

Townhall  
July 27, 2020

The Mannington Township Committee meeting was called to order by Mayor Asay at 5:30 PM. The following were in attendance: Asay, Patrick, 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 Patrick, seconded by Emel, approving the attached bill list for payment. Roll call vote as follows:

Asay - yes  
Patrick - yes  
Emel - yes

Beginning with computer check number 16358, ending computer check number 16398. Beginning with payroll check number 6560, ending payroll check number 6598.

CFO submitted a Report of Reconciled Cash Balances for month ending June 30, 2020 and a Summary Budget Status as of July 27, 2020. Motion was made by Emel, seconded by Asay, approving the minutes for the meeting held on 6/29/2020. Motion carried.

Carmer gave a verbal and written report for the period of June 30<sup>th</sup> to July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Report filed.

Carmer left the meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Motion was made by Patrick, seconded by Emel, adopting on the following resolution. Roll call vote as follows:

Asay - yes  
Patrick - yes  
Emel - yes

**MANNINGTON TOWNSHIP**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING  
MEYNER AND LANDIS LLP  
SPECIAL ENVIRONMENTAL COUNSEL**

**WHEREAS,** Mannington Township ("Township") desires to hire special environmental counsel to represent the Township with regard to (1) the closed Township landfill located across the creek and adjacent to the Mannington Mills landfill; (2) the desire of Mannington Mills to access the Township landfill as part of its investigation of the Mannington Mills landfill; (3) the possible acquisition by fee simple, easement or otherwise of all or a portion of the Township landfill by Mannington Mills; and (4) any and all obligations imposed on the Township to comply with federal, state or local environmental laws and regulations as they may pertain to these matters, keeping in mind the best interests and protections of the Township (hereinafter "Work"), and

**WHEREAS,** the law firm of Meyner and Landis LLP (Albert I. Telsey, Esq.) has submitted the attached retainer proposal dated April 10, 2020, indicating the firm will provide legal services as Special Environmental Counsel to undertake the Work set forth above for the Township; and

**WHEREAS,** Special Environmental Counsel shall be hired by means of a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.8; and

**WHEREAS,** the law firm of Meyner and Landis LLP has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Meyner and Landis LLP has not made any contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township in the previous one (1) year and this Resolution prohibits the law firm of Meyner and Landis LLP from making any contributions through the term of the contract; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of Mannington Township, County of Salem, State of New Jersey that:

1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., the law firm of Meyner and Landis LLP be and is hereby appointed as Special Environmental Counsel for the purpose described herein upon the Mayor and Township Clerk's signature of the attached Meyner and Landis LLP retainer proposal.
2. The law firm of Meyner and Landis LLP is prohibited from making any contribution to a local or Salem County political or candidate committee during the term of this appointment.
3. The Mayor and the Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Meyner and Landis LLP on behalf of the Township in connection with this appointment by countersigning the attached retainer proposal.
4. Notice of this appointment shall be printed once in the appropriate local newspaper(s) and is to be retained on file in the Office of the Township Clerk.
5. The Business Entity Disclosure Certification is to be placed on file with this Resolution.

I, Esther A. Mitchell, Township Clerk of Mannington Township, in the County of Salem and State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of Mannington Township, County of Salem, State of New Jersey at a regular meeting of said Committee held on July 27, 2020.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of Mannington Township in the County of Salem and State of New Jersey on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of July 2020.

Motion was made by Patrick, seconded by Emel, adopting the following resolution. Roll call vote as follows:

Asay - yes  
Patrick - yes  
Emel - yes

**MANNINGTON TOWNSHIP**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FY2021 MUNICIPAL  
ALLIANCE STRATEGIC PLAN  
(FORM 1B)**

**WHEREAS**, the Mannington Township Committee adopted a resolution dated November 25, 2019, which authorized the submission of a strategic plan for the Mannington Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2021 with the total Alliance budget being \$5,558.00; and

**WHEREAS**, Mannington Municipal Alliance was informed they would be awarded a total budget of \$5,558.00; and.

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of New Jersey issued Executive Order No. 103 on March 9, 2020, declaring a Public Health Emergency and State of Emergency in response to the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19); and

**WHEREAS**, further actions by the Governor of New Jersey and the COVID-19 Task Force have resulted in the reduction of funding to certain programs throughout the State in order to re-allocate those resources towards the Public Health Emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Salem has notified the Mannington Municipal Alliance of the reduction of funding for the period of October 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mannington Municipal Alliance may present to the County Alliance Steering Subcommittee and the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse a budget/programmatic revision request for changes to their applications throughout the grant cycle.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township of Mannington, County of Salem, State of New Jersey, hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Township Committee does hereby authorize submission of a **revised** strategic plan for the Mannington Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2021 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$1,143.66
Cash Match	\$ 285.92
In-Kind	<u>\$ 857.75</u>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$2,287.33</b>

Land survey quotes and title company quotes for the Mahalik/Eddis Farm PIG, Block 39, Lot 18.01, were reviewed.

Motion was made by Patrick, seconded by Emel, approving of the survey quote received from Land Engineering, LLC at \$3,200.00 and approving of West Jersey Title Agency quote at \$857.00. Roll call vote as follows:

Asay	- yes
Patrick	- yes
Emel	- yes

SADC requested completion of a Municipal Response form for a farmland preservation application in reference to Block 56, Lots 1 & 2.

Motion was made by Emel, seconded by Patrick, to send the form approving the preservation of Block 56, Lots 1 & 2. Motion carried.

Patrick gave a verbal Public Works report. Eric Kris submitted a quote to change all light ballasts in the Clerk's Office to LED in the amount of \$718.00. He is scheduled to do the install Friday, July 31, 2020.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

The Committee discussed and agreed on adding the Salem Hospital Corp. Redevelopment and Financial agreements to the Township's website.

Large overweight trucks have been riding down Dubois Road. Asay spoke to the owner of some of the trucks. The owner told Don he would tell his drivers not to use Dubois Road.

Bill Fox, Emergency Management Coordinator, contacted Asay about cars parking along both sides of Bassett Road to attend the Sunflower Farm and the problem of space in the event of an emergency. Asay spoke with the owner, Mr. Ward, and Ward told Asay he would come up with a better plan.

Asay asked the Committee if they would like to change the meeting time of the September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 meeting to 5:30 pm vs. 7:00 pm as the Labor Day weekend was coming up. Patrick didn't think it would work out for him. The meeting time was left at 7:00 pm.

Asay asked CFO Bowman about the cash balance on her report and noticed the school tax checks were in the bill list. Bowman said she planned to hold the checks until the latest date to distribute them.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Public Comment period was opened and closed by regular motion as there were no comments.

**REPORTS:** [E1]

The following reports were filed:

Tax Collector reported receipts for July in the amount of \$379,924.91.

Mid-Salem County Court submitted a check in the amount of \$1,467.04 for fines received in July.

Registrar's receipts for July totaled \$1,551.30.

Eight (8) dog licenses were issued in July with receipts totaling \$325.00.

Finance reported receipts of \$400,744.40 for the month of July.

There being no further business to transact, the Mayor adjourned the meeting by regular motion at 5:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Esther A. Mitchell, Clerk

<b>August 10, 2020</b>	<b>NO QUORUM</b>
<b>August 17, 2020</b>	<b>NO QUORUM</b>
<b>August 24, 2020</b>	<b>NO QUORUM</b>
<b>August 31, 2020</b>	<b>NO QUORUM</b>