

**Manchester Township Council
Meeting Minutes
April 25, 2011**

The meeting of the Manchester Township Council was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Council President Craig Wallis. The following statement was read by the 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.”

This was followed by roll call:

Councilman Fred Trutkoff	-	present
Councilman Brendan Weiner	-	present
Councilman Warren Reiter	-	present (arrived 5:45 p.m.)
Councilman Kenneth Vanderziel	-	present (arrived 5:45 p.m.)
Councilman Craig Wallis	-	present

Also present were Elena Zsoldos, Business Administrator and Steven Secare, Township Attorney.

A motion to go into closed session was offered by Mr. Weiner, second by Mr. Trutkoff and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Weiner and Wallis: yea.

A motion to reconvene into open session was offered upon a motion by Mr. Weiner, second by Mr. Vanderziel and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen: Trutkoff, Weiner, Reiter, Vanderziel and Wallis: yea.

A salute to the flag was held at this time.

MERITORIOUS VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARDS – Pablo Martinez and Steve House were honored for their heroic actions during a house fire on Commonwealth Blvd in Pine Lake Park.

LAND SALE – A private land sale was held for contiguous owners of Block 1.241 Lot 28. Jeffrey Jerman and Lisa Duerkes were the interested parties. The bidding was started at \$10,000.00. Ms. Duerkes was the winning bidder with a bid of \$10,100.00 and gave the Township the required ten percent deposit in the form of cash.

PROCLAMATIONS: The Clerk read into the record a proclamation into the record proclaiming May 2011 as “Older Americans Month”.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The regular minutes of March 28, 2011 were offered upon a motion by Mr. Trutkoff, seconded by Mr. Vanderziel and **approved** by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Weiner, Vanderziel and Wallis; yea. Mr. Weiner; abstain.

ORDINANCES: Second Reading, Public Hearing & Final Action

#11-007 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE SALARY RANGES OF SWORN POLICE PERSONNEL

Mr. Wallis asked if any Council members had questions on the above ordinance. Seeing no Council members wishing to be heard, Mr. Wallis opened this portion of the meeting to the public.

Fred Lund – LVW: Mr. Lund questioned longevity. Mr. Secare advised that longevity was only being paid to officers falling under the old contract and has been eliminated in recent contracts.

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

The above ordinance was offered upon a motion by Mr. Vanderziel seconded by Mr. Weiner and **adopted** by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Weiner, Reiter, Vanderziel and Wallis; yea.

ORDINANCES: First Reading and Introduction

#11-008 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING ORDINANCE 10-020 AUTHORIZING THE EXCHANGE OF CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER WITH SHADY PINES CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-16

The above ordinance was offered upon a motion by Mr. Trutkoff seconded by Mr. Vanderziel and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Weiner, Reiter, Vanderziel and Wallis; yea.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS:

Resolution #11-112 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$616,727.95 was offered by Mr. Weiner, seconded by Mr. Vanderziel and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Weiner, Reiter, Vanderziel and Wallis ; yea. Mr. Weiner abstained on check no. 42751.

Resolution #11-113- Authorizing payment of bills from the Water and Sewer Fund in the amount of \$168,520.66 was offered by Mr. Trutkoff, seconded by Mr. Reiter and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Weiner, Reiter, Vanderziel and Wallis; yea.

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Resolution #11-114– Authorizing payment of bills from the Water and Sewer West Fund in the amount of \$28,224.05 was offered by Mr. Vanderziel seconded by Mr. Reiter and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Weiner, Reiter, Vanderziel and Wallis; yea.

RESOLUTIONS: 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. Reiter asked for resolution #11-125 to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Wallis asked if any member of Council had any comments on any item on the consent agenda.

Seeing no comments from the Council, Mr. Wallis opened this portion of the meeting to the public.

Hank Glen – 29 Wycliffe Rd: Mr. Glen asked why the County is not responsible for all of the sidewalk improvements in resolution #11-121. He felt that we were making too many concessions to the County. Ms. Zsoldos advised that we received \$42,000.00 in grant money which will go toward offsetting the project. Mr. Glen wanted to know if the County is doing anything for the Township. He felt that we did not receive any County services. Some towns have a county park. Ms. Zsoldos explained that the sidewalk installation was a dual project and that Township residents would benefit. Mr. Glen felt that this was a County road and the County should pay for it.

