

**Township of Mount Laurel
Regular Council Meeting
April 3, 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 \$2,270,611.79

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

RESOLUTION #80-2023: PROCLAMATION OF COMMENDATION TO ISABELLA PREM FOR BECOMING THE FIRST FEMALE REGIONAL CHAMPION WRESTLER AT LENAPE HIGH SCHOOL

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #80-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #81-2023: PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE SISTERHOOD OF ADATH EMANUEL

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #81-2023: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Moustakas
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #82-2023: PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING APRIL HOLIDAYS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #82-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #83-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY
APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2023

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #83-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #84-2023: A RESOLUTION REQUESTING PERMISSION FOR THE
DEDICATION BY RIDER FOR A STREET OPENING TRUST FUND

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #84-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #85-2023: GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND
DRUG ABUSE FISCAL GRANT CYCLE JULY 1, 2023 TO JUNE 30, 2024

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #85-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Moustakas
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #86-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR
CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 1301.02, LOT 45

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #86-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #87-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT
LAUREL TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #87-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #88-2023: AWARD THIRD PARTY ELEVATOR INSPECTIONS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #88-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #89-2023: AWARD ROAD PROGRAM – FY 2021 & FY 2022 NJDOT MUNICIPAL AID

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #89-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #90-2023: APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER TO THE PLANNING BOARD

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #90-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #91-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF EASEMENT FOR INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT SOUTH CHURCH STREET AND LAUREL ACRES PARK DRIVE

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #91-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #92-2023: AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF THE PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE BY MOUNT LAUREL MANOR APARTMENTS, LLC FOR BLOCK 205.01, LOT 29

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #92-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #93-2023: RESOLUTION TO READ BUDGET BY TITLE ONLY

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #93-2023: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

PUBLIC HEARING

2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET – PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLUTION #94-2023: RESOLUTION TO AMEND READ BUDGET

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #94-2023: Deputy Mayor Janjua, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Pat Whalen – Here because of events in Tennessee. Epidemic of violence in this country. Need to take measures to prevent it from happening here to our children. Specifically, Policer Officers in every school.

Mayor Steglik – Completely agrees with Officers in every school.

Deputy Mayor Janjua – Need to do more to protect kids in schools.

Neil Mercaldo, 516 Oakview Court – off street parking in Countryside Farms. Court is being used as a turn around. Traffic Sargent and traffic engineer will review.

Dave Rick, 146 Canterbury Road – Street light fell on his car last year. 50/60 years old street lights. 2 or 3 weeks ago another one fell down. Questioned leaf collection schedule.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL

Meredith Riculfy – Thanked police for Saturday event.

Councilwoman Cohen – Thanked everyone for coming. Blood drive, hurricane, softball, races at Laurel Acres, book sale, faith event, earth day, shredding event, cleanup day, lunch on April 20th, religions. Congratulations to Isabella.

Councilman Moustakas – Thanked Isabella. Greek Independence Day. Thanked Police Department for Easter event. April is Austic awareness month. Enjoy holidays.

Councilman Pritchett – Congratulations to Isabella. Thanked Police Department for donating time on Saturday. Thanked everyone for coming out.

Deputy Mayor Janjua – Thanked everyone for coming. Congratulations to Isabella. Congratulated Sisterhood. Thanked Police Department for all they do. Four years with no tax increase. School shootings. Happy holidays.

Mayor Steglik – Congratulated Sisterhood. Thanked everyone for coming out and for comments. Four years no tax increase. Happy holidays.

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Moustakas

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Riculfy, RMC
Township Clerk

