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. Smith, Mr. Watters, Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher, Mayor Tomaszewski

Salute to the flag was done by all.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Mr. Watters made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on March 28, 2012 with the corrections, which was seconded by Mr. Clancy.

Ayes: Mr. Smith, Mr. Watters, Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher, Mayor Tomaszewski
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Mr. Watters asked about the way that the Gramco bill was split up for the maintenance.

Ms. Hrebenak explained that this was previously discussed at a meeting and the maintenance will be split between the three departments.

Mrs. Fascanelli stated that the payments that were made to Prudential were payments that were taken out of two individuals pay checks and were never paid to Prudential.

Mr. Watters made a motion to approve the bill list with the addendum, which was seconded by Mr. Clancy.

Ayes: Mr. Smith, Mr. Watters, Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher, Mayor Tomaszewski
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

FINANCE REPORT:

Mrs. Fascanelli stated that she would like to schedule a shredding event at the new DPW building on October 27 between the hours of 9 am and 1 pm.

The Township Committee agreed that this could be scheduled.
Mrs. Fascenelli stated that she received a request from Garden Solar to give the Township a proposal for the municipal building.

The Township Committee agreed that they would like to have a preliminary meeting with Garden Solar.

CLERKS REPORT:

Ms. Hrebenak stated that there is an issue with the Charitable Solicitation permits for two of the fire companies. Mansfield Township received county and state approval. Butler Park turned in the application to the Township in August for certain dates but did not receive approval from the County and State because the dates were already given to Mansfield Fire Company.

Discussions were held on the Coin Toss and the Township Committee decided that if the NJDOT would allow the two fire companies to jointly have the coin toss that was the only way that anyone would be out on the road on Saturday, April 7, 2012.

ENGINEERS REPORT:

Mr. DiSessa stated that the Stormwater Management Report was submitted to NJDOT.

Mr. DiSessa stated that a battery backup was installed for the heating and air conditioning system.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Pete Appleby, Main Street, asked if the softball field on the recreation property was available for use by the fire department.

Mayor Tomaszewski stated that he believed it was not ready for use.

Mr. Clancy stated that he spoke with Mr. Sliker and that the field is not in too bad of shape.

Mr. Watters stated that if Mr. Sliker says it’s ok then it can be played on.

Mr. Appleby asked if the DPW would be maintaining the grounds around the firehouse.

Mayor Tomaszewski said that he would have to check on that, but whatever was done in the past is what they would be doing.

Ms. Hrebenak stated that DMV is giving her a hard time getting the title for the 1955 Ward firetruck so there are a number of things that will need to be done to prove ownership one item being advertise in the paper.

Mr. Watters stated that it should just be advertised in the paper.

Executive Session: Shared Services Agreement, and RICE notice Personnel 8:30pm

Mr. Watters made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:30, which was seconded by Mr. Clancy.
Ayes: Mr. Smith, Mr. Watters, Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher, Mayor Tomaszewski
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Return to regular session at 9:41pm.

Roll Call: Mr. Smith, Mr. Watters, Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher, Mayor Tomaszewski

Mr. Vex stated that the discussions in Executive Session were for personnel and shared service.

ORDINANCE:

Second Reading

Mayor Tomaszewski opened the floor for public comment on Ordinance 2012-03; seeing there were no comments the public comment portion was closed.

ORDINANCE  2012-03

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 01-97, ORDINANCE NO. 2002-23, 2009-06, AND ORDINANCE NO. 2010-05 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, ESTABLISHING AN OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, New Jersey:

1. Ordinance No. 01-97, No. 2002-23, No. 2009-06, and 2010-05 creating an Open Space Trust Fund, is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 3. FUNDING.

The Municipal Open Space, Recreation and Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund shall be funded through the dedication to the fund of an amount of $.02 per $100.00 of assessed valuation of each annual tax levy commencing with the year tax and budget year 2012. The Fund shall also be permitted to accept donations and testamentary bequests. The accumulated receipts and deposits within the Fund may be utilized for the purposes set forth in Section 1 and Section 2 herein. Any and all interest accruing shall be retained in and used for the same purposes as established in accordance with Section 1 and Section 2 herein.

2. All ordinances inconsistent with the foregoing, shall be deemed repealed by this Ordinance.
This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication as provided by Law.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the foregoing Ordinance was submitted, in writing, at a meeting of the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, Warren County, New Jersey, held on the 28th day of March, 2012, and will be considered for final passage April 11, 2012 at 8 o’clock in the evening, prevailing time, at the Municipal Building in said Township, at which time and place a public hearing will be held thereon by the governing body, and all persons and citizens in interest shall have an opportunity to be heard concerning the same.

Mr. Watters made a motion to approve the passage of Ordinance 2012-03 and requested that the results be advertised, which was seconded by Mr. Clancy.

Ayes: Mr. Smith, Mr. Watters, Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher, Mayor Tomaszewski
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

COMMITTEE PERSON COMMENTS:

Mr. Clancy stated that he and Mrs. Kocher met with Mr. Layton and everyone was given a copy of the letter that will be sent to the apartments for the housing plan and also there will need to be a joint meeting held for the Fair Share and Housing plan and we were planning to have it on May 7th at 7:30.

Mrs. Kocher stated that a request was received from the Tax Collector for the spring conference.

Mr. Watters made a motion to approve the OEM attending Emergency Preparedness Conference, which was seconded by Mayor Tomaszewski.

Ayes: Mr. Smith, Mr. Watters, Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher, Mayor Tomaszewski
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Mr. Watters made a motion to approve the Tax Collectors attendance at the Tax Collectors conference if the money is in the budget, which was seconded by Mr. Clancy.

Ayes: Mr. Smith, Mr. Watters, Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher, Mayor Tomaszewski
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Mr. Watters made a motion to adjourn at 9:52pm.