

Township of Mantua
Committee Work Session Meeting
June 1, 2015
Mantua Township Municipal Building
7:00 P.M

On the above date the Township Committee of the Township of Mantua held its Regular 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.

Mayor Scirrotto delivered the Sunshine Notice as required by the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

Mayor Scirrotto called on Township Deputy Clerk Pamela LeVine to call roll. Present were Mr. Robert Zimmerman, Mr. Michael Silvanio, Mr. Legge, Mayor Pete Scirrotto, Deputy Mayor Sharon Lawrence, Mrs. Jennica Bileci, Township Administrator, Michael Angelini, Esq., Mike Datz, Superintendent of Public Works, Jon Bryson, Engineer, Chief Rodney Sawyer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve May 18, 2015- Committeeman Silvanio, 2nd Committeeman Zimmerman. 5 in favor.

A Proclamation Recognizing Eagle Scout Reid Young was presented by Mayor Scirrotto.

A Proclamation recognizing Thomas Downing as Old Colony District Venturer of the Year was presented by Committeeman Zimmerman.

A Proclamation recognizing Robert Bardsley as Old Colony District Varsity Scouter of the Year was presented by Committeeman Zimmerman.

A Proclamation recognizing Matthew Kizer as Old Colony District Cub Scouter of the Year was presented by Committeeman Zimmerman.

Engineering Report:

Mr. Bryson advised the Committee that there was a Pre-Construction meeting with Bogey's for the Tyler's Mill Road project. In further discussion, it was determined that there is a storm drain that needs replacing and quotes are in the works from the contractor as to what the final cost to do this will be. Mr. Bryson also advised that Arawak Paving was lowest bidder for the Golf Club Road project. Mr. Bryson advised that he anticipates that this will be an early Fall project.

Department of Public Works Report:

Mr. Datz advised the Committee that the Local Road Program is almost completed. The department has been working on special pickups of spring leaf clean up as well as Bulk pick up. Committeeman Zimmerman inquired about the punch list for the Park. Mr. Datz advised that the mulch at the playground as well as the playground barrier has been

completed to date. Mr. Zimmerman asked about getting quotes to repair the roof to the pavilion. Mr. Datz advised that due to the roof being a tongue and groove roof the quotes that have been received are over their allotted amount of budgeted monies to make the repair. Mr. Datz advised that he would discuss with Administrator Bileci about how to possibly reallocate some capital monies in order to make this repair. Committeeman Zimmerman advised that we have a beautiful park here in Mantua and that it should be kept that way. Therefore, someone should be on top of the Park Director to ensure that the punch list is being taken care of and items are being completed in a timely manner for all to enjoy.

Police Department Report:

Chief Sawyer advised that they are still conducting the child safety seat instruction at the Sewell firehouse and is anticipating teaming up with one of the local box stores to have them participate with this event. He reported, that the Police Department has received its new live scan machine and is in place as well as they have received several SLEO applications. These officers will work the court during their sessions as well as patrol the Chestnut Branch Park on bicycles. Chief Sawyer also let everyone know that the 2015 Click/Tick it event was a success. Mayor Scirrotto inquired as to how the new court system is going. The Chief advised that it is new and will take some adjustment.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Motion to Open: Deputy Mayor Lawrence, 2nd Committeeman Zimmerman.
All were in favor.

Ken Defay – 456 Pitman Road, Sewell – Mr. Defay inquired if we still had a trash truck down and what the outcome of the situation is? Administrator Bielci advised Mr. Defay that the truck is still down and we are awaiting a resolution from the insurance carrier. Mr. Defay also inquired about a variety of bill list items that were on the bill list and the purpose of these items and where the monies for them came. Administrator Bileci as well as Deputy Mayor Lawrence advised him that some of these monies come from grants such as Municipal Alliance while others are allocated through the budget. Mr. Defay inquired as to how the Township can lower the Atlantic Electric bills, by maybe shutting the lights off at the park. Mayor Scirrotto advised Mr. Defay that the lights are not only on so that the various sports teams can play in the early evenings, they are also on for the safety of all the patrons at the park.

