# TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD COMMITTEE MEETING OFFICIAL MINUTES JUNE 11, 2025

This is a regular meeting of the Township of Mansfield Committee. This meeting is being held in compliance with the "OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT," because adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by notifying the Express Times NJ Zone and The Daily Record, and by posting notice of such meeting in the Municipal Building and by filing of said notice with the Township Clerk of the Township of Mansfield. Formal action may be taken at this meeting.

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:33 pm by Mayor Watters who read the "Sunshine Statement" indicating the meeting was being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

#### ROLL CALL

**Present:** Mr. Hayes, Mr. Mc Guiness, Mrs. Mora Dillon, Mr. Farino, Mayor Watters **Absent:** 

Also, present were Township Attorney Michael Lavery, Township Clerk Barras, Township Engineer Richard Quamme, Chief J. Michael MacDonough, Acting DPW Supervisor Harry Appleby, Jr., Asst. CFO JoAnn Fascenelli, and Deputy Clerk Illena Raffaele.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

# May 28, 2025 - EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Farino made a motion to approve the Executive Session meeting minutes from May 28, 2025.

#### **RECORDED VOTE**

Aye:

Haves, Farino, Watters

Nay:

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Absent:

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Abstain:

Mc Guinness, Mora Dillon

#### May 28, 2025 - REGULAR SESSION

Mr. Farino, seconded by Mr. Hayes made a motion to approve the Regular Session meeting minutes from May 28, 2025.

### **RECORDED VOTE**

Aye:

Hayes, Farino, Watters

Nay:

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Absent: Abstain:

Mc Guinness, Mora Dillon

## **CLERK'S REPORT -**

- Completed and Submitted the Warren County Conservancy Trust Fund grant for Mt. Bethel Church to the County
- With Buzzy's assistance, I submitted the 2024 RTK survey. We did this in house without the use of RK
  Occupational Environmental as in previous years, which was a savings of approximately \$580 to the
  Township.
- Primary Election yesterday, had a steady turn out all day. Election results will be certified by June 20th
- Towing Ordinance Drafted the amendment to have fees reflect the standard of surrounding municipalities; on for 1<sup>st</sup> reading and intro tonight; public hearing and adoption 6/25

FINANCE & EMPLOYEE'S REPORT - Mrs. Fascenelli reported she is currently working with the QPA regarding the AC unit. Explained the reason for three separate bills for Mt. Bethel Community Center from JCPL. There will be a small ceremony on June 16<sup>th</sup> for the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Rockport Train Wreck at the site. The town flea market will be held on June 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> and as of today, 60 participants have registered.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT** - Mr. Quamme commented on the award of contract to Reivax Contracting Corp through Resolution #149-2025 and the submission of the grant application for Blau Rd. as authorized in the Resolution #150-2025.

#### **PUBLIC PORTION**

Mayor Watters opened the Public Portion of the meeting for public comments.

Seeing no one else wishing to comment, the Public Portion was closed.

#### ORDINANCE -PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING

Mayor Watters opened the Public Hearing for Ordinance 016-2025. Seeing no one wishing to comment, the Public Hearing was closed. Mr. Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Mora Dillon made a motion to adopt Ordinance 016-2025.

#### **RECORDED VOTE**

Aye:

Hayes, Mc Guinness, Mora Dillon, Farino, Watters

Nay: Absent: XXXXXX

Abstain:

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## **ORDINANCE 016-2025**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

#### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to exceed the Municipal Budget appropriation limits and to establish a CAP bank

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government CAP Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committeepersons of the Township of Mansfield, in the County of Warren, finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2025 Budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committeepersons hereby determine that a 3.5% increase in the budget for said amount, amounting to \$59,106.54 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committeepersons hereby determine that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Committeepersons of the Township of Mansfield, in the **142** | P a g e

County of Warren, State of New Jersey, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring that, in the CY 2025 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Mansfield shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5% amounting to \$206,872.89 and that the CY 2025 municipal budget for the Township of Mansfield be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be uploaded to the FAST System for the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within five (5) days of introduction; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be uploaded on the FAST System for the Director within five (5) days after such adoption.

#### ORDINANCE: INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

Mr. Haves, seconded by Mr. Mc Guinness made a motion to introduce Ordinance 018-2025.

