

Township of Mantua  
October 5, 2020  
Mantua Township Municipal Building  
6:00 P.M.

On the above date the Township Committee of the Township of Mantua held a 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, Mr. Jon Bryson, Mr. James Pierson, Chief Darren White

Approval of Minutes: September 21, 2020 - Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to approve; it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

A Proclamation Proclaiming October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month was read by Mayor Scirrotto

**Engineering Report:**

Mr. Bryson discussed that the contractor will be starting Schaub Road this week. This will be a complete repair and paving job. In addition Mr. Bryson noted that the DOT awarded the project West Warren and a preconstruction meeting will be scheduled shortly. In regards to Morris and Trenton streets, Mr., Bryson noted that these will be paved at the same time as West Warren as it is the same contractor.

Jon mentioned that bid dates have been set for the tennis court demolition as well as the Community Center building. .

Committeeman Legge inquired about the dirt piles that are behind the new Dollar General. Mr. Bryson noted that he is aware that they are there as the contractor advised they wanted to use the dirt for another project. Committeeman Legge advised that he is concerned that they will just leave them there and it would be an eyesore for everyone including the resident that resides behind it. Mr. Bryson advised that he would get in touch with the contractor.

**Department of Public Works Report:**

Glenn discussed that Public Works has completed all the online training for the 2020 year. In addition, he noted that there was a large tree that went down at Tall Pines State Park and he had the guys take care of getting it out of the way and cleared out. In addition,

Larry the Litter Guy took his passenger endorsement and passed so that he can now help out with another driver for the senior bus, should the need arise. Committeeman Legge inquired about the clock in the front of the municipal building not having the correct time. Glenn advised he would have it looked at.

**Police Department Report**

Chief White discussed that the speed signs have been consistently out on various streets throughout town. In addition, the Chief noted that he had spoken to the prosecutor's office regarding Straight to Treatment / Road to Recovery programs. They advised that they will be sending over some information and that the Department is set up for the upcoming grant cycle.

Darren noted that the National Coffee with a Cop will be cancelled due to COVID this year. Darren discussed that the department is thinking of other ways to interact with the public. Committeeman Legge noted that he feels that they should do something to interact with the public. Maybe using some sort of social distancing at the WaWa with police tape might be a thought. Chief White said he would see what can be done.

The Chief also noted that Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day is coming up in October and that he will have a resolution for the committee to sign. Daren noted that he has spoken with the new school superintendent about having future meetings to touch base and keep everyone up to date as to what is going on within the township.

**Public Participation:**

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

No one wished to speak

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

**ORDIANCNE O-9-2020: ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY CANCELLING CERTAIN FUNDED APPROPRIATION BALANCES HERETOFORE PROVIDED FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS AND REAPPROPRIATING SUCH FUNDED APPROPRIATION BALANCES FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS**

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to open to the public; it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

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

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to adopt; it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

**RESOLUTION R-146-2020: ENFORCING A HALLOWEEN CURFEW IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA COMMENCING OCTOBER 30, 2020 UNTIL OCTOBER**

31, 2020 AND SETTING TIMES FOR TRICK-OR-TREATING FOR OCTOBER 31, 2020

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to adopt; it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-147-2020: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING TAX REFUNDS

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to adopt; it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-148-2020: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING MECHANICS LIEN ON REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA KNOWN AS 25 STREET FOR MAINTENANCE WORK AUTHORIZED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to adopt; it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-149-2020: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE APPROVING THE REDUCTION OF A PERFORMANCE BOND TO A NEW AMOUNT OF \$115,363.80 FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS COUNTRY GARDENS – PHASE 4B

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to adopt; it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-150-2020: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA APPOINTING A MUNICIPAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE MANTUA JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to adopt; it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-151-2020: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING THE AWARD AND EXECUTION OF AN EMERGENCY CONTRACT GRANTED UNDER N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 TO PAVING PLUS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,970.00 TO PAVING PLUS FOR STABILIZATION WORK ON SCHAUB ROAD

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to adopt; it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

RESOLUTION R-152-2020: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLING OF 2019 TAXES FOR BLOCK 60 LOT 10, QUALIFIER M0001, 74 LINCOLN AVE., MANTUA, NJ AND CREDITING THE BALANCE

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman made a motion to adopt; it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Committeeman Legge. All in Favor

**Remarks from the Township Committee:**

Committeeman Legge thanked the V.F.W. as well as the committee or supporting the VFW Run that was had last weekend. It was well attended. In addition Committeeman Legge noted that the Veterans Day ceremony will be had with social distancing.

Deputy Mayor Zimmerman noted that Trick or Treating is on and the we asked everyone to use common senses and wear a mask and continue to social distance. In addition, the Deputy Mayor noted that there is a Senior Citizen dinner being delivered tomorrow night as we have been doing this since COVID-19 does not allow us to have them in the Community Center. Tomorrow evening we will be delivering 184 dinners to the seniors of the Township.

**Remarks from the Township Administrator:**

Administrator Bileci reminded everyone hat the last day to register to vote would be October 13, 2020 and that there is a ballot drop boxes alongside the drive thru window of the municipal building.

**Approval of the Bill List:**

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela LeVine, Deputy Clerk