

Townhall  
May 5, 2022

The Mannington Township Committee meeting was called to order by Mayor Asay at 7:00 PM. The following were in attendance: Asay, Patrick, Dunham, Horner, Mitchell, Elwell, Schmid, Patti Davis, Sgt. M. Korejko of the NJSP Woodstown Barracks, Jamie Parkell, Barbara Moore, and Marianna Weatherbee.

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

Mayor Asay invited Sgt. Korejko to the floor. Sgt. Korejko gave a report and mentioned they are taking part in a traffic safety initiative. As a result of the initiative and additional members on the force, Mannington can expect more tickets to be issued. Unfortunately, Mannington Township is a "cut-through", although crime was reported down in the township.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Motion was made by Patrick, seconded by Dunham, opening this portion of the meeting. Motion carried.

Maryanne Weatherbee, resident at 223 Route 45, wanted to know what the digging was about on the corner of Route 45 and Newell Road. The Mayor explained the process of trying to find a suitable lot for Habitat for Humanity. Ms. Weatherbee was concerned about the Salem City water line. Barbara Moore, Ms. Weatherbee's sister and a township resident, said the resident had to pay to fix a broken water line. Jamie Parkell was concerned that the lot was very small and she thinks this is going to make that residential area "very tight". Mayor Asay explained affordable housing and the obligations the Township is trying to address. The three women were concerned they would not be notified before something was decided on for the lot. Horner explained the

variance process and ensured them they would be notified as they are land owners within 200 feet.

There being no further discussion, motion was made by Patrick, seconded by Dunham, closing Public Comment portion. Motion carried.

**BILLS FOR PAYMENT:**

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

Asay - yes Patrick - yes Dunham - yes

CFO submitted a Summary Budget Status Report as of May 5, 2022 for the 2022 Temporary Budget, along with a Report of Reconciled Cash Balances for the month ending March 31, 2022.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion was made by Patrick, seconded by Dunham, approving of the minutes for the meeting held on April 4, 2022. Motion carried.

**ZONING REPORT:**

A written and verbal zoning report was given by Schmid for the month of April 2022.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The Mayor reviewed a letter received from Aislyn Gandy of Fralinger Engineering, reporting suitable soil on the plot known as Block 51, Lot 15 (corner of Rt. 45 and Newell Road). They briefly discussed the possible process of Habitat for Humanity applying for the variance and the Township responsible for a site plan. Mayor Asay previously requested the Zoning Officer check what kind of variance is needed.

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

Asay - yes Patrick - yes Dunham - yes

**MANNINGTON TOWNSHIP**  
**RESOLUTION FOR LOCAL EXAMINATION**

**WHEREAS**, *N.J.S.A. 40A:4-78b* has authorized the Local Finance Board to adopt rules that permit municipalities in sound fiscal condition to assume the responsibility, normally granted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, of conducting the annual budget examination; and

**WHEREAS**, *N.J.A.C. 5:30-7* was adopted by the Local Finance Board on February 11, 1997; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.2 thru 7.5* the Township of Mannington has been declared eligible to participate in the program by the Division of Local Government Services, and the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the Township of Mannington meets the necessary conditions to participate in the program for the 2022 budget year.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mannington that in accordance with *N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.6 a & b* and based upon the Chief Financial Officers certification, the governing body has found the budget has met the following requirements:

1. That with reference to the following items, the amounts have been calculated pursuant to law and appropriated as such in the budget:
  - a. Payment of interest and debt redemption charges
  - b. Deferred charges and statutory expenditures
  - c. Cash deficit of preceding year
  - d. Reserve of uncollected taxes
  - e. Other reserves and non-disbursement items
  - f. Any inclusions of amounts required for school purposes
2. That the provisions relating to limitation on increases of appropriations pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.2* and appropriations for exceptions to limits on appropriations found at *40A:4-45.3 et seq.* are fully met (Complies with the "CAP" law.)
3. That the budget is in such form, arrangement, and content as required by the Local Budget Law and *N.J.A.C. 5:30-4* and *5:30-5*.
4. That pursuant to the Local Budget Law:
  - a. All estimates of revenue are reasonable, accurate, and correctly stated,
  - b. Items of appropriation are properly set forth,
  - c. In itemization, form, arrangement, and content the budget will permit the exercise of the comptroller function within the municipality.
5. The budget and associated amendments have been introduced, publicly advertised, and in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Local Budget Law, except that failure to meet the deadlines of *N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5* shall not prevent such certification.
6. That all other applicable statutory requirements have been fulfilled.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE FORWARDED TO THE** Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

