July 20, 2009

On the above date, the Township Committee of the Township of Mantua held its monthly Regular Meeting in the Mantua Township Municipal Building, 401 Main Street, Mantua, NJ 08051.

Mayor Timothy W. Chell called the meeting to order. The time was 7:30 p.m.
Mayor Chell asked for everyone to rise for the flag salute and remain standing for a moment of silence.

Mayor Chell then read aloud the Statement of the Presiding Officer: "As required by the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by adopting a schedule of regular meetings for the year 2009. The schedule was posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal Building and mailed to the Gloucester County Times and Courier-Post newspapers on January 2, 2009."

Mayor Chell called on Township Clerk Shawn Menzies to perform a roll call of present officials. Present were Committeeman Robert Zimmerman, Committeewoman Lorraine Beckett, Deputy Mayor Pete Scirrotto, Mayor Chell, Marie DeTitto, Esquire, Township Solicitor, Michael Datz, Township Administrator and Shawn G. Menzies, Township Clerk. Committeewoman Sharon Lawrence was absent.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve the June 15, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman. All were in favor. Mayor Chell abstained.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve the June 15, 2009 Closed Session Meeting Minutes, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman. All were in favor. Mayor Chell abstained.

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve the June 24, 2009 Special Meeting Minutes, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scirrotto. All were in favor. Committeewoman Beckett abstained.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett. All were in favor.

Dawn Muldoon, 496 Boody Mill Road, thanked the Township Committee and the Department of Public Works for cutting back large amounts of vegetation on her street. Mayor Chell thanked her for her comments.

As no one else wished to address the Township Committee, Committeewoman Beckett made a motion to close the public portion, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman. All were in favor.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to adopt by Title Only Ordinance O-07-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett.

ORDINANCE O-07-2009
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE "CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA," CHAPTER 82 FIXING AND ESTABLISHING SALARIES AND COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA FOR THE YEAR 2009

All members voted in the affirmative to a roll call vote to adopt by Title Only, 4-0. Mayor Chell added the public hearing will be held August 4, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

Committeewoman Beckett made a motion to adopt by Title Only Ordinance O-08-2009, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scirrotto.

ORDINANCE O-08-2009
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 50 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA, "LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM"

All members voted in the affirmative to a roll vote to adopt by Title Only, 4-0. Mayor Chell added the public hearing will be held August 4, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to adopt by Title Only Ordinance O-09-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

ORDINANCE O-09-2009
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ENTRY INTO AN AGREEMENT OF SALE FOR THE PURCHASE OF BLOCK 160, LOT 9 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AND AUTHORIZING THE SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE SALE

All members voted in the affirmative to a roll call vote to adopt by Title Only, 4-0. Mayor Chell announced the public hearing will be held at 6:30 p.m. August 4, 2009.

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to adopt by Ordinance O-10-2009 by Title Only, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett.
Mayor Chell announced this legislation is listed as a Resolution on the agenda, but must be treated as an Ordinance in accordance with State Law.

ORDINANCE O-10-2009
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING FORM AND AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA ENTRY INTO AND EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE AND SALE OF THE FORMER HAUSMAN BUS SALES SITE LOCATED AT BLOCK 253.01, LOTS 38.01 AND 39 OWNED BY THE SMITH LAND GROUP LLC.

All members voted in the affirmative to a roll call vote to adopt by Title Only, 4-0.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve Resolution R-122-2009, seconded by .

RESOLUTION R-122-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RELEASE OF A PERFORMANCE BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF $929,077.20, BOND NUMBER B21857562, FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS MANTUA FARMS AND ACCEPTING THE LANDSCAPING WARRANTY IN LIEU OF A MAINTENANCE BOND

All members voted in the affirmative to a roll call vote, 4-0.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve Resolution R-123-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett.

RESOLUTION R-123-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION NAMING MBI DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC. ("INGERMAN") AS PROSPECTIVE AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPER FOR THE FORMER HAUSMAN BUS SALES SITE AT BLOCK 253.01, LOTS 38.01 AND 39 AND AUTHORIZING ENTRY INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH INGERMAN

All members voted in the affirmative to a roll call vote, 4-0.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve Resolution R-124-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

RESOLUTION R- 124-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE BOND COUNSEL FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA FOR THE YEAR 2009

All were in favor.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve Resolution R-125-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

RESOLUTION R-125-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION MEETING TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL AS IT PERTAINS TO THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA

All were in favor.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve Resolution R-126-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett.

RESOLUTION R-126-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A LIEN ON REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 189 DENVER AVENUE, BLOCK 12, LOT 3 OF THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA FOR MAINTENANCE WORK PERFORMED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA

All were in favor.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve Resolution R-127-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

RESOLUTION R-127-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A STATE CONTRACT NUMBER A73844 FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) FORD ESCAPES TO WINNER FORD OF CHERRY HILL IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF $40, 144.00 FOR THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT

All were in favor.