#### **RECORDED VOTE**

Aye:

Hayes, Mc Guinness, Mora Dillon, Farino, Watters

Nay:

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Absent: Abstain:

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# **ORDINANCE 018-2025**

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 313 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED TOWING MOST NOTABLY, SECTION 313-12, ENTITLED "FEE SCHEDULE"

#### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is amend and Chapter 313, Section 313-12 Fee Schedule.

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Mansfield created a fee schedule for the fees and rates for towing and storage of motor vehicles used by towing companies licensed by the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township Code, Chapter 313, Section 12, which references fees and rates by which a licensed towing company is allowed to charge a motorist in need of such services in the Township, has been found to require updating; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee has determined that it is in the best interests of the Township to amend the fee and rate schedule by which a license towing company can charge motorists in the Township to better align with the fees imposed by surrounding municipalities.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows:

**SECTION 1**. Chapter 313-12, Fee Schedule is hereby amended as follows:

§260-2 License; application License fees under this chapter shall be as follows:

A. Light- duty tow service (GVW under 10,000 pounds)

- 1. Day rate (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) shall be fixed at \$200 per vehicle towed plus any additional fees allowed within this chapter. There shall be no mileage charged from the tow location back to the tow company location. If police release said vehicle and allow it to be towed to a location agreed upon by the responsible person of the vehicle and the tow company, then from that point on the tow is no longer covered under this chapter and is at the discretion of the policies set forth by the tow company.
- 2. Saturday/Sunday/nights/holiday rates shall be a fixed \$225 per vehicle towed plus additional fees as noted above.

# B. Medium-duty tow service (GVW 10,000 to 26,000 pounds):

- 1. Day rate (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) shall be fixed at \$250 per hour per vehicle towed (minimum of one hour), plus any additional fees allowed within this chapter. There shall be no mileage charged from the tow location back to the tow company location. If police release said vehicle and allows to be towed to a location agreed upon by the responsible person of the vehicle and the tow company, then from that point on the tow is no longer covered under this chapter and is at the discretion of the policies set forth by the tow company.
- 2. Saturday/Sunday/night/holiday rates shall be a fixed \$275 per hour and per vehicle towed (minimum of one hour), plus additional fees as noted above.

### C. Heavy-duty tow service (GVW over 26,000 pounds):

- 1. When a conventional wrecker can be used, the fixed daytime rate shall be \$500 per hour per vehicle towed with a one-hour minimum.
- 2. Saturday/Sunday/nights/holiday rates shall be a fixed \$550 per hour and per vehicle towed (minimum of one hour), plus additional fees as noted above.
- 3. When under-reach towing is required, the fixed hourly rate shall be \$550 with a one-hour minimum.
- 4. Saturday/Sunday/night/holiday rates shall be a fixed \$600 per hour per vehicle towed (minimum of one hour), plus additional fees as noted above.

#### D. Other rates for additional services:

- 1. A "day" is defined as a twenty-four period beginning at 00:01 hours. The day of the actual tow shall not be billed as a storage day.
- 2. Storage fees for vehicles shall be fixed at \$45 per day for motor vehicles under 22 feet in length and \$125 per day vehicles 22 feet in length or longer. Any standard-use type trailer (i.e. boat trailer, landscape trailer, small enclosed trailers) less than 22 feet shall be charged on its own at the same rate as standard vehicles listed herein under 22 feet.
- 3. At the request of the Police Department for a vehicle to be stored securely inside of the tow company's facility, for investigation purposes, the flat storage fee shall be \$75 per day.
- 4. Extra charge of \$125 per hour per extra helper.
- 5. Any additional equipment/materials necessary at the scene to complete the required job shall be billed accordingly by the tow company.

- 6. At anytime an additional tow vehicle is physically needed to assist in the required job, the tow company may bill for an additional tow truck(s) at their fixed rates listed within §313-12 of this chapter.
- 7. Prior to hookup or being loaded on a flat bed of a motor vehicle, the tow operator shall present a copy of its fee schedule to the owner or operator of the vehicle. The fee schedule shall also contain the name, address, and telephone number of the towing company and a statement of the hours when the motor vehicle may be claimed.
- E. Rates for Road Service shall not exceed the following:
  - 1. Motor vehicles with a GVW less than 10,000 pounds: \$150 per hour day rate and \$175 per hour night rate, with one hour minimum charge, plus costs of any materials used, including but not limited to gasoline.
  - 2. Motor vehicles with a GVW greater than 10,000 pounds: \$200 per hour day rate and \$225 per hour night rate, with one hour minimum charge, plus costs of any materials used, including but not limited to gasoline.

