**Town Council Regular Meeting**

**Green Level Municipal Building**

**Thursday, September 08, 2022**

**MINUTES**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Town of Green Level Council was held on Thursday, September 08, 2022 at 7:00PM in the Green Level Municipal Building located at 2510 Green Level Church Road.

**Governing Body Members Present:** Mayor Sandra McCollum, Mayor Pro-Tem Remonia Enoch, Councilwoman Patricia Jones & Councilman Jose McBroom.

**Governing Body Members Not Present:** Councilman Theodore Howard.

**Green Level Officials Present:** Town Clerk Jeremy Edmonds, Town Attorney Eugene Russell, Alliance Code Enforcer Carrington Lucas.

Mayor McCollum called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Invocation: Councilwoman Jones.

**Roll Call**

Town Clerk Edmonds conducted a roll call of the Town Council. All council members were present except for Councilman Howard.

Mayor McCollum entertained a motion to approve or disapprove Councilman Howard’s absence for the September 08, 2022, Regular Town Council Meeting. Councilwoman Jones made a motion to not approve Councilman Howard’s absence from the September 08, 2022, Regular Town Council Meeting, therefore forfeiting his paycheck. Mayor McCollum seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

**Approval of Agenda**

Mayor McCollum entertained a motion to approve the September 08,2022 agenda. Councilwoman Jones made a motion to approve the September 08, 2022 agenda. Mayor Pro-Tem Enoch seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

**Approval of Minutes**

Mayor McCollum entertained a motion to approve the minutes from the August 11, 2022, Town Council Regular Meeting. Mayor Pro-Tem Enoch made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 11, 2022, Town Council Regular Meeting. Councilwoman Jones seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

**Public hearing**

There was one resident that spoke about some concerns and ongoing issues in the Bedford Hills Community.

**Paving Request for West Simpson Road**

Mr. Brandon May from Solsidan Capital made a presentation to the Town Council about a payment reimbursement for some future paving on West Simpson Rd.

**Code Enforcement Report**

Mr. Carrington Lucas from Alliance Code Enforcement stated that fifteen cases have been abated in the past month. He stated that fourteen of those fifteen cases have been carried over to the month of September. Mr. Lucas stated that as of September 6th ,2022 an additional fourteen new cases have been opened. There is a total of fifty-six cases open to date. Mr. Lucas also stated that several junk vehicles, junk piles, overgrown lots, minimum housing, and zoning violations had been addressed and corrected by the residents, but he advised that there were still a few that were waiting to be addressed.

**Sheriff’s Quarterly Report**

Sgt. Staten advised that the Town of Green Level had great months in June and July, but August wasn’t so great. He stated that there was one criminal overdose in the month of August, four assaults in which someone was arrested in each of them, one domestic charge and there was also one suicidal person. Sgt. Staten said that the biggest problem in Green Level as of now is the residents walking off from the two group homes located here which turns into a missing person’s case. He stated that the group homes are trying to rectify this situation by removing those individuals. Sgt. Staten also said that another big problem in Green Level is animals on the loose which results to them being taken by law enforcement/animal control. There have been about six loose dogs taken in the past month. These dogs should be on a leash. Sgt. Staten advised the Town Council and public that we have over one hundred and twenty-six extra patrols in Green Level when he is not on duty, and this is not to include his own daily patrols when he is here. The next quarterly report will be in December.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mayor McCollum entertained a motion to approve the minutes from the August 08, 2022, Town Council Special Call Meeting. Mayor Pro-Tem Enoch made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 08, 2022, Town Council Special Call Meeting. Councilwoman Jones seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

**Town Administrator Updates**

1. **Parks & Recreation**

Mr. Brown stated that the press box has been painted and the concession stand will also be painted once the plumbers come out and assess the suspected leak. He stated that the Parks & Recreation crew thought it was a leak in the roof, but the roofing company came out and said they could not find any discrepancies in the roof and that they thought it was something in the attic that would need a plumber to come out and look at. Mr. Brown advised that the football season officially starts September 10, 2022, and the season will run until October 18, 2022. Mr. Brown advised that the Movie in The Park will be held Friday September 16, 2022, from 7:30pm until 10pm at the Green Level Municipal Park and the Trunk or Treat will be October 28, 2022, the time is still pending. Lastly, the one-year celebration of the Little Library will be held October 29, 2022, from 9:00am to 12:00pm.

