

**Township of Mount Laurel
Regular Council Meeting
September 12, 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 \$2,847,647.74

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to Move: Councilwoman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 4 yes votes; Mayor Steglik abstained

Swearing in of Captain Michael Cresong by Manager

**RESOLUTION #170-2023: PROCLAIMING AARON KLINE AS THE 2023
CHILDHOOD CANCER AMBASSADOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT
LAUREL**

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #170-2023: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

**RESOLUTION #171-2023: PROCLAMATION HONORING KATE AND CHARLES TWEEDY
FOR THEIR LIFETIME DEDICATION TO PAWS FARM NATURE CENTER**

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #171-2023: Councilwoman Janjua, 2nd Councilman
Moustakas
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #172-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 1302.03 LOT 9

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #172-2023: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #173-2023: RESOLUTION DECLARING REDEVELOPER CATALYST/L&P HOLDING COMPANY NJ LLC IN DEFAULT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #173-2023: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #174-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FUNDING OF TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL'S SHARE OF THE MACCS CONTRACT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #174-2023: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #175-2023: AUTHORIZATION TO INSTALL A FENCE WITHIN TWO 15' WIDE DRAINAGE EASEMENT AREAS FOR BLOCK 302.05, LOT 16

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #175-2023: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #176-2023: AUTHORIZATION TO INSTALL A FENCE WITHIN A 30' WIDE EMERGENCY ACCESS AND UTILITY EASEMENT AREA FOR BLOCK 803.07, LOT 14.13

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #176-2023: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #177-2023: RESOLUTION OF CERTIFICATION OF REVIEW OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF AUDIT FOR 2022 BY MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #177-2023: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #178-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF SECURITY SYSTEMS AND WIRING THROUGH THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS)

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #178-2023: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #179-2023: MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FOR JOSE TEJAS, INC

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #179-2023: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #180-2023: AWARD BID FOR BACK 40 PROPERTY CLEARING

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #180-2023: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Pritchett
Roll Call 5 yes votes

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE #12-2023: REPEALING CHAPTER 4-87.6 OF THE TOWNSHIP
CODE AS INCONSISTENT WITH STATE LAW

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Mayor opened public participation.

None.

Mayor closed public participation.

Motion to move Ordinance #12-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

ORDINANCE #13-2023: ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL
TO ENTER INTO A RECREATION AND CONSERVATION LEASE AGREEMENT
WITH ROWAN UNIVERSITY FOR THE USE OF PROPERTY FORMERLY
KNOWN AS PAWS FARM

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Mayor opened public participation.

None.

Mayor closed public participation.

Motion to move Ordinance #13-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 4 yes votes; Councilman Moustakas abstained.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Wayne Schneider – Thanked Parks & Rec. Small town.EMS building. Expressed his
gratitude for the first responders. Stated that Mount Laurel is a great place to live.
Questioned the building progress of the new EMS building.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL

Township Manager Riculfy – Thanked Fire Chief. Food truck festival is October 1st.

Attorney Morris – Desperate blood shortage so please if you can, give blood. Thanked
Kate and Charles Tweedy.

Councilwoman Cohen – Congratulated Captain Cresong, Aaron Kline and new Lt.
Governor. Thanked Kate and Charles Tweedy. Rosh Hashanah. 9/11 Responders and
people that were lost. Suicide awareness month. Hispanic heritage month. Stay safe.

Councilman Pritchett – Thanked Charles and Kate Tweedy. Thanked Wayne Schneider
for comments. Food truck festival.

Deputy Mayor Janjua – Thanked Charles and Kate Tweedy. Congratulations Aaron
Kline. Enjoy the rest of summer. Food truck festival

Mayor Steglik – Thanked Kate and Charles Tweedy for hard work. Thanked everyone
for coming.

RESOLUTION #181-2023: 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 #181-2023: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Janjua
Roll Call 5 yes votes

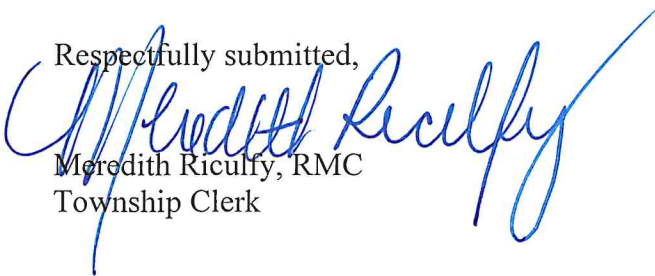
Return to Open: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Moustakas

All in favor.

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Pritchett

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Meredith Riculfy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail that extends upwards and to the right.

Meredith Riculfy, RMC
Township Clerk