

**MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP  
MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 16, 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.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** The regular minutes of October 21, 2013 and November 25, 2013 were offered upon a motion by Mr. Weiner, seconded by Mr. Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

The regular minutes of November 12, 2013 were offered upon a motion by Mr. Weiner, seconded by Mr. Frattini and approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea. Mr. Vaccaro abstained.

**SUBMISSION OF BILLS:**

**Resolution #13-367** – Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$4,774,857.21 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. 1162 due to a perception of conflict.

**Resolution #13-368** – Authorizing payment of bills from the Water and Sewer Fund in the amount of \$508,000.72 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 #13-369** – Authorizing payment of bills from the Water and Sewer West Fund in the amount of \$382,580.25 was offered by Mr. Vaccaro, seconded by Mr. Weiner and approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

**ORDINANCES – Second Reading, Public Hearing & Final Action**

**#13-014 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER BLOCK 80.39, LOT 50 (Sheridan Ave.)**

Ms. Skibo said this ordinance was carried from the last meeting. We have still not obtained clear title to the property and Ms. Skibo did not see it happening in the near future. She suggested defeating it today and bringing it up again in the future.

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

The above ordinance was offered upon a motion by Mr. Fusaro seconded by Mr. Vaccaro and **defeated** by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; no.

### **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.

**Larry Lee – Country Walk:** Mr. Lee was concerned with Resolution #13-380. He did not feel that all of the bonds should be released at one time. Mr. Fusaro explained that recommendations are given by the Township Engineer for the release of the bonds. Mr. Wallis said the money cannot be held hostage if Country Walk has met their obligations by law. Further the there is only forty-five days from the day they request to release their bonds that we are legally obligated to release.

**Resolutions #13-370 through #13-385 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Mr. Vaccaro, seconded by Mr. Weiner and adopted by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.**

#### **A. FINANCE**

**#13-370 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO MAKE TRANSFERS BETWEEN APPROPRIATIONS IN THE CY2013 SEWER WESTERN SERVICE AREA BUDGET**

**#13-371 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO MAKE TRANSFERS BETWEEN APPROPRIATIONS IN THE 2013 CALENDAR YEAR BUDGET**

**#13-372 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN UNEXPENDED BALANCES OF CY 2013 UTILITY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS**

**#13-373 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE FOR A US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BULLETPROOF VEST PROGRAM**

**#13-374 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES AS TO BLOCK 102.12, LOT 26 FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN**

**#13-375 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDS REQUESTED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR**

**#13-376 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A DUPLICATE TAX SALE CERTIFICATE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 99 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1997**

## **B. AGREEMENTS**

**#13-377 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE WATER AGREEMENT BETWEEN HOVSONS, INC. AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER.**

**#13-378 - RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN EXTENSION OF A GRANT FOR THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE**

## **C. ESCROW/BONDS**

**#13-379 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING AN ESCROW POSTED BY ROMA BANK FOR BLOCK 110 LOT 3.03 (451 Lacey Rd.)**

**#13-380 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING MAINTENANCE GUARANTEES FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS COUNTRY WALK OF LAKE RIDGE, SECTIONS 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 AND THE EMERGENCY ACCESS ROAD POSTED BY COUNTRY WALK ASSOCIATES, LLC**

**#13-381 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REDUCING A PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE POSTED IN CONNECTION WITH A PROJECT KNOWN AS COVENTRY SQUARE - BLOCK 38 LOT 3 (Farm St.)**

**#13-382 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REDUCING A PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE POSTED IN CONNECTION WITH A PROJECT KNOWN AS STS TIRE & AUTO CENTER AND OFFICE BUILDING BLOCK 38 LOT 3.01 (Route 37 & Farm St.)**

**#13-383 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING AN ESCROW POSTED BY THE KOKES ORGANIZATION FOR A PROJECT KNOWN AS CRESTWOOD VILLAGE SHOPPING CENTER BLOCK 90 LOT 9.01 (Lacey Rd.)**

