

## **SEPTEMBER 21, 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 Sharon Lawrence, Deputy Mayor Peter Scirrotto, Mayor Chell, Marie DeTitto, Esquire, Township Solicitor, Michael Datz, Township Administrator and Shawn G. Menzies, Township Clerk. Committeewoman Lorraine Beckett was absent.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve the Committee's August 17, 2009 Regular Meeting minutes, seconded by Committeewoman Lawrence. All were in favor. Mayor Chell abstained.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve the Township Committee's Closed Session Meeting minutes held August 17, 2009, seconded by Committeewoman Lawrence. All were in favor. Mayor Chell abstained.

Committeeman Zimmerman read aloud a proclamation honoring Mantua Township resident and Clearview Regional sophomore student Brenna Weick, Miss New Jersey Outstanding Teen, the first-runner up for the Miss America Outstanding Teen 2009. Committeeman Zimmerman also presented Miss Weick with a Joint Resolution of the New Jersey Senate and Assembly, sponsored by State Senator Stephen Sweeney and Assemblyman John Burzichelli and Assemblywoman Celeste Reily. Mayor Chell also congratulated Miss Weick, adding she did an outstanding job singing the National Anthem at the 9/11 Memorial Ceremony held on September 11, 2009.

Committeeman Zimmerman then read aloud a proclamation honoring the players and coaching staff of the Sewell Green Baseball Team on its undefeated, championship season in 2009. Each player was also presented with a trophy. Mayor Chell, the team's head coach, said he was very proud of the team and his assistant coaches for all of their hard work and dedication.

Committeeman Zimmerman read aloud a proclamation honoring the Sewell 12 & Under District Baseball Team, 2009 Small Town District Champions. Each player and coach was recognized. Mayor Chell said while the players worked very hard, everyone should also recognize the coaches who each day maintained the fields and have them ready for games.

It was at this time did Mayor Chell call for a brief recess. The motion was made by Committeewoman Lawrence, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scirrotto. All were in favor. The time was 7:45 p.m. p.m.

At 7:50 p.m., Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to reopen the meeting, seconded by Committeewoman Lawrence. All were in favor.

Committee Lawrence made a motion to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman. All were in favor.

Debbie Baldassarre, 688 Main Street, thanked members of the Mantua Township Police Department and members of the Mantua Fire District No. 1 on attending her church's recent event, where police officers and firefighters spoke with children about many important safety issues.

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

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to adopt by Title Only Ordinance O-13-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**ORDINANCE O-13-2009**  
**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 143 OF**  
**THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA,**  
**“SCHEDULE I: PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES”**

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

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to adopt by Title Only Ordinance O-14-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Lawrence.

**ORDINANCE O-14-2009**  
**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER A483, “TELEVISION**  
**FRANCHISE,” OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**

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

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to adopt by Title Only Ordinance O-15-2009, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scirrotto.

**ORDINANCE O- 15 -2009**  
**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**AUTHORIZING EMPLOYEE WAIVER OF**  
**GROUP HEALTH AND DENTAL BENEFITS COVERAGE**

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

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to adopt by Title Only Ordinance O-16-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**ORDINANCE O-16-2009**  
**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF**  
**REAL PROPERTY PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-5**

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

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-160-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Lawrence.

**RESOLUTION R-160 -2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION REFUNDING AN INCORRECT TAX PAYMENT**  
**IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,046.64 TO SMARTERTITLE.COM, LLC**

All were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-161-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**RESOLUTION R-161 -2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE NEW JERSEY**  
**MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

All were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-162-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**RESOLUTION R-162-2009**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**

**RE: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A  
LIEN ON REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 211 HAMPTON AVENUE,  
BLOCK 125, LOT 5.02 OF THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA FOR MAINTENANCE WORK  
PERFORMED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA \$131.43**

All were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-163-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**RESOLUTION R-163-2009**

**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 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$165.85**

All were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-164-2009, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scirrotto.

**RESOLUTION R-164-2009**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**

**RE: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A LIEN ON REAL  
PROPERTY LOCATED AT 870 MANTUA BOULEVARD, BLOCK 208, LOT  
100 OF THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA  
FOR MAINTENANCE WORK PERFORMED BY THE  
TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$187.95**

All members were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-165-2009, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scirrotto.

**RESOLUTION R-165-2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A**  
**LIEN ON REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 13 HART LANE,**  
**BLOCK 277, LOT 13 OF THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF**  
**MANTUA FOR MAINTENANCE WORK PERFORMED BY THE**  
**TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$325.63**

All members were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-166-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**RESOLUTION R-166-2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION RELEASING THE MEL**  
**REGARDING MATOZZO v. TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**

All members were I favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-167-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**RESOLUTION R-167-2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE APPROVAL OF**  
**AN ITEM OF REVENUE FOR OPTIONAL JIF SAFETY AWARD**  
**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.

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-168-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Lawrence.

**RESOLUTION R-168-2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION CANCELING PROPERTY TAXES FOR FEBRUARY**  
**AND MAY 2009 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$2,812.44 ON 119**  
**BREAKNECK ROAD, BLOCK 276.01, LOT 7 AS THE PROPERTY**  
**IS NOW OWNED BY THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER**

All members were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-169-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**RESOLUTION R-169-2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SHARED SERVICE**  
**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**AND THE GLOUCESTER COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY**  
**FOR THE USE OF CERTAIN PERFORMING STAGE UNITS**

All members were in favor.

