# TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD COMMITTEE MEETING OFFICIAL MINUTES FEBRUARY 28, 2024

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 7:30 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. Farino, Mr. McGuinness, Mr. Hayes & Mayor Watters.

Absent: Mrs. Mora Dillon

Also, present were Township Attorney Michael Lavery, Township Clerk Wendy Barras, CFO Judith Curran, Police Chief MacDonough, Deputy Treasurer JoAnn Fascenelli, and Deputy Clerk Illena Raffaele.

There were no members of the public present

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG:** Mayor Watters led the flag salute.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

## February 14, 2024 - EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Mc Guinness, seconded by Mr. Hayes made a motion to approve the Executive Session meeting minutes from February 14, 2024.

#### RECORDED VOTE

Ave:

Mr. McGuinness, Mr. Farino, Mr. Hayes, Mayor Watters

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Absent:

Mrs. Mora Dillon

Abstain:

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#### February 14. 2024 - REGULAR SESSION

Mr. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Mc Guinness made a motion to approve the Regular Session meeting minutes from February 14, 2024.

#### RECORDED VOTE

Aye:

Mr. McGuinness, Mr. Farino, Mr. Hayes, Mayor Watters

Nay:

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Absent:

Mrs. Mora Dillon

Abstain:

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## **CLERK'S REPORT**

Township Clerk Barras reported the following:

- Representatives from the County Election Board came to certify both polling locations; discussed
  parking solutions at the DPW building with DPW Supervisor Appleby since this year is a presidential
  election
- 2 Solicitor's licenses were issued to representatives from Trinity Solar
- Township received a \$300 check for the Statewide Insurance award for the 2023 Loss Control Award

#### FINANCE REPORT

CFO Curan reported the following:

- Auditors have begun preparing the Annual Financial Statement.
- 2024 Budget draft nearly completed.
- Delinguent tax notices were printed and mailed out.

#### **EMPLOYEES' REPORT**

Mrs. Fascenelli reported the annual shred event is scheduled for Saturday, October 19th. She asked permission of the Committee to post Habitat for Humanity information on the Township website. Committee agreed, a clause saying the Township is not connected with the organization will posted with it.

## **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Mr. Quamme reported the following:

- Proposed soil ordinance
- Mount Bethel Community Center Final payment is subject to contractor replacing a ceiling fan. Fire alarm error code seems to be intermittent; Contractor will investigate
- Synder Rd. Improvements Harrington Contractor submitted revised invoice for work; meeting with contractor to discuss is pending
- Tennis Court Rehab

Mayor Watters stated he received correspondence from State Senator Steinhardt requesting the top two or three budget requests for fiscal year 2025. Township Clerk Barras will draft a letter with the top three requests: tennis courts rehab, rescue squad vehicle, and Mt. Bethel Church site work.

Mayor Watters also requested Township Clerk Barras to draft a letter to Home Depot and Lowe's seeking a possible donation towards the flooring at the Mt. Bethel Church.

## **PUBLIC PORTION**

Mayor Watters opened the Public Portion of the meeting for public comments. Seeing no one else wished to comment, the Public Portion was closed.

## ORDINANCE: PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING

<u>#02-2024:</u>

Ordinance Amending Chapter 293 Entitled "Stormwater Management" to Include a New

Section, Article II, Entitled "Improper Disposal of Waste"

Mayor Watters opened the Public Hearing for Ordinance #02-2024. Seeing no one wishing to comment, Mayor Watters closed the Public Hearing. Mr. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Mc Guinness made a motion to adopt Ordinance #02-2024.

## **RECORDED VOTE**

Ave:

Mr. McGuinness, Mr. Farino, Mr. Hayes, Mayor Watters

Nay:

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Absent:

Mrs. Mora Dillon

Abstain:

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#### **ORDINANCE 002-2024**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD BY AMENDING CHAPTER 293 ENTITLED "STORMWATER MANAGEMENT" TO INCLUDE A NEW SECTION, ARTICLE II. ENTITLED "IMPROPER DISPOSAL OF WASTE"

#### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This purpose of this Ordinance is to amend Chapter 293, "Stormwater Management" and to include a new section, Article II, entitled "Improper Disposal of Waste".

