

Townhall  
November 23, 2020

The Mannington Township Committee Workshop was called to order by Mayor Asay at 4:00 PM. The following were in attendance: Asay, Patrick, Emel, Horner, Carmer, Mitchell, and Bethanne Patrick.

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

**BUSINESS:**

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

**MANNINGTON TOWNSHIP**  
**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF**  
**ANNUAL PLANNING INCENTIVE GRANT**  
**(PIG) APPLICATION TO SADC FOR THE**  
**2022 PLANNING ROUND**

**WHEREAS**, the Mannington Township Committee is aware that the Mannington Township Planning Incentive Grant Administrator is in the process of preparing Mannington Township's annual Planning Incentive Grant application to the New Jersey State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC) for the 2022 planning round pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 2:76-17A.6*, which application will be in the form of a letter as allowed pursuant to email correspondence from SADC dated September 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mannington Township Committee has reviewed the Planning Incentive Grant Administrator's draft application letter and is satisfied that the letter contains a complete and correct statement of facts, circumstances, and other relevant information pertaining to Mannington Township's Planning Incentive Grant as approved in prior planning rounds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mannington Township Committee supports the Planning Incentive Grant application;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mannington Township Committee adopts this resolution as a "resolution of support" to satisfy the requirement for same pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 2:76-17A.6(a)3*.

Donna Harris, Tax Assessor, received three applications for the part-time clerical position in her office. She held two interviews and asked that the Committee consider Nina Nociti Acton to fill the job opening.

Motion was made by Patrick, seconded by Asay, to hire Nina Nociti Acton, at the Tax Assessor's recommendation, for the part-time position in her office, beginning November 30, 2020. Motion carried.

Patrick reviewed the one roof repair quote he was able to get. The quote was from Frank Comerford. There were five (5) different repairs itemized out, with the total quote being \$5,000.00. The last item was discussed. The Mayor thinks the company that replaced the gutter on the left side of Townhall should be contacted, as it was done not very long ago.

Motion was made by Patrick, seconded by Emel, approving of the first four items listed on the quote submitted by Frank Comerford, at the total cost of \$4,400.00. Roll call vote as follows:

Asay - yes  
Patrick - yes  
Emel - yes

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

a. The Committee and Solicitor discussed ordinance amendment ideas for U-Pick and Farm Stands, along with permitting.

b. Horner advised the Committee the opt out ordinance regarding marijuana should be redone if the township wanted to continue on that route.

c. Mayor reported Craig Kugler gave the Mid Salem County Municipal Court his notice that he will be giving up the Public Defender position. Another Court personnel item for consideration, an employee would like health coverage.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

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

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

**MANNINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**

**RESOLUTION FOR CLOSED SESSION  
(November 23, 2020)**

WHEREAS, the Mannington Township Committee will now conduct a closed session for discussions from which the public may be lawfully excluded pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act (*N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq.*);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mannington Township Committee, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from the closed session discussions which are the subject of this resolution.
2. The general nature of the subjects to be discussed during the closed session is as follows:
  - a) **Pending or anticipated litigation in which Mannington Township is or may be a party, and matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, relating to John S. DiGregorio's hunting activities on the Juska farm and the Salem County Agriculture Development Board's decision as memorialized in its October 28, 2020 resolution.**
  - b) **Zoning violations relating to Block 32, Lot 10.**
3. The discussions conducted during the closed session will be disclosed to the public as follows:
  - a. with respect to matters involving pending or anticipated litigation, after such matters have been resolved and any periods of appeal have expired;
  - b. with respect to other matters, when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.
4. No action will be taken during the closed session, but action may be taken following the closed session.

The meeting was opened to the public.

Motion was made by Emel, seconded by Patrick, to have Horner take care of the appeal to the Salem County Agriculture Board regarding the John DiGregorio topic, motion carried.

The Committee reviewed correspondence received today from Adam Telsey, Esquire regarding the Hen's & Honey (Robinson) complaint. The Committee asked Horner to attend the scheduled hearing in December.

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business to discuss or transact, the Mayor adjourned the meeting by regular motion at 5:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Esther A. Mitchell, Clerk

**November 30, 2020 NO QUORUM**