

**Township of Mount Laurel
Regular Council Meeting
February 5, 2024
Mount Laurel Township Court Room**

Mayor Janjua called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance & Traditional Moment of Silence

ROLL CALL

Councilwoman Karen Cohen – present, Deputy Mayor Nick Moustakas – present, Councilman Kareem Pritchett – present, Mayor Fozia Janjua – present, Councilman 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 \$4,146,652.42

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

PRESENTATION: PAUL CHENIER

HOLIDAY HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST WINNERS: PEOPLE'S CHOICE - CHRISTMAS MEMORIES - VANESSA MORRISSEY COUNCIL'S CHOICE - FROSTY'S CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR - KRISTIE KELLY MAYOR'S CHOICE - CHRISTMAS MEMORIES - MARY CHRIST MOST CREATIVE - RUDOLPH'S REINDEER RETREAT - MIKE KILPATRICK BEST THEME - DARYLL DICKINSON - DARYLL DICKINSON

RESOLUTION #53-2024: PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2024 AS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #53-2024: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Deputy Mayor Moustakas

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #54-2024: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 101.15 LOT 9

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #54-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #55-2024: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 1601.02 LOT 11

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #55-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #56-2024: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 301.19 LOT 1 C4001

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #56-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #57-2024: AUTHORIZING PRE-PAYMENT OF CERTAIN BILLS FOR 2024

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #57-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #58-2024: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR UNDERDRAIN REPAIRS THROUGH THE CHERRY HILL COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEMS OF NEW JERSEY, NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #58-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #59-2024: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF PHONE SYSTEM, CONSULTING AND RELATED SERVICES THROUGH THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS)

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #59-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #60-2024: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FOR THE MOUNT LAUREL POLICE DEPARTMENT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #60-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #61-2024: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER MOUNT LAUREL MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #61-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #62-2024: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #62-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #63-2024: APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBER

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #63-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #64-2024: 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 #64-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #65-2024: AUTHORIZATION TO INSTALL A FENCE WITHIN A 20' WIDE TREE PRESERVATION EASEMENT AREA BLOCK 313.01, LOT 28

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #65-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman
Steglik
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #66-2024: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT
LAUREL TO SUBMIT APPLICATION FOR THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY
AFFAIRS FISCAL YEAR 2024 LOCAL RECREATION IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #66-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman
Steglik
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #67-2024: AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF DUPLICATE TAX SALE
CERTIFICATE

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #67-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman
Steglik
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #68-2024: RESOLUTION RENEWING CURRENT TRASH CONTRACT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #68-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman
Steglik
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #69-2024: ESTABLISHING A CASH CHANGE FUND MONETARY AMOUNT
AND CUSTODIAN FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #69-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman
Steglik
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #70-2024: AWARD BID FOR LEASE OF TOWNSHIP PROPERTY - 750
CENTERTON ROAD, 2ND FLOOR OFFICE SPACE

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.
Motion to Move Resolution #70-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman
Steglik
Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #71-2024: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SIGNING OF A LEASE
AGREEMENT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #71-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #72-2024: RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2023 LOSAP PROGRAM CERTIFIED LIST OF ELIGIBLE VOLUNTEER MEMBERS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #72-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #73-2024: MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES FOR PROCACCI HOMES, LLC BLOCK 1004, LOT 16, SD #26B

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #73-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #74-2024: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR A PICK UP TRUCK THROUGH THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF NEW JERSEY, NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #74-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #75-2024: MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES FOR JRB PROPERTY GROUP, LLC BLOCK 900, LOTS 11 & 12, SD #569B

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #75-2024: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

Roll Call 5 yes votes

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE #1-2024: CALENDAR YEAR 2024 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 #1-2024: Councilwoman Cohen, 2nd Councilman Steglik
Roll Call 5 yes votes

ORDINANCE #2-2024: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT
LAUREL, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
ESTABLISHING AN ANNUAL AND HOURLY SALARY FOR TOWNSHIP
OFFICIALS, POSITION HOLDERS AND EMPLOYEES PRESCRIBING THE
AMOUNT AND MANNER OF PAYMENT THEREOF

Clerk read Ordinance as entitled.

Mayor opened public participation.

None.

Mayor closed public participation.

Motion to move Ordinance #2-2024: Councilman Steglik, 2nd Deputy Mayor Moustakas
Roll Call 5 yes votes

NEW BUSINESS

A. FIREWORKS

B. SUMMER INTERNSHIP

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Eric Bemy - Ramblewood Parkway – Sewer grates. Flood area.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL

Attorney Morris – Blood drive.

Councilman Pritchett – Thanked everyone for proclamation. Great to be recognized.
Thanked everyone for coming out and get home safe.

Councilman Steglik – Thanked everyone for coming out. Thanked Paul Chenier.

Councilwoman Cohen – Black History Month. Congratulated house winners. Enjoyed every one of the houses. Senior luncheon on Valentine’s Day. Participated in a program for selling girl scout cookies.

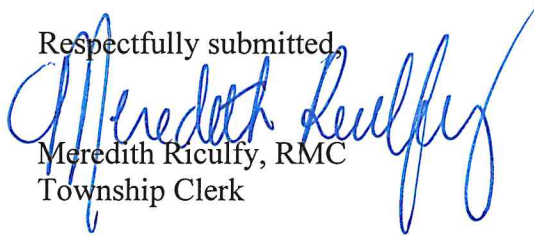
Deputy Mayor Moustakas – Thanked everyone for coming out. Congratulated Councilman Pritchett. Thanked people who reached out to him when he had a medical issue.

Mayor Janjua –Thanked Paul Chenier. Sign will be enjoyed by everyone for generations to come. Black history very important. Congratulated winners of holiday decorating. Have a happy and safe weekend and thanked everyone for coming. Honor to serve alongside Kareem. Black history is American history. Thanked police. Go Birds. Be safe.

Motion to adjourn: Deputy Mayor Moustakas, 2nd Councilman Steglik

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Meredith Riculfy, RMC
Township Clerk