---------Please see Ordinance O-10-2009 in regards to Resolution R-128-2009-------

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve Resolution R-129-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett.

RESOLUTION R-129-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER TO LEASE THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA COMMUNITY CENTER TO HOST THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER SENIOR CITIZEN LUNCHEON PROGRAM

All were in favor.

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-130-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett.

RESOLUTION R-130-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE APPLICATION & SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT FOR MUNICIPAL AID FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR LOCAL AID FOR THE BIKE PATH CONSTRUCTION ALONG MAIN STREET #00046

All were in favor.

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-131-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett.

RESOLUTION R-131-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE APPLICATION & SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT FOR MUNICIPAL AID FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR LOCAL AID FOR THE RESURFACING AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS TO CENTRAL AVENUE #00342

All were in favor.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve Resolution R-132-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

RESOLUTION R-132-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE APPLICATION & SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT FOR MUNICIPAL AID FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR LOCAL AID FOR THE RESURFACING AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS TO HERITAGE ROAD #00171

All members were in favor.

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-134-2009, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scirrotto.

RESOLUTION R-133-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDING OF TAXES IN THE AMOUNT OF $882.36 TO 46 MEADOW COURT, SEWELL, NEW JERSEY 08080, FOR A DUPLICATE TAX PAYMENT

All members were in favor.

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-135-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett.

RESOLUTION R-134-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO FURNISH FIREWORK EXHIBITIONS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AS EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIED SERVICES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A 40A:11-5.1

All members were in favor.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve Resolution R-136-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett.

RESOLUTION R-135-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A LIEN ON REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 29 MARTEL STREET, BLOCK 89, LOT 4.02 OF THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA FOR MAINTENANCE WORK PERFORMED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA

All were in favor.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve Resolution R-136-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett.

RESOLUTION R-136-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION PROMOTING FRANK HODSON TO THE POSITION OF CREW LEADER OF THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

All were in favor.

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-137-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett.

RESOLUTION R-137-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE FOR BULLETPROOF VEST PROGRAM AND APPROPRIATION (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87) OF THE SAME

All members voted in the affirmative to a roll call vote to approve, 4-0.

Resolution R-138-2009 was removed from the agenda.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve Resolution R-139-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

RESOLUTION R-139-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BID FOR STORM SEWER EMERGENCY REPAIR ON OXFORD TERRACE TO PARAMOUNT ENTERPRISES INC., P.O. BOX 3228, CHERRY HILL, NEW JERSEY 08034, IN THE AMOUNT OF $49,910.00

All members voted in the affirmative to a roll call vote, 4-0.

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-140-2009, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scirrotto.

RESOLUTION R-140-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA IN
RE: A RESOLUTION GRANTING CONSENT TO THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE AUTHORITY'S UTILITY SYSTEM

All members voted in the affirmative to a roll call vote, 4-0.

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-141-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett.

RESOLUTION R-141-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A LIEN ON REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 30 FLORIDA AVENUE, BLOCK 166, LOT 15 OF THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA FOR MAINTENANCE WORK PERFORMED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA

All were in favor.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve Resolution R-142-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

RESOLUTION R-142-2009
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RE: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A LIEN ON REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 649 SANTA FE DRIVE, BLOCK 15, LOT 7 OF THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA FOR MAINTENANCE WORK PERFORMED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA

All were in favor.

Under Discussion, Mayor Chell discussed at which amount shall the minimum bid figure be set for the two new liquor licenses. After a review of the spreadsheet listing the minimum bids in nearby towns, the Committee decided to have the minimum bid for both licenses start at $600,000.00. Mayor Chell directed the Solicitor to immediately begin work to have the notices published and a date set for the bids to be filed.

Under Remarks from the Township Committee, Committeeman Zimmerman announced each member of the Committee received a listing of Code Enforcement violations and the running status of each. Mayor Chell asked if 269 Maple Avenue is in compliance, to which Chief Rodney Sawyer said he will review as soon as the meeting has ended. Mayor Chell asked about the bank on Main Street, to which Mr. Datz said the current land owner is keeping up with the site.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto wished everyone a continued happy and healthy summer.

Mayor Chell said he has received many good e-mails about the End of School Camp Out and thanked the Recreation Commission and the Mantua Township Police Explorers for their participation and volunteerism in the event.

Under Remarks from the Township Administrator, Mr. Datz asked for approval for a Family Medical Leave Act leave of absence for an employee. Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett. All were in favor.
Next, Mr. Datz said he will discussing with a company based in Wilmington, De about an organic waste option and will report back.

Mayor Chell said the annual National Night Out event will be held August 3, 2009 so the Committee would like to reschedule its Workshop Meeting that night to August 4, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Chell asked Mr. Menzies to prepare and publish the appropriate notices.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to pay all duly authorized bills, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett. All were in favor.

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to enter into Closed Session, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett. All were in favor. The time was 8:20 p.m.

At 9:15 p.m., Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to return to open session, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman. All were in favor.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman. All were in favor. The time was 9:20 p.m.