

**WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES**  
**January 10, 2024**

The Workshop Meeting of the Borough of Lawnside was called to order by Mayor Mary Ann Wardlow on January 10, 2024 at 6:10 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 4 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Road, Lawnside, New Jersey.

Following a prayer and flag salute led by Councilwoman Wright-McLeod: The Deputy Borough Clerk called the roll.

**Roll Call showed present:**

Mary Ann Wardlow	Mayor	
Ronald DeAbreu	Councilperson	ARRIVED at 6:20pm
Robert Lee	Councilperson	
Steven Pollard	Councilperson	
Rhonda Wardlow-Hurley	Councilperson	
Eric J. Wilcox, Sr.	Councilperson	
Dawn Wright-McLeod	Councilperson	

**Also present were:**

Edward H. Hill	Borough Solicitor
Sean Smith, Sr.	Borough Engineer
Angelique Rankins	Business Administrator
Marsharee A. Wright	Deputy Borough Clerk
Rafiq Golphin	Public Works Supervisor
Captain Plenty	Public Safety
Chief Drumm	Fire Department

Mayor Wardlow declared the meeting officially open and the Deputy Borough Clerk read that the meeting had been properly publicized as to the time, date, and place, in accordance with P.L. 1985, Chapter 231.

**REMARKS BY CITIZENS:**

A motion was made by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Lee to **Open Public Comments**

Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu Absent; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.  
Motion declared carried.

- **Ervin Mears** – 411 E. Charleston Avenue – Stated that there has been an allegation that one of the councilpersons, Eric Wilcox doesn't live in Lawnside. He then asked if Councilman Wilcox would answer his question.  
There was discussion between Mr. Mears, Mayor Wardlow and Solicitor Ed Hill. Mr. Mears then proceeded reading a NJ Statute in regards to local elected officers.
- **Thelma Tutt** – 110 Williams Avenue – Questioned if Council Meetings will be held in person.

A motion was made by Wright-McLeod and seconded by Lee to **Close Public Comments**

Roll Call Vote: DeAbreu Absent; Lee y; Pollard y; Wardlow-Hurley y; Wilcox y; Wright-McLeod y: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.  
Motion declared carried.

Mayor Wardlow welcomed everyone to the workshop

<b>Department Updates:</b>	<b>DPW – Rafiq Golphin and Councilman Lee</b>
	<b>Fire Department – Chief Drumm</b>
	<b>Police Department – Captain Plenty and Councilman Pollard</b>
	<b>Court Department – Councilman Wilcox</b>
	<b>Board of Health &amp; Recreational Park – Councilwoman Wright-McLeod</b>
	<b>Super Seniors, Youth &amp; Special Events – Councilwoman Wardlow-Hurley</b>
	<b>No Report from Councilman DeAbreu</b>

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**            LEGAL AND PERSONNEL MATTERS

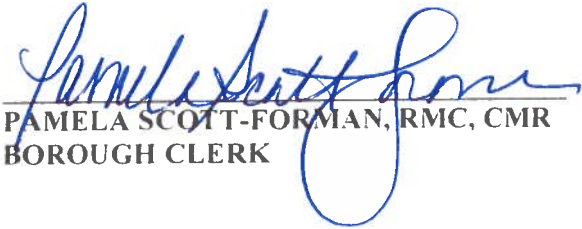
At 6:45 pm there was a Motion Made by Wright-McLeod and Seconded by Wardlow-Hurley to enter into Executive Session  
Roll Call: DeAbreu y: Lee y: Pollard y: Wardlow-Hurley y: Wilcox y: Wright-McLeod y: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion declared carried.

At 8:25pm pm there was a Motion Made by Pollard and Seconded by Lee to close Executive Session  
Roll Call: DeAbreu y: Lee y: Pollard y: Wardlow-Hurley y: Wilcox y: Wright-McLeod y: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion declared carried.

At 8:25 pm there was a Motion Made by Lee and Seconded by DeAbreu to Convene with Council Meeting  
Roll Call: DeAbreu y: Lee y: Pollard y: Wardlow-Hurley y: Wilcox y: Wright-McLeod y: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion declared carried.

At 8:26pm The Voice vote was unanimous in the affirmative action to adjourn the meeting.

BOROUGH OF LAWNSIDE

  
PAMELA SCOTT-FORMAN, RMC, CMR  
BOROUGH CLERK

  
MARY ANN WARDLOW  
MAYOR