This is a regular meeting of the Mansfield Township Committee. The notice requirements of the law have been satisfied for this meeting by notice to the Star-Gazette and the Express Times of the time, date and location thereof. Notice was also posted on the announcement board located in the Municipal Building.

Roll Call: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Korczukowski, Mayor Clancy

Salute to the flag was done by all.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Mr. Clancy made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on June 10, 2015, which was seconded by Mrs. Kocher.

Ayes: Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Korczukowski, Mayor Clancy
Nays: Mr. Watters, Mr. Misertino
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Mr. Clancy made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on June 24, 2015, which was seconded by Mr. Misertino.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Korczukowski, Mayor Clancy
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

BILL LIST:

Mrs. Korczukowski made a motion to approve the bill list with the addendum, which was seconded by Mr. Misertino bill list with addendum.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Korczukowski, Mayor Clancy
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

CLERKS REPORT:

FINANCE REPORT:

Mr. Daniel stated that he has been in contact with Bond Council and he recommended that the Township should file a financial disclosure and this will help with our Bond Rating. This will probably cost in the area of $1000. Mr. Daniel will look into this further and proceed with having this completed.
EMPLOYEES REPORTS:

Mrs. Fascenelli stated that the Green Team set a date for the Town Wide yard sale to be held on April 23rd and 24th. Mrs. Fascenelli asked if it would be ok to send out letters to the four fire companies to see if they are interested in having spaces at their facilities as a fund raiser for their departments.

Mrs. Fascenelli asked if it would be ok for another Green Team member to come in and review the bills for the Carbon footprint.

Mr. Misertino made a motion to approve the box for collection of the thermometers that have mercury in them being placed within the Municipal Building, which was seconded by Mrs. Korczukowski.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Korczukowski, Mayor Clancy
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

RESOLUTION:

RESOLUTION 2015-74
Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse
Fiscal Grant Cycle July 2014-June 2019
FORM 1B
WHEREAS, the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.
WHEREAS, the Mansfield Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society among persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,
WHEREAS, the Mansfield Township Committee further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,
WHEREAS, The Mansfield Township Committee has applied for funding to the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Warren;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:
  • The Mansfield Township Committee does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Franklin/Mansfield/Washington Boro Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year July 2015-June 2016 in the amount of:
    DEDR $__7382.00_____
    Cash Match $___$2215.00_____
    In-Kind $___$5537________
  • The Mansfield Township Committee acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

Mrs. Kocher made a motion to approve the passage of Resolution 2015-74, which was seconded by Mrs. Korczukowski.
Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Korczukowski, Mayor Clancy
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

2015-75

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NO INTEREST TO BE CHARGED ON THE THIRD QUARTER 2015 TAXES DUE AUGUST 1, 2015 IF PAYMENT OF SAID TAXES IS RECEIVED BY MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP ON OR BEFORE THE TWENTY-FIFTH (25th) DAY AFTER THE DATE OF MAILING AS CERTIFIED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR TO THE MUNICIPAL CLERK.

WHEREAS, the date of mailing of the Township of Mansfield tax bills to Mansfield Township taxpayers cannot be determined at this time; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.3 provides that no interest shall be charged for a minimum of twenty-five days after the tax bills are mailed or otherwise delivered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows:

No interest on the third (3rd) Quarter 2015 taxes, due August 1, 2015 shall be charged if payment of said taxes is received by Mansfield Township on or before the twenty-fifth (25th) day after the date of mailing as certified by the Tax Collector to the Municipal Clerk and provided further, however, that if any such payment is not received on or before said twenty-fifth (25th) day, interest at the usual rate will be charged from August 1, 2015.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be provide to the Tax Collector, the Chief Financial and the Township Auditor for their records.