**SECTION 2**. Unless otherwise set forth herein, all other terms and any applicable fees set forth in Chapter 313, Towing shall be and remain unchanged.

**SECTION 3**. Any ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 4.** Severability. If any portion of this Ordinance is found to be invalid for any reason by any court of competent jurisdiction, such judgement shall be limited in its effect only to that portion of the ordinance actually invalidated and shall not be deemed to affect the operation of any other portion thereof.

**SECTION 5.** This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication according to law.

#### RESOLUTIONS (TAKEN SEPARATELY)

Mr. Hayes, seconded by Mrs. Mora Dillon made a motion to adopt Resolution 147-2025.

#### **RECORDED VOTE**

Aye:

Hayes, Mc Guinness, Mora Dillon, Farino, Watters

Nay:

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Absent:

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Abstain: XXXXXX

# **RESOLUTION 147-2025**

# RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF MUNICIPAL OBLIGATIONS

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, finds and declares that certain municipal obligations have come due and are now payable; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee further finds and declares that said obligations have been itemized on the annexed schedules, which are hereby deemed part of this Resolution.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, State of New Jersey does hereby authorize payment of said municipal obligations, in accordance with the recommendations of the Temporary Chief Financial Officer and the Deputy Treasurer, from the following accounts and in the following amounts:

BILLS LIST		
CURRENT- 5-01	\$	1,285,726.41
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	\$	17,346.00
FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT FUND	\$	1,991.76
DOG FUND	\$	105.80
DEVELOPER'S ESCROW	\$	20,000.00
UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST	\$	1.89
TAX PREMIUM	\$	10,700.00
TOTAL	\$	1,335,871.86

Mr. Mc Guinness, seconded by Mrs. Mora Dillon made a motion to adopt Resolution 148-2025.

### **RECORDED VOTE**

Ave:

Hayes, Mc Guinness, Mora Dillon, Watters

Nay:

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Absent:

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Abstain:

Farino

# **RESOLUTION 148-2025**

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATEOF NEW JERSEY PAYMENT OF MUNICIPAL OBLIGATIONS-PURCHASE ORDER #25-00069

**WHEREAS**, Purchase Order # 25-00069 in the amount of \$ 550.00 was pulled from Resolution #140-2025 at the Township Committee meeting held on May 28, 2025, due to lack of quorum for the majority vote.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that Purchase Order # 25-00069 in the amount of \$ 550.00 payable to Donald J. Farino for Public Defender Services therefore be paid.

# **CONSENT AGENDA – PUBLIC PORTION**

Mayor Watters opened the Public Portion of the meeting for comments on the Consent Agenda. Seeing none, the Public Portion for Consent Agenda was closed.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA/RESOLUTIONS**

The following Resolutions #149-2025 through #167-2025 as filed in the Township Clerk's Office, were adopted on motion by Mr. Hayes and seconded by Mr. Mc Guinness.

## RECORDED VOTE

Aye:

Hayes, Mc Guinness, Mora Dillon, Farino, Watters

Nay:

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Absent:

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Abstain:

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# **RESOLUTION 149-2025**

# RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO REIVAX CONTRACTING CORP. – SNYDER ROAD SECTION 2 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2025, the Township of Mansfield conducted a bid opening and received three (3) bids for the Snyder Road Section 2 Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, after a thorough review of all bids by the Township Engineer, Richard Quamme of Boswell Engineering, Mr. Quamme recommends the lowest responsible bidder, Reivax Contracting Corp of Flemington, New Jersey, with a base bid of \$291,402.50, an alternate bid #1 of #17,032.25, an alternate bid #2 of \$47,148.75, and an alternate bid #3 of \$15,473.75 for a total amount of \$371,057.50; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Attorney and Qualified Purchasing Agent have reviewed the bid and determined the bid to be responsive; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Temporary Chief Financial Officer has certified the funds will be available in line item account #G-02-41-560-0000-0004.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, and the State of New Jersey, that a contract for the Snyder Road Section 2 Improvement Project for the base bid and alternate bids are awarded to Reivax Contracting Corp of Flemington, New Jersey in the amount of \$291,402.50, an alternate bid #1 of #17,032.25, an alternate bid #2 of \$47,148.75, and an alternate bid #3 of \$15,473.75 for a total contract amount of \$371,057.50.

