

**MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP
MEETING MINUTES
October 26, 2020**

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 Teri Giercyk, 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 on all entrances to the Municipal Buildings, on Township Website, and Township Facebook page in accordance with A3850/S2294.”

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

The following roll call was taken by the Deputy Municipal Clerk:

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

The Deputy Municipal Clerk noted for the record that also present were Business Administrator Donna Markulic, Asst. BA James Gant, Mayor Palmer, Township Attorney Martin Lynch, and Asst. Municipal Clerk Jodi Russo.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The regular meeting minutes of October 13, 2020 was offered upon a motion by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Hudak and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Brush, and Fusaro; yea. Mr. Wallis abstain due to absence.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS

#20-388 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$1,161,665.71 was offered by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilwoman Brush and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Brush, Wallis, and Fusaro; yea.

#20-389 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Eastern Service Area in the amount of \$1,038,839.07 was offered by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilwoman Brush and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Brush, Wallis, and Fusaro; yea.

#20-390 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Western Service Area in the amount of \$73,804.81 was offered by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Hudak and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Brush, Wallis, and Fusaro; yea.

ORDINANCES - Second Reading, Public Hearing and Final Action

#20-034 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF LOT 30 IN BLOCK 1.205 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq. (1333 Tenth Avenue)

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

#20-035 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LEASE OF PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS BLOCK 90, LOT 20.02 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO THE KOKES COMMUNITY GARDEN OF MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP 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.

Seeing no 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 Wallis and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Brush, Wallis, and Fusaro; yea.

#20-037 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE OF VACANT LAND KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS BLOCK 62, LOT 14, A/K/A 3576 RIDGEWAY ROAD, MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13

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

RESOLUTIONS:

A. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

A motion was made by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro to remove #20-398 from consent agenda and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Brush, Wallis, and Fusaro; yea.

#20-398 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH 2132 ROUTE 37 WEST, LLC, MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY

Councilman Fusaro asked if any member of Council had any comments on these Resolutions.

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.

A motion was made by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Wallis, and Fusaro; yea. Mrs. Brush, abstain.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brush, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro to remove #20-399 from consent agenda and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Brush, Wallis, and Fusaro; yea.

#20-399 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ESTABLISHING RATES FOR SPECIAL DUTY ASSIGNMENTS FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Councilman Fusaro asked if any member of Council had any comments on these Resolutions.

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.

A motion to table was made by Councilman Hudak, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Brush, Wallis, and Fusaro; yea.
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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.

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Seeing no comments from Council, Councilman Fusaro asked if there were any comments from the public.

Hank Glen, 29 Wycliffe: Mr. Glen inquired about resolution #20-401 regarding the maintenance of the sewer system.

Mr. Fusaro explained that the developers will have to maintain the sewer system.

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

Resolutions #20-391 through #20-397 and #20-400 through #20-406 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Councilman Hudak, seconded by Councilwoman Brush and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Hudak, Vaccaro, Brush, Wallis, and Fusaro; yea.

A. LICENSING

#20-391 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING PRECIOUS GEM LICENSES FOR CRESTWOOD JEWELERS FOR LOCATIONS LOCATED AT 108 LACEY ROAD AND 1009 ROUTE 70

B. PURCHASING

#20-392 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FROM STRYKER MEDICAL AND MOTOROLA UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT AND BERGEN COUNTY COOPERATIVE CONTRACT

#20-393 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING CONTRACT THROUGH STAFFORD TOWNSHIP COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM (ID#33-OCCPS) TO PETROLEUM TRADERS CORPORATION AND RIGGINS, INC

#20-394 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF SIX (6) STRYKER LUCAS 3 CHEST COMPRESSION SYSTEMS FROM STRYKER MEDICAL FOR THE MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES UNDER THE BERGEN COUNTY CO-OP PURCHASING CONTRACT

C. BONDS/ESCROWS

#20-395 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING ESCROW POSTED BY WHITING VILLAGE AT CRESTWOOD BLOCK 102.24 LOT 2 (1 FALMOUTH AVENUE)

#20-396 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING ESCROW POSTED BY MARCY JANORA BLOCK 60.06 LOT 14 (2581 HOLLY HILL ROAD)

