

**MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP
MEETING MINUTES
March 11, 2019**

The meeting of the Manchester Township Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Councilwoman Joan Brush. The following statement was read by Sabina T. Skibo, 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:

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

The Municipal Clerk noted for the record that also present were Angela Koutsouris-Zografos, Township Attorney, Donna Markulic, Business Administrator, James Gant, Assistant Business Administrator, Lt. James Komsa and Mayor Kenneth T. Palmer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The regular meeting minutes of September 10, 2018, September 24, 2018 and October 9, 2018 were offered upon a motion by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilman Wallis and **adopted** by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Fusaro, Wallis and Brush; yea.

The special meeting minutes of October 15, 2018 were offered upon a motion by Councilman Wallis, seconded by Councilwoman Brush and **adopted** by the following roll call vote: Councilman Wallis and Councilwoman Brush; yea. Councilmembers Vaccaro and Fusaro abstained due to absence.

LAND SALE

Block 1.306/Lot 22 and Block 1.306/Lot 25 are up for bid. Attorney Koutsouris-Zografos asked if there were any contiguous property owners present that wanted to place a bid. Mr. Jeffrey Jerman bid \$14,000.00 for each parcel. As Mr. Jerman was the sole bidder, he was awarded the bids.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS

#19-139 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$5,110,281.25 was offered by Councilman Vaccaro seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Fusaro, Wallis and Brush; yea.

#19-140- Authorizing payment of bills from the Eastern Service Area in the amount of \$128,454.21 was offered by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Fusaro, Wallis and Brush; yea.

#19-141 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Western Service Area in the amount of \$82,537.70 was offered by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Fusaro, Wallis and Brush; yea.

ORDINANCES – Second Reading, Public Hearing and Final Action

#19-001 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER BY ADDING NEW SECTION 409-5 ENTITLED “SITING OF POLES, CABINETS AND ANTENNAS” OF CHAPTER 409 ENTITLED “UTILITY COMPANY WORK” AND ADDING NEW ARTICLE VII ENTITLED “SITING OF POLES, CABINETS AND ANTENNAS” TO CHAPTER 372 ENTITLED “STREETS AND SIDEWALKS”

defeat

The above ordinance was offered upon a motion by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilman Frattini and **approved** by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Frattini, Vaccaro, Fusaro and Brush; yea.

#19-007 -

The above ordinance was offered upon a motion by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and **approved** by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Frattini, Vaccaro, Fusaro and Brush; yea.

#19-008 –

The above ordinance was offered upon a motion by Councilman Frattini, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and **approved** by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Frattini, Vaccaro, Fusaro and Brush; yea.

#19-004 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF LOT 25 IN BLOCK 1.306 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq.

The above ordinance was offered upon a motion by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Frattini, Vaccaro, Fusaro and Brush: 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.

Councilwoman Brush asked if any member of Council had any comments on any item on the consent agenda. Seeing no comments from Council, Mrs. Brush asked if there were any comments from the public on any items on the consent agenda.

Seeing no comments from the public, Councilwoman Brush closed this portion of the meeting.

Resolutions #19-142 through #18-157 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Fusaro, Wallis and Brush; yea.

A. FINANCE

#19-142 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT FUND CALENDAR YEAR 2019

#19-143 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE WATER EAST FUND CALENDAR YEAR 2019

#19-144 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SEWER WEST FUND CALENDAR YEAR 2019

#19-145 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE WASTER WEST FUND CALENDAR YEAR 2019

#19-146 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SEWER WEST FUND CALENDAR YEAR 2019

#19-147 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING TO MOVE UNRETURNED VOUCHER REQUESTS TO THE GENERAL FUND

#19-148 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING TO MOVE UNRETURNED VOUCHER REQUESTS TO THE GENERAL FUND

#19-149 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF TAX SALE PREMIUMS OVER FIVE YEARS OLD FROM THE TAX COLLECTOR ACCOUNT TO THE GENERAL FUND AS REQUESTED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR

#19-150 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDS REQUESTED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR

#19-151 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES AS TO BLOCK 61.53, LOT 3 FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

B. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

#19-152 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SUPPORTING THE 2019 *DISTRACTED DRIVING CRACKDOWN* U DRIVE U TEXT U PAY AND ACCEPTING THE ENFORCEMENT GRANT FROM THE NHTSA

C. RECREATION

#19-153 - 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

D. PURCHASING

#19-154 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE 2019 DODGE DURANGE PURSUIT AWD (WDEE75) UNDER THE CRANFORD POLICE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING SYSTEM

#19-155 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF PURCHASING TO ADVERTISE FOR AND RECEIVE BIDS FOR CURBSIDE RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES

#19-156 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF PURCHASING TO ADVERTISE FOR AND RECEIVE BIDS FOR THE LEASING OF PUBLIC PROPRTY FOR COMMERCIAL ADVERTISING ON BILLBOARDS

C. MISCELLANEOUS

#19-070 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OR SALVAGE OFFORFEITED/SEIZED VEHICLE(S) IN THE POSSESSION OF THE TOWNSHIP AT AUCTION ON GOVDEALS.COM

REPORTS

Mr. Vaccaro: Mr. Vaccaro attended various meeting and extended his congratulations to Manchester Township's Lady Hawks for a job well done. Mr. Vaccaro would like Council to pass an ordinance banning the growth, distribution and sale of marijuana within Manchester Township.

Mr. Wallis: Mr. Wallis opposes legalizing marijuana.

Mr. Fusaro: Mr. Fusaro attended the Planning Board meeting and there are no new applications before the Board. He commented on Manchester Township's very high collection rate – 98.95%. The State requires municipalities to put money in their budgets to cover uncollected funds. Manchester's budget requirement is very small due to our high collection rate. Mr. Fusaro thanked the residents for keeping it so low.

Mrs. Brush: Mrs. Brush congratulated the Lady Hawks for being in the Tournament of Champions for the first time. She also reminded everyone that there will be a Penguin Plunge on March 24th at Harry Wright Lake.

Ms. Markulic: None

Ms. Skibo: Ms. Skibo informed Judy Kuhmichael that the energy aggregation savings was around \$2.5 million dollars.

Ms. Koutsouris-Zografos: None

Mr. Gant: Mr. Gant said the State Assessors inspected the Police Department for accreditation and to ensure they are up to standards. He said the Police Department is doing a fine job.

Mayor Palmer: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion to enter into Executive Session was made by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Fusaro, Wallis and Brush; yea.

The Executive Session was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. upon a motion by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Fusaro, Wallis and Brush; yea.

The regular meeting session was reconvened upon a motion by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Fusaro, Wallis and Brush; yea.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or business to come before Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. upon a motion by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Fusaro, Wallis and Brush; yea.

Joan Brush
Council President

Sabina T. Skibo, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Date Approved