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey, that the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Mansfield, as amended, be further amending by adding a new section, Article II, entitled "Improper Disposal of Waste" to Chapter 293 entitled "Stormwater Management" as follows:

**SECTION I. Purpose**: An ordinance to prohibit the spilling, dumping, or disposal of materials other than stormwater to the municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) operated by the Township of Mansfield, so as to protect public health, safety, and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for the failure to comply.

**SECTION II. Definitions**: For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- a. Municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) a conveyance or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, manmade channels, or storm drains) that is owned or operated by the Township of Mansfield or other public body, and is designed and used for collecting and conveying stormwater.
- b. Person any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- c. Stormwater water resulting from precipitation (including rain and snow) that runs off the land's surface, is transmitted to the subsurface, is captured by separate storm sewers or other sewerage or drainage facilities, or is conveyed by snow removal equipment.

**SECTION III. Prohibited Conduct**: The spilling, dumping, or disposal of materials other than stormwater to the municipal separate storm sewer system operated by the Township of Mansfield is prohibited. The spilling, dumping, or disposal of materials other than stormwater in such a manner as to cause the discharge of pollutants to the municipal separate storm sewer system is also prohibited.

## **SECTION IV. Exceptions to Prohibition:**

- a. Water line flushing and discharges from potable water sources
- b. Uncontaminated ground water (e.g., infiltration, crawl space or basement sump pumps, foundation or footing drains, rising ground waters)
- c. Air conditioning condensate (excluding contact and non-contact cooling water)
- d. Irrigation water (including landscape and lawn watering runoff)
- e. Flows from springs, riparian habitats and wetlands, water reservoir discharges and diverted stream flows
- f. Residential car washing water, and residential swimming pool discharges
- g. Sidewalk, driveway, and street wash water
- h. Flows from firefighting activities
- i. Flows from rinsing of the following equipment with clean water: Beach maintenance equipment immediately following their use for their intended purposes; and Equipment used in the application of salt and de-icing materials immediately following salt and de-icing material applications. Prior to rinsing with clean water, all residual salt and de-icing materials must be removed from equipment and vehicles to the maximum extent practicable using dry cleaning methods (e.g., shoveling and sweeping). Recovered materials are to be returned to storage for reuse or properly discarded. Rinsing of equipment, as noted in the above situation is limited to exterior, undercarriage, and exposed parts and does not apply to engines or other enclosed machinery.

**SECTION V. Enforcement**: This ordinance shall be enforced by the Police Department or its municipal designee of the Township of Mansfield during the course of ordinary enforcement duties.

**SECTION VI. Penalties**: Any person(s) who continues to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance, after being duly notified, shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$1,000.

**SECTION VII. Repealer:** All ordinances and resolutions or parts thereof inconsistent with this ordinance are repealed.

**SECTION VIII**. Severability: If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged by the courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision so adjudged and the remainder of this ordinance shall be valid and enforceable.

**SECTION IV.** Effective date: This Ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption and publication as provided by law.

## ORDINANCE: INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

#003-2024

Ordinance Amending And Supplementing Chapter 260, Peddling And Soliciting Of The

Mansfield Township Municipal Code Creating A No-Knock Registry

Mr. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Mc Guinness made a motion to introduce Ordinance #03-2024.

#### **RECORDED VOTE**

Aye:

Mr. McGuinness, Mr. Farino, Mr. Hayes, Mayor Watters

Nay:

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Absent:

Mrs. Mora Dillon

Abstain:

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## **ORDINANCE 003-2024**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 260, PEDDLING AND SOLITICING OF THE MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL CODE CREATING A NO-KNOCK REGISTRY

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend and supplement Chapter 260, Peddling and Soliciting of the Township Municipal Code and to create a No- Knock Registry.

