Township of Mantua
Workshop Meeting Agenda
October 19, 2026
Mantua Township Municipal Building
6:00 P.M.



Call to Order:

Pledge to the flag:

Observance of a Moment of Silence:

Sunshine Law: As required by the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by adopting a schedule of regular meetings for the year 2026.The schedule is posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and was mailed to the South Jersey Times and Courier-Post newspapers on January 4, 2026. Notice was also filed with the Township Clerk.

Roll Call: Committeeman Steen, Committeeman Snyder, Committeeman Legge, Deputy Mayor Lukens, Mayor Zimmerman, Mrs. Jennica Bileci, Township Administrator, Mrs. Pamela LeVine, Deputy Township Clerk, Mr. Stuart Platt, Solicitor, Glenn deMers, Public Works Superintendent, Jon Bryson Engineer, Chief Murphy

Approval of Minutes: August 17, 2026
September 14, 2026

Motion _____ Second_____

Roll Call Vote: ____ **Mr. Steen**
____ **Mr. Snyder**
____ **Mr. Legge**
____ **Deputy Mayor Lukens**
____ **Mayor Zimmerman**

Proclamation: Recognizing Kathy MacGregor

Engineering Report: Jon Bryson, Township Engineer

Department of Public Works Report: Glenn deMers, Superintendent of Public Works

Police Department Report: Chief William Murphy

Pursuant to Resolution R-32-2026, there is a time limit of five (5) minutes per person

Public Participation: Motion to Open _____ Second _____

Motion to Close _____ Second _____

Ordinance O-18-2026:
Introduction

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA SUPPLEMENTING AND REVISING CHAPTER 291, ARTICLE II, SECTION 17 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA, ENTITLED "FIREARMS, HUNTING, TRAPPING AND FIREWORKS"

Statement:
This Ordinance will amend the Code of the Township of Mantua to clarify that hunting and trapping shall be prohibited on all Township-owned property.

Motion to Introduce: Motion_____ Second_____

Resolution No. 174-2026 – 188-2026 are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be acted upon in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Township Committee member so requests. In this event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in the normal sequence of the agenda.

Motion to Authorize Consent Agenda: Motion_____ Second_____

All In Favor: _____

RESOLUTION R-174-2026: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH PYE BARKER FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A REPLACEMENT SECURITY CAMERA SYSTEM AT CHESTNUT BRANCH PARK

Statement:
This Resolution will authorize the Township of Mantua to enter into a contract with Pye Barker for upgrades to the security cameras system at Chestnut Branch Park.

RESOLUTION R-175-2026: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA APPROVING AND ADOPTING REVISED RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT AND FOR THE DISCIPLINE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

Statement:
This Resolution will update and amend the Rules and Regulations governing the Township's Police Department.

RESOLUTION R-176-2026: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ONLINE AUCTION WITH GOVDEALS FOR THE DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL PERSONAL PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE

Statement:
This Resolution will approve the sale through GovDeals of three Mantua Township Police Department vehicles.

RESOLUTION R-177-2026: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A LOCAL AID AWARD EXTENSION REQUEST TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RESURFACING OF LINDEN AVENUE (MA-2025-RESURFACING OF LINDEN AVENUE-00591)

Statement:
This Resolution will authorize the Township Engineer to submit the Local Aid Award Extension request through the NJDOT PMRS system for the Linden Ave project.

RESOLUTION R-178-2026 A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA CANCELLING TAXES FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

Statement:
This Resolution will cancel taxes for a totally disabled veteran.

RESOLUTION R-179-2026: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA REFUNDING CERTAIN OVERPAYMENTS FOR PROPERTY TAXES

Statement:
This Resolution will refund tax overpayments to various property owners.

RESOLUTION R-180-2026: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF REMAINING PROFESSIONAL ESCROW FUNDS

Statement:
This Resolution will refund escrow payments for projects that are completed as recommended by the Land Use office.

