

**Manchester Township Council
Meeting Minutes
May 29, 2012**

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:

The Clerk took the roll call:

Councilman Fred Trutkoff	-	present
Councilman Warren Reiter	-	present
Councilman Brendan Weiner	-	present
Councilman Sam Fusaro	-	absent
Councilman Craig Wallis	-	present

Also present were Elena Zsoldos, Business Administrator, Guy Ryan, Township Attorney and Tom Thomas, Planner.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS:

Resolution #12-152 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$1,671,907.61 was offered by Mr. Trutkoff, seconded by Mr. Reiter and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Reiter, Weiner, and Wallis; yea. Mr. Weiner abstained on check no. 45001.

Resolution #12-153 -Authorizing payment of bills from the Water and Sewer Fund in the amount of \$132,311.30 was offered by Mr. Weiner, seconded by Mr. Trutkoff and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Reiter, Weiner, and Wallis; yea.

Resolution #12-154 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Water and Sewer West Fund in the amount of \$74,159,.05 was offered by Mr. Reiter seconded by Mr. Weiner and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Reiter Weiner, and Wallis; yea.

ORDINANCES – Second Reading, Public Hearing and Final Action

#12-010 - 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 TO PROVIDE FOR A PLANNED MULTI-FAMILY DEVELOPMENT OPTION IN THE TC TOWN CENTER ZONE

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.

Hank Glen – 29 Wycliffe Rd.: Mr. Glen asked who had the idea to amend the ordinance. Mr. Wallis said it started with Administration and the Planning Board. Mr. Glen was of the opinion that if the Town Center Zone was opened up to multi-family it would become more residential and not commercial. By taking 100 acres for multi-family would not leave enough for commercial use. There would not be any land left for the town center. Mr. Wallis said we are not taking a commercial opportunity out of there. There has not been an interest in commercial use in that area. An apartment complex would bring in a ratable. Mr. Wallis said he did not see commercial use coming into the picture for quite a while. Mr. Thomas said the property has been zoned commercial for 46 years. A few people have approached administration to build commercial but they have always fell through. Mr. Wallis asked if a big box store could still fit into the area. Mr. Thomas said an apartment complex is a better ratable than a big box store. Ms. Zsoldos said that if an apartment complex was built, it would become the biggest ratable in town. Mr. Wallis added that he did not see school children being a problem. The complex would only add about 50 children.

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

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

#12-011 - 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

Mr. Wallis advised that this ordinance has to be defeated and re-introduced. 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. Trutkoff, seconded by Mr. Reiter and **defeated** by the following roll call vote: Councilmen: Trutkoff, Reiter, Weiner and Wallis: yea.

ORDINANCES: Introduction and First Reading

#12-015 - 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

RESOLUTIONS: 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 member of Council had any comments on any item on the consent agenda.

Seeing no comments from the Council, Mr. Wallis opened this portion of the meeting to the public.

Fred Lund – LVW: Mr. Lund questioned the wording of resolution #12-158. Mr. Wallis said the bill require certain user fees for the provision of traditional municipal services to be included within the 25 municipal and county property tax levy cap.

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

Resolutions #12-155 through #12-159 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Mr. Weiner, seconded by Mr. Reiter and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Reiter, Weiner and Wallis; yea.

A. FINANCE

#12-155 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDS REQUESTED

#12-156 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE CREDIT AND DEBIT CARD PAYMENTS FOR THE COLLECTION OF REAL ESTATE TAXES AND UTILITIES CHARGES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.A.C. 5:30-9.1 et seq.

#12-157 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE FOR A DOT GRANT THROUGH STATE OF NEW JERSEY

B. LEGISLATIVE

#12-158 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY OPPOSING S-1914

#12-159 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SUPPORTING PHASED-IN FUNDING RESTORATION

REPORTS

Mr. Weiner: Mr. Weiner attended the grand opening of the new affordable housing community in Whiting. He also attended a Memorial Day celebration at Leisure Village West. It was an honor to spend time with all the brave men and women who have served our country.

Mr. Reiter: Mr. Reiter attended the New Jersey Legislative Committee Conference in Princeton on May 9th. Current Legislation was discussed. He also attended the Ocean County Mayor's Association meeting on May 15. The guest speaker was Dr. David D'Ambrosio who is on the staff of Community Medical Center. The new CyberKnife procedure was discussed. It's the only Robotic Radio Surgery system in Ocean County. It treats both cancerous and benign tumors. Mr. Reiter attended the ribbon cutting ceremony at Manchester Pines on May 24. It is a new affordable housing center that will house 90 people in 83 apartments. A meeting of the Manchester Coordinating Council was held and Mr. Reiter was in attendance. The topic of discussion was the possibility of a new crosswind runway at the airpark.

Mr. Trutkoff: None

Mr. Wallis: Mr. Wallis read the Manchester First Aid productivity report that was submitted by Mr. Lynch. He thanked everyone involved for their hard work in preparation of the Memorial Day Parade. Mr. Czekanski of the Veteran's Committee spoke. He did a wonderful job.

Ms. Zsoldos: None

Mr. Ryan: None

Ms. Skibo: Ms. Skibo announced that petitions for the Municipal Election that will be held in November would be ready for pick up on June 4, 2012 at the Municipal Clerk's Office. Three Council seats will be up for election. The submission deadlines for petitions are September 4, 2012. Ms. Skibo said if anyone wanted more information they can make an appointment to come in and speak to her.

Public

Mr. Lund – LVW: Mr. Lund read a prepared statement wherein he commented with regard to tax appeals. He said tax appeals are reducing the tax base which in turn reduces revenue. Mr. Lund felt the Township is not cutting expenses. A public meeting should be held to inform the residents of the budget situation. Mr. Wallis said it is hard to cut expenses. Certain services are mandated as most of the Township consists of senior citizens.

Marge Camposano – 1781 Camden Ave.: Ms. Camposano commented with regard to the newsletter that is forthcoming. She suggested mailing the information with the tax bills instead of the newsletter in order to save money. All pertinent information would go out in one mailing.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at this time on motion by Mr. Weiner and seconded by Mr. Reiter and unanimous voice vote of Council, the meeting was hereby adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Sabina T. Skibo, RMC
Township Clerk

Craig Wallis
Council President

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Approved

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