

Township of Mount Laurel
Regular Council Meeting
October 18, 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 – absent,
Councilman Nick Moustakas – absent, 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: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2nd Councilwoman Cohen
Roll Call 3 yes votes

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,960,076.19

Motion to Move: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Deputy Mayor Pritchett
Roll Call 3 yes votes

**21-R-179: AMENDING 21-R-32 SETTING MEETING LOCATIONS BECAUSE OF
THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #179-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2nd Councilwoman
Cohen
Roll Call 3 yes votes

**21-R-180: APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #4 2019 ROAD PROGRAM – PHASE I CONTRACT
2019-1**

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #180-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Deputy Mayor
Pritchett
Roll Call 3 yes votes

21-R-181: RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PERSON-TO-PERSON TRANSFER OF HOTEL/MOTEL CONSUMPTION LIQUOR LICENSE #0324-36-038-001 ISLAND HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT LLC TO HIGHGATE HOTELS LP

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #181-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2nd Councilwoman Cohen

Roll Call 3 yes votes

21-R-182: RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TERMINATION OF HOTEL/MOTEL CONSUMPTION LIQUOR LICENSE #0324-36-031-004

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #182-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Deputy Mayor Pritchett

Roll Call 3 yes votes

21-R-183: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 407.01 LOT 19

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #183-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2nd Councilwoman Cohen

Roll Call 3 yes votes

21-R-184: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF CONTRACT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #184-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Deputy Mayor Pritchett

Roll Call 3 yes votes

21-R-185: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MITIGATION PLAN APPROVAL AND CONSERVATION RESTRICTION

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #185-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2nd Councilwoman Cohen

Roll Call 3 yes votes

21-R-186: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE KNOWN AS BLOCK 101.15, LOTS 60 & 61 (95 WOOLMANS LANE)

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #186-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Deputy Mayor Pritchett

Roll Call 3 yes votes

21-R-187: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR THE CLERK'S OFFICE AND TAX OFFICE RECEPTION WINDOWS THROUGH THE CAMDEN COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM #66CCEPS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #187-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2nd Councilwoman Cohen

Roll Call 3 yes votes

21-R-188: APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS AT UNION MILL ROAD & ACADEMY DRIVE

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #188-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Deputy Mayor Pritchett

Roll Call 3 yes votes

21-R-189: APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #2 TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS AT UNION MILL ROAD & ACADEMY DRIVE

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #189-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Deputy Mayor Pritchett

Roll Call 3 yes votes

21-R-190: APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #4 TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS AT UNION MILL ROAD & ACADEMY DRIVE

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #190-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Deputy Mayor Pritchett

Roll Call 3 yes votes

21-R-191: ANTICIPATION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2021 LOCAL MUNICIPAL BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159)

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #191-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2nd Councilwoman Cohen

Roll Call 3 yes votes

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

ORDINANCE #2021-19: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 81 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "FIRE PREVENTION"

Publication Date: OCTOBER 21, 2021

Public Hearing Date: NOVEMBER 8, 2021

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #19-2021: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Deputy Mayor

Pritchett

Roll Call 3 yes votes

ORDINANCE #2021-21: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL AND DELCO DEVELOPMENT, LLC, FOR A PORTION OF PROPERTY CURRENTLY KNOWN AS LOTS 10 AND 11 WITHIN BLOCK 302.15 (WHICH WILL BE SUBDIVIDED), PURSUANT TO THE LONG TERM TAX EXEMPTION LAW (N.J.S.A. 40A:20-1 et seq.)

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #21-2021: Deputy Mayor Pritchett, 2nd Councilwoman

Cohen

Roll Call 3 yes votes

Councilman Moustakas just connected to the meeting.

DISCUSSION

A. Best Practices 2021 – Manager Tomczyk explained.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Andrew Gaus, 154 Kettlebrook Drive – Did Council read through referendum. Disappointed with Council.

Bob Reillo, 676 Cascade Drive South – One of the Petitioners who got signatures. Board should adopt. Township Manager cost of election.

Alan Kramer, 68 Southgate Drive – Union Mill paved and bike route path. Traffic light at Academy. Can digital sign be installed. Pedestrian signs.

Antoinette DiPaula, 28 Bretton Way – Thanked Public Works. They were on their game of getting rid of debris. 28 Bretton Way needs speed study. Last week armed robbery at Royal Farms. Would like to get alerts of what is happening. Friendly reminder not to allow residents' dogs to urinate on people's lawns.

Joseph LaMotta, 1 Surrel Run – Special election vs. adoption by Council. Other voters wouldn't have chance to vote on it.

Andrew Gaus, 154 Kettlebrook Drive – Misinterpretation of statute.

Councilman Moustakas – You had control of the township for 36 years. Why didn't you handle this in the past 36 years. Believes in justice and doing what is right. You blame everyone but yourself. Election will happen.

Harriett Cohen – Microphone not working.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL

Meredith Tomczyk – Thanked everyone and looking forward to continuing working with everyone.

Deputy Mayor Pritchett – Thanks for coming.

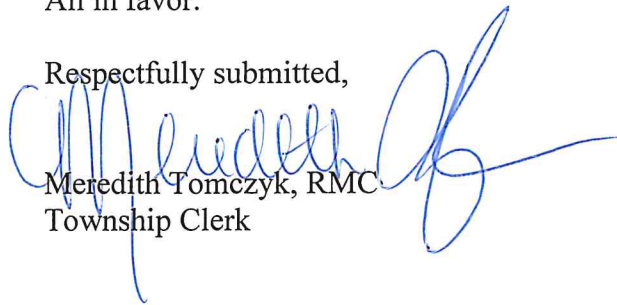
Mayor Steglik – Thanked everyone for coming. Participated in out of darkness walk. Powerful event. Highlights people taking their own life. Bruise and Booze event.

Councilwoman Cohen – Thank you for comments. Library volunteer 1st sale since January 2020 on used books. Early voting starts Saturday 23rd or vote by mail or on November 2nd. Breast cancer run. Out of darkness was powerful. Congratulated Fozia Janjua for her work and Carol Murphy for receiving awards. Thanked Green Team. Booze and Bruise event.

Councilman Moustakas – Flight able to make it. Colin Powell served country. Thanked everyone. Enjoy Halloween.

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Deputy Mayor Pritchett
All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Meredith Tomczyk, RMC
Township Clerk