

**MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP
MEETING MINUTES
March 28, 2022**

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 Sabina T. Martin, 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 James Vaccaro	- present
Councilwoman Michele Zolezi	- 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 Kelsey McGuckin-Anthony, Business Administrator Brandon Umba, Mayor Hudak, Chief Dolan, Capt. Manco, and Deputy Municipal Clerk Teri Giercyk.

PROCLAMATIONS

Library Week April 3-9, 2022 Proclamation read by Mayor Hudak. Erin DeLucia was present to receive the proclamation for the library.

Proclamations for Police Officers Brush, Rickvalsky, Steffen, and Meaney read by Mayor Hudak. Chief Dolan accepted the proclamations for the officers

Vietnam Veterans Day Proclamation read by Mayor Hudak. Several Veterans were present to receive the proclamation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The regular meeting minutes of March 14, 2022 was offered upon a motion by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS

#22-150 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$1,486,065.01 was offered by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

#22-151 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Eastern Service Area in the amount of \$201,852.63 was offered by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

#22-152 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Western Service Area in the amount of \$86,368.35 was offered by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

ORDINANCES - Second Reading, Public Hearing and Final Action

#22-10 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 245, APPENDIX 3 TO AMEND SECTION (B)(9) TO REQUIRE PROOF THAT THE PROPERTY IS FREE FROM ANY OUTSTANDING PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND/OR CODE VIOLATIONS

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 Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

ORDINANCES - First Reading and Introduction

#22-11 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING THE LAND DONATION OF LAND KNOWN AS BLOCK 79, LOT 40, AKA GOODWATER BRANCH, LOCATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER

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

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

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

Resolutions #22-153 through #22-167 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Councilman Fusaro seconded by Councilman Vaccaro

and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

A. MUNICIPAL CLERK

#22-153 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL CLERK TO EXECUTE MULTIPLE NEW JERSEY STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

B. RECREATION

#22-154 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH SEASHORE AMUSEMENTS

#22-155 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH BLUE RAVEN ENTERTAINMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE JULY 27TH, 2022 CONCERT BY "THE BRITISH INVASION YEARS"

#22-156- RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH ULTRA ARTISTS LLC IN CONNECTION WITH THE AUG. 10TH, 2022 CONCERT BY THE "SENSATIONAL SOUL CRUISERS"

#22-157 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH ULTRA ARTISTS LLC IN CONNECTION WITH THE AUG. 24TH, 2022 CONCERT BY "LEGACY BAND"

#22-158 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH MOBILEASE MODULAR SPACE, INC.

#22-159 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH PARADISE ISLAND ENTERTAINMENT

C. PURCHASING

#22-160 - 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

#22-161 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING POLICE EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES CONTRACT PURSUANT TO NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT – DIVISION OF PURCHASE AND PROPERTY NUMBER T0106/17- FLEET-00738s

#22-162 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A REQUIRED DISCLOSURE AWARD TO WATER REMEDIATION TECHNOLOGIES FOR WATER TREATMENT AT HOLLY OAKS

D. BONDS/ESCROWS

#22-163 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING ESCROW POSTED BY TR WENIGER INC FOR A PROJECT KNOWN AS 1025 10 TH AVENUE MANCHESTER (BLOCK 1.208 LOT 34)

E. LEGISLATION

#22-164 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY BILL A-736 AND SENATE BILL S-163

F. FINANCE

#22-165 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REFUNDING A PAYMENT FOR RE- OCCUPANCY INSPECTION TO GARY McCARTHY FOR 17 PINE RIDGE BLVD. BLOCK 89 LOT 11.17

#22-166 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT FUND CALENDAR YEAR 2022

#22-167 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE WATER EAST FUND CALENDAR YEAR 2022

REPORTS:

Mr. Vaccaro: Mr. Vaccaro congratulated Chief Dolan and the Police Department on receiving reaccreditation and congratulated the officers for their life saving event. He reminded the residents to contact the Senior Services Department for assistance with their various programs. Mr. Vaccaro stated that Mayor Hudak, Council and Senior Advisory Committee are hosting a health fair for seniors in association with the Ocean County Health Department. Flyers will be available soon and the dates are April 28, 2022 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Crestwood Village 7 and on May 23, 2022 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Renaissance. The Renaissance location is only available to Renaissance residents. He commented on an Asbury Park Press article regarding electronic vehicle charging station, and stated the Business Administrator will look into any available grants for charging stations. He requested the Economic Development Advisory Committee to consider a primary care facility in Manchester Township. Mr. Vaccaro requested a resolution in support of the people of Ukraine. He stated that the new Manchester School superintendent is hosting two coffee event soon. Mr. Vaccaro stated that the Recreation Department will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt April 10th and registration is required. He reminded the public to continue protecting themselves from COVID. He thanked everyone for the opportunity to speak.

Mr. Fusaro: Mr. Fusaro attended the Manchester Coordinating Council meeting today at Crestwood Village 5 where the Business Administrator spoke for an hour regarding projects in town. He recommended the public attending the Little League opening day event.

Ms. Zolezi: Ms. Zolezi thanked the Police Department for all their work and job well done on the proclamation. She attended the Veteran's Advisory Committee meeting on March 24th and thanked the Veterans' for their service. Ms. Zolezi asked the public to keep the armed forces in our prayers. She commented that the Economic Development Advisory Committee is looking to better the opportunities in town. Ms. Zolezi thanked the Fire Departments, EMS, and all first responders in town, and reminded the public to shop locally.

Mrs. Brush: Mrs. Brush attended the Coffee with a Cop event, and met the owner of the new BBQ restaurant in Whiting, which will be opening very soon. She attended the Manchester Coordinating Council and Veteran's Advisory Committee meeting.

Mayor Hudak: Mayor Hudak congratulated the Police department on receiving reaccreditation and thanked them for their work. He stated that they are working on an ordinance regarding regulations for adult communities and garage pick up. Mayor Hudak mentioned the Memorial Day event coming up and said the local schools are bringing back Flag Day this year. He is also coordinating the local schools for the upcoming Veterans Day ceremony. He stated that the Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting is coming up this week. Mayor Hudak stated that his office is looking into BPU grant program, but it is not clear if we qualify or not. He commented on correspondence his office received regarding the Cathedral of Air; they are in support and will be looking into preserving the building. Mayor Hudak wished everyone happy holiday season, and stated he is very proud of his son and daughter in their recent sporting events.

Brandon Umba: No report

Chief Dolan: Chief Dolan thanked everyone for their support and acknowledge his officers for their work. He stated that they are working on next Coffee with a Cop event.

Mrs. Martin: No Report.

PUBLIC

Bill Schmidt 1A Elden Court Whiting: Read a statement regarding the Cathedral of Air in Manchester Township, which he provided to Mayor and Council. He stated the property is at risk of being sold or leased by the Military to unknown parties that we do not know what they may do with the building. He made a suggestion regarding his history talks to raise money for the historical society. Manchester day booth he would like to attending and talk at the Manchester schools.

Mayor will reach out to the recreation director and the BOE superintendent.

Judy Kuhmichel, 55 Winkle Court, Country Walk: Mrs. Kuhmichel thanked the Council for resolution #22-164 and ask to please keep the public updated.

No further public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

#22-168 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2 OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 231, PUBLIC LAWS OF 1975

A motion to enter into Executive Session at 6:49 p.m. was made by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

The Executive Session was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. upon a motion by Councilwoman Zolezi, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

A motion to reconvene into Regular Session at 7:32 p.m. was made by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilwoman Brush and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or business to come before Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m. upon a motion by Councilwoman Zolezi seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following Roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

Joan Brush
Council Vice President

Sabina T. Martin, RMC
Municipal Clerk

4/11/2022
Date Approved