**WHEREAS**, the current Township Municipal Code is in need to be updated to implement a prohibition of door-to-door solicitations via a No- Knock Registry.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren. State of New Jersev that:

A. The following amendments to Chapter 260 (Peddling and Soliciting) Section V are hereby adopted:

## §260-5.1 Establishment of a No-Knock Registry

- A. For the purpose of protecting residents from criminal activities and safeguarding their privacy, there is hereby established a No-Knock Registry of properties where soliciting is prohibited. The No-Knock Registry shall be maintained by the Township Clerk.
- B. The Township Clerk shall prepare a list of addresses of those premises whose owners or occupants have notified the Township Clerk that soliciting is not permitted on their premises. Notification shall be by the completion of a form, available on the Township website and in the Township Clerk's office during normal business hours. The premises shall remain on the Registry unless the owner or occupant

notifies the Township Clerk in writing that they wish the property to be removed from the Registry. The Township Clerk shall update the list monthly. The inclusion of a premises on the Registry shall be deemed a revocation of any privilege or license to enter or attempt to enter the property.

- C. The Township Clerk shall distribute the current Mansfield Township No-Knock Registry to a licensed solicitor at the time of issuance of a license.
- D. Although the most current list of registrants on the Mansfield Township No-Knock Registry shall be provided by the Township Clerk, it is the responsibility of the solicitor to have the updated list prior to engaging in any soliciting within the Township.
- E. Any person convicted of violating this section upon competent evidence by an owner, occupant, or other person with personal knowledge of such violation shall be subject to minimum fine of \$100.00 and a permanent revocation of any license issued under the within article.
- F. This section does not preclude an owner or occupant from filing any other appropriate compliant with the Municipal Prosecutor, including a compliant for trespass.

## **PUBLIC PORTION**

Mayor Watters opened the Public Portion of the meeting for public comments related to the Consent Agenda. Seeing no one else wished to comment, the Public Portion was closed.

## **RESOLUTIONS (TAKEN SEPARATELY)**

Resolution #077-2024 as filed in the Township Clerk's Office, was adopted on motion by Mr. Mc Guinness and seconded by Mr. Hayes.

#### **RECORDED VOTE**

Aye:

Mr. McGuinness, Mr. Farino, Mr. Hayes, Mayor Watters

Nay:

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Absent:

Mrs. Mora Dillon

Abstain:

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## **RESOLUTION 077-2024**

#### A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS LIST

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 Chief Financial Officer and the Deputy Treasurer, from the following accounts and in the following amounts:

BILLS LIST		
CURRENT- 3-01	\$ 40,944.24	
CURRENT- 4-01	\$199,927.60	
FEDERAL/STATE	\$ 1,755.00	

GRANT FUND		
DOG FUND	\$ 1,008.80	
UNEMPLOYMENT	\$ 270.11	
TRUST		
TOTAL	\$243,905.75	

## **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 #078-2024 through #083-2024 as filed in the Township Clerk's Office, were adopted on motion by Mr. Hayes and seconded by Mr. Mc Guinness.

## RECORDED VOTE

Aye:

Mr. McGuinness, Mr. Farino, Mr. Hayes, Mayor Watters

Nay:

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Absent:

Mrs. Mora Dillon

Abstain:

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## **RESOLUTION 078-2024**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING A DRIVEWAY BOND FOR 27 REDWOOD RUN

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Mansfield Township code section 167-11 (Certificate of Occupancy) no certificate of occupancy shall be issued unless the driveway has been completed in accordance with the approved plan; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding anything to the contrary hereinbefore mentioned, a developer may, during the period from November 1 to April 15, apply for a certificate of occupancy and defer completion of a driveway in accordance with the approved plan; provided however, such developer posts a driveway bond with the Township of Mansfield; and

**WHEREAS**, Ryan Homes, the developer of the property located at 27 Redwood Run has submitted check number 660183 in the amount of \$ 1,500.00 representing the driveway bond for the project; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has recommended the acceptance of said payment.

**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 driveway bond stated above submitted by Ryan Homes is hereby accepted. The Township Municipal Clerk is authorized and directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the developer.

## **RESOLUTION 079-2024**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING A DRIVEWAY BOND FOR 5 MOUNTAIN VIEW LANE WHEREAS, in accordance with Mansfield Township code section 167-11 (Certificate of Occupancy) no certificate of occupancy shall be issued unless the driveway has been completed in accordance with the approved plan; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding anything to the contrary hereinbefore mentioned, a developer may, during the period from November 1 to April 15, apply for a certificate of occupancy and defer completion of a driveway in accordance with the approved plan; provided however, such developer posts a driveway bond with the Township of Mansfield; and

**WHEREAS**, Ryan Homes, the developer of the property located at 5 Mountain View Lane has submitted check number 660186 in the amount of \$ 1,500.00 representing the driveway bond for the project; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has recommended the acceptance of said payment.

