

**MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP
MEETING MINUTES
November 27, 2017**

The meeting of the Manchester Township Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Sam Fusaro. 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.”

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

The following roll call was taken by the Municipal Clerk:

Councilwoman Joan Brush	- present
Councilman Charles Frattini	- present
Councilman James Vaccaro	- present
Councilman Craig Wallis	- present
Councilman Sam Fusaro	- present

The Municipal Clerk noted for the record that also present were Robin Labue, Township Attorney, Donna Markulic, Business Administrator and Mayor Ken Palmer.

LAND SALE – Block 1.325 Lot 9 (608) Amsterdam Ave.

Ms. LaBue asked anyone interested in bidding on Block 1.325 Lot 9 to come forward and state their name and address for the record. The minimum bid on the property was \$8,500.00. Vincent Cerpa , 600 Amsterdam Ave., asked why the minimum bid was \$8,500.00 when the assessed value is only \$5,000.00. Ms. LaBue said the Assessor places fair market value on the property which is different than the assessed value. Mr. Cerpa did not want to bid on the property. Seeing no one else interested in bidding on the property, Ms. LaBue closed the land sale and the property would be returned to the tax rolls.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS

#17-397 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$839,192.28 was offered by Mr. Vaccaro, seconded by Mr. Frattini and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Brush, Frattini, Wallis, Vaccaro and Fusaro; yea.

#17-398 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Eastern Service Area in the amount of \$73,137.32 was offered by Mr. Vaccaro, seconded by Mr. Wallis and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Brush, Frattini, Wallis, Vaccaro and Fusaro; yea.

#17-399 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Western Service Area in the amount of \$50,410.46 was offered by Mr. Wallis, seconded by Mrs. Brush and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Brush, Frattini, Wallis, Vaccaro and Fusaro; yea.

ORDINANCES – Second Reading, Public Hearing and Final Action

#17-028 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP CODE CHAPTER 301, ENTITLED “PEDDLING AND SOLICITING:

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

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

The above ordinance was offered upon a motion by Mr. Wallis seconded by Mr. Vaccaro and **adopted** by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Brush, Frattini, Wallis, Vaccaro and Fusaro; 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. Fusaro asked if any member of Council had any comments on any item on the consent agenda. Seeing no comments from Council, Mr. Fusaro asked if there were any comments from the public on any items on the consent agenda.

Ed Lynch – Country Walk: Mr. Lynch commented regarding Resolution #17-408 and asked what the water meter replacement project would entail. Mr. Fusaro said the new meters that are to be installed are wireless which will enable readings to be done electronically.

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

Resolutions #17-400 through #17-409 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Mrs. Brush seconded by Mr. Vaccaro and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Brush, Frattini, Wallis, Vaccaro and Fusaro; yea.

A. FINANCE

#17-400 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDS REQUESTED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR

#17-401 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN BLOCK 71.07 LOT 32, 99 ADDLESTONE LANE

#17-402 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN BLOCK 35 LOT 8, 4 RIVERWOOD COURT

#17-403 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN BLOCK 52.43 LOT 15, 97 MANSFIELD AVENUE

#17-404 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN BLOCK 99.106 LOT 9, 1861 TRENTON AVENUE

#17-405 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER DECLARING ITS OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES FOR PROJECT COSTS FROM THE PROCEEDS OF DEBT OBLIGATIONS IN CONNECTION WITH ITS PARTICIPATION IN THE NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST FINANCING PROGRAM

#17-406 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY, DETERMINING THE FORM AND OTHER DETAILS OF ITS “NOTE RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION FINANCING PROGRAM OF THE NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST”, TO BE ISSUED IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$1,500,000, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF SUCH NOTE TO THE NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF SUCH NOTE BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER IN FAVOR OF THE NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST, ALL PURSUANT TO THE NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST CONSTRUCTION FINANCING PROGRAM

B. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

#17-407 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING AN EXECUTION OF A SUB RECIPIENT AGREEMENT FOR THE 2017 CDBG GRANT FOR THE SUMMIT PARK SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

#17-408 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH REMINGTON AND VERNICK ENGINEERS

C. PURCHASING

#17-409 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING A STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE FOR A DODGE RAM 1500 PICK-UP TRUCK

REPORTS

Mrs. Brush: None

Mr. Frattini: None

Mr. Vaccaro: Mr. Vaccaro reviewed bills on November 26, 2017 that were on for tonight’s meeting and apologized to members of the Manchester Coordinating Council for not making today’s meeting.

Mr. Wallis: Mr. Wallis thanked Mr. Stavalo for being invited to the meeting of the Summit Park homeowners. He commended them for their active involvement to keep their neighborhood safe.

Mr. Fusaro: Mr. Fusaro reminded everyone that the Christmas tree lighting was set for December 8, 2017. It is fun for the whole family.

Ms. Markulic: None

Ms. LaBue: None

Ms. Skibo: Ms. Skibo congratulated Ms. Koutsouris on the birth of her baby. The energy aggregation letters were sent out today. Ms. Skibo thanked Ms. Frazee from the Mayor's office for her help sending out the letters.

Chief Parker: None

Mayor Palmer: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tom Rasmussen – Whiting: Mr. Rasmussen stated the need for rent stabilization. Some additional information was gathered by Ms. Koutsouris and Ms. Markulic and it will be distributed to Council.

Vincent DeSimone – Pine Ridge: Mr. DeSimone is a member of the Rent Stabilization Committee and has more signatures for the petition to drop off to Council.

Karen Argenti – Whiting: Ms. Argenti asked if Council has read the Environmental Impact Statement filed by Heritage Minerals. Mr. Fusaro was not sure if the Township was provided with an Environmental Impact Statement on the site. Mayor Palmer said the Township is bound to the settlement agreement from 2004. Hovnanian does not have to file another statement. Mr. Fusaro said the Township does not need to review the statement because they are still in talks with Hovnanian. If and when they submit a formal application then it would make sense to review an Environmental Impact Statement because Hovnanian will have to provide one to the town.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

#17-410 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2 OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 231, PUBLIC LAWS OF 1975

The above Resolution was offered upon a motion by Mrs. Brush seconded by Mr. Frattini and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Brush, Frattini, Wallis, Vaccaro and Fusaro; yea.

A motion to adjourn executive session was offered upon a motion by Mrs. Brush seconded by Mrs. Wallis and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Brush, Frattini, Wallis, Vaccaro and Fusaro; yea.

A motion to reconvene regular session was offered upon a motion by Mr. Wallis seconded by Mr. Wallis and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Brush, Frattini, Wallis, Vaccaro and Fusaro; yea

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or business to come before Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. upon a motion by Mrs. Brush seconded by Mr. Wallis and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Brush, Frattini, Wallis, Vaccaro and Fusaro; yea.

Sam F. Fusaro, Jr.
Council President

Sabina T. Skibo, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Date Approved