



CITY OF LAMBERTVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
7:30 PM, CITY HALL
MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2021
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with a mission statement. Roni Todd-Marino, presiding.

ROLL CALL

Present: Lt. Bob Brown, Ricardo Zapata, Secretary Bruce Harris, and Chair Roni Todd-Marino

Absent: Scott Elliot, Bambi Kuhl, and Councilperson Commissioner Julia Taylor

Roni Todd-Marino led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.

BUSINESS

Guest Trish Wozniak, NJ Certified Municipal Court Administrator, discussed the community Dispute Board program. Wozniak explained that it was not currently staffed by judicial appointment. The Council expressed an interest in reinstating the Dispute Board. Ms. Wozniak also explained that within the Board, disputes have to have an affidavit of probable cause and there is a formal charge of the defendant, and there must be a plaintiff. Any changes to this program will be reviewed when we hear back from Wozniak.

The Council also inquired as to the discontinuation of night court. Wozniak explained that judge/court staff cost and scheduling matters contributed to the decision. No changes are anticipated until COVID is over as most of the court is now online/virtual via ZOOM calls. The Administrator felt that probably this virtual system would continue so there would likely be no need for Night Court in the future.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Know Your Rights/Make Your Way NJ – The event has been postponed. Ricardo shared that the new event is scheduled for January 13th to accommodate the change in administration.

Ordinance and Policy Review- Scott Elliott will be reaching out again to recruit interns to assist with the review.

Only Together Will We End Racism - Council will introduce the program on January 17th at an outdoor MLK Together We Will Sing event. Introduction of lawn signs and in-store signage will be presented to the public.

CORRESPONDENCE *None.*

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS. *None.*

ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Harris
Secretary