**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 driveway bond stated above submitted by Ryan Homes is hereby accepted. The Township Municipal Clerk is authorized and directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the developer.

## **RESOLUTION 080-2024**

AUTHORIZING PURCHASING FROM WARREN COUNTY CO-OP #WC2360 FOR ROCK SALT FROM ATLANTIC SALT, INC., 134 MIDDLE STREET, SUITE 210, LOWELL, MA 01852

WHEREAS, the Township of Mansfield wishes to purchase Rock Salt under the Warren County Co-Op; and

WHEREAS, Warren County Co-Op Pricing System awarded a contract to Atlantic Salt, Inc., 134 Middle Street, Suite 210, Lowell, MA 01852; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are requested in the 2024 temporary budget for \$ 15,000.00 and the line-item to be charged is 4-01-26-291-0000-5210; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township is authorized to make purchases through cooperative and state contracts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10 and 12; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer to authorize the purchase of this ice deterrent product through the Warren County Co-Op Pricing System.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue purchase orders to Atlantic Salt, Inc., 134 Middle Street, Suite 210, Lowell, MA 01852 through December 31, 2024.

## RESOLUTION 081-2024

#### A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS LIST

**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 Chief Financial Officer and the Deputy Treasurer, from the following accounts and in the following amounts:

BILLS LIST				
CURRENT- 4-01	\$ 1,411,555.24			
TOTAL	\$1,411,555.24			

## **RESOLUTION 082-2024**

AUTHORIZING PURCHASING FROM MORRIS COUNTY CO-OP CONTRACT #1, FOR MOTOR GASOLINE FROM GRIFFITH-ALLIED TRUCKING, LLC., 25 OLD CAMPLAIN ROAD, HILLSBOROUGH, NEW JERSEY 08844

WHEREAS, the Township of Mansfield wishes to purchase Motor Gasoline under the Morris County Co-Op; and

**WHEREAS**, Morris County Co-Op awarded a contract to Griffith-Allied Trucking, LLC., 25 Old Camplain Road, Hillsborough, New Jersey 08844; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are requested in the 2024 temporary budget for an additional \$ 10,000.00 and the line item to be charged is 4-01-31-430-0000-4710; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township is authorized to make purchases through cooperative and state contracts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10 and 12; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue purchase orders to Griffith-Allied Trucking, LLC., 25 Old Camplain Road, Hillsborough, New Jersey 08844 through December 31, 2024.

## **RESOLUTION 083-2024**

#### **AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS**

WHEREAS, the temporary municipal budget for the year 2024, was approved on the 1st day of January, 2024; and

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-20 provides for the creation of an emergency temporary appropriation before the adoption of the budget; and

**WHEREAS**, the total emergency temporary resolutions adopted in the year 2024 pursuant to the provision of NJSA 40A:4-20 including this resolution total \$2,689114.52 as the amount of the first temporary budget,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren, that the following amendment to the temporary budget be made:

## **Emergency Temporary Appropriation:**

General Administration: Salaries and Wages Other Expenses	\$10,000.00 \$ 1,000.00	Heath Waiver:	\$6,000.00
Mayor and Council: Other Expenses	\$ 3,000.00	Other Insurance: (moved to sub insurance categories)	\$ -335,000.00