#20-397 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING PERFORMANCE BOND AND INSPECTION FEE ESCROW FOR A PROJECT KNOWN AS AUTUMN RIDGE AT MANCHESTER LLC. BLOCK 30, LOT 1.01 & BLOCK 52, LOTS 2 AND 4 (3085 RIDGEWAY ROAD)

D. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

#20-400 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH NAVIGATE 360 FOR TOWNSHIP WIDE TRAINING F. LICENSING

#20-401 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE AND EXECUTION OF DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT WITH MANCHESTER (ROUTE 37) DG, LLC, TRADING AS DOLLAR GENERAL

E. MISCELLANEOUS

#20-402 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OR SALVAGE OF FULL SIZE GUN CLEARING TRAP IN THE POSSESSION OF THE TOWNSHIP AT AUCTION ON GOVDEALS.COM

#20-403 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE DONATION OF A POLICE DIVE EQUIPMENT IN THE POSSESSION OF THE TOWNSHIP

#20-404 - 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

#20-405 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A HUMVEE M998 AMBULANCE RESCUE VEHICLE AND A HUMVEE M998 SOFT SIDED UTILITY VEHICLE FROM THE FEDERAL1033 LESO PROGRAM.

F. MISCELLANEOUS

#20-406 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO FUND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE VEHICLES AND NECESSARY EQUIPMENT

REPORTS:

Mr. Hudak: Mr. Hudak wish the Municipal Clerk Sabina Martin a speedy recovery. He stated that the Master Plan Committee met last week; long process and he will keep everyone updated. Mr. Hudak encouraged everyone to go out of vote.

Mr. Vaccaro: Mr. Vaccaro attended various meetings including the Bi-weekly meeting, Zoning Board meeting, Manchester Coordinating Council meeting; which was the first meeting since February 24th, and he will be attending the Pinelands Municipal Council meeting tomorrow. If the marijuana question fails, he encouraged Council to consider a ban on the growth/distribution/selling of marijuana in Manchester Township. He reminded the public to wear their PPE, wash hands, and continue practicing social distancing. He wished every to be well and stay safe. He was thankful for the opportunity to speak.

Mrs. Brush: Mrs. Brush reminded everyone that Manchester will be having trick or treating on Halloween.

Mr. Wallis: Mr. Wallis thanked Donna and Sam for getting back with answers to his questions this week. He also thanked Ocean County for finishing bridge; it came out good.

Mr. Fusaro: Mr. Fusaro attended a meeting at Town Hall on the 16th with a developer who wanted to build apartments in Whiting, but the area does not permit attached homes. Attended the Master Plan Committee meeting, which will last many months.

Mayor Palmer: Mayor Palmer stated that Halloween Trick or Treating will be 3 pm-8 pm on Saturday. He stated that Lubrano's will be donating 15% to the PTA for takeout dinner specials ordered. There was an Open Space Committee meeting last week, which is important to the Township. The State open space program will reimburse 50% of the appraised of the property.

Mrs. Markulic: No report.

Mr. Gant: No report.

Martin Buckley: No report.

Mrs. Giercyk: Mrs. Giercyk wished Sabina Martin well.

PUBLIC:

Maureen Capuzzo, 994 D Constitution Blvd. Crestwood Village 3: She stated that there is 4 to 5 blocks of homes loaded with mold in her village. There are residents are getting sick and would like to know who she can speak to help with the issue. She had contacted inspector the inspector.

Mr. Fusaro confirmed that Gary examined her home.

Mayor Palmer stated that the buildings belong to a co-op owned by an association, and he asked if she had contacted the board association.

Maureen stated that she had received correspondence from the association co-op that demands her put in a dehumifyer in her basement.

Mayor Palmer recommend the she attend next board meeting, and maybe group together with other residents to hire an outside vendor to examine the issues.

No further public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or business to come before Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:49 p.m. upon a motion by Councilman Hudak seconded by Councilwoman Brush and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Hudak, Brush, Wallis, and Fusaro; yea.

Sam Fusaro
Council President

Teri Giercyk, RMC
Deputy Municipal Clerk

11/9/2020
Date Approved