Bart Retew – 87 Snapdragon, Sewell, - Mr. Retew_ wanted to take this opportunity to thank the Committee along with Administrator Bileci and all that were involved in getting these bonds taken care of. He explained that it was a long painful process and this is a milestone for the residents of Country Gardens. Mr. Retew also advised that he was hoping that the repairs and improvements to the community might be completed by the end of the year. Mr. Retew also advised the Committee that once there is a plan in effect, anything that the residents can do to help rollout the plan they would be most receptive too.

Motion to Close: Deputy Mayor Lawrence, 2nd Committeeman Zimmerman.
All were in favor.

ORDINANCE O-05-2015 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE O-04-2015
THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA CHAPTER 82 AMENDING ONLY
THE RANGE OF SALARIES AND COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS AND
EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA, IN THE COUNTY OF
GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2015.

Motion to open to the Public: Deputy Mayor Lawrence, 2nd Committeeman Zimmerman
Roll Call: 5 yes votes

There was no public participation for this Ordinance.

Motion to Close: Deputy Mayor Lawrence, 2nd Committeeman Zimmerman
Roll Call: 5 yes votes

Motion to Move Ordinance #05-2015: Deputy Mayor Lawrence, 2nd Committeeman
Zimmerman
Roll Call: 5 yes votes

Motion to adopt: Deputy Mayor Lawrence, 2nd Committeeman Zimmerman.
Roll Call: 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION R-73-2015: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING TAX AND PREMIUM REFUNDS

Deputy Mayor Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolutions R-73-2015 seconded by
Committeeman Zimmerman. All in favor.

RESOLUTION R-74-2015: RESOLUTION CONFIRMING SETTLEMENT AND
RELEASE AGREEMENT IN THE MATTER TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA v.
PAPARONE HOUSING CO., et al

Deputy Mayor Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolutions R-74-2015 seconded by
Committeeman Zimmerman. All in favor.

RESOLUTION R-75-2015: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA MAKING VARIOUS APPOINTMENTS TO THE
HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Deputy Mayor Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolutions R-75-2015 seconded by
Committeeman Zimmerman. All in favor.

RESOLUTION R-76-2015: RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANTUA AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE
MANTUA TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT'S APPLICATION AND
PARTICIPATION FOR ENROLLMENT IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT
OFFICE (LESO) 1033 PROGRAM

Deputy Mayor Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolutions R-76-2015 seconded by
Committeeman Zimmerman. All in favor.

RESOLUTION R-77-2015: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RELEASE OF A MAINTENANCE BOND FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS SPRING VALLEY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$118,752.00

Deputy Mayor Lawrence made a motion to approve Resolutions R-77-2015 seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman. All in favor.

Approval of the Bill List:

Deputy Mayor Lawrence made a motion to approve the bills; it was seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman. All were in Favor

Township Committee Remarks:

Deputy Mayor Lawrence thanked Administrator Bileci as well as everyone else that was involved in settling the Country Garden issue.

Committeeman Zimmerman reminded everyone that there is a Senior Dinner that will be held on June 17, 2015 at the Community Center at 111 Mercer Street, 6:00 p.m. as well as the Schools Out/Camp Out is scheduled for Saturday, June 20, 2015. Applications are available in the Clerk's office. In addition he thanked the V.F.W. for a great Memorial Day parade and it was a very nice ceremony as well.

Administrator Bileci advised the Township Committee that the Tax Sale is scheduled for this upcoming Friday and she will report back to everyone at the next meeting how well we did at this sale. In addition the Newsletters went out and hit the residents last week. She noted that there has been a lot of good feedback as well as information that has been useful to the residents. In addition the Park sign has had some changes made to it so that the Municipal Building can now change the information that is put on the sign directly from the building and not only from the park.

Mr. Angelini made comment that he appreciates all the nice comments from the Deputy Mayor as well as the residents concerning the Country Gardens project. He commented that it was a long time in the making and it took a lot of effort on everyone's part and he was glad that it worked out to please everyone involved.

Chief Sawyer also commented on what a great parade we had on Memorial Day. The extended route for the parade he felt was an added bonus. In addition he advised that the Police Department is looking into changing over its currently lighting system in order to cut back on the electric bills that they currently have. He will keep the committee updated on this as more information becomes available.

Mayor Scirrotto asked that everyone be aware that school is almost out and that there will be a lot of kids outside with the nice weather.

Deputy Mayor Lawrence made a motion to adjourn; it was seconded by Committeeman Zimmerman. All were in Favor
Respectfully submitted,

Pamela LeVine, Deputy Clerk