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-170-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Lawrence.

**RESOLUTION R-170 -2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION**  
**FOR LEGAL FEES ASSOCIATED WITH DEFENDING AFFORDABLE**  
**HOUSING UNITS AND PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-48**

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

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve Resolution R-171-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Lawrence.

**RESOLUTION R-171-2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION REFUNDING \$312.49 TO THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP**  
**UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR AN INCORRECT DEPOSIT OF TAXES**

All were in favor.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve Resolution R-172-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**RESOLUTION R-172-2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR**  
**UNIFORMS FOR THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT TO**  
**SAMZIES UNIFORMS, 28 SCOTCH ROAD, EWING, NEW JERSEY 08628**  
**UNDER STATE CONTRACT NO. A74956 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,501.04**

All members were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-173-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**RESOLUTION R-173-2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP TO**  
**ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS FOR HOST COMMUNITY**  
**BENEFITS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 13:1E-28**

All members were in favor.

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-174-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Lawrence.

**RESOLUTION R-174-2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE APPROVAL OF**  
**ITEMS OF REVENUE FOR THE 2009 CLICK IT OR TICKET**  
**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.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-175-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**RESOLUTION R-175-2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE APPROVAL OF**  
**ITEMS OF REVENUE FOR THE 2009 CLEAN COMMUNITIES**  
**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.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-176-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**RESOLUTION R-176-2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE APPROVAL OF**  
**ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS (N.J.S.A 40A:4-87)**  
**OF THE SAME IN THE 2009 BUDGET YEAR FOR AN**  
**ALCOHOL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATION GRANT**

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

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve Resolution R-177-2009, seconded by Committeewoman Lawrence.

**RESOLUTION R-177-2009**  
**A RESOLUTION FO THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF**  
**REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87) IN THE 2009**  
**BUDGET YEAR FOR THE COPS SECURE OUR SCHOOLS GRANT**

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

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-178-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**RESOLUTION R-178-2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION APPROVING A STATE PURCHASING CONTRACT**  
**NO. A-74337 BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AND STAPLES**

All members were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-179-2009, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scirrotto.

**RESOLUTION R-179-2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A BOND CONTINUATION**  
**CERTIFICATE OF THE INVERSAND LAND MINING PERMIT**

All were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-180-2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**RESOLUTION R -180- 2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION FOR MEMBER PARTICIPATION IN A JOINT**  
**PURCHASING SYSTEM FOR THE PURCHASE OF FUEL AND ROAD SALT**

All members were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-181-2009, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scirrotto.

**RESOLUTION R-181-2009**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WITHDRAWAL**  
**FROM THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND**

All members were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve for a One Day Liquor License, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**AN APPLICATION FOR A ONE DAY LIQUOR LICENSE FILED BY THE  
INCARNATION KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 6364 FOR AN EVENT  
TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 17, 2009 AT THE CHURCH HALL**

All members were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve for a Raffle License, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scirrotto.

**AN APPLICATION FOR A RAFFLE LICENSE FILED BY THE  
CHURCH OF INCARNATION FOR AN EVENT TO BE HELD ON  
NOVEMBER 14, 2009 IN THE CHURCH HALL**

All were in favor.

Under Committee Member Reports, Mayor Chell read aloud and asked to be interred into the minutes a letter written to him from Sanford Shapin, 69 Crescent Hollow Drive, thanking the Gloucester County 911 Emergency Call Center, the Mantua Township Police Department and the Mantua Township Department of Public Works.

Mayor Chell read aloud that in the early evening of September 11, 2009 an 85-foot tree had fallen between Mr. Shapin's home and a neighboring property likely due to the bad storm.

A second tree looked as if it could fall soon as well and he feared it would cause extensive damage to both homes. Mr. Shapin called Gloucester County Dispatch, to which had a Mantua Township Police Officer quickly arrived and altered public works.

Not long after public works arrived and began to remove the tree which had fallen and also the second tree which looked as it could soon fall. Mr. Shapin wrote that by September 17, 2009 the matter was fully resolved and he wanted to thank the Gloucester County Dispatch, Mantua Township Police Department and Public Works for a job well done.

Mayor Chell added thanked Mr. Datz, Assistant Public Works Supervisor Glen Demers and Chief Rodney Sawyer for providing excellent service and going above and beyond the call of duty.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto asked everyone to enjoy the fall season which arrives tomorrow, Tuesday, September 22, 2009.

Mr. Datz reported an employee of the Public Works Department has requested for leave under the Family Medical Leave Act as the employee is still being seen by physicians for a condition. The motion to approve the leave was made by Deputy Mayor Scirrotto, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

Next, Mr. Datz, said he received three quotes for golf carts to be used for the park for various activities. He said the lowest quote received was \$6,200.00 from Golf Cart Sales and Service. Mayor Chell asked to hold off on any vote to approve as he would like Committeewoman Beckett, liaison to the Mantua Township Recreation Commission, present for the matter to be discussed further.

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

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to adjourn the meeting until October 5, 2009, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman. All were in favor. The time was 8:11 p.m.