

**Manchester Township Council
Meeting Minutes
July 26, 2010**

The meeting of the Manchester Township Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Craig Wallis. This was followed by the Clerk's reading of the following statement:

"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 and the 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:

Councilman Fred Trutkoff	-	present
Councilman Brendan Weiner	-	present
Councilman Warren Reiter	-	present
Councilman Kenneth Vanderziel	-	present
Councilman Craig Wallis	-	present

Also present were Guy Ryan, Township Attorney, Elena Zsoldos Business Administrator and Chief Financial Officer Diane Lapp. Township Attorney, Steven Secare arrived a few moments later.

Approval of Minutes: The closed session minutes of July 26, 2010 were adopted upon a motion made by Mr. Vanderziel, seconded by Mr. Trutkoff and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen: Trutkoff, Weiner, Reiter and Vanderziel: yea. Mr. Wallis abstained

The regular meeting minutes of July 1, 2010, June 14, 2010 and June 28, 2010 were adopted upon a motion made by Mr. Trutkoff, seconded by Mr. Weiner and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen: Trutkoff, Weiner, Reiter, Vanderziel and Wallis: yea.

Submission of Bills:

Resolution #10-220 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$925,345.19 was offered by Mr. Vanderziel, seconded by Mr. Weiner and approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Trutkoff, Weiner, Reiter, Vanderziel and Wallis ; yea.

Resolution #10-221- Authorizing payment of bills from the Water and Sewer Fund in the amount of \$193,548.75 was offered by Mr. Trutkoff seconded by Mr. Vanderziel and approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Trutkoff, Weiner, Reiter, Vanderziel and Wallis; yea.

Resolution #10-222 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Water and Sewer West Fund in the amount of \$32,249.82 was offered by Mr. Reiter seconded by Mr. Vanderziel and approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Trutkoff, Weiner, Reiter, Vanderziel and Wallis; yea.

ORDINANCES: Second Reading, Public Hearing and Final Action

#10-016 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CHANGING THE NAME OF A CERTAIN STREET IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER

Mr. Wallis asked if any Council members had comments on the above ordinance. Seeing no Council members wishing to be heard, Mr. Wallis opened the hearing to the public.

Seeing no public comments, Mr. Wallis closed the public hearing.

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

#10-017 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ESTABLISHING A FEE FOR THE USE OF THE POLICE FIREARMS RANGE

Mr. Wallis asked if any Council members had comments on the above ordinance. Seeing no Council members wishing to be heard, Mr. Reiter opened the hearing to the public.

Hank Glen – 29 Wycliffe Rd.: Mr. Glen suggested upgrading the firearms range.

Seeing no further public comments, Mr. Wallis closed the public hearing.

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

ORDINANCES – Introduction and First Reading

#10-018 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN EASEMENT AND RIGHT OF WAY AGREEMENT WITH NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY WITH RESPECT TO BLOCK 48 LOT 4

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

#10-019 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING A ROADWAY ACCESS EASEMENT TO A PORTION OF BLOCK 99.66 LOT 4, BLOOMFIELD AVENUE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40:67-1 ET SEQ.

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

#10-020 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXCHANGE OF CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER WITH SHADY PINE CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-16

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

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.

Mr. Reiter commented on #10-229. He spoke to the Clerk and learned how much work goes into an OPRA request. He thought losing so much revenue was unfair.

Mr. Reiter commented with regard to #10-230. The requirement has only been increased from \$500 to \$1000 in the last 40 years. There are 25 farms in Manchester and one has over 3,000 acres and they pay approximately \$6,000 in taxes. If it was at full assessment, taxes would be over \$100,000. Mr. Weiner added that he did not think that this particular bill would change anything. However, he was in support of this bill for the future of farm ownership. Mr. Vanderziel offered that builders are holding on to the land and claiming it as farmland in an effort to save taxes.

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

Hank Glen – 29 Wycliffe Rd. – Mr. Glen commented with regard to the monopole tower and questioned if it could be used by the competition. Mr. Secare advised that it could.

See no further comments from the public Mr. Wallis closed this portion of the meeting to the public.

Resolutions #10-223 through 10-231 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Mr. Weiner seconded by Mr. Trutkoff and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmen: Weiner, Trutkoff, Vanderziel, Reiter and Wallis: yea.

A. FINANCE

#10-223 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN UNEXPENDED BALANCES OF FISCAL YEAR 2010 WATER UTILITY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

#10-224 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A DUPLICATE TAX SALE CERTIFICATE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 99 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1997

B. PURCHASING

#10-225 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A MONOPOLE TOWER

#10-226 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF POLICE UNIFORMS AND ACCESSORIES PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 ET SEQ.

C. CONTRACTS\AGREEMENTS

#10-227 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH QUALCARE, INC. REPORTS

#10-228 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING RESOLUTION #10-132 AMENDING THE CONTRACT WITH UNITED WATER ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC. FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF WATER TREATMENT AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS AND SANITARY SEWERAGE COLLECTION FACILITIES PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5

D. MISCELLANEOUS

#10-229 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ADOPTING A TEMPORARY POLICY FOR THE FEES ASSOCIATED FOR PRODUCTION OF GOVERNMENT RECORDS UNDER THE OPEN PUBLIC RECORDS ACT, N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1, ET SEQ.

E. LEGISLATIVE

#10-230 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SUPPORTING SENATE BILL S-744 AND ASSEMBLY BILL A-2598, AMENDING THE FARMLAND ASSESSMENT ACT

F. BONDS AND ESCROWS

#10-231 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXPIRATION OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR BLOCK 38.102 LOT 638.01 ALSO KNOWN AS ELDER LAW – 2915 RIDGEWAY RD.

REPORTS

Mr. Reiter: None

Mr. Vanderziel: None

Mr. Weiner: Mr. Weiner announced recent activities of the Rotary Club which included a grant they received and a foreign exchange student from Belgium that they hosted. The grant will service a community project. In recent years it was used to replace the carpeting at Ocean Harbor House and a year before that the Little League benefited. The foreign exchange student had a very good experience and now speaks fluent English. Starting August 1, 2010, cars in New Jersey will now only have to be inspected for emissions. This will save over 17 million dollars for the state of New Jersey.

Mr. Trutkoff: None

Mr. Wallis: Mr. Wallis congratulated Mr. Trutkoff and the Rebels softball team on their win in a recent tournament. Mr. Wallis and the Mayor attended an event at the Deerfield Clubhouse and the money went to benefit their food bank. It was a good show.

Mr. Secare: None

Ms. Zsoldos: None

Mr. Stanziano: None

Ms. Skibo: None

Ms. Pellicano: None

Ms. Lapp: Ms. Lapp announced that she is working on the fiscal year budget. She is waiting for pertinent information from the State. Tax Bills were mailed out late and the grace period has been extended until August 30th.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Hank Glen – 29 Wycliffe Rd.: Mr. Glen commented with regard to the water restrictions in the east part of town and asked what the problem was. Ms. Zsoldos advised that a tank had been struck by lightning and we are in need of an additional well. Mr. Glen also commented on health insurance issues and goals that the Council had for the coming year. Mr. Vanderziel advised that joining the Joint Insurance Fund has brought the Township’s insurance premiums down significantly. Mr. Wallis said that no new projects will be started and it will be the goal of the Council to maintain what we have and to control spending.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at this time on motion by Mr. Trutkoff and seconded by Mr. Weiner, the meeting was hereby adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Sabina T. Skibo, RMC
Township Clerk

Craig Wallis
Council Vice President

Date Approved