# **RESOLUTION 150-2025**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NJ DOT FOR THE BLAU ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, and the State of New Jersey, formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and the Township Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as Application ID 00188 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Township of Mansfield.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and the Township Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Mansfield and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement

# RESOLUTION 151-2025

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL SERVICES AND INCREASE OF NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR TOWNSHIP CONFLICT ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, Mr. Robert Mc Briar of Schneck, Price, Smith, & King, LLP was appointed as the Township Conflict Attorney at the Township Reorganization Meeting held on January 2, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mc Briar had submitted a rate schedule with a not to exceed amount of \$8,000.00 for services provided as the Township Conflict Attorney; and

**WHEREAS**, due to additional services provided by Mr. Mc Briar, the rate will exceed the original amount encumbered in the 2025 municipal budget for such services; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the Township Temporary Chief Financial Officer has certified the funds will be available in the 2025 budget for an additional \$9,000.00 for an amended not to exceed total amount of \$17,000.00 and the line item to be charged is 5-01-20-155-0000-4300; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, State of New Jersey does hereby authorize the additional Township Conflict Attorney provided by Mr. Mc Briar of Schneck, Price, Smith, & King, LLP and authorize the additional rate of \$9,000.00 for an amended not to exceed amount of \$17,000.00.

# RESOLUTION 152-2025

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF REFUND FOR TWO (2) SIDEWALK BONDS

WHEREAS, in accordance with Mansfield Township code section 167-11 (Certificate of Occupancy) Ryan Homes issued checks for two (2) Sidewalk Bonds to the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren; and

WHEREAS, balances remain in escrow for these sidewalk bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has determined that the escrow balances can be refunded.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Finance Office be authorized to refund the following Sidewalk Bonds to Ryan Homes.

#### **ADDRESS**

**BOND AMOUNT** 

2 Redwood Run (Sidewalk Bond)

\$ 1,500.00

106 Mountain View Lane (Sidewalk Pad Repair Bond)\$ 500.00

# **RESOLUTION 153-2025**

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF REFUND FOR TWELVE (12) DRIVEWAY BONDS

WHEREAS, in accordance with Mansfield Township code section 167-11 (Certificate of Occupancy) Ryan Homes issued checks for twelve (12) Driveway Bonds to the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren; and

WHEREAS, balances remain in escrow for these driveway bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has determined that the escrow balances can be refunded.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Finance Office be authorized to refund the following Driveway Bonds to Ryan Homes.

**ADDRESS** 

**BOND AMOUNT** 

15 Mountain View Lane	\$ 1,500.00
106 Mountain View Lane	\$ 1,500.00
108 Mountain View Lane	\$ 1,500.00
110 Mountain View Lane	\$ 1,500.00
113 Mountain View Lane	\$ 1,500.00
114 Mountain View Lane	\$ 1,500.00
62 Redwood Run	\$ 1,500.00
64 Redwood Run	\$ 1,500.00
65 Redwood Run	\$ 1,500.00
66 Redwood Run	\$ 1,500.00
67 Redwood Run	\$ 1,500.00
5 Thomas Knoll	\$ 1,500.00

**TOTAL REFUND AMOUNT: \$ 18,000.00** 

# **RESOLUTION 154-2025**

# RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF ESTIMATED PROPERTY TAX BILLS

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, introduced and approved its 2025 Municipal Budget on May 28, 2025, and plans to adopt the 2025 Municipal Budget on June 25, 2025; and

WHEREAS, regular tax bills cannot be printed and sent if the Township of Mansfield has not yet received approval of the 2025 Municipal Budget from the State; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield finds and declares that the Township financial officials have determined that it is in the best financial interest of the Township of Mansfield to issue estimated tax bills in order to ensure sufficient cash flow to support the operations of the Township until the 2025 Municipal Budget is approved by the State and a tax rate is struck by the County and regular tax bills can be printed and mailed; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield further finds and declares that Karin E. Ughetta, Certified Tax Collector, has reviewed and computed an estimated tax levy in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.3 which allows a tax levy of .95% to 1.05% of the prior year's tax levy, and is seeking authorization to issue property tax bills based upon the estimated tax levy using a rate of 1.02%.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, in the County of Warren and State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. Karin E. Ughetta, Certified Tax Collector, for the Township of Mansfield, be and is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and issue estimated tax bills for the Township of Mansfield for the third quarter 2025 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.2 et seq.
- 2. That the entire estimated tax levy for FY 2025 be and is hereby set at \$25,873.305.00.
- 3. That Karin E. Ughetta, Certified Tax Collector, for the Township of Mansfield, be and is hereby authorized to undertake any and all additional steps deemed necessary and appropriate to immediately implement the substance of this Resolution.

