

**MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP
MEETING MINUTES**

March 9, 2015

The meeting of the Manchester Township Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Brendan Weiner. 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 Township Attorney Angela Koutsouris, Chief Financial Officer Diane Lapp, Mayor Ken Palmer and Tax Assessor Martin Lynch.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS:

Resolution #15-112 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$4,746,134.27 was offered by Mr. Vaccaro, seconded by Mr. Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Wallis, Fusaro and Weiner; yea. Mr. Weiner abstained on check no. 1051 due to a perception of conflict.

Resolution #15-113 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Water and Sewer Fund in the amount of \$102,929.52 was offered by Mr. Vaccaro, seconded by Mr. Frattini and approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Wallis, Fusaro and Weiner; yea.

Resolution #15-114 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Water and Sewer West Fund in the amount of \$79,477.27 was offered by Mr. Fusaro, seconded by Mr. Frattini and approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Wallis, Fusaro and Weiner; yea.

ORDINANCES – Second Reading Public hearing and Final Action

#15-002 - REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF ALL OR A PORTION OF THE TOWNSHIP’S GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2006, HERETOFORE ISSUED TO FINANCE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, APPROPRIATING AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING \$8,500,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$8,500,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER FOR FINANCING THE COST THEREOF

Jim Fearon of Gluck Walrath, reviewed the steps of the refunding bond ordinance. This refunding bond would refinance the debt to a lower rate depending on the market. It is estimated that the Township will save roughly \$762,000 dollars over a ten year period.

Mr. Weiner asked if any Council members had comments on this ordinance. Seeing no comments from Council, Mr. Weiner opened this portion of the meeting to the public.

Ann Markowsky – 17 Milton Dr.: Ms. Markowsky asked what the term will be on the new bond. Mr. Fearon said it will be ten years.

Elaine Baumeister – 30 C Buckingham Dr.: Ms. Baumeister asked Mr. Fearon what happens if the deal can’t be closed at a three percent savings. Mr. Fearon said he can petition the Local Finance Board to proceed at less than a three percent savings. The Board has a rule that they do not have to review the refunding bond as long as the savings is over three percent. Mr. Fearon was of the opinion that the market would not change and the Township would proceed with at least a three percent savings.

Seeing no further comments from the public, Mr. Weiner closed this portion of the meeting.

The above ordinance was offered upon a motion by Mr. Fusaro seconded by Mr. Wallis and **adopted** by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Wallis, Fusaro and Weiner; 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. Weiner asked if any Council members had any comments on any items on the consent agenda.

Seeing no comments from Council, Mr. Weiner asked if there were any comments from the public on any item on the consent agenda.

Hank Glen - 29 Wycliffe Rd.: Mr. Glen commented with regard to Resolution #15-111 and was concerned with the number of homes going in the redevelopment site and the remediation of the 45 acres. He felt the Township should have some say in the redevelopment of that remediated area. Mr. Weiner said the Township would have negotiation power and a committee will be formed.

Chad Warnken – Hovson’s: Mr. Warnken said he understood Mr. Glen’s concerns. He said Hovson’s would work with the Township to come up with the best solution for the remediation for the site that would be mutually agreeable to both parties.

Theresa Lettman- Pine Lake Park: Ms. Lettman commented with regard to Resolution #15-111 and was concerned that she did not know the exact location of the 45 acres the Township was trading. She felt there should be a map showing the area.

Seeing no further comments from the public, Mr. Weiner closed this portion of the meeting.

#15-111 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT DATED NOVEMBER 18, 2014 BY AND BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER AND HERITAGE MINERALS, INC., ET AL

The above resolution was off the table and moved to the consent agenda upon a motion by Mr. Vaccaro and seconded by Mr. Frattini and approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Wallis, Fusaro and Weiner; yea.

Resolutions #15-111 and #15-115 through #121 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Mr. Wallis, seconded by Mr. Vaccaro and adopted by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Wallis, Fusaro and Weiner; yea.

A. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

#15-111 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT DATED NOVEMBER 18, 2005 BY AND BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER AND HERITAGE MINERALS, INC., ET AL

B. FINANCE

#15-115 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING REFUND FOR AN OVERPAYMENT OF LANDLORD REGISTRATION FEES

C. PURCHASING

#15-116 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY REJECTING ALL BIDS FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE MANCHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT FIRING RANGE AND AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR AMENDED PROJECT

D. APPOINTMENTS

#15-117 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF A BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40:69A-43(b)

#15-118 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING MARTIN LYNCH AS ACTING DIRECTOR OF INSPECTIONS, LAND USE, AND PLANNING FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40:69A-43.

#15-119 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING RESOLUTION #15-104 AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR THE 2014 RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT AND DESIGNATION OF A MUNICIPAL RECYCLING COODINATOR

E. LICENSING

#15-120 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING A FAMILY MOBILE HOME PARK LICENSE FOR THE YEAR 2015 FOR RIDGEWAY MOBILE HOME PARK

F. LEGISLATION

#15-121 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUPPORTING RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF SENIOR STABILIZATION AID, AND STATE LEGISLATIVE BILLS S-196 AND A-762

REPORTS

Mr. Wallis: Mr. Wallis attended the safety meeting with Chief Parker and Mayor Palmer. The Mayor asked each fire and first aid department for a two year plan for their organization.

Mr. Fusaro: Mr. Fusaro announced that the annual Easter egg hunt will be held on March 29, 2015. Participants are to contact the Recreation Department to register.

Mr. Vaccaro: Mr. Vaccaro attended Read Across America on February 27, 2014 and read to children at the Whiting School. He also attended Chief Klimakowski's retirement dinner and reviewed invoices for tonight's meeting.

Mr. Frattini: Mr. Frattini read to the students at two elementary schools for Read Across America and thanked Mayor Palmer for speaking to the residents of Leisure Village West.

Mr. Weiner: Mr. Weiner read the Manchester First Aid productivity report for the month of February. He announced that the Manchester-Lakehurst Rotary Club will hold their annual Fish Fry on March 20, 2015. All proceeds go back to the community in the form of scholarships for high school students.

Ms. Skibo: None

Ms. Koutsouris: None

Mayor Palmer: Mayor Palmer thanked the volunteers who responded to a fire in Beckerville the night before. They saved a horse and contained the fire to the barn. The Mayor attended a meeting with Mr. Yodakis and the County Engineer to make sure Commonwealth Blvd. is plowed during snowstorms. He also attended various meetings concerning health insurance and the school funding formula.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or business to come before Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m. on motion by Mr. Fusaro, seconded by Mr. Frattini and the approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Wallis, Fusaro and Weiner; yea.

Brendan Weiner
Council President

Sabina T. Skibo, R.M.C.
Township Clerk

Date Adopted