

Township of Mantua
Minutes
Meeting April 17, 2017
Mantua Township Municipal Building
6:00 P.M.

On the above date the Township Committee of the Township of Mantua held its Regular Meeting in the Mantua Township Municipal Building, 401 Main Street, Mantua, New Jersey 08051.

Mayor Scirrotto called the meeting to order. The time was 6:00 p.m. Mayor Scirrotto asked everyone to rise for the Flag Salute and remain standing to observe a moment of silence.

Mayor Scirrotto delivered the Sunshine Notice as required by the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

Mayor Scirrotto called on Township Deputy Clerk Pamela LeVine to call roll. Present were Deputy Mayor Robert Zimmerman, Mr. Michael Silvanio, Mayor Pete Scirrotto, Mrs. Jennica Bileci, Township Administrator, James Pierson, Esq., Chief Sawyer

Resident Jane Rhynard did a short presentation on a free phone application called "Literati" which she felt might be useful in controlling the litter that is around town as well as educating the residents on littering.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve April 17, 2017 - Deputy Mayor Zimmerman, 2nd Committeeman Silvanio. All in favor

Mayor Scirrotto reminded everyone about Resolution R-31-2017, that there is a time limit of five (5) minutes per person.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a Motion to open to the Public, 2nd by Committeeman Silvanio

Ken Defay – 456 Pitman Road – Mr. Defay inquired if the Township has given anymore thought about using chippers for the brush. Mayor Scirrotto responded that the Township is using the chipper for the smaller amounts of brush and that the crane can pick up more brush with using less man power. Mayor Scirrotto also noted that the Township is looking into burning the brush rather than disposing of it at outside sources. Mr. Defay then inquired on a variety of bills from the bill list at which time Administrator Bileci advised she would get him more detailed information on the bills in question.

Patricia Digregorio – 119 Pendragon Way – Ms. Digregorio had a variety of issues regarding the Villages of Berkley and asked that the Township get involved since she has been receiving notices from the HOA. Chief Sawyer advised her that she should come and see him to further discuss these matters rather than take them into her own hands.

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a Motion to Close to the Public, 2nd by Committeeman Silvanio. There was no public participation.

ORDINANCE 4-2017: ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 291 “PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS”, SECTION 7 “GROUP ACTIVITIES” TO ESTABLISH RENTAL FEES FOR THE USE OF THE PAVILION IN CHESTNUT BRANCH PARK

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a Motion to open to the Public, 2nd by Committeeman Silvanio

Maggie Felton – 38 Woodstream Ct. – Ms. Felton voiced her concern that there are many people who use the pavilion on a daily basis and was concerned how anyone would know if they have rented the space out or not. Administrator Bileci noted that the rental fees are for parties and/or a block of time and that the Township will have people patrolling at the park to monitor this once takes effect. In addition, Deputy Mayor Zimmerman advised that this is more for the out of towners that use the pavilion. The Township has done quite an extensive amount of renovations to the park and this would help to offset some of those costs.

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a Motion to Close to the Public, 2nd by Committeeman Silvanio. There was no public participation.

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a Motion to Adopt 2nd by Committeeman Silvanio
All were in favor.

ORDINANCE 5-2017: AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a Motion to open to the Public, 2nd by Committeeman Silvanio

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Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a Motion to Adopt 2nd by Committeeman Silvanio
All were in favor.

RESOLUTION R-69-2017: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING TAX AND PREMIUM REFUNDS

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a Motion to Adopt 2nd by Committeeman Silvanio
All were in favor

RESOLUTION R-70-2017: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF CHAPTER 291-13, SECTION A, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA PROHIBITING ANIMALS TO BE HARBORED OR BROUGHT INTO THE CHESTNUT BRANCH PARK FOR A ONE-DAY COMMUNITY EVENT TO BE HELD MAY 21, 2017

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a Motion to Adopt 2nd by Committeeman Silvanio
All were in favor

RESOLUTION R-71-2017: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA DESIGNATING ANCIENT ORANGE LLC AS CONDITIONAL REDEVELOPER OF THE TOWNSHIP PROPERTY LOCATED AT BLOCK 242 LOTS 1.01, 2 FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE BRANCH ROAD PARTNERS/LEDDEN PROPERTY WITHIN THE INVERSAND COMPANY/BRANCH ROAD PARTNERS REDEVELOPMENT AREA PURSUANT TO THE ADOPTED REDEVELOPMENT PLAN

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a Motion to Adopt 2nd by Committeeman Silvanio
All were in favor

RESOLUTION R-72-2017: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP TO ENTER INTO A TELECOMMUNICATIONS AUDIT AGREEMENT WITH SPYGLASS GROUP, LLC

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a Motion to Adopt 2nd by Committeeman Silvanio
All were in favor

RESOLUTION R-73-2017: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA APPOINTING JENNICA BILECI AS MUNICIPAL CLERK AND DEPUTY REGISTRAR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a Motion to Adopt 2nd by Committeeman Silvanio
All were in favor

RESOLUTION R-74-2017: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE ADOPTING A FORM TO BE REQUIRED TO BE USED FOR THE FILING OF NOTICES OF TORT CLAIM AGAINST THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISION OF THE NEW JERSEY TORT CLAIMS ACT N.J.S.A.59:8-6

Township Committee Remarks:

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman reminded everyone about the upcoming Senior Citizen Prom that will be held on April 21, 2017 at the Clearview Middle School at 6:00 p.m. as well as the Public Works area will be open for bulk trash drop off as well as oil waste day on April 22, 2017 from 10-2.

Administrator Bileci added that the shredding event will be this Saturday, April 22, 2017 at the municipal building and that the Spring/Summer Newsletter is in the works.

Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to pay the bills; 2nd by Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made
All were in favor

Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to adjourn; 2nd by Deputy Mayor Zimmerman. All were
in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela LeVine, Deputy Clerk