

**Township of Mount Laurel
Regular Council Meeting
February 6, 2023
Mount Laurel Municipal Center**

Mayor Steglik called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance & Traditional Moment of Silence

ROLL CALL

Councilwoman Karen Cohen – present, Councilman Nick Moustakas – present,
Councilman Kareem Pritchett – present, Deputy Mayor Fozia Janjua – present, Mayor
Stephen Steglik - present, George Morris, Township Solicitor – present, Meredith
Riculfy, 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 BILL LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,237,621.51

Motion to Move: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to Move: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilwoman Cohen
Roll Call 5 yes votes

**RESOLUTION #47-2023: PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING COUNCILMAN
KAREEM PRITCHETT**

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #47-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

**RESOLUTION #48-2023: PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2023 AS
BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #48-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

**RESOLUTION #49-2023: A RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH
THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED
BY THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY, OFFICE
OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM**

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #49-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Deputy Mayor Jajjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #50-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR
CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 1417.01 LOT 38

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #50-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #51-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR
CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 1402 LOT 39 QUAL C0501

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #51-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #52-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR
CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 101.09 LOT 6

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #52-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #53-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR
CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 301.19 LOT 1 QUAL C3513

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #53-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #54-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR
CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 1513 LOT 66

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #54-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #55-2023: AUTHORIZING PRE-PAYMENT OF CERTAIN BILLS
FOR 2023

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #55-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #56-2023: APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP BOND COUNSEL
PARKER MCCA Y

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #56-2023: Deputy Mayor Janjua, 2nd Councilman
Moustakas; Mayor Steglik abstained.

Roll Call 4 yes votes

RESOLUTION #57-2023: ESTABLISHING THE REGULAR AND WORK SESSION
MEETING DATES OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AND PROVIDING FOR
PUBLICATION IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC
MEETINGS ACT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #57-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #58-2023: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO THE
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #58-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #59-2023: RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2022 LOSAP
PROGRAM CERTIFIED LIST OF ELIGIBLE VOLUNTEER MEMBERS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #59-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #60-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SIGNING OF AN
AGREEMENT WITH THE BURLINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS FOR ADULT MOSQUITO CONTROL ACTIVITIES

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #60-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #61-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICES
AGREEMENT BETWEEN MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP AND LUMBERTON
TOWNSHIP FOR CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, QUALIFIED PURCHASING
AGENT, AND CERTIFIED TAX OFFICER SERVICES

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #61-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #62-2023: AUTHORIZATION TO INSTALL A FENCE WITHIN A 5' WIDE DRAINAGE EASEMENT AND A 20' WIDE LANDSCAPE EASEMENT BLOCK 1005.05, LOT 17

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #62-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #63-2023: APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #2 MONASTERY SITE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #63-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #64-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL TO ACCEPT A SUBGRANT AWARD OF THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2022 OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY ASSISTANCE

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #64-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE #1-2023: CALENDAR YEAR 2023 MODEL ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Mayor opened public participation.

None.

Mayor closed public participation.

Motion to move Ordinance #1-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Moustakas
Roll Call 5 yes votes

ORDINANCE #2-2023: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING

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.

None.

Mayor closed public participation.

Motion to move Ordinance #2-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

ORDINANCE #3-2023: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4 OF THE CODE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATION OF
GOVERNMENT” TO ESTABLISH MEETING PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC
MEETINGS

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Mayor opened public participation.

None.

Mayor closed public participation.

Motion to move Ordinance #3-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilwoman Cohen
Roll Call 5 yes votes

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL

Councilman Moustakas – Congratulations to Kareem. Thanked everyone for coming out.

Councilwoman Cohen – Happy Valentine’s Day to all. President’s Day coming up.
Ethel Lawrence needs to be recognized. Black history is American history.

Councilman Pritchett – Thanked Councilwoman Cohen for shedding light on a number of
things. Thanked everyone for coming. Thanked colleges for honoring him. Looks
forward to continuing to working for township.

Deputy Mayor Janjua – Congratulated Kareem. Black history month is a time to honor those who came before us. Support black owned businesses.

Mayor Steglik –Thanked everyone for coming out today. Honor to serve alongside Kareem. Black history is American history. Thanked police. Go Birds. Be safe.

RESOLUTION #65-2023: 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 #65-2022: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua

Roll Call 5 yes votes

Return to Open: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Moustakas

All in favor.

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

ORDINANCE #4-2023: ORDINANCE TO ACQUIRE BLOCK 204, LOT 1.06 FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #4-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

ORDINANCE #5-2023: BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$6,000,000 THEREFORE; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$5,700,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Motion to move Ordinance #5-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Moustakas
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #66-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT OF SALE FOR THE PURCHASE OF BLOCK 204, LOT 1.06 COMMONLY KNOWN AS 750 CENTERTON ROAD

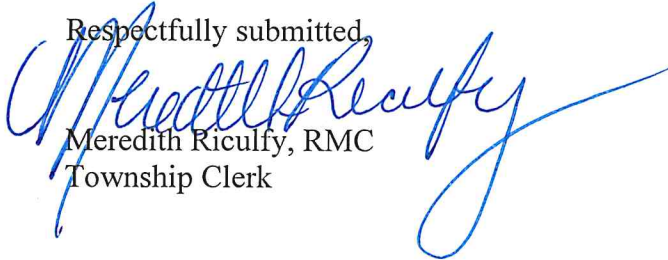
Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #66-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Moustakas

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Meredith Riculfy", is written over the typed name and title. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Meredith Riculfy, RMC
Township Clerk