

## **AUGUST 2, 2010**

On the above date, the Township Committee of the Township of Mantua held its monthly Workshop 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 2010. 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 5, 2010."

Mayor Chell called on Township Clerk Shawn Menzies to perform a roll call of present officials. Present were Committeeman Robert Zimmerman, Committeewoman Sharon Lawrence, Committeewoman Lorraine Beckett, Deputy Mayor Peter Scirrotto, Mayor Chell, Shawn G. Menzies, Township Clerk, Police Chief Rodney Sawyer, Jon Bryson, Federici & Akin, Township Engineer, James Pierson, Esquire, Township Solicitor, and Glen Demers, Assistant Public Works Superintendent.

Deputy Mayor Scirrotto made a motion to approve the Township Committee's July 19, 2010 Regular Meeting, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett. All were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve the Township Committee's Closed Session meeting minutes from July 19, 2010, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman. All were in favor.

Mr. Bryson, for the Engineer's Report, stated a bond reduction request was received for the Matsui Nursery project, but onsite erosion and safety issues were found by his office and the Gloucester County Soil Conservation District, and at this time there is no approval for a reduction.

Next, he reported for the NJDOT FY2009 Evergreen Avenue project has two concrete aprons which have spalled and require replacement, to which the contractor has agreed to replace and there was also an issue with the sprinkler system which is being corrected.

A preconstruction meeting was held on July 21, 2010 for the Central Avenue project which is scheduled to start on August 9, 2010.

Mr. Bryson said three resolutions are on tonight to seek state grants for the bikeway, East Atlantic Avenue and Heritage Road rehabilitation projects.

For the 2009 Community Development Block Grant the closing out process with the contractor has begun.

Mr. Bryson lastly reported that the site work and punch list for the 2009 Local Road Program is complete.

Vincent Voltaggio, the County Engineer, was present and reported to the Township Committee that the project for Barnesboro Road should start in October and also the drainage work should also start at that time.

A road project is also set to start soon for Breakneck Road from Route 45 just past Clearview Regional Middle and High School buildings and is expected to be completed prior to the start of the school year.

Committeewoman Lawrence asked both Mr. Voltaggio and Mr. Bryson if the law requires signage on roadways to alert motorists if a stop sign or light is ahead, to which Mr. Bryson said the Municipal Traffic Safety Code does require it and the more signage out the better.

Committeewoman Beckett asked if the project at Barnesboro Road will better the drainage issues currently found in that area, to which Mr. Voltaggio said it is designed to do such.

Chief Sawyer reported that arrests at this time are down to which is attributed to Officer Herner being in Iraq. The department's accreditation process continues and if accredited there will be a 5 percent reduction in the Joint Insurance Fund costs.

Next, Chief Sawyer reported tomorrow the County will unveil the State's first solar powered four way stop light at the intersection of Jefferson and Barnesboro roads and in the future one will be posted at the intersection of Woodbury-Glassboro Road and Mantua Boulevard across from the Lowes store.

Chief Sawyer said a grant for Safe and Secure is underway and should fund two officers in the amount of \$60,000.00 and the federal grant to replace bulletproof vests is also forthcoming.

Lastly, Chief Sawyer said a man who robbed a bank in Mantua a year and a half ago and again robbed a bank recently in West Deptford has been arrested last week and is a career felon and will be going back to prison.

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

Bob Woodward, 507 Lestershire Drive, asked if there are laws concerning the parking of campers and recreational vehicles on streets overnight, to which Mayor Chell said there is and if has a concern to give Code Enforcement and or the police the address and they will

check into it. Mr. Woodward said he is just concerned as a vehicle could run into the parked campers and RVs at nighttime. He also asked why was the speed sign in front of his house removed or was it stolen, to which Mayor Chell said they are removable signs and was moved to a new location, but it will be back in the future.

Mr. Woodward complimented the street department for correcting the drainage issues on Atlantic Avenue and Lestershire Drive.

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 approve Resolution R-141-2010, seconded by Committeewoman Lawrence.

**RESOLUTION R-141-2010**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**  
**RE: A RESOLUTION APPOINTING STACI GREENBERG TO**  
**THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

All were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-142-2010, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett.

**RESOLUTION R-142-2010**  
**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 #00297**

All were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-143-2010, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett.

**RESOLUTION R-143-2010**  
**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 EAST ATLANTIC AVENUE #00296**

All were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolution R-144-2010, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman.

**RESOLUTION R-144-2010**  
**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 BIKE PATH**  
**CONSTRUCTION ALONG MAIN STREET #00043**

All were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve the raffle license filed by the Devereux Foundation for an event at Bogeys to be held on August 27, 2010, seconded by Committeewoman Beckett. All were in favor.

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to approve the raffle license filed by the Devereux Foundation for an event at Bogeys to be held on September 15, 2010, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman. All were in favor.

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

Committeewoman Lawrence made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman. All were in favor. The time was 7:46 p.m.