

JULY 15, 2013

On the above date the Township Committee of the Township of Mantua held its Workshop Meeting in the Mantua Township Municipal Building, 401 Main Street, Mantua, New Jersey 08051.

Mayor Scirrotto called the meeting to order. The time was 7:00 p.m. Mayor Scirrotto asked everyone to rise for the Flag Salute and remain standing to observe a moment of silence.

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 2013. The schedule is posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and was mailed to the Gloucester County Times and Courier-Post newspapers on January 8, 2013. Notice was also filed with the Township Clerk.

Mayor Scirrotto called on Pam Levine to call roll. Present were Mr. John Legge, Mr. Michael Silvanio, Mr. Robert Zimmerman, Mayor Pete Scirrotto, Deputy Mayor Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. Jennica Bileci, Township Administrator, Mr. James Pierson, Esquire, Chief Rodney Sawyer

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

Mr. Robert Coumbe of the Spring Valley Development advised the committee that he had brush outside his home for over 2 weeks. His concern was that there are only 85 homes in the Spring Valley Community. He advised that he spoke with the Public Works Superintendent Mike Datz who told him that there are 5500 homes in Mantua and that there was a lot of brush out due to the severity of the wet windy weather we have been having. He also advised Mr. Coumbes that the Public Works Dept. was down a truck. Mr. Datz went and picked up his brush for him with a pick up truck rather than have him wait for the crane to be repaired. Mr. Coumbes suggested to the committee that during the times of severe weather for example spring/summer storms that they should consider hiring outside contractors to pick up the slack in times of need.

Melanie Vignola – 123 Firth Drive – Was speaking regarding the dirt road that runs alongside her home which is in between her home and the community of Marathon Estates. During the dry months the dust that is coming up in the air/on her clothes that are hanging on her line, going in her windows as people are using this as a means to bypass the traffic lights on Route 45 is very bad not only to her but to her neighbors. She also advised that this is not a paved road; it is a gravel road that has been pressed down due to the heavy amount of traffic that is coming through there. Ms. Vignola also stated that not only are cars speeding through there but heavy commercial trucks. Her suggestion to the committee was to try and get in contact with the owner of Marathon Estates since they own that area and ask them to put some sort of gate up so that the traffic can no longer cut through there. Chief Sawyer advised that he would try and have

officers go out during the heavily traffic times to try and stop some of the traffic and he would put cones up to see if that would help.

James Slemph – 536 Mount Royal Road, Mantua - Would like to know why the Bill List for every meeting can not be put on the website along side the Agenda and Minutes. Administrator Bileci said she would look into this. Mr. Slemph also inquired regarding the irrigation for the garden at the Chestnut Branch Park, of which Committeeman Zimmerman advised him that the irrigation project has been completed. Mr. Slemph inquired if the Township had a financial advisor in 2012 at which time Administrator Bileci advised no the Township did not have one. However for the year 2013 the Township felt it was in the best interested of the Township and its residents to hire a Financial Advisor in order for them to assist the Township in Bond refunding, debt management and project financing. Mrs. Bileci also advised Mr. Slemph that this was not a firm that will be on retainer, they will be \$195.00 per hour as we would use them.

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

RESOLUTION R -132 -2013

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING TAX REFUNDS

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-132-2013, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lawrence.

All were in favor.

RESOLUTION R-133-2013

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA TO REFUND AN OVERPAYMENT FOR A PERMIT FEE OF \$50.00 TO REEVES PLUMBING & HEATING LLC, PO BOX 514, MULLICA HILL. NJ 08062 OF PERMIT # 213000252. FOR BLOCK 219 LOT 5

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-133-2013, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lawrence.

All were in favor.

RESOLUTION R-134-2013

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
APPOINTING ART MONTE AND
JAMES HOCHBERG TO SERVE THE RESPECTIVE UNEXPIRED TERMS
ON THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP LAND USE BOARD**

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-134-2013, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lawrence. .

All were in favor.

RESOLUTION R-135-2013

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
APPOINTING PATRICIA QUIGLEY AND
SUSAN BALDWIN TO SERVE THE RESPECTIVE UNEXPIRED TERMS
ON THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP RENT LEVELING BOARD**

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-135-2013, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lawrence.

All were in favor.

RESOLUTION R-136-2013

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
MANTUA APPOINTING SETH HASBROUCK, ESQUIRE. AS THE
MUNICIPAL PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA**

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-136-2013, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lawrence.

All were in favor.

RESOLUTION R-137-2013

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
APPROVING PARTICIPATING
WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR A SAFE AND
SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY,
GRANT IDENTIFIER NO. P-5785-13 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,000.00**

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-137-2013, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lawrence.

All were in favor.

RESOLUTION R-138-2013

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
APPOINTING ACACIA AS THE FINANCIAL
ADVISOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA FOR THE YEAR 2013**

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-138-2013, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lawrence.

All were in favor.

RESOLUTION R-139-2013

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
RESCINDING RESOLUTION R-131-2013 AND AUTHORIZING THE
PURCHASE OF ONE VEHICLE FOR THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP
POLICE DEPARTMENT UNDER A STATE CONTRACT WITH
BEYER CHRYSLER DODGE IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$22,000.00**

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-139-2013, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lawrence.

All were in favor.

RESOLUTION R-140-2013

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
APPROVING A RAFFLE LICENSE
TO THE CLEARVIEW WENONAH JUNIOR WOMEN'S
CLUB FOR A RAFFLE TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 12, 2013**

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-140-2013, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lawrence.

All were in favor.

RESOLUTION R-141-2013

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
TO TAKE ANY AND ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE
INCLUDING THE INSTITUTION OF SUIT TO PURSUE BOND CALLS
REGARDING COUNTY GARDEN ESTATES, PHASE 1, PHASE 2,
AND PHASE 3A**

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-141-213, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lawrence.

All were in favor.

RESOLUTION R-142-2013

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
MANTUA AWARDING A CONTRACT TO R.E. PIERSON CONSTRUCTION
FOR THE DEMOLITION OF BUILDINGS 4, 5, 6 and 11 OF STRUTHERS-DUNN
BROWN FIELD CLEAN UP SITE LOCATED AT 560 LAMBS ROAD IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$163,230.00**

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-142-2013, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lawrence. .

All were in favor.

RESOLUTION R-143-2013

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA
APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF SCOTT deMERS AS CREW LEADER
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve Resolution R-143-2013, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lawrence. .

All were in favor.

BILL LIST

Committeeman Zimmerman made a motion to approve the Bill List, seconded by Committeeman Silvanio. .Deputy Mayor Lawrence Abstained

All were in favor.

Committeeman Silvanio made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman. All were in favor. The time was 7:24P.M.

Respectfully submitted,