sup> nominations, Jack Young made a Motion to close the nominations, seconded by Mildred Bliss. A Roll Call Vote to close nominations was taken with all members present voting yea, except Larry Barnes abstained. A Roll Call Vote was taken for Larry Barnes as 4<sup>th</sup> Council President Pro-Tempore. All members present voted yea, except Larry Barnes abstained.**

**Mayor Diana Barnes handed the meeting over to the Council President. Jack Young welcomed the visitors and thanked them for coming. Jack stated that visitors will be given time to speak at the beginning of the meeting. Jack reminded them that outbursts and interruptions during the Council meeting will not be allowed and disruptive visitors will be asked to leave.**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Larry Barnes made a Motion to approve the minutes of December 7 & December 29, 2009, seconded by Marian Russell. All members present voted yea.**

**PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS-Some residents commented the Borough owned sidewalks had not be cleared of snow and also that the streets had not been plowed. The street committee will handle this matter.**

**COMMUNICATIONS were reviewed.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT- Marian Russell made a Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Gordon Chilson. All members present voted yea.**

**PAYMENT OF BILLS-Mildred Bliss a Motion to pay the bills totaling \$ 4,475.11 plus electric bills that will be received and due before next months meeting, seconded by Maxine Smith. All members present voted yea.**

**MAYOR'S REPORT- Bryce Taft gave his last report and stated everything was fine in December.**

**Mayor Diana Barnes thanked Bryce Taft for his 14 years of service as Mayor. Gordon Chilson thanked Marian Russell for her service as Council President and thanked Ed Lockhart for his service as a Council Member.**

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Library-Computer-The Borough Secretary will contact Lynn Warso in regards to what kind of computer is needed.**
- B. Building Enforcement/Zoning Officer- Gene Haley reported the following:**
  - 1. 55 Main St-issued sign permit**
  - 2. 77 Mechanic St-issued demolition permit**

**C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes-None**

**D. Personnel and Appointment-The Council discussed updating the Council Committee list. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to form a Library Committee in regards to the Building Upkeep, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.**

**Larry Barnes recommended Marian Russell as Chairman of the finance Committee as she is good with finances and he would serve on the dike committee. Gordon Chilson recommended Marian Russell and Maxine Smith for the Personnel Committee.**

**The Committee list is as follows:**

**Streets-Chairman Gordon Chilson, Jack Young, Melvin Davis**

**Dikes-Chairman Larry Barnes, Melvin Davis, Gordon Chilson**

**Finance-Chairman Marian Russell, Maxine Smith, Mildred Bliss**

**Building-Chairman Larry Barnes, Melvin Davis, Gordon Chilson**

**Personnel-Chairman Mildred Bliss, Marian Russell, Maxine Smith**

**Public Safety-Chairman Gordon Chilson, Marian Russell, Maxine Smith**

**Library Upkeep-Chairman Diana Barnes, Gordon Chilson, Larry Barnes**

**Recreation-Chairman Melvin Davis, Larry Barnes, Mildred Bliss, Gordon Chilson (alternate)**

**Gordon Chilson made a Motion to accept the Updated Committee list, seconded by Mildred Bliss. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS-Recodification**

**Library Building Repairs-The Library committee will look into quotes in regards to the repairs and also look into grant funding. The extra meter at the Library needs to be evaluated for cost of removal.**

**The Mechanic Street lot bids will be opened at the February Council meeting.**

**NEW BUSINESS-**

**Solicitor-The Personnel committee will look into finding a Solicitor.**

**Building Inspector-The Personnel committee will look into Building inspector options.**

**Mildred Bliss made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM, seconded by Marian Russell.**

**Minutes recorded and printed by Judy Woythal, Secretary**