**#13-384 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING A ZONING BOARD ESCROW POSTED BY GINA REALTY, INC. FOR A PROJECT KNOWN AS BLOCK 46 LOTS 4 & 5 (2107 HWY 37)**

## **D. PURCHASING**

**#13-385 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TRANSFERRING MUNICIPAL VEHICLES TO VOLUNTEER TOWNSHIP AGENCIES.**

## **REPORTS**

**Mr. Weiner:** The Lakehurst Manchester Rotary raised several thousand dollars this summer to help the community. They were also able to raise enough money to send a shelter box to the Philippines to help typhoon victims. Mr. Weiner said he appreciated all the support that has been given to the Rotary. Mr. Weiner said grants are being explored to help with the second annual Bark in the Park. Mr. Weiner wished everyone Happy Holidays.

**Mr. Fusaro:** Mr. Fusaro wished everyone Happy Holidays and a Healthy New Year. Mr. Fusaro mentioned that in this month's municipal magazine he read that 85 percent of revenue brought into this country through tourism is generated by coastal states. Every dollar that the Federal Government puts into coastal replenishment, one hundred and eighteen dollars is made through tourism revenue. Rebuilding the dunes is an amazing technological feat that is done by the Army Corps of Engineers.

Mr. Fusaro participated in Kevin's Kids. Each year it gets bigger with so many volunteers helping to wrap gifts to give to needy children in the community.

**Mr. Vaccaro:** Mr. Vaccaro attended a Pinelands Municipal Council Meeting on November 26, 2013 in Atco, NJ. The Christmas tree lighting was held on December 7, 2013. Mr. Vaccaro attended with other Council members. Santa took pictures with the children and gave out goody bags. Mr. Vaccaro attended the Whiting Volunteer First Aid Installation Dinner on December 14, 2013 and he reviewed and verified bills for this meeting. He wished everyone Happy Holidays.

**Mr. Frattini:** Mr. Frattini attended the Christmas tree lighting and everyone had a good time.

**Mr. Wallis:** Mr. Wallis welcomed the local Girl Scout Troop. They were in attendance to earn their Government badge. The Manchester First Aid report was read for November 2013. The reorganization meeting will be held on January 2, 2014 at 4:30 p.m.

**Ms. Zsoldos:** Ms. Zsoldos gave an update on the proposed Whiting cell tower. New Locations are being researched.

**Mr. Secare:** None

**Ms. Skibo:** Ms. Skibo announced the reorganization will be held on January 2, 2014 at 4:30. Ms. Skibo wished condolences to Mr. Reiter on the passing of his wife Barbara.

**PUBLIC:**

**Ginny Martin – Renaissance:** Ms. Martin was here on behalf of Fred Lund. She asked questions regarding Energy Aggregation. Mr. Wallis responded that there is no form of contract and one has not been signed. Mr. Weiner gave an update on the process and explained that right now it is an exploratory process. A contract will not be set in place until Stafford Township goes out to bid. This process will take a few months. Mr. Weiner advised that he wants this to be open and transparent.

**Larry Lee – Country Walk:** Mr. Lee commented on the recent accidents on Route 70 and the burglaries at Country Walk. He wished everyone Happy Holidays.

**Hank Glen – 29 Wycliffe Rd.:** Mr. Glen commented with regard to Mr. Trimboli's legal bills. Mr. Wallis said this is litigation and Council cannot determine how long litigation will last. Mr. Glen asked if we can consider moving forward with Hovsons and start the project. Mr. Wallis said there has been discussion on that.

**Elaine Baumeister – LVW:** Mr. Baumeister commented with regard to Energy Aggregation and asked the process of the Mayor signing the contract. Mr. Wallis explained that Council authorizes the Mayor to sign the contracts.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further comments or business to come before Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m. on motion by Mr. Vaccaro, seconded by Mr. Frattini and the approved by the following roll call vote; Councilmen: Frattini, Vaccaro, Weiner, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

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Craig Wallis  
Council President

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

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Date Adopted