MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP
MEETING MINUTES
December 19, 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, Business Administrator Brandon Umba, and Lt. Manco, CMFO Diane Lapp, Director of EMS Bobby Baran, and Tax Assessor Martin Lynch.

PRESENTATION
Certification of Appreciation presented to Blanche Doran by Business Administrator Brandon Umba.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The regular meeting minutes of November 28, 2022 was offered upon a motion by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilwoman Zolezi and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Zolezi, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Mr. Vaccaro and Mr. Wallis, abstain due to absence.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS
#22-466 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of $7,808,558.12 was offered by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilwoman Zolezi and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, and Brush; yea. Ms. Zolezi abstain from check #70181 in the amount of $1,245.67. Mr. Wallis, abstain.

#22-467 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Eastern Service Area in the amount of $540,377.29 was offered by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilman Wallis and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, Wallis, and Brush; yea.

#22-468 – Authorizing payment of bills from the Western Service Area in the amount of $76,343.72 was offered 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 #22-469 through #22-489 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

#22-469 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES AS TO BLOCK 100.02, LOT 87 FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

#22-470 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES AS TO BLOCK 38.08, LOT 214.01 FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

#22-471 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES AS TO BLOCK 1.59, LOT 10 FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

#22-472 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES AS TO BLOCK 75, LOT 85 FOR A WIDOW OF A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

#22-473 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES AS TO BLOCK 38.23, LOT 432.01 FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

#22-474 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES AS TO BLOCK 75, LOT 90 FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

#22-475 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDS REQUESTED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR

#22-476 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDS REQUESTED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR

#22-477- 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 2022 CALENDAR YEAR BUDGET

#22-478 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN UNEXPENDED BALANCES OF CY 2022 UTILITY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

B. LICENSING

#22-479 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING FAMILY MOBILE HOME PARK LICENSES FOR THE YEAR 2023 FOR PINE RIDGE AT CRESTWOOD, PINE RIDGE SOUTH, COLONIAL MOBILE HOME COURT, PINE ACRES MANOR, AND RIDGEWAY COMMUNITY GARDEN HOMES

C. GRANTS

#22-481 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT AWARD THROUGH THE OFFICE OF SENIOR SERVICES

#22-480 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT AWARD THROUGH THE OFFICE OF SENIOR SERVICES

D. BONDS/ESCROWS

#22-482 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING PERFORMANCE BOND AND CASH ESCROW FOR A DEVELOPER KNOWN AS WHITING STORAGE URBAN RENEWAL LLC, PENDING THE POSTING OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR BLOCK 102 LOT 2
(2121 LAKE ROAD)

#22-483 - RESOLUTION OF THE MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING FINAL PAYMENT, CHANGE ORDER NO. 1, RELEASE OF THE PERFORMANCE BOND, AND ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE BOND FOR THE 1.5 MG ELEVATED WATER TANK PROJECT

#22-484 - RESOLUTION OF THE MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING FINAL PAYMENT, CHANGE ORDER NO. 1, RELEASE OF THE PERFORMANCE BOND PENDING ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE BOND FOR THE PINE LAKE PARK DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

E. MISCELLANEOUS

#22-485 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DECLARING THE GYPSY MOTH TO BE A PUBLIC NUISANCE

F. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

#22-486 - 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 FY2023 FOR CHILD PASSENGER RESTRAINT PROGRAM

#22-487 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER AND THE LEADSONLINE LLC ("LEADS")

G. MUNICIPAL CLERK

#22-488 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, EXTENDING THE TIME FRAME FOR A BACKGROUND EVALUATION ON THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER OF ONE (1) PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSE

H. APPOINTMENT

#22-489 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT AND APPOINTING TERI GIERCYK TO THE OFFICE OF MUNICIPAL CLERK WITH IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:9-133

REPORTS:

Mrs. Brush: Mrs. Brush thanked everyone for the past six years, and said she is ready to move on**.** She went to lunch with the Veterans last week, and thanked them for their service. Mrs. Brush stated that she shopped for Kevin's Kids and the donations from the Township residents were overwhelming. She wished everyone a happy holiday and a healthy new year.

