

**MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP
MEETING MINUTES
June 27, 2022**

The meeting of the Manchester Township Council was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Councilwoman Joan Brush. 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 in the lobby of the Municipal Building.”

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

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

Councilman James Vaccaro	- present
Councilwoman Michele Zolezi	- present
Councilman Sam Fusaro	- absent for 5 p.m. Closed Session, called in at 6:03 p.m.
Councilman Craig Wallis	- absent
Councilwoman Joan Brush	- present

The Deputy Municipal Clerk noted for the record that also present were Township Attorney Kelsey McGuckin-Anthony, Business Administrator Brandon Umba, Mayor Hudak, and Capt. Manco.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

#22-264 - 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 5:06 p.m. was made by Councilwoman Zolezi, seconded by Councilwoman Brush and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

The Executive Session was adjourned at 5:53 p.m. upon a motion by Councilwoman Brush, seconded by Councilwoman Zolezi and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

A motion to reconvene into Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. was made by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilwoman Zolezi and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

Councilman Fusaro joined the regular meeting at 6:03 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The regular meeting minutes and executive session minutes of June 13, 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, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS

#22-265 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of \$265,892.54 was offered by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilwoman Zolezi and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Ms. Zolezi abstain from check # 68977 in the amount of \$704.85 but otherwise yes. Mr. Wallis, absent.

#22-266 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Eastern Service Area in the amount of \$226,009.11 was offered by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilwoman Zolezi and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

#22-267 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Western Service Area in the amount of \$34,604.77 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

#22-19 - BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2022 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE "TOWNSHIP"); APPROPRIATING \$2,650,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,523,804 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COSTS THEREOF

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.

Hank Glen, 29 Wycliffe: Mr. Glen inquired about the allotment of over \$900,000.00 and does it include resolution #22-275 regarding the purchase of two ambulances.

Brandon Umba explained that a certain portion of the money would be used to outfit the ambulances including lift assist stretchers and other items. He stated that it is an estimate and any remaining money be cancelled and then will go back into capital reserve.

Seeing no further 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 Councilwoman Zolezi and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Wallis, absent.

ORDINANCES - First Reading and Introduction

#22-20 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 179 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED FIRE PREVENTION

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

Councilman Fusaro left the meeting at 6:11 p.m.

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 #22-268 through #22-276 were considered routine by the Manchester Township Council and were enacted by one motion offered by Councilman Vaccaro seconded by Councilwoman Zolezi and adopted by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, and Brush; yea. Mr. Fusaro and Mr. Wallis, absent.

A. LICENSING

#22-268 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING RENEWAL OF PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSES

#22-269 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING RENEWAL OF PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSES

B. RECREATION

#22-270 - 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 THE BEASLEY MEDIA GROUP, LLC. OWNER AND OPERATOR OF RADIO STATION WJRZ-FM

C. APPOINTMENT

#22-271 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE COORDINATOR

D. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

#22-272 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC.

E. PURCHASING

#22-258 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SUPPORTING THE COUNTY OF OCEAN TO INSTALL A TRAFFIC LIGHT AT BEACON STREET AND COUNTY ROUTE 571

#22-259 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING RESOLUTION #22-240, REQUESTING THE MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD TO DETERMINE WHETHER BLOCK 62, LOTS 30 & 31.01 (VOLANTE ROAD & SECONDARY ACCESS ROAD) IS AN AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq

F. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

#22-273 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE PROCUREMENT OF THE PROPERTY TAX REWARDS PROGRAM AS PART OF THE MANCHESTER SHOP LOCAL CAMPAIGN CONCESSION THROUGH THE COMPETITIVE CONTRACT PROCESS

#22-274 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CHANGE ORDER #1 TO THE CONTRACT WITH UNI-TECH DRILLING COMPANY, FOR REDRILL OF WESTERN WATER UTILITY WELL NO. 5 FOR ADDITIONAL WORK DUE TO SINKHOLE

#22-275 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO BLAZE EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT THROUGH HOUSTON GALVESTON AREA COOPERATIVE (HGAC) NATIONAL COOPERATIVE CONTRACT #AM-10-20 FOR AMBULANCES

