MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES August 26, 2013

The meeting of the Manchester Township Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Craig Wallis. The following statement was read by the Municipal Clerk:

"Adequate notice of this meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, pursuant to P.L. 1975, Chapter 231. Said notice was advertised in the Asbury Park Press, Star Ledger and was posted in the lobby of the Municipal Building."

This was followed by the salute to the flag and the following roll call:

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

The following roll call was taken by the Municipal Clerk:

Councilman Charles Frattini - present
Councilman James Vaccaro - present
Councilman Brendan Weiner - present
Councilman Sam Fusaro - present
Councilman Craig Wallis - present

The Clerk noted for the record that, also present were Business Administrator Elena Zsoldos and Township Attorney Steven Secare.

ORDINANCES: Second Reading, Public Hearing and Final Action

#13-007 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 307 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "PRECIOUS METALS AND GEMS" 13-001 ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2013, TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14

Mr. Wallis asked Council if they had any comments on the above ordinance. Seeing no comments from Council, Mr. Wallis opened this portion of the meeting to the public. Seeing no comments from the public, Mr. Wallis closed this portion of the meeting.

The above ordinance was offered upon a motion by Mr. Fusaro seconded by Mr. Weiner and **adopted** by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

ORDINANCES: Introduction and First Reading

#13-008 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 245 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER ENTITLED LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT

The above ordinance was offered upon a motion by Mr. Frattini seconded by Mr. Weiner and **approved** by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS:

Resolution #13-286 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$7,194,806.29 was offered by Mr. Vaccaro, seconded by Mr. Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea. Mr. Weiner abstained on check no. 1152 due to a conflict.

Resolution #13-287 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Water and Sewer Fund in the amount of \$521,645.75 was offered by Mr. Vaccaro, seconded by Mr. Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

Resolution #13-288 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Water and Sewer West Fund in the amount of \$405,715.89 was offered by Mr. Vaccaro, seconded by Mr. Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

CONSENT AGENDA

The items listed below are considered to be routine by the Township of Manchester and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

Mr. Wallis asked if any Council members had any comments on any items on the consent agenda. Seeing no comments from Council, Mr. Wallis asked if there were any comments from the public on any item on the consent agenda.

Seeing no comments from the Public, Mr. Wallis closed this portion of the meeting.

Resolutions #13-289 through #13-292 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Mr. Vaccaro, seconded by Mr. Fusaro and adopted by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

A. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

#13-289 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH PIPS TECHNOLOGY, INC.

#13-290 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF STEVEN TRIMBOLI, ESQ. AS MUNICIPAL LEGAL SERVICES LABOR COUNSEL PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 ET SEQ.

B. GRANTS

#13-291 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TO APPLY FOR THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT (EMPG) PROGRAM GRANT

#13-292 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SUPPORTING THE *DRIVE SOBER OR GET PULLED OVER 2013 STATEWIDE CRACKDOWN* AND ACCEPTING THE ENFORCEMENT GRANT FROM THE NHTSA

REPORTS

Mr. Weiner: Mr. Weiner announced that the last concert fest of the year is scheduled for Wednesday, August 31, 2013

Mr. Fusaro: Mr. Fusaro reported that the police stats revealed that there were over thirty-eight thousand police calls in the first seven months of the year. That number was up over sixteen hundred from last July. Criminal arrests have gone up over ten percent. The newly purchased license plate reader has made the patrolmen's jobs easier.

Mr. Vaccaro: Mr. Vaccaro attended various engagements throughout the Township and reviewed bills that were on tonight's agenda for Council approval. Further, Mr. Vaccaro thanked Ms. Zsoldos for getting the tree removed near Quick Chek that had become a hazard.

Mr. Frattini: Mr. Frattini commented with regard to financial aid to the fire departments and first aid squad. He reviewed the expenses of each organization and the income that they generate to help offset the expenses. The State pays for the training of each new volunteer for the first aid and rescue squad. Volunteers are leaving soon after they receive their training for paid jobs. Mr. Frattini felt this problem should be addressed.

Mr. Wallis: Mr. Wallis read the Manchester First Aid productivity report for July 2013 and advised that the link to the PERC website was now on the Township website.

Ms. Zsoldos: None

Mr. Secare: None

Ms. Skibo: Ms. Skibo mentioned that a special election will be held on Wednesday, October 16, 2013 to fill the unexpired term of Senator Lautenberg.

PUBLIC

<u>Ed Lynch – Bridle Way:</u> Mr. Lynch commented that he was glad to always see police being the first at the scene of a first aid call.

<u>Jeff Bear – 1009 Twelfth Ave.</u>: Mr. Bear advised that the Ocean County Fire Academy in Waretown has been closed. Ms. Zsoldsos offered to contact the County to see why the academy was closed.

<u>Fred Lund – LVW:</u> Mr. Lund commented with regard to issues he had with Manchester Township being part of Sustainable Jersey. Mr. Wallis replied that a representative from Sustainable Jersey would be at a future Council meeting to address Mr. Lund's concerns.

<u>Bob Watkins – 674 Timberline Lane</u>: Mr. Watkins commented with regard to his property taxes being raised. He said at this rate his taxes would more than double in a short span of time. Mr. Wallis said Mr. Watkins taxes have been effected due to the recent revaluation and offered to address any concerns after the meeting.

<u>Tom Gilligan – Pine Ridge</u>: Mr. Gilligan was of the opinion that all EMT volunteers whose training is paid for by the Township, should have a mandatory length of service with the Township. If they decide to leave early, they should be made to repay the cost of the training.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or business to come before Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m. on motion by Mr. Vaccaro, seconded by Mr. Weiner and the approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

Craig Wallis	Sabina T. Skibo, R.M.C.
Council President	Township Clerk
	Date Adopted