Fred Lund – LVW: Mr. Lund commented with regard to Recreation Theater trips. He asked if the trip would be cancelled if there were not enough people to cover the cost of the bus. Ms. Zsoldos said that the trip would be cancelled. Mr. Lund also suggested charging an administrative user fee on top of the price of the trip.

Seeing no further comments from the Public, Mr. Wallis closed this portion of the meeting.

Resolutions #11-115 - #11-124 and #11-126 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Mr. Weiner seconded by Mr. Trutkoff and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Weiner, Reiter, Vanderziel and Wallis; yea

Resolution #11-125 was offered upon a motion by Mr. Weiner seconded by Mr. Trutkoff and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmen Trutkoff, Weiner, Reiter, Vanderziel and Wallis; yea. Mr. Reiter felt that this was a good bill that was in the Legislature but offered some suggestions to add to the resolution.

A. FINANCE

#11-115 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES AS TO BLOCK 99.237, LOT 9 FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

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#11-116 - 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 2010

B. BONDS\ESCROWS

#11-117 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING A PERFORMANCE BOND POSTED BY CATHERINE ALVIRA FOR A PROJECT KNOWN AS BLOCK 99.66 LOT 3/BLOOMFIELD AVE

C. CONTRACTS\AGREEMENTS

#11-118 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENTS WITH QUALIFIED PRIVATE COMMUNITIES

#11-119 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH MODERN POWER GROUP SYSTEMS

#11-120 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH OCEAN COMPUTER GROUP INC.

#11-121 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF OCEAN

D. RECREATION

#11-122 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS SPONSORSHIP CONTRACT WITH TD BANK, N.A.

#11-123 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ESTABLISHING CERTAIN FEES FOR RECREATION THEATER TRIPS

E. APPOINTMENTS

#11-124 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING A PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER

F. LEGISLATIVE

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#11-125 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL A-3412 REQUIRING PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT APPEAL REFUND SHARING

G. LAND SALE

#11-126 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING BIDS ON THE FOLLOWING PARCEL AS A RESULT OF THE PRIVATE LAND SALE ON LOT 28 IN BLOCK 1.241 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq.

REPORTS

Mr. Reiter: Mr. Reiter went to a presentation on the School Board budget. He urged everyone to vote. Mr. Reiter will be attending the Manchester Coordinating Council meeting to discuss the Route 530 project and the effect it will have on the area. He is preparing to answer questions from the Coordinating Council. Mr. Reiter also mentioned a program that will be sponsored by Senior Outreach that will go over what you can expect regarding tax rebates. It will be held on May 4, 2011.

Mr. Vanderziel: The Finance Committee met with the Auditor to review the draft audit. It was a good audit and some loose ends are being resolved.

Mr. Weiner: Mr. Weiner attended a meeting of the Ocean County Missing and Exploited Children Advisory Commission. They had a general discussion regarding the National Missing and Exploited Children's Day Event. He attended the Easter egg hunt at Pine Lake. It was a nice warm morning and provided a safe and fun event for Township children. The Ocean County Office of Senior Services will be holding a hearing on the needs of older adults on May 9 at the Toms River Senior Center. All residents of the County are invited to attend.

Mr. Wallis: Mr. Wallis was at the last school board meeting. Attendance was poor. He urged everyone to get out and vote.

Mr. Trutkoff: Mr. Trutkoff will be reviewing the audit report.

Ms. Zsoldos: None

Mr. Secare: None

Chief Klimakowski: None

Ms. Skibo: None

Ms. Pellicano: None

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PUBLIC PORTION

Hank Glen 29 Wycliffe: Mr. Glen questioned the bill of Thomas Planning Associates. Mr. Secare explained Mr. Thomas' role within the Township such as reviewing ordinances and he is very active in the Township's Affordable Housing Plan. He also questioned new furniture for the police department. Ms. Zsoldos said it was much need furniture and carpet for the police department. Things were falling apart over there.

Larry Lee Country Walk: Mr. Lee questioned the closing of Route 530 during the spring. The Chief said he was not certain of the date. Things are still up in the air. As soon as he gets the exact date, he will let the residents know. Mr. Lee also mentioned a rumor that the Ridgeway Fire Station will be closing.

There being no further business at this time on motion by Mr. Trutkoff and seconded by Mr. Vanderziel and unanimous voice vote of Council, the meeting was hereby adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Sabina T. Skibo, RMC
Township Clerk

Craig Wallis
Council President

Date Approved

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