

**MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP
MEETING MINUTES
July 8, 2019**

The meeting of the Manchester Township Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Councilman 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:

Councilman Robert Hudak	-present
Councilman James Vaccaro	- present
Councilman Sam Fusaro	- present
Councilman Craig Wallis	- present
Councilwoman Joan Brush	- absent

The Municipal Clerk noted for the record that also present were Township Attorney Angela Koutsouris-Zografos, Asst. Business Administrator Jim Gant, Mayor Ken Palmer, Police Chief Lisa Parker, Captain Malland, and Lieutenant Dolan.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The regular meeting minutes of June 24, 2019 were offered upon a motion by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Hudak and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro; yea. Wallis, abstain due to absence. Brush, absent.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS

#19-267 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$6,355,492.63 was offered upon a motion by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Wallis and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, and Wallis; yea. Brush, absent.

#19-268 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Eastern Service Area in the amount of \$93,088.07 was offered upon a motion by Councilman Hudak, seconded by Councilman Wallis and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, and Wallis; yea. Brush, absent.

#19-269 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Western Service Area in the amount of \$58,026.03 was offered upon a motion by Councilman Hudak, seconded by Councilman Wallis and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, and Wallis; yea. Brush, absent.

ORDINANCES – Second Reading, Public Hearing and Final Action

#19-023 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 80 (WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER

Councilman Fusaro asked if any member of Council had any comments on this ordinance. Seeing no comments from Council, Councilman Fusaro asked if there were any comments from the public. Seeing no comments from the public, Councilman Fusaro closed this portion of the meeting.

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

#19-024 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDING LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER AND KOKES ORGANIZATION, INC. FOR A PORTION OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT BLOCK 86, LOT 2.04 (84 LACEY ROAD)

Councilman Fusaro asked if any member of Council had any comments on this ordinance. Seeing no comments from Council, Councilman Fusaro asked if there were any comments from the public.

Larry Lee, Country Walk – Mr. Lee stated the 84 Lacey Road is right in between the First Aid Squad and the Rite Aid, he recommended moving the location to an area already developed. He believed that removing all the trees does not make sense.

Mr. Fusaro commented that the land is zoned for businesses and will be go to Planning Board for approval.

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

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

#19-025 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF LOT 40 IN BLOCK 1.265 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 ET SEQ.

Councilman Fusaro asked if any member of Council had any comments on this ordinance. Seeing no comments from Council, Councilman Fusaro asked if there were any comments from the public.

Hank Glen 29 Wycliffe Road – Mr. Glen commented that the lot size up for sale is large enough for a house to be built, and asked if we can open up the bidding to everyone. He asked if there

are any requirements for water runoff from the lot, and if it interferes with any flooding issues in Pine Lake Park.

Mr. Fusaro commented that the law prohibits the Township from opening up the bidding to the public besides contiguous land owners. He also stated that there are many unused lots in Pine Lake Park that are becoming dumping grounds. There will be no impact on Township and flooding.

Mr. Hudak comment that any development of the land will be reviewed by the proper departments when the permits are submitted. He also stated that there is an ordinance in place preventing water runoff on properties.

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

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

ORDINANCES - First Reading and Introduction

#19-026 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 245 ENTITLED "LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT" OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER CODE

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

Second reading, public hearing and final action will be on August 12, 2019.

#19-027 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CREATING AND SETTING THE SALARY RANGE FOR A NEW JOB TITLE

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

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.

Councilman Fusaro asked if any member of Council had any comments on any item on the consent agenda. See no comments from Council, Mr. Fusaro asked if there were any comments from the public on any items on the consent agenda.

Judy Kuhmichel, 55 Winkle Court – Mrs. Kuhmichel inquired about the location of the tower.

Mr. Fusaro responded, and stated the cell service should be improved in that area.

Hank Glen, 29 Wycliffe Road – Mr. Glen inquired about the ambulance purchases, and can we use the ambulances we already have.

Mr. Fusaro responded that the condition of those ambulances are unknown.

Chief Parker commented that the Township do not own those vehicles, and there is no obligation for us to buy the ambulances.

Resolutions #19-270 through #19-285 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Councilman Hudak, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, and Wallis; yea. Brush, absent.

A. LAND USE

#19-270 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FIRST AMENDMENT TO COMMUNICATIONS SITE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH HOMELAND TOWERS, LLC.

B. FINANCE

#19-271 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDS REQUESTED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR

#19-272- RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO EXTEND THE GRACE PERIOD FOR THE AUGUST 2019 TAX BILLS

#19-273 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROVE THE DISTRIBUTION OF LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM (LOSAP) FUNDS TO ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2018

C. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

#19-274 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF THREE 2019 OR NEWER FORD F-450 LIFE LINE CUSTOM SUPERLINER 4WD AND TWO 2019 OR NEWER FORD F-450 LIFE LINE CUSTOM SUPERLINER 2WD AMBULANCES

D. GRANTS

#19-275 - RESOLUTION OF MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR PROPOSAL OF FUNDING THROUGH THE OCEAN COUNTY OFFICE OF SENIOR SERVICES

#19-276 - RESOLUTION OF MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR PROPOSAL OF FUNDING THROUGH THE OCEAN COUNTY OFFICE OF SENIOR SERVICES

