

**Manchester Township Council
Meeting Minutes
March 12, 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	-	present
Councilman Craig Wallis	-	present

Also present were Elena Zsoldos, Business Administrator and Steven Secare, Township Attorney.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS:

Resolution #12-075 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$4,405,565.27 was offered by Mr. Weiner, seconded by Mr. Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Reiter, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

Resolution #12-076 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Water and Sewer Fund in the amount of \$113,76.53 was offered by Mr. Fusaro, seconded by Mr. Trutkoff and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Reiter, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

Resolution #12-077 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Water and Sewer West Fund in the amount of \$66,806.29 was offered by Mr. Trutkoff seconded by Mr. Weiner and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Reiter, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

ORDINANCES – Second Reading, Public Hearing and Final Action

#12-008 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 245, LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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Mr. Wallis asked Council if they had any comments on the above ordinance. Mr. Fusaro suggested one small change. He felt that only the docket numbers should be notated and the name of the case should be removed. Seeing no further 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. Reiter and **adopted** by the following roll call vote: Councilmen: Trutkoff, Reiter, Weiner, Fusaro 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. A motion was made to pull Resolution #091 and Resolution #092 off the consent agenda by Mr. Weiner, seconded by Mr. Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen: Trutkoff, Reiter, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis: yea.

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

Fred Lund – LVW: Mr. Lund felt that tickets for theater trips should not be refunded. Further Mr. Lund was of the opinion that money was being spent unnecessarily regarding recreation items. He also wanted dollar amounts to be placed on the resolutions so the public was aware of the money being spent. Mr. Wallis said we will look into the request.

Ed Lynch – Country Walk: Mr. Lynch thanked Council for bringing the fireworks back. He also suggested finishing the bike path to Harry Wright Lake. It comes up about 500 feet short.

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

Resolutions #12-078 through #12-090 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Mr. Weiner, seconded by Mr. Fusaro and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Reiter, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

A. FINANCE

#12-078 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING REFUNDS OF RECREATION FEES FOR PROGRAMS/CAMP/THEATER TRIPS/MISC.

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#12-079 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REMOVAL OF OPEN TAXES FOR PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWNSHIP

#12-080 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDS REQUESTED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR

#12-081 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF BALANCES DUE TO THE PURCHASE OF CRESTWOOD WATER SEWER OF PREVIOUS OWNER BALANCES

B. AGREEMENTS

#12-082 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH SEASHORE AMUSEMENTS

#12-083 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS SPONSORSHIP CONTRACT WITH TOWNSQUARE MEDIA (WOBM

#12-084 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH CHRIS ROSELLE, MANAGER IN CONNECTION WITH THE AUGUST 29, 2012 CONCERT BY RAVE ON

#12-085 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH JOEL KATZ, MANAGER IN CONNECTION WITH THE JULY 18, 2012 CONCERT BY JOEL KATZ & THE DYNAMICS

#12-086 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH DOCKSIDE MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE AUGUST 8, 2012 CONCERT BY THE BRITISH INVASION TRIBUTE

#12-087 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDING A CONTRACT TO D&M FIREWORKS, LLC FOR A FIREWORKS EXHIBITION TO BE CONDUCTED ON BEHALF OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER

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#12-088 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF OCEAN FOR INSTALLATION OF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE INTERSECTION OF COUNTY ROUTE 547 - SOUTH HOPE CHAPEL ROAD (COUNTY ROAD #3) AND RIDGEWAY BLVD. (COUNTY ROAD #6)

C. PURCHASING

#12-089 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF PURCHASING TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR AND RECEIVE BIDS FOR PROPERTY REASSESSMENT

D. LEGISLATIVE

#12-090 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SUPPORTING LEGISLATION TO PERMIT PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT ADJUSTMENTS AND EXPAND THE ROLE OF THE LOCAL ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

The below resolutions were tabled upon a motion by Mr. Weiner, seconded by Mr. Fusaro and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmen: Trutkoff, Weiner, Reiter, Fusaro and Wallis: yea.

#12-091 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, OPPOSING SENATE BILL S-1451

#12-092 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, OPPOSING SENATE BILL S-1452

REPORTS

Mr. Weiner: Mr. Weiner mentioned another dangerous accident on Route 70. He felt Council has a duty to petition the New Jersey Department of Transportation to improve the infrastructure in Manchester. He suggested a resolution be sent to the New Jersey DOT urging them to improve the infrastructure of Manchester roads improve traffic safety for Manchester residents. Mr. Wallis suggested placing it on the next Council workshop. March 2nd was Read Across America Day. Mr. Weiner read to a kindergarten class at Manchester Township Elementary School. Dr. Seuss day has a great impact on reading awareness. He had a great time reading to the students. On March 30th, the Manchester Lakehurst Rotary will be holding a fish fry. The money will be going to Rotary scholarship fund.

Mr. Fusaro: Mr. Fusaro spoke about highway safety. Manchester roads are deteriorating. A plan to fix the roads should be put into place. He also suggested that the Harry Wright Lake bike path be completed. It stops about 500 feet before the park entrance. He asked Ms. Zsoldos to get options from

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Public Works to complete the project. He suggested putting it on the next workshop to see what could be done.

Mr. Reiter: Mr. Reiter read to the students of the Whiting School and Manchester Township Elementary School on Read Across America Day. Green Eggs and Ham was the student favorite. He attended the League of Mayor’s Legislative meeting. Four separate committees met to discuss legislation regarding taxes, pension, general legislation and land use. Mr. Reiter is on the General Legislative and Finance committee. He gave an update on what is going on in the legislature.

Mr. Trutkoff: None

Mr. Wallis: Mr. Wallis attended the First Aid meeting thanked them for all they do.

Ms. Zsoldos: Ms. Zsoldos advised that research was being completed to see if it was feasible for the Township to have electricity provided by an alternate company. Ms. Lapp talked to the JIF. Other companies can provide substantial savings. Budget forms have been distributed to Department Heads and discussions should begin shortly.

Mr. Secare: None

Ms. Skibo: Ms. Skibo announced that the Township received third place at a recent JIF safety meeting.

PUBLIC

Hank Glen – 29 Wycliffe: Mr. Glen asked how things were progressing with the new well and water tower. Ms. Zsoldos explained that the Township is finalizing negotiations with a large developer to release water back to the Township.

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 6:55 p.m.

Sabina T. Skibo, RMC
Township Clerk

Craig Wallis
Council President

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