# RESOLUTION 155-2025

# RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF A REFUND FOR OVERPAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES ON BLOCK 1303 LOT 16

WHEREAS, the property known as Block 1303 Lot 16, on the Tax Maps of the Township of Mansfield, Warren County, New Jersey has a tax overpayment of \$ 1,321,07, for the second guarter of 2025; and

WHEREAS, the property owner has requested a refund of said overpayment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, and the State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector and Township Finance Office are hereby authorized to refund the following payment:

Robert T. Peterson 1432 Route 57 Port Murray, New Jersey 07865 BLOCK 1303 Lot 16 **REFUND TOTAL \$ 1,321.07** 

# RESOLUTION 156-2025

# RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY **AUTHORIZING LIEN REDEMPTION- BLOCK 2811 LOT 6**

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Township of Mansfield has advised the Committee that the following property has been redeemed and the money due thereon paid to the Township of Mansfield Tax Collector;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield this 11th day of June, 2025, that payment in the amount of \$44,859.51, is to be made to the certificate holder as noted:

BLOCK/LOT

Block 2811 Lot 6

CERT#

22-00023

**CERTIFICATE HOLDER** 

Christiana Trust As Custodian GSRAN-X, LLC Deposit Account PO Box 71276

Philadelphia, PA 19176-6276

Lien Redemption

\$ 34,159.51

Premium

\$ 10,700.00

# RESOLUTION 157-2025

# RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY **AUTHORIZING LIEN REDEMPTION - BLOCK 2709 LOT 9**

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Township of Mansfield has advised the Committee that the following property has been redeemed and the money due thereon paid to the Township of Mansfield Tax Collector;

NOW. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield this 11<sup>TH</sup> day of June, 2025, that payment in the amount of \$ 683.40, is to be made to the certificate holder as noted:

## **CERTIFICATE HOLDER**

Exit 26 Enterprises, LLC 90 Waterloo Road Budd Lake, NJ 07828

# Block 2709 Lot 9

CERT # 22-00018

Lien Redemption

\$ 683.40

# RESOLUTION 158-2025

# RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING LIEN REDEMPTION - BLOCK 2709 LOT 6

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Township of Mansfield has advised the Committee that the following property has been redeemed and the money due thereon paid to the Township of Mansfield Tax Collector;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield this 11<sup>TH</sup> day of June, 2025, that payment in the amount of \$ 692.13, is to be made to the certificate holder as noted:

**CERTIFICATE HOLDER** 

BLOCK/LOT Block 2709 Lot 6 CERT # 22-00017

Anderson Property Holdings, LLC

50 State Route 183 Netcong, NJ 07857

Lien Redemption

\$ 692.13

# **RESOLUTION 159-2025**

# RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING LIEN REDEMPTION - BLOCK 2709 LOT 5

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Township of Mansfield has advised the Committee that the following property has been redeemed and the money due thereon paid to the Township of Mansfield Tax Collector:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield this 11<sup>TH</sup> day of June, 2025, that payment in the amount of \$892.46, is to be made to the certificate holder as noted:

**CERTIFICATE HOLDER** 

Anderson Property Holdings, LLC

50 State Route 183 Netcong NJ 07857

Lien Redemption \$892.46

BLOCK/LOT Block 2709 Lot 5 **CERT #** 22-00016

# **RESOLUTION 160-2025**

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING LIEN REDEMPTION - BLOCK 3203 LOT 16

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector of the Township of Mansfield has advised the Committee that the following property has been redeemed and the money due thereon paid to the Township of Mansfield Tax Collector.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield this 11<sup>TH</sup> day of June, 2025, that payment in the amount of \$ 438.95, is to be made to the certificate holder as noted:

#### **CERTIFICATE HOLDER**

Joseph Trench 149 Hemlock Drive Phillipsburg, NJ 08865

# **BLOCK/LOT**

Block 3203 Lot 16

CERT # 24-00023

Lien Redemption

\$438.95

# **RESOLUTION 161-2025**

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING LIEN REDEMPTION - BLOCK 3203 LOT 14