#22-276 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE ASPHALT PAVEMENT, MILLING SERVICES, TACK OIL, AND TACK TRUCK SERVICES FOR PAVING OF VARIOUS TOWNSHIP ROADWAYS

PUBLIC

Judy Noonan, 25A Stoneybrook: Ms. Noonan stated her support of Senate Bill 2103. She stated that she has concerns with the bill for buying in the senior communities. Brandon Umba stated that Assembly Bill A1294 has not been decided yet. She brought up the topic of televising the Council meetings again. Mrs. Noonan inquired about the OEM Director position. She commented on the Surf and Stream Campground.

Bill Schmidt, Whiting: Mr. Schmidt commented on the Cathedral of the Air and submitted paperwork to Mayor and Council. He is concerned about the commercial roadway that is being built 20 feet away from the Cathedral.

Brandon explains that it is not on the historic registry and he will look into it.

No further comments from the public.

REPORTS:

Mr. Vaccaro: Mr. Vaccaro attended the Senior Advisory Meeting with Mayor Hudak on June 14th. In June the Senior Serviced department participated in the NJ Farmers Market Voucher Program, this program allows \$30 in vouchers to eligible seniors. This can be used to buy NJ grown fruit and vegetable at local farm markets. June 15, 2022 He attended Renaissance Men’s club general meeting, that acting director of Senior Services was a guest speaker, and spoke about the entire program available to residents and veterans. On June 25th he attended Manchester Day and thanked Tracey Lunch and her staff, Manchester PD, EMS, Fire Departments, and DPW and all volunteers for making this a successful experience. Mr. Vaccaro stated that he did not make the opening ceremonies due to a death in the family but was sure to attend the afternoon session.

Ms. Zolezi: Ms. Zolezi congratulated all the Manchester graduates of the Manchester Township School District. She reminded the public that summer is here and please exercise caution, abide by the rules and regulations of our parks, and our lakes this summer. Ms. Zolezi June 25, 2022 attended an Eagle Scout Ceremony with Mayor Hudak, Police Chief Dolan and June 25th and congratulated the recipient Michael Hudak. She attended Manchester Day and thanked everyone who participated and thanked Recreation, Building and Grounds, Emergency Services, Police, and Fire Departments. Ms. Zolezi wished the public a happy 4th of July and to stay safe. Lastly, she reminded the public that the next Planning Board meeting will be held on Tuesday July 5th.

Mrs. Brush: Mrs. Brush attended the awards ceremony for the seniors getting scholarships and she was amazed on the amount of scholarships that were available. She commented that Manchester Day was well attended and it was a great day for food vendors, and they plan to return in the upcoming years. She thanked Tracey for a great job and stated that the Fireworks were awesome.

Mayor Hudak: Mayor Hudak stated that Manchester Day was a huge success, thank you to everyone. He attended the High School awards ceremony, which was a great event. Mayor Hudak stated that the Forest Fire is now 100% contained. He commented that he sent a letter to the County regarding the intersection at Commonwealth Blvd. and Northampton. Mayor Hudak wished everyone a safe 4th of July.

Mr. Umba: Mr. Umba gave a brief update on the cell tower in Whiting, AT&T start installation in 45-60 days based on a letter dated June 15, 2022. Only update for Verizon he had was that they would remain the anchor tenant. We are still reviewing the legal prospect for bringing more carriers to increase the cell reception to the area.

Capt. Vincent Manco: Capt. Manco commented that the Police Department will be hosting Coffee with a Cop in July, and they are going to do Pizza with the Police as well. He commented that Manchester Day was well attended and Graduation Ceremony went well. Lastly, Capt. Manco stated that the Police Department just finishes promotional testing for position of Sergeant and they have ten highly qualified individuals.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or business to come before Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m. upon a motion by Councilman Vaccaro seconded by Councilwoman Zolezi and approved by the following Roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, and Brush; yea. Mr. Fusaro and Mr. Wallis, absent.

Joan Brush
Council President

Teri Giercyk, RMC/CMC
Deputy Municipal Clerk

7/25/2022
Date Approved