E. RECREATION

#19-277 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 2019 DODGE DURANGO SUV UNDER CRANFORD CO-OP CONTRACT #47-CPCPS

F. BONDS/ESCROWS

#19-278 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING ESCROWS POSTED BY ARYA PROPERTIES FOR VARIOUS PROJECTS

#19-279 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING A PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE PENDING THE POSTING OF A MAINTENANCE BOND AND ADDITIONAL ESCROW IN CONNECTION WITH A PROJECT KNOWN AS BIRCHWOOD AT WHITING, BLOCK 83.01 LOT 7.03

G. APPOINTMENT

#19-280 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING TERI LOUISE GIERCYK AS DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:9-135

H. MISCELLANEOUS

#19-281 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING THE CERTIFICATION OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS CONCERNING COSTS INCURRED IN THE CLEAN UP OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1600 PARKVIEW BOULEVARD (BLOCK 1.313 LOT 1), AND AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF A LIEN AGAINST SAID PROPERTY FOR SAID COSTS

#19-282 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING THE CERTIFICATION OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS CONCERNING COSTS INCURRED IN THE CLEAN UP OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1016 COMMONWEALTH BOULEVARD

(BLOCK 1.218 LOT 13), AND AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF A LIEN AGAINST SAID PROPERTY FOR SAID COSTS

#19-283 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ADOPTING THE POLICE PROMOTIONAL MANUAL FOR THE MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

#19-284 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OR SALVAGE OF A FORFEITED/SEIZED VEHICLE(S) IN THE POSSESSION OF THE TOWNSHIP AT AUCTION ON GOVDEALS.COM

#19-285 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OR SALVAGE OF VEHICLES AND VEHICLE PARTS IN THE POSSESSION OF THE TOWNSHIP AT AUCTION ON GOVDEALS.COM

REPORTS

Mr. Hudak: Mr. Hudak congratulated Teri Giercyk on her appointment. He attended Manchester Day despite the bad weather. He thanked the Police and staff who attended the event. Mr. Hudak attended the most recent Planning Board meeting on July 1st, there was no applications.

Mr. Vaccaro: Mr. Vaccaro attended Manchester Day with his wife, it was a success despite the weather. Mr. Vaccaro congratulated Teri Giercyk on her appointment and the USA woman's soccer team.

Mr. Wallis: Mr. Wallis congratulated Teri Giercyk on her appointment. He also attended Manchester Day, it was a great start. Fireworks and concert will be rescheduled.

Mr. Fusaro: Mr. Fusaro attended Manchester Day which was great at the beginning. He commented that is hard to schedule a rain date for these types of events. He is very hopeful for the property that is up for redevelopment. Mr. Fusaro also stated that there will be a Special Meeting On Thursday July 18, 2019 at 2 p.m. regarding Energy Aggregation. Anticipated start date is October 1st.

Mr. Gant: Mr. Gant commented that Teri Giercyk is a great asset to the Township and Clerk's department. Manchester Day events such as fireworks and concert will be rescheduled, which is a good investment for the community.

Mrs. Martin: Mrs. Martin congratulated Teri Giercyk and said she is an asset to the Clerk's Department.

Mayor Palmer: Mayor Palmer stated that there have been two serious police incidents lately, which were quickly resolved by the Police Department.

PUBLIC

Carlos Meza, 17 Second Lane – Mr. Meza stated that his address was supposed to change from Lane to street years ago, but it has not. It affects his mail and other deliveries. He also believes that the speed limit of 45 mph on Ridgeway Blvd is too excessive. Lastly, Mr. Meza believes that the utility pole turning onto his street is too close to the road.

Sherry Meza, 17 Second Lane– Mrs. Meza stated that her neighbor across the street has the correct address, but they do not.

Mr. Fusaro commented that the Municipal Clerk will research the ordinance, it dates back to 1997, and he asked Mr. Gant to be his point of contact.

Donna Amendt, 27 Clear lake Road – Mrs. Amendt stated she is having an issue with residents feeding the wildlife in her neighborhood. She believes it is a health and safety issue. She has contacted various departments at the local and county level. The homeowners associated stated that the Township needs to adopt an ordinance to ban wildlife feeding.

Municipal Clerk stated that the current ordinance only enforces feeding of waterfowl and feral cats.

Mr. Fusaro stated that we will look into it, but often this issue is hard to enforce.

Hank Glen, 29 Wycliffe Road – Mr. Glen commented that there are several unoccupied businesses in town. He asked if any permitting fees can be waived for these closed businesses to potential new businesses. Mr. Glen attended the planning board meeting and he made a comment about the location of the property up for development.

Mr. Fusaro stated that the condition of the property was brought up to the owner.

Mayor Palmer commented that the redevelopment gives incentive to the owner to move the property along.

Karen Argenti 61 Clear Lake Road – Mrs. Argenti commented on the redevelopment property should not be the Township’s responsibility to clean up. She commented that this is a critical piece of land, with lots of threatened or endangered species, and needs to be protected.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or business to come before Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m. upon a motion by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, and Wallis; yea. Brush, absent.

Joan Brush
Council President

Sabina T. Martin, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Date Approved