MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
October 19, 2026

The meeting of the Manchester Township Council was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Council President Michele Zolezi. The following statement was read by Teri Giercyk, Municipal Clerk:

STATEMENT: This Special Meeting was called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. Notices of this meeting was posted on the Township Website on October 6, 2026. In addition, copies of notices were posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk on aforementioned date. Notices on the bulletin board and entrances to the municipal building have remained continuously posted.

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 on the Township website on October 6, 2026 and was posted in the lobby of the municipal building.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

The following roll call was taken by the Municipal Clerk:

Councilwoman Sandy Drake	- present
Councilman James A. Vaccaro, Sr.	- present
Councilman Craig Wallis	- present
Councilwoman Judith Noonan	- absent
Councilwoman Michele Zolezi	- present

Also present were Business Administrator Carl Block, Mayor Joseph Hankins, and CMFO Jeanette Larrison.

BUDGET
#26-456 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING THE 2026 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Please note the budget amendment was read in full at the previous October 14th 2026 meeting by the Municipal Clerk and Deputy Municipal Clerk Shannon DiFrancia.

Council President Zolezi asked if any member of Council had any comments on this item. Seeing no comments from Council, Council President Zolezi asked if there were any comments from the public.

Seeing no public present to comment from public, motion was made by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilwoman Drake and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Drake, Vaccaro, Wallis, and Zolezi; yea. Absent: Noonan.

BUDGET ADOPTION
#26-457 - RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RESCINDING BUDGET RESOLUTION #26-258

Council President Zolezi asked if any member of Council had any comments on this resolution. Seeing no comments from Council, Council President Zolezi asked if there were any comments from the public.

Seeing no public present to comment from public, motion was made by Councilman Wallis, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Drake, Vaccaro, Wallis, and Zolezi; yea. Absent: Noonan.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS
#26-458 - Authorizing payment of bills from the Current Fund in the amount of $111,660.00 was offered by Councilwoman Drake seconded by Councilman Vaccaro and approved by the following roll call vote: Councilmembers Drake, Vaccaro, Wallis, and Zolezi; yea. Absent: Noonan.

ORDINANCES – First Reading & Introduction
#26-51 - BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL EQUIPMENT, APPROPRIATING $5,257,327 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $4,847,500 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Council President Zolezi asked if any member of Council had any comments on this ordinance.

Seeing no comments from Council. Councilwoman Drake made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Vaccaro. Roll Call: Councilmembers Vaccaro, Wallis, and Zolezi; yea. Absent: Noonan. Please note this ordinance will have a 2nd reading on November 9, 2026.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Seeing no public present for comment Council President asked for a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments or business to come before Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 5:07 p.m. upon a motion by Councilman Vaccaro, seconded by Councilwoman Drake and approved by the following Roll call vote: Councilmembers Drake, Vaccaro, Wallis, and Zolezi; yea. Absent: Noonan.

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Michele Zolezi
Council President

Teri Giercyk, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk

10/26/2026____
Date Approved