Mr. Misertino made a motion to approve the passage of Resolution 2015-75, which was seconded by Mr. Watters.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Korczukowski, Mayor Clancy
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

2015-76

Resolution

Supporting the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2015 Statewide Crackdown

WHEREAS, impaired drivers on our nation’s roads kill someone every 30 minutes, 50 people per day, and almost 18,000 people each year; and
Whereas, in 2013, alcohol impaired fatalities accounted for 22% of traffic fatalities in New Jersey; and

Whereas, an enforcement crackdown is planned to combat impaired driving; and

Whereas, the Holiday seasons in particular are traditionally times of social gatherings which include alcohol; and

Whereas, the State of New Jersey, Division of Highway Traffic Safety, has asked law enforcement agencies throughout the state to participate in the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2015 Statewide Crackdown; and

Whereas, the project will involve increased impaired driving enforcement from August 21 through September 7, 2015; and

Whereas, an increase in impaired driving enforcement and a reduction in impaired driving will save lives on our roadways;

Therefore, be is resolved that the Township of Mansfield declares its support for the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2015 Statewide Crackdown from August 21 through September 7, 2015 and pledges to increase awareness of the dangers of drinking and driving.

Mrs. Kocher made a motion to approve the passage of Resolution 2015-76, which was seconded by Mrs. Korczukowski.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Korczukowski, Mayor Clancy
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

RESOLUTION 2015 –77

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A RESERVE FOR PRELIMINARY EXPENSES FOR A SALT SHED IN THE GENERAL CAPITAL FUND OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the expense of preliminary application fees and engineering costs applicable to any bondable project may be charged against the Capital Improvement Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield hereby acknowledges the requirement of preliminary costs to determine the scope and cost of a proposed undertaking; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of these preliminary costs are for the Salt Shed Project and that the amount to be charged is for the purpose for which bonds may be issued under Chapter 2 of Title 40A;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, that the amount to be appropriated for preliminary costs shall not exceed $10,000.00 and the CFO is authorized to set up a reserve for preliminary expenses out of the Capital Improvement Fund of the General Capital Fund.
Mr. Misertino made a motion to approve the passage of Resolution 2015-77, which was seconded by Mrs. Korczukowski.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Korczukowski, Mayor Clancy  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None  

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mrs. Korczukowski made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:50 pm to discuss a personnel matter, a litigation matter, and a police matter, which was seconded by Mrs. Kocher.

Return to regular session at 8:33pm.

Mr. Watters made a motion to return from Executive Session at 8:33pm, which was seconded by Mr. Misertino.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Korczukowski, Mayor Clancy  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None  

Mr. Lavery stated that during the Executive Session the Committee discussed a Police matter, a personnel matter, a contractual matter, and a personnel matter and that the minutes will be available as soon as the Committee deems them no longer a harm to the public interest.

Mr. Misertino made a motion to permit the Chief, which was seconded by Mr. Watters.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Korczukowski, Mayor Clancy  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None  

Mr. Watters made a motion to accept the letter of resignation from Anita Diekroger, which was seconded by Mrs. Korczukowski.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Korczukowski, Mayor Clancy  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None  

Mr. Lavery stated that the Township filed the complaint with COAH for the Declaratory Judgement and explained that the Township will now have 5 months to complete and amend the plan that was originally sent to COAH.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Scott Minter, 545 Mount Bethel Road, what is the percentage of Roadwork complete.
Mayor Clancy asked whether this would be for patching

Mrs. Korczukowski made a motion to advertise for pt summer help for DPW, which was seconded by Mr. Misertino.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mrs. Kocher, Mrs. Korczukowski, Mayor Clancy
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Mr. Minter asked about Open Space and the church project and what will be the expenditures.

Mr. Minter asked about the sign on the fields that says the fields.

Elizabeth Griggs, 545 Mount Bethel Road, metrics for the website.

COMMITTEE PERSON COMMENTS:

Mr. Misertino recreation committee made a motion to fill the open spot for the Chris Gio to fill the open spot, which was seconded by Mrs. Kocher.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mrs. Korczukowski, Mayor Clancy
Nays: Mrs. Kocher
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Mr. Misertino discussed the Recreation services and programs that are in the works.

Mrs. Korczukowski asked if there was money that was raised for parks by recreation.

Mr. Watters stated that he had nothing to report.

Mrs. Korczukowski stated that scenic byway meeting is next week and the bylaws will be reviewed.

Mayor Clancy stated that the police department stats are out and

Mrs. Korczukowski made a motion to adjourn at 8:53pm, which was carried by all.