Municipal Clerk: Other Expenses	\$ 1,000.00	Workmans' Compensation	\$140,000.00
Financial Administration: Salaries & Wages	\$ 15,000.00	Police Department: Salaries & Wages Other Expenses	\$75,000.00 \$10,000.00
Financial Administration: Other Expenses	\$ 1,000.00	OEM: Salaries & Wages	\$ 500.00
Revenue Administration: Salaries & Wages	\$ 5,000.00	Aid to Volunteer Fire Companies: Mansfield Fire Company Tri County Fire Company	\$13,000.00 \$13,000.00
Audit:	\$ 3,500.00	Aid to Volunteer Ambulance Comp First Aid Squad Contributio	any
Data Processing:	\$ 4,000.00	Fire Hydrant: Other Expenses	\$ 1,000.00
Tax Assessor: Salaries and Wages	\$ 2,000.00	Streets and Roads: Salaries and Wages	\$ 40,000.00
Legal Services O/E:	\$ 10,000.00	Other Expenses Garbage Removal	\$ 5,000.00 \$ 500.00
Accrued Sick Leave: Group Insurance Employee:	\$ 6,000.00 \$ 350,000.00	Buildings and Grounds: Other Expenses	\$10,000.00
Snow – Road Salt	\$ 17,500.00		
Senior Citizens Activities:	\$ 4,000.00		
Recreation: Other Expenses	\$ 5,000.00		
Utility Bulk Purchases: Telephone Fuel Oil/Heating Electric Fuel/Gasoline Natural Gas Fuel Diesel	\$ 3,000.00 \$ 2,000.00 \$ 1,000.00 \$ 10,000.00 \$ 500.00 \$ 1,000.00		
Social Security	\$ 5,000.00		
Capital Lease:	\$ 17,000.00		
Interlocal Services: Washington Twp. Planning Borough of Washington An			
Municipal Court: Salaries and Wages Cour	t Security\$ 10,000.00	0 :	

Municipal Court: **66 |** P a g e Municipal Prosecutor

5,000.00

Total Emergency Appropriation \$ 492,000.00

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Tax Sale Assignment- Block 2811, Lot 10

CFO Curran discussed the municipal lien on the property above as the property owner adjacent to it is interested in acquiring the lot.

Mr. Mc Guinness, seconded by Mr. Hayes made a motion to pay the township lien on Block 2811, Lot 10.

#### RECORDED VOTE

Aye:

Mr. McGuinness, Mr. Farino, Mr. Hayes, Mayor Watters

Nay:

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Absent:

Mrs. Mora Dillon

Abstain:

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## 2. Code Enforcement Officer Position

The Committee discussed a code enforcement officer position. Township Attorney Lavery, after reviewing code ordinances, stated these can be enforced by the Zoning officer. Will need to discuss with Zoning officer for enforcement.

## **COMMITTEE PERSON COMMENTS: None**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Mc Guinness made a motion to adopt Resolution #084-2024 for an Executive Session of the Township Committee. At approximately 8:14 p.m., the Committee went into Executive Session.

#### RECORDED VOTE

Aye:

Mr. McGuinness, Mr. Farino, Mr. Hayes, Mayor Watters

Nay:

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Absent:

Mrs. Mora Dillon

Abstain:

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Mr. Lavery announced the following to be discussed in Executive Session:

## **Attorney Client Privilege**

**Personnel Matter** 

Mansfield EMS

Department of Public Works Laborer Interview

## **RESOLUTION 084-2024**

## RESOLUTION 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 be excluded in order that the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield may discuss the items listed below:

## **Personnel Matter**

Department of Public Works Asst. Supervisor/ Acting Supervisor Position

## **Attorney Client Privilege**

Mansfield EMS

## **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 8:37 p.m.

## **RECORDED VOTE**

Aye:

Mr. McGuinness, Mr. Farino, Mr. Hayes, Mayor Watters

Nay:

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Absent:

Mrs. Mora Dillon

Abstain:

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Mr. Lavery announced the following discussed in Executive Session:

## Personnel Matter

Department of Public Works Asst. Supervisor/ Acting Supervisor Position

## Potential Litigation

Mansfield EMS

Copies of these minutes will be available at such time the Committee determines there is no longer a harm to the public interest. No official action will be taken as a result of the Executive Session.

Mr. Mc Guinness, seconded by Mr. Hayes made a motion to authorize the action discussed in Executive Session.

## **RECORDED VOTE**

Aye:

Mr. McGuinness, Mr. Farino, Mr. Hayes, Mayor Watters

Nay:

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Absent:

Mrs. Mora Dillon

Abstain:

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There being no further business, Mr. Hayes made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:38 p.m.

Attest:

Wendy Barras

Township Municipal Clerk