RESOLUTION R-181-2026: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF ESCROW FUNDS FOR PROJECTS

Statement:
This Resolution will transfer the escrow funds into the Township general account as a result of inability to contact escrow owners.

RESOLUTION R-182-2026: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA TO MAKE CERTAIN BUDGET TRANSFERS BETWEEN APPROPRIATION RESERVES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58

Statement:
This Resolution will authorize budget transfers pursuant to the statutory regulations.

RESOLUTION R-183-2026 : RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA REQUESTING THE APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE FOR THE 2026 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES GRANT AWARD GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF $5,000.00 AND APPROPRIATION (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87) OF THE SAME

Statement:
This Resolution will authorize the grant in the amount of $5,000.00 received from Atlantic City Electric to be inserted into the 2026 municipal budget.

RESOLUTION R-184-2026: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA, THE BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS, BOROUGH OF WENONAH, TOWNSHIP OF WEST DEPTFORD, TOWNSHIP OF HARRISON AND BOROUGH OF NATIONAL PARK TO ESTABLISH THE MANTUA JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT

Statement:
This Resolution will amend the current shared service agreement

for our Regional Court to remove the Borough of Pitman from the Regional Court.

RESOLUTION R-185-2026: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA RECOMMENDING KELLY CONROY FOR NOMINATION AND APPOINTMENT AS JUDGE OF THE MANTUA REGIONAL MUNICIPAL COURT AND AUTHORIZING REQUEST FOR INTERIM ACTING-JUDGE DESIGNATION

Statement:
This Resolution will recommend the appointment of Judge Kelly Conroy as the Judge of the Mantua Regional Municipal Court. Court.

RESOLUTION R-186-2026: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA MAKING CERTAIN APPOINTMENTS TO THE MANTUA REGIONAL MUNICIPAL COURT

Statement:
This Resolution will appoint a Court Administrator and Deputy Court Administrators for the Mantua Regional Municipal Court.

RESOLUTION R-187-2026: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA MAKING CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS TO THE MANTUA REGIONAL MUNICIPAL COURT

Statement:
This Resolution will appoint a Municipal Prosecutor and Public Defender for the Mantua Regional Municipal Court.

RESOLUTION R-188-2026: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE ENFORCING A HALLOWEEN CURFEW IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA COMMENCING OCTOBER 30, 2026, UNTIL OCTOBER 31, 2026 AND SETTING TIMES FOR TRICK-OR-TREATING FOR OCTOBER 31, 2026

Statement:
This Resolution will establish the trick or treating hours and curfew for Halloween.

Motion to Adopt Resolutions R-174-2026 through R-188-2026: Motion_____ Second_____

Roll Call Vote: ____ Mr. Steen
____ Mr. Snyder
____ Mr. Legge
____ Deputy Mayor Lukens
____ Mayor Zimmerman

Remarks from Township Committee:

Remarks from the Township Administrator:

Approval of the Bill List: Motion _____ Second_____

Roll Call Vote: ____ Mr. Steen
____ Mr. Snyder
____ Mr. Legge
____ Deputy Mayor Lukens
____ Mayor Zimmerman

Adjourn: Motion _____ Second_____

Announcements:

BILL LIST APPROVAL
October 19, 2026
(Three signatures are required)

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Mayor Robert Zimmerman

_____ _____
Deputy Mayor John Legge **Committeewoman Lukens**

_____ _____
Committeeman John Steen **Committeeman Snyder**

I, Jennica Bileci, Township Clerk, do hereby attest to the signatures above are true and original and apply only to the bill/claims list presented at the meeting held on the date above.

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Jennica Bileci, Township Clerk

RESOLUTION R 32-2026

MANTUA TOWNSHIP
GLOUCESTER COUNTY

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA TO PROVIDE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETINGS

WHEREAS, under the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act (Act), N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 *et seq*., all public meetings are open to the public.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(a)), Township Committee is required to set aside a portion of each public meeting for public comment on issues which may be of concern to the public, the length of which portion to be determined by Township Committee.

