

**MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP  
MEETING MINUTES  
February 26, 2018**

The meeting of the Manchester Township Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Craig Wallis. 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 Charles Frattini	- present
Councilman James Vaccaro	- present
Councilwoman Joan Brush	- present
Councilman Sam Fusaro	- present
Councilman Craig Wallis	- present

The Municipal Clerk noted for the record that also present were Donna Markulic, Business Administrator, Angela Koutsouris-Zografos, Township Attorney, Mayor Kenneth Palmer and Capt. Todd Malland.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The regular meeting minutes of February 12, 2018 were offered upon a motion by Mr. Vaccaro seconded by Mr. Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Frattini, Vaccaro, Brush, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

**SUBMISSION OF BILLS**

**#18-100** Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$1,793,470.75 was offered by Mr. Fusaro, seconded by Mr. Frattini and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Frattini, Vaccaro, Brush, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

**#18-101** - Authorizing payment of bills from the Eastern Service Area in the amount of \$474,276.36 was offered by Mr. Fusaro seconded by Mrs. Brush and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Frattini, Vaccaro, Brush, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

**#18-102** - Authorizing payment of bills from the Western Service Area in the amount of \$401,080.41 was offered by Mr. Fusaro, seconded by Mrs. Brush and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Frattini, Vaccaro, Brush, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

**ORDINANCES – First Reading and Introduction**

**#18-007 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 732 ENTITLED “STREETS AND SIDEWALKS” TO ADD A NEW ARTICLE V ENTITLED “DAMAGE DUE TO SNOW REMOVAL” AND ARTICLE VI “REMOVAL OF SNOW AND ICE”**

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

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

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

**Resolutions #18-103 through #18-114 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Mr. Vaccaro seconded by Mr. Frattini and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Frattini, Vaccaro, Brush, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.**

**A. FINANCE**

**#18-103 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO MAKE TRANSFERS BETWEEN APPROPRIATIONS IN THE 2017 CALENDAR YEAR APPROPRIATION RESERVE BUDGET**

**#18-104 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDS REQUESTED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR**

**#18-105 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES AS TO BLOCK 83.06, LOT 5 FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN**

**B. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS**

**#18-106 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO CHEVROLET IMPALAS, UNDER THE NEW JERSEY STATE PURCHASING CONTRACT**

**#18-107 – 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**

**#18-108 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF EMERGENCY GENERATORS TO LAMANNA ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING, INC. PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:1-1 ET SQ.**

**C. LICENSING**

**#18-109 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, GRANTING TOWING LICENSES FOR A THREE YEAR PERIOD**

**#18-110 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING FAMILY MOBILE HOME PARK LICENSE FOR THE YEAR 2018 TO COLONIAL MOBILE HOME PARK**

**D. GRANTS**

**#18-111 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR AN OCEAN COUNTY TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANT**

**E. RECREATION**

**#18-112 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE PROCESSING OF PURCHASE ORDERS AND THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACTS FOR THE RESERVATIONS FOR CAMPERS FROM VARIOUS SUMMER CAMPS**

**#18-113 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE PROCESSING OF PURCHASE ORDERS AND THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACTS FOR THE RESERVATIONS FOR CAMP ADVENTURE**

**F. BONDS/ESCROWS**

**#18-114 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY RELEASING ZONING BOARD ESCROWS POSTED BY JEFFERY JERMAN**

**REPORTS**

**Mr. Frattini:** None

**Mr. Vaccaro:** Mr. Vaccaro mentioned he attended the PBA dinner and Manchester Coordinating Council meeting.

**Mr. Fusaro:** Mr. Fusaro attended the Manchester Coordinating Council meeting. A major concern of residents was the loss of business in the Whiting area. There are several vacant store fronts. Landlords are increasing rents which is causing small businesses to not renew their leases and go out of business. This is not a good practice for landlords. The Shop Manchester program is down to 13 businesses. Most of the original businesses that signed with the program are gone. The Township has tried to address this in the past, but more has to be done.

**Mrs. Brush:** None

**Mr. Wallis:** Mr. Wallis attended a seminar with Chief Parker on the subject of drugs. A Police Chief from Kentucky spoke on the subject of legalizing marijuana. Colorado, which was one of the first states to legalize marijuana, now has as many marijuana stores as there are pharmacies. Colorado is growing more marijuana than they can sell. So the excess is now being exported to other states. This is a serious problem. A few New Jersey towns have banned the sale of marijuana. Council has discussed this matter but they are waiting to see whether Governor Murphy decides to legalize it.

**Ms. Markulic:** None

**Ms. Zografos:** None

**Ms. Skibo:** None

**Capt. Malland:** None

**Mayor Palmer:** Mayor Palmer mentioned that the Township has received a grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation to pave Lake Road.

**PUBLIC**

**Larry Lee – Country Walk:** Mr. Lee advised that JCP&L locked the Country Walk secondary access road gate. He hoped someone could reach out to JCP&L and resolve the matter as soon as possible. Ms. Markulic said she was aware of the situation and will look into it.

**Ray Lesniak – 116 Redwood Dr., Barnegat, N.J.** Mr. Lesniak was in attendance on behalf of the Manufactured Homeowners’ Association of New Jersey and asked on the status of the possible rent control ordinance. Mr. Wallis said Council met with the Jackson Township Rent Control Board and it was an informative meeting. Ms. Markulic and Mayor Palmer have a planned meeting with Mr. DeSimone of Pine Ridge to discuss some solutions.

**Jeanie (inaudible) – 3204 Hilltop Rd.** She was concerned about the poor condition of a stop sign at the shopping center at the Lakehurst Circle. Ms. Markulic said that is not part of Manchester but she would forward the information to the Borough of Lakehurst.

**Jose Batista – 94 Woodchuck Parkway:** Mr. Batista asked for the status on the rent control ordinance. Mr. Wallis said a meeting is scheduled with Mr. DeSimone to go over options.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**#18-115 – RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESETER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2 OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 231, PUBLIC LAWS OF 1975 – (Anticipated Litigation and Contract Negotiations)**

The above Resolution was offered upon a motion at 6:21 p.m. by Mr. Fusaro seconded by Mrs. Brush and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Frattini, Vaccaro, Brush, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

A motion to adjourn executive session at 8:32 p.m. was offered upon a motion by Mr. Wallis seconded by Mr. Vaccaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Frattini, Vaccaro, Brush, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

A motion to reconvene regular session at 8:34 p.m. was offered upon a motion by Mr. Fusaro seconded by Mr. Wallis and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Frattini, Vaccaro, Brush, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further comments or business to come before Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m. upon a motion by Mr. Fusaro seconded by Mrs. Brush and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Frattini, Vaccaro, Brush, Fusaro and Wallis; yea.

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Craig Wallis  
Council President

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Sabina T. Skibo, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

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Date Approved