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

Asay - yes      Patrick - yes      Dunham - yes

**MANNINGTON TOWNSHIP**  
**RESOLUTION TO READ BUDGET BY TITLE ONLY**

**WHEREAS**, *N.J.S. 40A:4-8, as amended by L.2015, c. 95, § 14, 2015*, provides that the budget may be read by title only at the time of the public hearing if a resolution is passed by not less than a majority of the full governing body, providing that at least one week prior to the date of hearing, a complete copy of the budget has been made available for public inspection, and has been made available to each person upon request; and

**WHEREAS**, these two conditions have been met;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the budget shall be read by title only.

Motion was made by Patrick, seconded by Dunham, opening the Public Hearing on the 2022 Municipal Budget. There being no comments, motion was made by Patrick, seconded by Dunham, closing the hearing on the 2022 Municipal Budget.

Motion was made by Patrick, seconded by Dunham, adopting the attached 2022 Municipal Budget on second and final reading. Roll call vote as follows:

Asay - yes      Patrick - yes      Dunham - yes

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A letter was received from the TRICO JIF announcing the Township earned a Safety Incentive Award in the amount of \$2,250.00 for outstanding performance in the 2021 JIF Safety Incentive Program.

Motion was made by Patrick, seconded by Asay, adopting the following resolution, entering the JIF Safety Incentive Award into the 2022 Budget. Roll call vote as follows:

Asay - yes      Patrick - yes      Dunham - yes

**MANNINGTON TOWNSHIP**  
**RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS**  
**OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION NJSA 40A:4-87**

**WHEREAS**, NJSA 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director may approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of Mannington Township in the County of Salem, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of

Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2022 in the sum of \$2,250.00 which is now available from the State of New Jersey, TRICO JIF Safety Incentive Grant in the amount of \$2,250.00; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the like sum of \$2,250.00 hereby appropriated under the caption TRICO JIF Safety Incentive Grant, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the above is the result of funds from the State of New Jersey, TRICO JIF Safety Incentive Grant in the amount of \$2,250.00.

**CORRESPONDENCE :**

1. NJ DOT sent notification regarding FY2023 State Aid programs, which included the Municipal Aid grant. The Committee discussed and decided to have Fralinger Engineering apply for Mannington-Yorktown Road from Compromise Road and ending at the county railroad crossing where the current project is slated to start.

2. The Annual Report of Taxes Not Collectible, submitted by Tax Collector Pierce, was accepted and filed.

3. Tax Assessor Harris submitted the 2022 Tax Appeals schedule. There were three listings and Horner reported they were settled by stipulation and did not have to go to court.

4. The Committee reviewed a resolution adopted by the Mannington Township Board of Education on March 15, 2022, entitled "Resolution in Opposition to the Recommendation of the Feasibility Study on the Creation of a Countywide Regional School District in Salem County, NJ".

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT :**

A verbal report was given by Patrick. Included in the report, Patrick stated the department installed the recycling/trash container pad at the end of Tide Mill Road.

Asay reported that LAC Township shows an interest in the FL70 and asked Horner to see if a township can sell to another township. He went on to say the next truck should weigh 26,000 tons or less and suggested the township should look at state contracts to see what is available.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Horner reported there was a Chapter 12 bankruptcy matter and reported he reach out to Solicitor, Gary Salber, to see if he would be interested in handling this. Mr. Salber will be back in contact with Horner.

**REPORTS:**

The following reports were filed:

Tax Collector reported receipts for April in the amount of \$248,903.57.

Mid-Salem County Court submitted two (2) checks; Check #6483 in the amount of \$1,584.16 for fines received in April and Check #6489 in the amount of \$20.00 for six (6) stale dated checks issued by the Mid Salem County Municipal Court that are escheated to the Township.

Registrar's receipts for April totaled \$1,836.00.

There were one hundred six (106) dog licenses issued in April with receipts totaling \$1,977.00.

Finance reported receipts of \$937,832.20 for the month of April.

There being no further business to transact, the Mayor adjourned the meeting by regular motion at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Esther A. Mitchell, Clerk

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| <b>May 9, 2022</b>  | <b>NO QUORUM</b> |
| <b>May 16, 2022</b> | <b>NO QUORUM</b> |
| <b>May 23, 2022</b> | <b>NO QUORUM</b> |