1. **Public Works Updates**

Mr. Brown advised that the Boom Truck is up and running. He also advised that the water tower is scheduled to be cleaned the next week. Mr. Brown addressed the concerns of the brown water that has been occurring throughout the town and he stated that the Public Works Department had been flushing the fire hydrants out expeditiously throughout the entire town to rectify those problems. He advised that Public Works are testing the water daily to make sure that it is clean, clear, and up to standards. Mr. Brown instructed that Duke Energy will be out at the pump stations on September 09, 2022 checking the electricity. He pointed out that the generators had already been checked a week ago and they will be retested as well on September 09, 2022.

1. **Audit Update**

Mr. Brown advised that all the requisition forms had been turned in to the auditors. He stated that the auditors are still working to reconcile everything. Also, he advised that the auditors will be starting on the next Audit.

1. **Construction Updates**

Mr. Brown advised that the New Community Center/Old Town Hall is still being worked on. The new ceiling tiles did arrive, but they were the wrong materials, so they were sent back for the right ones. He stated that the new toilet commodes had arrived, the old floors had been changed out for new ones and there is a slight delay in the ceiling being fixed. The new lights have also arrived, but they can’t be installed until the correct ceiling tile arrives and is installed. Mayor Pro – Tem Enoch advised Mr. Brown to make sure the actual repairs to the ceilings are done before they install those new tiles.

1. **Water Theft Update**

Mr. Brown gave a brief update on the gentleman who had been stealing water from the town. The police were notified. The police recommended a settlement, and the Town of Green Level was reimbursed in full plus damages, time, and inconvenience by the town. The Town Council advised Mr. Brown that in the future if anyone else steals water from the Town of Green Level they want to prosecute them to the fullest.

1. **Job Vacancies Update**

Mr. Brown advised that there have not been any applications submitted for a public works coordinator, there had been three applications for a public works laborer and one application submitted for the public works specialist position.

1. **Manhole Repairs**

Mayor Pro-Tem Enoch inquired about where the town was with the manhole repairs. Mr. Brown stated that he’s working with Public Works to get a list of all the manholes throughout the town that has already been repaired and the ones that need to be repaired and then we will start from there and call the same company that repaired the manholes from last time.

**Town Attorney Update**

No Comments from Mr. Russell.

**Town Council Comments**

Mayor Pro-Tem Enoch did not have any further comments.

Councilwoman Jones wanted to thank everyone for coming out and to remind them that they always have a voice.

Councilman McBroom did not have any further comments.

Mayor McCollum entertained a motion to close the Regular Town Council open session and go into closed session for general statute 33c.143-318-11a6 to discuss personnel and to consult with the attorney. Councilman McBroom made a motion to go into closed session. Councilwoman Jones seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (4-0)

**CLOSED SESSION**

Mayor McCollum entertained a motion to go out of the closed session and go back into open session. Mayor Pro-Tem Enoch made a motion to go out of the closed session and go back into open session. Councilwoman Jones seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

**OPEN SESSION**

Mayor McCollum entertained a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Enforcement Action. Councilwoman Jones made a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Enforcement Action. Mayor Pro-Tem Enoch seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Mayor McCollum entertained a motion to adjourn this council meeting until October 13, 2022, at 7:00pm. Mayor Pro-Tem Enoch made a motion to close this council meeting until October 13, 2022, at 7:00pm. Mayor McCollum seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (4-0)

Respectfully Submitted,

**Jeremy Edmonds**

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Town Clerk

Town of Green Level