

Township of Mantua
Agenda
Meeting April 18, 2016
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 7:00 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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve April 4, 2016 - Deputy Mayor Zimmerman, 2nd Committeeman Silvanio. All were in favor.

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 about several bills, Home Depot, R.E. Pierson, Napa as well as Be Safe. Deputy Mayor Zimmerman advised him that Home Depot expenses was an expense that was reimbursed by the County for the 9/11 event, R.E. Pierson manufacturers its own cold patch to repair the road and Be Safe is the Township alarm system.

Gregory Shast – 39 Silver Creek Drive – Mr. Shast inquired about the intersection of Mt Royal Road and Route 45 and what if anything would be done to repair it and widen it, Mayor Scirrotto advised that the county engineer has reached out to the state as they will be paving Route 45 from Woodstown all the way through Mantua if something could be done. Mayor Scirrotto advised that they weren't successful at first but they have contacted them again and they are going to look into it.

Motion to Close: Deputy Mayor Zimmerman, 2nd Committeeman Silvanio
All were in favor.

ORDINANCE 4-2016: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA , CHAPTER 82 FIXING AND ESTABLISHING SALARIES AND COMPENSATIONS OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA, IN THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2016

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to open to the public, 2nd by Committeeman Silvanio. All were in favor.

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to close to the public, 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All were in favor.

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to adopt, 2nd by Committeeman Silvanio. All were in favor.

2016 Budget Presentation was given by Administrator Bileci.

Administrator Bileci advised that the Township Budget, as presented tonight for public hearing, meets all statutory requirements and provides services at levels which are necessary for the efficient operation of a municipal government.

She thanked the Department Heads for their efforts in continuing to insure that we will deliver cost effective services to our residents. She advised that the 2016 budget will continue to face the same challenges while balancing the same level of services that the residents expect. Mrs. Bileci advised that the priorities for the Administration is to maintain excellent municipal programs and services offered by the Township, continue to think of long term decisions that can be made that will decrease future expenditures or increase revenue and continue to press the need for a long term capital and infrastructure budget.

She reviewed the 2015-2016 accomplishments of the Township and noted that the following were completed: Entered into a New Shared Service with Rowan University for the Fossil Park – Revenue of \$40,000, New Shared Service with Wenonah and Woodbury Heights for the Joint Municipal Court, Hired SLEO II officers to offset Overtime Costs, Successful Enactment of the Abandoned Property Registration Ordinance – Generated \$61k in 2015 and \$96K in 2016, Purchased a New Senior Bus with a matching grant from the County , Paved Monmouth, Salem, Burlington, Bergen Roads , Completed the Heritage Rd Underdrain Project , Purchased (2) New Trash Trucks , Replaced gutters at the Senior Building / Historical Museum , Chestnut Branch Park restriping and sealcoating of the parking lot, Installed new vinyl fencing at Chestnut Branch Park

She advised that the Total Budget is \$13,564,304.50 which is an increase of \$212k more than 2015 due to contractual increases and Health Insurance increases. She reviewed the revenues and expenditure increases/decreases for the year.

She discussed the 2016 Capital budget and advised that the Township will be committing to a comprehensive capital program that addresses all areas of the Township's needs including: Roads, Departmental capital needs, fleet replacement, infrastructure, and park improvements. The total capital program for this year is \$764,000.00

She explained that his year's Local Purpose Tax will increase by 2.5 cents which is approximately \$46.17 for the average homeowner.

RESOLUTION R-60-2016: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING THE BUDGET TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was seconded by Committeeman Silvanio. All were in Favor

RESOLUTION R-55-2016: RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2016 MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was seconded by Committeeman Silvanio. All were in Favor

RESOLUTION R-61-2016: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING TAX AND PREMIUM REFUNDS

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was seconded by Committeeman Silvanio. All were in Favor

RESOLUTION R-62-2016: 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 14, 2016

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was seconded by Committeeman Silvanio. All were in Favor

RESOLUTION R-63-2016: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA APPROVING A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AND THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER FOR WEED CONTROL SERVICES

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was seconded by Committeeman Silvanio. All were in Favor

RESOLUTION R-64-2016: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH CAPITOL BEVERAGE SERVICE INC. FOR VENDING EQUIPMENT AT CHESTNUT BRANCH PARK

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was seconded by Committeeman Silvanio. All were in Favor

Approval of the Bill List:

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve the bills; it was seconded by Committeeman Silvanio. All were in Favor

Township Committee Remarks:

Committeewomen Lukens, Committeeman Legge and Committeeman Silvanio all congratulated Pam LeVine on her Citizen of the Year award that was presented this past Saturday at an event at the VFW. Committeeman Silvanio also advised that the Historical Commission would be having an essay writing contest with the students at J. Mason Tomlin and they would like to present them at the June 6, 2016 committee meeting. Deputy Mayor Zimmerman also congratulated Pam LeVine for her award and

advised everyone that she does a lot for the community as well as here at the Township. In addition he advised everyone that on May 14, 2016 there will be the annual Community Yard sale as well as the Bark in the Park.

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to adjourn; it was seconded by Committeeman Silvanio. All were in Favor

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela LeVine, Deputy Clerk