

**Township of Mount Laurel
Regular Council Meeting
February 22, 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, 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.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to Move: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Moustakas

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,583,731.08

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

RESOLUTION #53-2021: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 1006.05, LOT 18

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #53-2021: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #54-2021: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 602, LOT 13.20

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #54-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Moustakas

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #55-2021: RESOLUTION REMOVING A TUITION AGREEMENT DEED RESTRICTION

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #55-2021: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilwoman Cohen

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #56-2021: RESOLUTION REJECTING PROPOSALS FOR THE DARNELL FARM PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS PAWS FARM

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #56-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilwoman Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

ORDINANCE #5-2021: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 66-3 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE TO AMEND UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE PERMIT FEES

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #5-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Moustakas

Roll Call 5 yes votes

ORDINANCE #6-2021: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 89 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL ENTITLED "HOUSING STANDARDS"

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #6-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Moustakas

Roll Call 5 yes votes

ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE #4-2021: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL, CHAPTER 148 ("VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC")

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Mayor opened public participation.

No public participation.

Mayor closed public participation.

Motion to move Ordinance #4-2021: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilwoman Cohen

Roll Call 5 yes votes

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Cynthia Astrom – Not in favor of Ordinance 2021-6. Made spreadsheet.

Kaatharine Weeder – Hired as attorney for PAWS Farm, Inc. 3rd RFP. Proposal did meet the requirements. Volunteer help into agreement. Hazardous conditions. Maintenance needs to be done.

Lori Howard – Rebuilding Centerton Bridge. Traffic in Mount Laurel. Infrastructure. Union Mill pot holes.

Pat Halbe – PAWS Farm. Needs immediate repairs.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL

Meredith Tomczyk – Ashlyn is working on news letter for Mount Laurel Township.

George Morris – Items in Executive Session.

Mayor Steglik – Thanked everyone for speaking and thanked Public Works.

Deputy Mayor Pritchett – Thanked residents and Public Works. Stay Safe.

Councilwoman Cohen – Thanked Public Works and residents for comments. Thanked Bryant Curry. Stay safe.

Councilwoman Janjua – Thanked residents and Public Works. Thanked Ethel Lawrence. Stay safe.

Councilwoman Cohen – Thanked everyone for comments. Thanked everyone for their efforts during snow storm. Stay safe.

Councilman Moustakas – Thanked everyone for their efforts during snow storm. Visited vaccine sites. Doing fantastic job. Be safe.

Deputy Mayor Pritchett – Thanked residents. Stay safe.

RESOLUTION #57-2021: 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 #57-2021: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilwoman
Cohen
Roll Call 5 yes votes

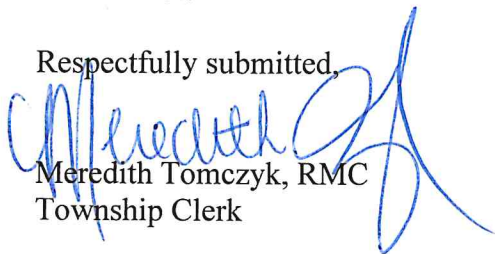
Return to Open: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilwoman Janjua

All in favor.

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilwoman Janjua

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

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.

Meredith Tomczyk, RMC
Township Clerk