

**MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP
MEETING MINUTES
April 25, 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	- present
Councilwoman Joan Brush	- present

The Municipal Clerk noted for the record that also present were Township Attorney Kelsey McGuckin-Anthony, Mayor Hudak, Chief Dolan, Capt. Manco, and Deputy Municipal Clerk Teri Giercyk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The regular meeting minutes of April 11, 2022 was offered upon a motion by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilwoman Zolezi and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, Wallis, and Brush; yea

SUBMISSION OF BILLS

#22-184 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$6,353,110.97 was offered by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, Wallis, and Brush; yea

#22-185 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Eastern Service Area in the amount of \$172,745.30 was offered by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, Wallis, and Brush; yea.

#22-186 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Western Service Area in the amount of \$73,624.63 was offered by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, Wallis, and Brush; yea

ORDINANCES - Second Reading, Public Hearing and Final Action

#22-13 - ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022, TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14

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, Wallis, and Brush; yea.

ORDINANCES - First Reading and Introduction

#22-14 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING SECTION 160-11 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER ENTITLED “SUMMER BEACH BADGE FEES”

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

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 #22-187 through #22-202 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Councilman Vaccaro seconded by Councilman Fusaro and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, Wallis, and Brush; yea.

A. FINANCE

#22-187 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDS REQUESTED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR

B. MUNICIPAL CLERK

#22-188 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL CLERK TO EXECUTE TWO NEW JERSEY STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

C. GRANTS

#22-189 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING APPLICATION OF GRANT FUNDING FOR THE MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE FOR YEAR ONE GRANT TERM JULY 1, 2022 – MAY 14, 2023

D. RECREATION

#22-190 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH MUSIC THEATRE INTERNATIONAL

#22-191 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT WITH LA GUARDIA AND ASSOCIATES FOR MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT FOR MANCHESTER TOWNSHIPS CONCERT SERIES

E. PURCHASING

#22-192 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDED PROCUREMENT 22-03 HARRY WRIGHT LAKE ICE CREAM CONCESSION TO DOWN THE SHORE ICE CREAM

#22-193 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDED BID #22-02 ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT – MANCHESTER TOWN HALL AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE

#22-194 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL BILLING SERVICE CC#22-07 TO CORONIS HEALTH RCM LLC

#22-195 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CANCELING CONTRACT FOR THIRD PARTY BILLER DM BILLINGS CC# 20-04

#22-196 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDED BID #22-01 RECYCLING SERVICES TO CENTRAL WASTE AND RECYCLING INC.

F. BONDS/ESCROWS

#22-197 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING A ZONING BOARD ESCROW POSTED BY ROBERT PATUTO, ROSE BUILDERS FOR A PROJECT KNOWN AS BLOCK 1.72 LOT 20 (932 BROADWAY BOULEVARD)

G. APPOINTMENT

#22-198 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING A DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS

H. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

#22-199 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH NEW JERSEY STATE ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE, INC. FOR A PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION

#22-200 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER AND THE COUNTY OF OCEAN FOR FY22 OCEAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

#22-201 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE INSTALLATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF FUTURE ELECTRIC CHARGES FOR A TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE INTERSECTION OF OCEAN COUNTY ROUTE 530 (PINEWALD-KESWICK ROAD) AND CONGASIA ROAD

I. MISCELLANEOUS

#22-202 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF PINE LAKE FOR A POLICE DEPARTMENT FISHING DERBY

REPORTS:

Mr. Vaccaro: Mr. Vaccaro attended the Senior Advisory meeting, and mentioned the upcoming Coffee with a Cop event on 4/27 from 11 am to 1 pm at the Quick Chek. He reminded the public about the health fair for seniors. Flyers are available 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 stated that they are working on more additional dates. Mr. Vaccaro reminded the residents to contact the Senior Services Department for assistance with their various programs. He stated that he understands that many residents are not in agreement with the concept of electric vehicles and that there are many questions that still need to be answered. Mr. Vaccaro stated that we must begin now to install high speed charging stations and they must be included in the master plan. He asked that the the ten-year energy plan include the use of energy efficient methods such as solar use, geothermal, electric cars, and charging stations. He asked if we received an answer from the BPU regarding if Manchester is eligible for any of the grant funds. Mr. Vaccaro recommended that the Township aggressively seek to attract a primary care facility in Manchester Township. He reminded the public to continue protecting themselves from COVID and other viruses. Mr. Vaccaro requested a resolution in support of the people of Ukraine. He thanked everyone for the opportunity to speak.

Mr. Wallis: Mr. Wallis attended an event where Ben Carson was the speaker. It was a great event and he was a great speaker.

Mr. Fusaro: Mr. Fusaro attended Manchester Coordinating Council meeting and a Pinelands Commission representative gave a very thorough review of the Pinelands; it was very interesting. At the meeting, Council President and he provided information on what is going on at Town Hall. He stated that the Tax Assessor sent out information regarding open space and he mentioned some highlights for the public.

Ms. Zolezi: Ms. Zolezi commented on Earth Day, and stated seedlings were available at Town Hall. She thanked the Veterans for their service and suggested them to look on our website for discounts.

Mrs. Brush: Mrs. Brush stated that there will be a free rabies clinic on May 21st and information is available on the website.

Mayor Hudak: Mayor Hudak mentioned the health clinic on Thursday. He stated that they are preparing an electronic vehicle ordinance to address Mr. Vaccaro's comments.

Chief Dolan: Chief Dolan mentioned the coffee with a cop event this week, and asked the residents to please stop by and voice any concerns.

Sabina Martin: Mrs. Martin stated that the Business Administrator is not here today due to a death in the family.

PUBLIC

Judy Noonan, 25A Stoneybrook: Mrs. Noonan asked about the status of the Comcast renewal, and stated that the homeowners' association is having an issue with JCP&L and a pole with a light out. This has been going on for two years and she asked for some assistance. She asked Chief Dolan about dispatch and what they see when someone calls 911. Mrs. Noonan mentioned a County program and asked if Chief Dolan had any more pamphlets for the public.

Mayor Hudak asked Mrs. Noonan to give his office the information and they will reach out to JCP&L.

Chief Dolan stated that the program with the County is good and he encourages the residents to sign up. In the past the database available to the PD was only accessible to Manchester, the new program will be more accessible across the county. He will have more pamphlets available for the summer events.

Judy Kuhmichel, Country Walk: Mrs. Kuhmichel stated that there will be a publication in the Crestwood Sun regarding the program.

No further public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or business to come before Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m. upon a motion by Councilwoman Vaccaro seconded by Councilman Fusaro and approved by the following Roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, Wallis, and Brush; yea.

Joan Brush
Council Vice President

Sabina T. Martin, RMC
Municipal Clerk

5/9/2022
Date Approved