

**MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP
MEETING MINUTES
October 15, 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 Deputy 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 Deputy Municipal Clerk:

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The closed session meeting minutes of March 11, 2019, April 29, 2019 and May 22, 2019 were offered upon a motion by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Fusaro, Wallis and Brush; yea. Mr. Hudak, abstain due to absence.

The closed session meeting minutes of June 10, 2019 and August 26, 2019 were offered upon a motion by Councilman Hudak seconded by Councilwoman Brush and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, Wallis, and Brush; yea.

The closed session meeting minutes of July 22, 2019 were offered upon a motion by Councilman Hudak, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Fusaro, Wallis, and Brush; yea. Mr. Vaccaro, abstain due to absence.

The regular meeting minutes of September 23, 2019 were 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, abstain due to absence.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS

#19-362 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$5,606,922.36 was offered upon a motion by Councilman Hudak, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, Wallis, and Brush; yea.

#19-363 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Eastern Service Area in the amount of \$122,044.62 was offered upon a motion by Councilman Hudak, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, Wallis, and Brush; yea.

#19-364 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Western Service Area in the amount of \$78,767.69 was offered upon a motion by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Hudak and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, Wallis, and Brush; yea.

ORDINANCES - Second Reading, Public Hearing and Final Action

#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

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.

Edward Lynch, Country Walk - Mr. Lynch asked if that is where the cell tower is going?

Councilwomen Brush – Councilwomen Brush replied yes.

Seeing no further comments from the public, Councilwomen Brush 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, Wallis, and Brush; yea.

#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)

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 Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Hudak and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, Wallis, and Brush; yea.

#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)

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.

Hank Glen, 29 Wycliffe Road – Mr. Glen commented that there are two pieces of property that are adjacent to this lot. Owned by Bridgewater Township, all vacant, unpopulated, small lots. Hold the land for better use in 5, 10, 15 years from now. Possible affordable housing, medical research, development. If we start selling these properties piece by piece, it will start to get like Pine Lake Park, He thinks he needs to hold property and try to get bulk property, not making money on revenue. Hold it and save it.

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

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, Wallis, and Brush; yea.

ORDINANCES - First Reading and Introduction

#19-036 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF BLOCK 99.107, LOT 25 PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-5(a)(1) et seq. (1810 Roosevelt Blvd.)

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

Resolutions #19-365 through #19-370 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Hudak and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, and Brush; yea.

A. PURCHASING

#19-365 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE POLICE

UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT TO ACTION UNIFORM CO. LLC PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 ET SEQ.

B. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

#19-366 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH GOOSE CONTROL TECHNOLOGY FOR GEESE CONTROL AT HARRY WRIGHT AND PINE LAKES

#19-367 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE (IACP) FOR A PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION FOR THE RANK OF LIEUTENANT

#19-368 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF 5 PATROL PC MOBILE DATA TERMINALS UNDER THE BERGEN COUNTY CO-OP

#19-369 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR MUNICIPAL COURT FACILITIES AND PERSONNEL BETWEEN MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP AND THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST

C. MISCELLANEOUS

#19-370 - 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 1109 EIGHTH AVENUE (BLOCK 1.172 LOT 39), AND AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF A LIEN AGAINST SAID PROPERTY FOR SAID COSTS

REPORTS

Mr. Hudak: Mr. Hudak attended last Planning Board Meeting, reviewed and discussed multiple applications. Discussed the minor subdivision, Ocean County was the applicant, requiring property for open space purposes, something we always encourage.

Mr. Vaccaro: September 24, 2019 Mr. Vaccaro attended the Pinelands Municipal meeting held at Maurice River. Guest speakers were Nancy Wittenburg and Gary E. Finger, spoke on various topics. On September 25, 2019 attended the Ocean County Western facility new garage and ride share facility groundbreaking presentation. September 26, 2019 attended the Zoning Board meeting, October 7, 2019 attended the Planning Board meeting, October 8, 2019 attended Country Walk 7th Annual Fire Wise meeting, October 13 attended the Renaissance Italian American Club, Columbus Day Parade in Seaside Heights. Encourages Council to pass ordinance to the ban of retail sales of vape products.

Mr. Fusaro: Mr. Fusaro mentioned the traffic parking ordinance for Schoolhouse Road will be in effect tomorrow. Signs have been placed put up. He would like to thank the Crestwood Villages for their help. Mr. Fusaro commends the environmental commission for recycling program they sponsored on September 25, 2019. There were excellent speakers. Ray Sloan Recycling coordinator spoke about the Whiting Landfill, and how people can use the landfill to help out. Mr. Fusaro mentioned the Environmental Commissions meeting was excellent.

Mr. Wallis: Mr. Wallis explained the Fire Presentation and the State Fire Service Training in Whiting. Our Council and Mayor are supportive, and he truly commends Arthur Abline for all he has done.

Mrs. Brush: Mrs. Brush attended the ground breaking ceremony at the garage that will house Ocean Ride. Remind everyone about flu shots, she would also like to thank Judy and Larry on the information on Fire Wise. Trick or Trunk is coming up on October 26 and 27, 2019 and the chili cook-off on November1, 2019.

Mayor Palmer: Mayor Palmer attend the Shared Service symposium in Monmouth County. Explains we should hear from the state about the solar project by the turn of the year. Stated that the sale with the County should be completed by the end of the month.

PUBLIC

Mrs. Judy Kuhmichel, Country Walk – Mrs. Kuhmichel thanked Mrs. Brush and Mr. Vaccaro for attending the fire open house, she mentions she has not seen the metal signs for the parking on Wranglebrook, Mr. Fusaro noted they may have not been installed, however will be.

Mr. Pagenkopf: Council and Mayor denied a water agreement with Hovson’s. He went over the change in plans from 2013, and there will not be any reimbursement until changes are made. He asked that Mayor and Council to be open to a dialog to discuss reimbursement of this money so they are not out \$400,000.00 for the next ten years. He also explained that these changes do not benefit the Heritage or Hovnanian Family.

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 Hudak seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Fusaro, and Brush; yea.

Joan Brush
Council President

Teri Giercyk, RMC
Deputy Municipal Clerk

Date Approved