

**Township of Mantua  
Committee Meeting Minutes  
Meeting March 21, 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 March 21 2016 - Deputy Mayor Zimmerman, 2<sup>nd</sup> Committeeman Silvanio. All were in favor.

**Engineering Report:** Mr. Bryson advised that we have received the bids for the Country Garden Landscaping. The lowest bidder was Colonial Land Design. Colonial Land Design has provided their signed contract and performance bond which has been approved by the Solicitor. Mr. Bryson advised that the Municipal aid projects are closing out and all items will be completed within the next 30 days. Mayor Scirrotto inquired about the local road program. Mr. Bryson advised that he had received the list of roads and that within the next week or so he would be able to prepare a cost estimate.

**Department of Public Works :** Mike Datz advised that Public Works is starting a Bulk week and that the mechanics are preparing all the mowers and sweeper for the spring season. In addition, he advised that there is still a lot of brush out within the Township as we had this past storm that included a lot of wind. Mayor Scirrotto inquired about any power outages and damage. Mr. Datz responded that there wasn't any damage that he had heard of and that the power outages had all come back on.

**Police Department Report: Chief Rodney Sawyer:** Chief Sawyer advised the Committee that the Police Department in conjunction with the he Fire Departments along with Cooper Trauma and the NJDHTS continue to hold their monthly child safety seat installation the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month at the Sewell Fire house. In addition the Chief also advised the Police Department has been approved for a grant to purchase body worn cameras. At this time the Chief advised that they are in need of a new ALCO system. The Chief advised that he is still determining how to fund this expenditure. The Police Department has hired 3 SLEO I's which began the academy. Chief Sawyer advised that the SLEO I's will be used for park patrol, community events, parades as well as the park during the winter months and the court on court days. Chief Sawyer advised that K-9 Bane and Ptl Kyle Riepen have gone onto scent training and should be

completing that sometime in April. In addition the Chief advised that he has had a conversation with NJDOT regarding the Tylers Mill Road railroad crossing. NJDOT advised that this is on the 2016 Conrail list of things to do but no specific date and/or time frame as to when this will begin. Deputy Mayor Zimmerman inquired as to whether the Chief would please get in touch with Atlantic City Electric in order to push them along with the lighting situation at the park. This is now safety issue and the matter needs to be addressed. In addition, he asked the Chief to ensure that the lighting stands be put on each evening.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to open to the public, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Committeeman Silvanio.

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman advised the public that the Township at it's reorganization adopted Resolution R-31-2016 which is part of the Roberts Rules and that anyone wishing to address the committee must state his or her name and address, and that they are limited to a five minute time limit to address Committee.

Ken Defay – 456 Pitman Road – Mr. Defay inquired about the Superbox that the Historical Society has and when it will be emptied. Administrator Bileci advised him that they are working on it, however these members are volunteers and they have not finished it to date. Mr. Defay also inquired about the street cleaner at which time Mr. Datz advised that is in the process of being repaired as they haven't had to do any major work to this piece of equipment since 2008. Mr. Defay also inquired about what the gas power washer was for, at which time Mr. Datz advised it was to keep the mechanics shop clean as well as clean the trash truck and other equipment.

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

### **ORDINANCE 2-2016: AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK - ADOPTION**

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

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

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

### **ORDINANCE 3-2016: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA ESTABLISHING NO OVERNIGHT PARKING ZONES ALONG COUNTY ROUTE 678 (MT. ROYAL ROAD) - ADOPTION**

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

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

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

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

RESOLUTION R-57-2016:A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN FOR BLOCK 46.02 LOT 54 KNOWN ON THE TAX MAP AS 20 ARENA STREET, FOR THE SECOND QUARTER, MAY 2016 TAXES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,405.71

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

RESOLUTION R-58-2016: 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-59-2016: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS FY 2013 RESURFACING AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS TO TYLERS MILL ROAD IN THE DECREASED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$2,805.80

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:**

Committeeman Silvanio advised Mr. Defay that per the minutes of the last Historical meeting the super box was in the midst of being cleaned out and should be emptied by the end of April weather permitting.

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman advised everyone that the senior citizen prom is this Friday evening at Clearview regional Middle school and we are expected to have at least 100 people. Also, May 14<sup>th</sup> is the Community Yard Sale and Bark in the Park, Please come out as it's a great time for all.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela LeVine, Deputy Clerk