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Township of Mansfield has advised the Committee that the following property has been redeemed and the money due thereon paid to the Township of Mansfield Tax Collector.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield this 11<sup>TH</sup> day of June, 2025, that payment in the amount of \$ 356.80, is to be made to the certificate holder as noted:

**CERTIFICATE HOLDER** 

Jason Decibus 8 Honey Lane Washington, NJ 07882 **BLOCK/LOT** 

Block 3203 Lot 14

CERT#

24-00022

**Lien Redemption** 

\$ 356.80

# **RESOLUTION 162-2025**

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING LIEN REDEMPTION - BLOCK 2603 LOT 7

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Township of Mansfield has advised the Committee that the following property has been redeemed and the money due thereon paid to the Township of Mansfield Tax Collector:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield this 11<sup>TH</sup> day of June, 2025, that payment in the amount of \$ 216.83, is to be made to the certificate holder as noted:

**CERTIFICATE HOLDER** 

BLOCK/LOT Block 2603 Lot 7 CERT # 21-00029

Neil Seidman

292 Chambers Street Phillipsburg, NJ 08865

Lien Redemption

\$ 216.83

# **RESOLUTION 163-2025**

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE DECLARATION OF PROPERTY OWNER OF BLOCK 1501.07 LOT 4, AS A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN AND EXEMPT FROM PROPERTY TAXES

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor of the Township of Mansfield has granted an exemption of property taxes for a totally disabled veteran who owns and resides at Block 1501.07 Lot 4; and

WHEREAS, the owner at this property has submitted the necessary paperwork verifying his/her exempt status; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor had declared this owner totally exempt as of March 11, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector has calculated the following taxes that should be refunded as of March 11, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, taxes in the amount of \$ 56.04 (19 days) were paid for the first quarter 2025 taxes, \$ 265.27 were paid for the second quarter 2025 taxes and \$ 265.33 were paid for the third quarter 2025 taxes; and

WHEREAS, the amount to be refunded to the owner of Block 1501.07 Lot 4, is \$ 586.64.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, State of New Jersey does hereby adopt this Resolution and authorizes the tax collector to refund the total amount of \$ 586.64 to the owner of Block 1501.07 Lot 4.

# RESOLUTION 164-2025

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026-ROSAMILIA HOSPITALITY CORP

**WHEREAS**, an application was filed for renewal of a Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License for the fiscal year 2025-2026 with the Alcoholic Beverage Control for:

Rosamilia Hospitality Corp 1930 State Route 57, Ste.1

Mansfield Township, NJ 07840

#2116-33-001-005

**WHEREAS**, the submitted, renewal application has been accepted via the POSSE website portal of the Alcoholic Beverage Control, the municipal fees have been paid and a Tax Clearance Certificate was issued to the above applicant on May 28, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the applicant is qualified to be licensed per standards established by Title 33 of the New Jersey Statute, regulations promulgated there under, and pertinent Township ordinances; and

**WHEREAS**, no objections were filed and no appearances were made by the public opposing the renewal of such license.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, and the State of New Jersey, that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to issue a liquor license renewal for Rosamilia Hospitality Corp, #2116-33-001-005, for the fiscal year 2025-2026 and place the seal of the Township of Mansfield upon said license and to affix her signature thereon.

# RESOLUTION 165-2025

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 PASTA GRILL MANSFIELD, LLC

**WHEREAS**, an application was filed for renewal of a Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License for the fiscal year 2024-2025 with the Alcoholic Beverage Control for:

**WHEREAS**, the submitted, renewal application has been accepted via the POSSE website portal of the Alcoholic Beverage Control, the municipal fees have been paid and a Tax Clearance Certificate was issued to the above applicant on May 19, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the applicant is qualified to be licensed per standards established by Title 33 of the New Jersey Statute, regulations promulgated there under, and pertinent Township ordinances; and

WHEREAS, no objections were filed and no appearances were made by the public opposing the renewal of such license.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, and the State of New Jersey, that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to issue a liquor license renewal for Pasta Grill Mansfield, LLC, #2116-33-009-008, for the fiscal year 2025-2026 and place the seal of the Township of Mansfield upon said license and to affix her signature thereon.

