

**Township of Mount Laurel
Regular Council Meeting
April 26, 2021
Via Zoom**

Mayor Steglik called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance & Traditional Moment of Silence

ROLL CALL

Councilwoman Karen Cohen – present, Councilwoman Fozia Janjua – present,
Councilman Nick Moustakas – present, Deputy Mayor Kareem Pritchett - present, Mayor
Stephen Steglik - present, 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.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to Move: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2nd Councilwoman Cohen
Roll Call 5 yes votes

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$318,720.85

Motion to Move: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2nd Councilwoman Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

**RESOLUTION #89-2021: PROCLAMATION EXPRESSING COMMENDATION TO SAVANA LA
ROCCA FOR HER ATTAINMENT OF THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD**

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #89-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2nd Councilwoman
Cohen
Roll Call 5 yes votes

**RESOLUTION #90-2021: PROCLAMATION EXPRESSING COMMENDATION TO TANYA DAS
FOR HER ATTAINMENT OF THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD**

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #90-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman
Moustakas
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #91-2021: TRANSFERING OWNERSHIP OF RETIRING POLICE K-9

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #91-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2nd Councilwoman
Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #92-2021: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF A SOIL REMOVAL
PERMIT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #92-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Deputy Mayor
Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE #10-2021: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT
LAUREL, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND
SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 43, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 43-2 OF THE MOUNT
LAUREL TOWNSHIP CODE (“POLICE DEPARTMENT – QUALIFICATIONS FOR
EMPLOYMENT”)

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Mayor opened public participation.

No public participation.

Mayor closed public participation.

Motion to move Ordinance #10-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2nd Councilman
Moustakas
Roll Call 5 yes votes

ORDINANCE #11-2021: AUTHORIZING A SHORT TERM LEASE WITH
VOLUNTEERS FOR PAWS FARM, INC. TO ALLOW VOLUNTEERS TO CLEAN,
MAINTAIN AND UPGRADE THE FACILITIES AT BLOCK 402, LOT 2, FORMERLY
KNOWN AS DISCOVERY MUSEUM AT PAWS FARM

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Mayor opened public participation.

No public participation.

Mayor closed public participation.

Motion to move Ordinance #11-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilwoman Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Sharon Coffman, 290 St. David Drive – Supports opening of Ramblewood pool.

Sharon Kercher, 284 St. David Drive – Issues with stray golf balls. Engineer will check it out.

Pat Halbe, 2101 Denham Court – Thanked Council for Ordinance 2021-11. Excited to work on PAWS.

Kara Logan, 243 St. David Drive – Garden community joining Ramblewood Village organization. Wants voting interest.

Alan Kramer – Traffic light at Union Mill and Academy.time frame.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL

Manager Tomczyk – Construction at Laurel Acres Park for the next few weeks.

Mayor Steglik – Thanked everyone for speaking. Thanked Tanya and Savana. Shredding event great success. Pizza box disposal at Community Gardens. George Morris received award from American Red Cross for his work. Congratulations to Chief Colucci for 25 years of service.

Deputy Mayor Pritchett – Thanked Mt. Laurel Township Police Department for April 22nd Community Out Reach Program. Thanked everyone for coming and for comments.

Councilwoman Janjua – Thanked community for coming together. Thanked Police and Public Works Departments. Continue to stay safe and to wear masks.

Councilwoman Cohen – Thanked everyone to participating in meeting. In celebration of Earth Day, Green Team had several events around town. May 8th register on line for free trees given out at Laurel Acres Park at 10AM. May 15th clean up at Trotter's Field. Check website for events. Congratulations to Officer Gunner and Fire Chief Colucci for their retirement. Have a great evening.

Councilman Moustakas – Thanked everyone for attending meeting. Thanked Meredith for doing fantastic job. Thanked mothers everywhere. May 8th Kids Craft Fair. Proud of daughter for working all day. Have a wonderful weekend and wonderful Mother's Day.

Motion to adjourn: Councilwoman Janjua, 2nd Deputy Mayor Pritchett

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Tomczyk, RMC
Township Clerk

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Meredith Tomczyk', is written over the typed name. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