Mr. Wallis: Mr. Wallis stated that over his 16 ½ years on Council and he has worked with great staff at Town Hall and considers himself lucky to serve for this long. He wished everyone the best in the future.

Mr. Vaccaro: Mr. Vaccaro attended various meetings. He thanked the Township staff for their work with the Christmas tree lighting event. Mr. Vaccaro discussed the pamphlet about a healthcare village and having one located in Manchester. He thanked administration for the weekly Covid testing at Town Hall. Mr. Vaccaro recognized and thanked Mrs. Brush and Mr. Wallis for their service to the Township. He wished everyone a happy holiday and healthy new year, and thanked everyone for the time allotted for him to speak.

Ms. Zolezi: Ms. Zolezi attended a Veterans lunch, thanked the Veterans for their service and wished everyone a happy holiday. She thanked our first responders and reminded the public to please check on your neighbors during the holiday season. Ms. Zolezi discussed Councilman Wallis and Councilwoman Brush's achievements, wished them well, and thanked them for their dedication to the town. She thanked Councilman Vaccaro and Councilman Fusaro and stated that she is looking forward to working with them next year. Ms. Zolezi thanked Mayor Hudak for his work and dedication to the town, and lastly she thanked Sabina Martin for all she has done for the town.

Mr. Fusaro: Mr. Fusaro announced that he has had new house built for him on the Barnegat Bay. He stated that this was 27th year and he thanked the residents for their support.

Brandon Umba: Mr. Umba stated that there will be an advertisement for board appointments in the Manchester times and on the website.

Sabina Martin: Mrs. Martin stated that she has worked with 19 Councilmembers and they have been friends not just Councilmembers. She stated that she will miss them all and wished them all well.

Mayor Hudak: Mayor Hudak stated that Councilman Wallis and Councilwoman Brush and everyone have always done the best for the town, and he wished the new administration good luck. He thanked Sabina Martin, Brandon Umba, Kelsey McGuckin-Anthony and Congratulated Teri Giercyk on her appointment. He wished everyone a happy holiday, and a healthy new year.

PUBLIC

Edward Lynch: Mr. Lynch congratulated Brandon Umba on his upcoming marriage.

Judy Noonan 25A Stoneybrook: Mrs. Noonan thanked Sabina Martin, Councilman Wallis, Councilwoman Brush, and Mayor Hudak. She inquired about the rental rates for seniors to use the ballfields, and roadwork on Congasia. She wished everyone a merry Christmas and a happy new year. Mrs. Noonan stated that she is proud of Brandon Umba, he stood up in Trenton and he did an excellent job speaking about education.

Brandon Umba: Mr. Umba discussed the reimbursement for ball fields and the work at Congasia. He stated that there is a requirement of 72 hours' notice before any work, but the County did not do that this time.

Frank Camposano, 57 Woodview Drive: Mr. Camposano stated that Mr. Fusaro has been the most knowledgeable person and always looking out for Manchester all these years. He thanked him for his work on Council and wished everyone a happy holiday and New Year.

No further public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

#22-490 - 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 6:55 p.m. was made by Councilman Fusaro, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Fusaro, Wallis, and Brush; yea.

The Executive Session was adjourned at 7:36 p.m. upon a motion by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilwoman Zolezi and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Wallis, and Brush; yea. Mr. Fusaro, absent.

A motion to reconvene into Regular Session at 7:41 p.m. was made by Councilwoman Zolezi, seconded by Councilwoman Brush and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Wallis, and Brush; yea. Mr. Fusaro, absent.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or business to come before Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m. upon a motion by Councilwoman Brush, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following Roll call vote: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Zolezi, Wallis, and Brush; yea. Mr. Fusaro, absent.

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Joan Brush
Council President

Sabina T. Martin, RMC
Municipal Clerk

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Date Approved