# RESOLUTION 166-2025

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026-MANSFIELD BOTTLE KING, INC.

**WHEREAS**, an application was filed for renewal of a Plenary Retail Distribution Liquor License for the fiscal year 2025-2026 with the Alcoholic Beverage Control for:

Mansfield Bottle King, Inc.

2028 Route 57

#2116-44-003-006

Mansfield Township, NJ 07840

**WHEREAS**, the submitted, renewal application has been accepted via the POSSE website portal of the Alcoholic Beverage Control, the municipal fees have been paid and a Tax Clearance Certificate was issued to the above applicant on May 19, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the applicant is qualified to be licensed per standards established by Title 33 of the New Jersey Statute, regulations promulgated there under, and pertinent Township ordinances; and

**WHEREAS**, no objections were filed and no appearances were made by the public opposing the renewal of such license.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, and the State of New Jersey, that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to issue a liquor license renewal for Mansfield Bottle King, Inc., #2116-44-003-006, for the fiscal year 2025-2026 and place the seal of the Township of Mansfield upon said license and to affix her signature thereon.

# **RESOLUTION 167-2025**

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF TWO (2) FORD POLICE INTERCEPTORS FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT PURUSANT TO NJ STATE CONTRACT

WHEREAS, a need exists for the acquisition of two (2) Ford Police Interceptors for the daily operations of the

Township of Mansfield Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Mansfield, may, without advertising for bids, purchase such materials through a purchasing cooperative pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:1 1-12 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29 et. Seq., and

**WHEREAS**, the following vendor is authorized and participates in the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council; and

Nielsen Ford

MCCPC Contract #15-A

WHEREAS, Nielsen Ford has proposed under MCCPC Contract #15-A of two (2) Ford Police Interceptors in the amount of \$44,227.50 each for a total of \$88,455.00; and

**WHEREAS**, this authorization to purchase aforementioned vehicles is pending per the Township Temporary Chief Financial Officer certification.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, and the State of New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 & N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29 that it authorizes the Police Chief of the Township of Mansfield to enter into a contract to purchase through the use of the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council with Nielsen Ford MCCPC Contract #15-A for procurement of two (2) Ford Police Interceptors in the amount of \$44,227.50 each for a total of \$88,455.00 pending per the Township Temporary Chief Financial Officer certification.

### **COMMITTEE PERSON COMMENTS:**

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Mc Guinness, made a motion to adopt Resolution #168-2025 for an Executive Session of the Township Committee.

## **RECORDED VOTE**

Aye:

Haves, Mc Guinness, Mora Dillon, Farino, Watters

Nay:

XXXXXX

Absent: Abstain:

XXXXXX

# Mr. Lavery announced the following to be discussed in Executive Session: **Attorney Client Privilege**

Potential Property Auction - Block 601.03 Lot 55

#### Contractual

Municipal Building Air Conditioning System

#### Personnel

**Court Summer Hours** 

# **RESOLUTION 168-2025**

# RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield is authorized, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 to exclude the public from that portion of this meeting for purposes of discussing specific matters as permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12; and;

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield intends to discuss certain matters which are deemed confidential pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, in Executive Session; and

**WHEREAS**, at this time the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield cannot determine the time when the discussion to be held in Executive Session will be made public, but will disclose the minutes of the Executive Session when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, that this meeting shall be adjourned to an Executive Session and the public will excluded in order that the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield may discuss the items listed below:

# **Attorney Client Privilege**

Potential Property Auction – Block 601.03 Lot 55

#### Contractual

Municipal Building Air Conditioning System

#### Personnel

Court Summer Hours

At approximately 7:48p.m., the Committee went into Executive Session.

### **RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION**

On a motion by Mr. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Mc Guinness, the Township Committee voted to return to public session at approximately 8:00 p.m.

### **RECORDED VOTE**

Aye: Hayes, Mc Guinness, Mora Dillon, Farino, Watters

Nay:

XXXXXX

Absent:

XXXXXX

Abstain:

XXXXXX

Mr. Lavery announced the following discussed in Executive Session:

#### Attorney Client Privilege

Potential Property Auction - Block 601.03 Lot 55

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Copies of these minutes will be available at such time the Committee determines there is no longer a harm to the public interest. There was no official action resulting from Executive Session.

There being no further business, Mr. Hayes made a motion to adjourn. All present were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:02 p.m.

Attest.

Wendy Barras, R

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