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has historically allowed members of the public to address the Committee in order to permit and encourage public participation at such meetings.

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Mantua wishes to ensure that all of its citizens have the opportunity to attend Township Committee meetings and offer comment;

WHEREAS, the Committee has determined that the enactment of rules and regulations for the conduct of such meetings and public participation would help clarify the process and encourage the public to participate in Township business.

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Mantua highly values the input of its citizens in making important decisions which affect the residents of our community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mantua, in the County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey, that the following rules shall be applied to all public comment portions of the meeting:

(1) The public is invited to attend and observe all public meetings of the Township Committee. People shall be heard at any public meeting as provided herein.

(2) At any public meeting for which a member of the public has properly requested to address the Committee, such person may address the Committee as to the purpose set forth in the request to speak. After acknowledgment from the mayor, each person to address Committee must state his or her name and residence or business address. Members of the public are limited to a five-minute time limit to address the Committee. The time limit does not apply (1) to persons invited by the Committee to address the respective governing body, or (2) to the extent said person is responding to a question posed by Committee member. The mayor may restrict or limit the time allotted to a person whose remarks are repetitive or not germane to the matter under consideration by Committee. At meetings with unusually large attendance, the mayor may impose such additional rules or time limitations as are deemed appropriate from time to time based on business before the Committee and the number of persons wishing to speak.

(3) Members of the public are not permitted to ask questions of, or debate with, Committee unless permitted to do so by the Mayor. All remarks shall be addressed to the Committee as a body and not to any member thereof.

(4) No member of the public, or any other person in attendance at a meeting of the Committee, shall engage in any personally offensive or abusive remarks or conduct. No person shall behave in any manner that is unruly, disruptive, or may endanger the health, safety, or welfare of said person or other members of the public or otherwise act in a manner not in compliance with these rules. Any person violating the rules herein is subject to removal from the meeting if he or she refuses to comply after being advised to do so.

(5) Other Rules of Conduct and Decorum for public participation during Committee Meetings for addressing the Mayor and Committee during public hearings on ordinances or resolutions which require public hearings or during the public portion of the Committee Meetings are as follows:

a. All members attending Township Committee Meetings must treat each other; the Mayor and Committee Members; and Township Employees with respect.

b. Shouting out from the audience without being recognized to speak is strictly prohibited.

c. No person shall, at any time, engage in any personally offensive or abusive remarks or behavior to the Mayor, Committee, Township Employees or any other member of the public.

d. No person shall engage in any express or implied speech that involves any other person's race, color, religion, gender, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin or ethnicity.

e. The Mayor may restrict, limit or prohibit any speech, remarks or questions that are repetitive or not germane to any matter not within the jurisdiction of the Township Committee. The mayor may, at his/her discretion, limit the public portion segment at a particular Committee meeting to thirty (30) minutes.

f. People making public comments may not yield their time to another speaker and each individual is limited to speaking once during a particular public comment period for a period of time not to exceed five (5) minutes.

g. The Chief of Police or such other members of the Police Department as he/she may designate shall be designated as the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Township Committee Meetings. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall carry out all orders and instructions given by the mayor for the purpose of maintaining order and decorum at the Township Committee Meetings and enforcing these rules.

h. The Township Solicitor shall be the Parliamentarian.

i. Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with these Rules and Roberts Rules of Order for items not covered in these regulations.

j. Members of the public who make comments that are germane to an ordinance or resolution that is under consideration or during the public portion of the Committee Meeting for matters which are within the jurisdiction of the Township Committee shall be allowed to do so in an uninterrupted manner unless the member is not adhering to these Rules of Conduct and Decorum.

k. The mayor and Committee reserve the right to answer questions and respond to comments. Again, members of the public are not permitted to ask questions of, or debate with, the Committee unless permitted to do so by the mayor.

l. Again, all remarks shall be addressed to the Committee as a body and not to any member thereof.

THIS RESOLUTION IS DULY ADOPTED at the Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Mantua held on the 6th day of January, 2026.