

**Township of Mount Laurel
Regular Council Meeting
April 8, 2019
Mount Laurel Municipal Center
7:00 P.M.**

Mayor Folcher called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance & Traditional Moment of Silence

ROLL CALL

Councilman Irwin Edelson – present, Councilman Kareem Pritchett – present,
Councilman Stephen Steglik – present, Deputy Mayor Linda Bobo - absent, Mayor Kurt
Folcher - present, George Morris, Township Solicitor – present, Meredith Tomczyk,
Township Manager/Township Clerk - present

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

The Public Announcement, which is required by the “Open Public Meetings Act” of the
State of New Jersey and read at every meeting of the Township Council was read by the
Municipal Clerk.

Mayor Folcher addressed trash ordinance.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$986,716.26
Motion to Move: Councilman Edelson, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 4 yes votes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to Move: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Steglik
Roll Call 4 yes votes

RESOLUTION #87-2019: NATIONAL SERVICE RECOGNITION DAY

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #87-2019: Councilman Steglik, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 4 yes votes

**RESOLUTION #88-2019: MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING REDUCTION OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE, JEFFERSON
PLACE, LLC, SP#7976B, BLOCK 304.05, LOT 1**

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #88-2019: Councilman Edelson, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 4 yes votes

RESOLUTION #89-2019: MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE, CONNELL TRACT
(MOUNT LAUREL ROAD), BLOCK 701, LOT 3

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #89-2019: Councilman Steglik, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 4 yes votes

RESOLUTION #90-2019: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASES TO BE
MADE UNDER STATE CONTRACT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #90-2019: Councilman Edelson, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 4 yes votes

RESOLUTION #91-2019: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR
CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 1108.02, LOT 1, C0904, 904
AUGUSTA CIRCLE

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #91-2019: Councilman Steglik, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 4 yes votes

RESOLUTION #92-2019: RESOLUTION FOR MEMBER PARTICIPATION IN A
COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #92-2019: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Edelson
Roll Call 4 yes votes

RESOLUTION #93-2019: RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE 2019 UDRIVE,
UTEXT, UPAY, DISTRACTED DRIVING CRACKDOWN APRIL 1-21, 2019

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #93-2019: Councilman Steglik, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 4 yes votes

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

ORDINANCE #11-2019: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL CHAPTER 148 ("VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC")
Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #11-2019: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Steglik
Roll Call 4 yes votes

ORDINANCE #12-2019: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 154 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "ZONING" TO AMEND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO ACCESSORY USES

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #12-2019: Councilman Edelson, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 4 yes votes

ORDINANCE #13-2019: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 154 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "ZONING" TO AMEND COMMON DEFINITIONS

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #13-2019: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Steglik
Roll Call 4 yes votes

ORDINANCE #14-2019: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 154 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "ZONING" TO MODERNIZE SIGN STANDARDS

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #14-2019: Councilman Steglik, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 4 yes votes

ORDINANCE #15-2019: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 154 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "ZONING" TO PERMIT FOOD TRUCKS UNDER LIMITED CONDITIONS

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #15-2019: Councilman Steglik, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 4 yes votes

ORDINANCE #16-2019: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 154-56 PROHIBITING ON-SITE CONSUMPTION OF MARIJUANA OR MARIJUANA-RELATED PRODUCTS

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #16-2019: Councilman Edelson, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 4 yes votes

ORDINANCE #17-2019: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 154 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "ZONING" TO INCLUDE A PHASING SCHEDULE FOR OFFSITE AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #17-2019: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Steglik
Roll Call 4 yes votes

ORDINANCE #18-2019: AMENDING CHAPTER 154 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "ZONING" AND 154-131.12 ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES FOR SALE AND RENTAL" TO ADD 154-131.12(L) ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT FEES

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #18-2019: Councilman Edelson, 2nd Councilman Steglik
Roll Call 4 yes votes

ORDINANCE #19-2019: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 154 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "ZONING" TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR WIRELESS COMMUNICATION TOWERS AND FACILITIES

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #19-2019: Councilman Steglik, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 4 yes votes

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE #9-2019: AMENDING CHAPTER 66-3 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE TO REDUCE AND AMEND UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE PERMIT FEES

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Mayor opened public participation.

Mayor closed public participation.

Motion to move Ordinance #9-2019: Councilman Steglik, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 4 yes votes

NEW BUSINESS

A. Proposed Ordinances

Councilman Edelson – Green Team Ordinance “No Smoking or Vaping” on township owned property. Township Manager suggested a “No Knock” Ordinance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Karen Cohen, 15 Winterberry Court – Ms. Cohen spoke in favor of the no smoking ordinance.

George Brille, 127A Chaucer Road – Thanked Council. Trash in neighbor is being picked up better by trash haulers and recycling hauler.

Harriet Cohen, 10 Alderton Lane – Thanked Council for revisiting trash ordinance. Wants elections to be held in November. Local elections need to be important and she does not support moving the elections.

Darrell Hammons, 145 Indigo Drive – Mr. Hammons stated he has some issues with the trash ordinance. The Mayor stated to email concerns/comments to all of council. He asked if the ordinance for no knock applies to all vendors. The Manager stated religious organizations are exempt from ordinance.

Robin Gordon, 305 Keatley Drive – Stated she is a tennis player and the courts on Church need to be repaired.

George Schramm, 306 Stamford Drive – Does “No Knock” Ordinance exempt political people? The solicitor stated it does not. Mr. Schramm expressed his concern with how COAH was handled previously.

Harriet Insler, 4 Witherod Court – Thanked Council for No Smoking Ordinance. Wants cost breakdown on moving elections and changing Mt. Laurel into nonpartisan.

Karen Cohen, 15 Winterberry Court – Township in under Faulkner Act and she support keeping election how they currently are held.

SOLICITORS REPORT

Attorney Morris explained changing town from partisan to nonpartisan.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL

Councilman Pritchett – Reminder that Mt. Laurel cleanup day is April 27th from 9AM until 12 PM. Remember a lot of leaders have sacrificed for rights we have today. Councilman Pritchett expressed that he wants Council to move forward working together but to not move forward with moving the elections.

Councilman Steglik Thanked everyone who spoke. Went to opening day of baseball. It was great. EMS banquet was incredible. Thanked solicitor for his report. Councilman Steglik expressed his concern with moving the elections. He believes the elections should be held the same way they are currently being held.

Councilman Edelson – Cleanup Day is at Laurel Acres. Shredding will be by Police Garage. Congratulated Police Department for giving out tickets for free pizza. State gave \$260,000 grant for Union Mill Road plus \$510,000. Thanked everyone for coming.

Mayor Folcher – Thanked Assemblywoman Murphy for open communication.

RESOLUTION #94-2019: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL TO DISCUSS PENDING OR ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS AND/OR PERSONNEL MATTERS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

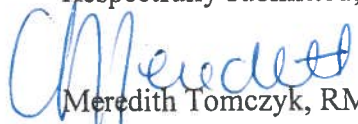
Motion to Move Resolution #94-2019: Councilman Edelson, 2nd Councilman Steglik
Roll Call 4 yes votes

Return to Open

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Edelson, 2nd Councilman Pritchett

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,


Meredith Tomczyk, RMC
Township Clerk

