

**MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP
MEETING MINUTES
September 23, 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 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	- absent
Councilwoman Joan Brush	- present

The Municipal Clerk noted for the record that also present were Township Attorney Angela Koutsouris-Zografos, Assistant Business Administrator Jim Gant, and Lt. Komsa.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The special meeting minutes of September 4, 2019 and the regular meeting minutes of September 9, 2019 were offered upon a motion by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS

#19-346 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$1,531,683.44 was offered upon a motion by Councilman Hudak, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

#19-347 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Eastern Service Area in the amount of \$97,498.21 was offered upon a motion by Councilman Hudak, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

#19-348 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Western Service Area in the amount of \$97,607.76 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 Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

ORDINANCES - Second Reading, Public Hearing and Final Action

#19-031 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING ARTICLE II, CHAPTER 7 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED “PARKING”

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

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

#19-032 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER AUTHORIZING AND ACCEPTING A DEED RESTRICTION FOR THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES ON LOT 3, BLOCK 89 OF THE TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER

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

ORDINANCES - First Reading and Introduction

#19-033 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER AUTHORIZING A SIGHT RIGHT EASEMENT AND ROADWAY DEDICATION TO THE COUNTY OF OCEAN ON LOT 3, BLOCK 89 OF THE TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER

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

#19-034 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF BLOCK 99.34, LOT 9 PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-5(a)(1) et seq. (171 Stokes Street)

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 Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

#19-035 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF BLOCK 99.17, LOT 3 PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq. (401 Foster Street)

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

Resolutions #19-349 through #19-361 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

A. FINANCE

#19-349 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDS REQUESTED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR

#19-350 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES AS TO BLOCK 61.13, LOT 274 FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

#19-351 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES AS TO BLOCK 38.15, LOT 322.04 FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

#19-352 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDS REQUESTED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR

#19-353 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING REFUND OF PAYMENT FOR PROPERTY CHANGE REQUEST FEE

B. GRANTS

#19-354 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR A NEW JERSEY TRANSIT GRANT FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AND PERSON WITH DISABILITIES

C. PURCHASING

#19-355 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF RADIO COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT

#19-356 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF 5 EMERGENCY MEDICAL LOADING SYSTEMS AND STRETCHERS FROM STRYKER MEDICAL FOR THE MANCHESTER POLICE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES UNDER THE BERGEN COUNTY CO-OP PURCHASING CONTRACT

#19-357 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF PURCHASING TO ADVERTISE AND RECEIVE BIDS FOR THE SCHOOLHOUSE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE I

D. BONDS/ESCROWS

#19-358 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING ESCROWS POSTED BY JS DEVELOPMENT FOR PROJECT 1008 EIGHTH AVENUE

E. MISCELLANEOUS

#19-359 - 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 1809 COMMONWEALTH BOULEVARD (BLOCK 1.232 LOT 39), AND AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF A LIEN AGAINST SAID PROPERTY FOR SAID COSTS

#19-360 - 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 REMOVAL OF DEBRIS AND CLEAN UP OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2708 SPRUCE DRIVE (BLOCK 31.01 LOT 11), AND AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF A LIEN AGAINST SAID PROPERTY FOR SAID COSTS

#19-361 - 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 REMOVAL OF DEBRIS AND CLEAN UP OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 100 ROUTE 539 (BLOCK 111 LOT 7), AND AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF A LIEN AGAINST SAID PROPERTY FOR SAID COSTS

REPORTS

Mr. Hudak: Mr. Hudak stated that on Wednesday night at 6 p.m. the Environmental Commission will be holding a seminar regarding recycling in the Township. He recognized the members of the Boy Scout troop that were in attendance in the audience.

Mr. Vaccaro: Mr. Vaccaro attended the Fire Safety meeting on September 19th. He also attended the Coordinating Council meeting this afternoon, where Mr. Ronald Catelli gave a presentation on Senate Bill 2425. This Bill will not negatively affect the residents. Ordinance #19-031 regarding parking and an ordinance banning the feeding of wildlife in the Township was discussed. Mr. Vaccaro stated that it was a well-attended and great meeting. Next Coordinating Council meeting will be on October 28th at 1:30 p.m. On October 8th there will be the Country Walk Fire Wise meeting. Lastly, he would like Council to consider an ordinance banning vaping products and/or e-cigarettes in Manchester Township.

Mr. Fusaro: Mr. Fusaro also attended the Coordinating Council meeting today with Mr. Vaccaro which had a lot of attendance at this meeting. He informed the residents about the recycling coach app for your phone, which gives out recycling information for your Township.

Mrs. Brush: Mrs. Brush reminded the residents to vote this November and the last day to register to vote is October 15th. She also stated that the fire hydrants will be flushed out soon, so residents may need to run their water for a minute or two if they notice any issues.

Mrs. Martin: Mrs. Martin stated that the County Board of Elections is looking for poll workers for the next upcoming election, the pay is \$200 a day. Also, the 2020 Census begins next March and residents will have three ways to respond: paper, phone, or online.

Mr. Gant: Mr. Gant stated that Department of Public Works are completing their paving season. They did a great job this year, and performing these jobs in house keeps the costs down.

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Mrs. Judy Kuhmichel, Country Walk – Mrs. Kuhmichel recommends the Lock Box Program for the residents. She believes it will work well with the Ice Box Program already in place.

Mr. Hank Glen, 29 Wycliffe Road – Mr. Glen commented on the surrounding property and owners for Ordinance #19-035 regarding 401 Foster Street. He also inquired when Back Road for the Renaissance will be open for public use.

Mr. Fusaro stated that the job has been completed for several months as per the Township Engineer, waiting for approval from Jackson Township and Ocean County.

Mr. Vaccaro commented that Renaissance trustees have taken legal action for some unfinished projects.

Seeing no further public comment Council President Brush closed that portion of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or business to come before Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. upon a motion by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Hudak and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

Joan Brush
Council President

Sabina T. Martin, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Date Approved