

Township of Mantua
August 17,, 2020
Mantua Township Municipal Building
6:00 P.M.

On the above date the Township Committee of the Township of Mantua held a Special Committee 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.

Mr. Shawn Layton, Mr. John Legge, Mrs. Eileen Lukens, Mr. Robert Zimmerman, Mr. Peter Scirrotto, Mrs. Jennica Bileci, Township Administrator, Mrs. Pamela LeVine, Deputy Township Clerk, Mr. Glen deMers, Absent, Mr. Jon Bryson, Mr. James Pierson, Chief Darren White

Approval of Minutes: July 20, 2020, Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. Mrs. Lukens Abstained. All in Favor

A Proclamation in Honor of the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment for Women's Right to Vote was read by Mayor Scirrotto

A Presentation by Gail Shast in honor of the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment for Women's Right to Vote

Engineering Report: No report was read as Mr. Bryson was absent

Department of Public Works Report: No report was read as Mr. deMers was absent

Police Department Report

The Chief noted that the speed signs have been consistently out on various streets and roads. In addition, Darren made mention that the 3 vehicles that they ordered last year have come in. One had to be sent back as there was water in the spare tire compartment, but the dealer didn't think it was anything to be concerned about and could be repaired.

The Chief also discussed the new markings for the vehicles. Deputy Mayor Zimmerman asked if the Chief was at all opposed to ordering other color vehicles other than Black. The Chief noted that he is not opposed to it, however that would have to be a process over time. The Chief also noted that the new markings on the vehicle would go well on a variety of other colored vehicle.

Darren also mentioned that the two police clerks that they have are being cross trained as it appears that the two ladies were not clear on how to do each other's jobs. Therefore, during this time of COVI-19, they are taking the necessary steps to ensure that they both can do each other's job duties. The Chief also noted that the firearms applications have been exorbitant. This is a timely process for not only the clerks in the office but anyone else involved in reviewing them.

Darren has been discussing with the other Administration team of ways that the department can interact with the public during COVID-19. They are working on a few ideas to have this interaction in a safe manner with limited personal interactions.

In addition, the Chief noted that the officers handled a significant amount of calls with the recent crazy storms we had over the past few weeks, some of which flooded out many areas of town

Darren discussed the door system at the Police Department shut down completely due to one of the storms that occurred. This made all of the doors inaccessible to officers as none of the fobs worked and they do not issue keys. In addition the booking room door uses a magnetic lock, it was not able to be secured at all. With the help of B-Safe, they figured out the problem and should have a way to keep it from occurring again

Public Participation:

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to open; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

Gregory Shast – 31 Silvercreek Dr. – Mr. Shast asked for clarification on the address of Resolution R-121-2020. Mrs. Bileci noted that this block and lot is on Lambs Road and that she didn't have the address at this time but would get it for him.

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to close; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

ORDINANCE 8-2020: ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING THE PROCEDURE FOR THE PROMOTION OF MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. Committeeman Layton Abstained. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-112-2020: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING MECHANICS LIEN ON REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA KNOWN AS 25 MANTUA BLVD., FOR MAINTENANCE WORK AUTHORIZED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-113-2020: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT RENEWING MEMBERSHIP IN THE GLOUCESTER, SALEM, CUMBERLAND COUNTIES MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-114-2020: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A STRATEGIC

PLAN FOR THE MANTUA HARRISON MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2020 – JUNE 30, 2021

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-115-2020: A RESOLUTION OF THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING A HOUSING INSPECTION FEE BE REFUNDED FOR THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 622 MAIN STREET, MANTUA, NJ 08051 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60.00

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-116-2020: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA EXTENDING THE TAX DUE DATE FOR THE THIRD QUARTER 2020 PROPERTY TAXES

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-117-2020: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THREE (3) POLICE INTERCEPTOR UTILITY VEHICLES FOR THE MANTUA POLICE DEPARTMENT UNDER STATE CONTRACT NO. 20-FLEET -01189 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$95,181.00, FROM WINNER FORD

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-118-2020 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF CONTRACT A NATIONAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT FOR PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$62,737.20 FOR CHESTNUT BRANCH PARK

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-119-2020: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF BLOCK 61, LOT 1, C1423 (1423 TRISTRAM CIRCLE) AN AFFORDABLE UNIT PURSUANT TO A CONTRACT OF SALE

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-120-2020: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING WITHDRAWAL FROM THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND PURSUANT TO COURT ORDER

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-121-2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ACCESS AGREEMENT ON POSSIBLE AFFORDABLE HOUSING SITE

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-122-2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FEDERICI & AKIN TO PROVIDE FRESHWATER WETLANDS DELINEATION APPLICATION AND SURVEYING SERVICES FOR THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 22, LOT 254.01

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-123-2020: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF RIFLES FOR THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT UNDER STATE CONTRACT NO. 17—FLEET-00740 AND 17-FLEET-00751 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$11,404.99 FROM LAWREN SUPPLY COMPANY

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-124-2020: RESOLUTION OF THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING A REFUND TO JOHN NICOLOSI FOR VOIDED UNCASHED CHECKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$110.00

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-125-2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA TO DISCUSS FAIR SHARE HOUSING ANTICIPATED LITIGATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A 10:4-12 (7)

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

Remarks from the Township Committee:

Committeeman Legge noted that he was glad to see Committeewoman Lukens back and healthy since she had been tested positive for the COVID-19 illness.

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman echoed Committeeman Legge about Committeewoman Lukens as well. In addition he noted that there is a senior dinner being delivered tomorrow evening. He wanted to thank the people on the Recreation Committee who have been delivering these meals to the seniors. It has been noted that this is the largest one yet.

Remarks from the Township Administrator:

Mrs. Bileci noted that the township has been taking the necessary steps to ensure the safety of not only the public but the employees by placing hand sanitizer stations through the building, hands free sinks and soap dispensers as well as

providing the necessary face masks should someone not have them when coming into the building.

Approval of the Bill List:

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to pay the bills; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. Committeeman Layton Abstained All in Favor

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to close; it was 2nd by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela LeVine, Deputy Clerk