

Townhall
June 4, 2020

The Mannington Township Committee remote meeting (due to the coronavirus pandemic) was called to order by Mayor Asay at 5:00 PM. The following were in attendance: Asay, Patrick (arrived at approx. 5:20 pm), Emel, Horner, Carmer, Bowman, Mitchell, and Davis.

Clerk certified that this meeting had been advertised in accordance with the Sunshine Law.

Motion was made by Asay, seconded by Emel approving the attached bill list for payment. Roll call vote as follows:

Asay - yes
Patrick - absent
Emel - yes

Beginning with computer check number 16293, ending computer check number 16326. Beginning with payroll check number 6497, ending payroll check number 6540. Check numbers 6517 to 6522 were not used as they were out of order.

Storm Recovery Trust

06/04/20 ck#1061 \$ 122.30 Gemplers Inc

Unemployment Trust

06/04/20 ck#1041 \$ 130.24 NJ Department of Labor

Open Space

05/21/20 ck#2020 \$ 839.00 West Jersey Title Agency

CFO submitted a Report of Reconciled Cash Balances for month ending May 22, 2020 and a Summary Budget Status for 2019 and 2020 as of June 3, 2020.

Motion was made by Emel, seconded by Asay, approving the minutes for the meetings held on 5/7/2020. Motion carried.

ZONING REPORT:

Carmer gave a verbal and written report for May 2020.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion was made by Emel, seconded by Patrick, adopting on the following resolution. Motion carried.

**MANNINGTON TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MANNINGTON TOWNSHIP TAX COLLECTOR
TO PROCESS THIRD QUARTER “ESTIMATED” TAX BILLS DUE AUGUST 1, 2020**

WHEREAS, in light of the disruption caused by the corona virus outbreak, the State delayed the adoption of the State Fiscal year 2021 budget to September 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) cannot certify State Aid allocations to municipal budgets until State Aid Appropriations are known; and

WHEREAS, without a Certified Tax Rate, the Tax Collector cannot process the final 2020 Tax Levy; and

WHEREAS, the DLGS “strongly recommends” under Local Finance Notice 2020-07 “*that municipalities prepare to issue estimated property tax bills for 2020*”; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector, in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer, computed and certified an estimated Tax Levy necessary to bill third quarter taxes due August 1, 2020;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the appropriate officials of Mannington Township, County of Salem, State of New Jersey authorize and direct the Tax Collector to process estimated tax bills for the third quarterly installment of 2020 taxes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the third quarterly installment of 2020 taxes shall not be subject to interest until the later of August 10, 2020 or the twenty-fifth (25) calendar day after the date the estimated bills were mailed. The estimated tax bills shall contain a notice specifying the date on which interest may begin to accrue.

ADOPTED at a meeting of the Township Mayor and Committee of Mannington Township, County of Salem, State of New Jersey held on June 4, 2020.

Motion was made by Patrick, seconded by Emel, adopting the following resolution. Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP OF MANNINGTON

Resolution: *Approval to submit a grant application and execute a grant contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the **Compromise Road Section II Resurfacing**.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Committee of the Township of Mannington formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor/Committee and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as **MA-2021-Compromise Road Section II**

Resurfacing-00187 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Township of Mannington.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor/Committee and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Mannington and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

My signature and the Clerk's seal serve to acknowledge the above resolution and constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approve the execution of the grant agreement as authorized by the resolution above.

The County Board of Elections requested to place a Vote-By-Mail ballot box on the grounds of Townhall, at least until after the General Election in November. The Committee discussed the request and placement of the box.

Motion was made by Asay, seconded by Patrick, allowing the County to place the box at an agreed upon spot on Township grounds, at their own expense. Motion carried.

NJ SADC submitted an AFT Multi-Year Study on Farmland in the US. Received and filed.

Mayor Asay took time to mention that the PIG closings took place on the Holladay Farm on Black Road and the Duffy Farm on Route 540 (Welchville Road). The Moore and Kelley Farms have received an offer from SADC. The Mahalik/Eddis Farm should receive an offer soon.

CORRESPONDENCE :

1. Notification of underground heating oil tank remediation at Block 53, Lot 21, was received from the NJ DEP. Report filed.

2. Motion was made by Patrick, seconded by Emel, approving of a request received from Stand Up For Salem to hold their 7th Annual Cow/Calf Run, using some township roads, on September 27, 2020. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:

A verbal report was given by Patrick. The department is busy mowing, removed trees on Bassett Road and a few other township roads due to the last few storms.

The Mayor mentioned looking for a company check the overhead door at the Public Works garage.

After a brief discussion regarding an employment application for the open Public Works position, motion was made by Patrick, seconded by Asay, to hire Robert Burden, Jr. to fill the position in a temporary manner as described in the Employee Manual, beginning Monday, June 8, 2020. Roll call vote as follows:

Asay - yes
Patrick - yes
Emel - yes

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mayor Asay stated the Township should make sure from this point forward that if any maps are supplied to the Township regarding detours due to work involving shutting any roads in the township, to be certain signage locations are located on said maps.

Asay went on to report railroad workers planted trees along the edge of the closed landfill.

The July Township Committee meeting will be held at Townhall on June 29th, 2020, beginning at 5:30 pm. COVID precautions will be adhered to.

The Township Committee changed the August meeting date from Monday, August 3rd, 2020 to Monday, July 27th, 2020 beginning at 5:30 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Comment period was opened by regular motion. The Mayor gave a few minutes in case any public wished to log on to comment.

There being no public logging in and no other comments, this portion was closed by regular motion.

REPORTS:

The following reports were filed:

Tax Collector reported receipts for May in the amount of \$961,831.08.

Mid-Salem County Court submitted a check in the amount of \$382.64 for fines received in May.

Registrar's receipts for May totaled \$510.00.

Forty-one (41) dog licenses were issued in May with receipts totaling \$783.00.

Finance reported receipts of \$963,276.31 for the month of May.

There being no further business to transact, the Mayor adjourned the meeting by regular motion at 5:50 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Esther A. Mitchell, Clerk

June 08, 2020	NO QUORUM
June 15, 2020	NO QUORUM
June 22, 2020	NO QUORUM