Agenda

Workshop Session 5:30 p.m.
1. Meeting called to order
2. Statement of compliance with Open Public Meetings Act
3. Roll Call
4. Executive Session – Closed to Public

Public Portion of Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
5. Public Portion of Meeting called to order
6. Moment of silence and Salute to Flag:

7. Police Annual Award Ceremony:
   Manalapan Township Police Department Honor Guard
   Accompanied by Captain Leonard Maltese
   Opening Remarks: Chief Michael Fountain
   Annual Award Presentation – Captain Edward Niesz

8. Proclamation:
   Recognizing National Police Week
   National Gun Violence Awareness Day

9. Township Committee Reports

10. Public Comment Session – Agenda Items Only
    Please state your name and address clearly for the record

11. Workshop Session

LEGAL

ENGINEERING

CLERK
A. Items of New Business

ADMINISTRATION
A. Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of a Kubota KX080-4SR3A Excavator
   Under Sourcewell Formerly National Joint Powers Alliance – NJPA Member
   #32514
B. Resolution Providing for the Insertion of any Special Item of Revenue in the
   Budget of Any County or Municipality Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87
   (Chapter 159 P.L. 1948) from the Division of Highway Traffic Safety for:
   “Click It or Ticket”:
C. Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Bus Rental Agreement for the
   Summer Recreation Program in the Township of Manalapan

12. CONSENT AGENDA:
    ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER ITEM “CONSENT AGENDA” ARE CONSIDERED
    ROUTINE BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE (1)
    MOTION IN THE FORM LISTED BELOW. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE
    DISCUSSION ON THESE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED ON ANY ITEM,
    THAT ITEM WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

    Reports for April 2019: Clerk, Construction, Fire Prevention, Health,
    Planning/Zoning, Tax Collector, Police, Finance

    Applications:
    Raffle No. 1158, Colts Neck ROTC, Merchandise Draw
    Raffle No. 1159, Colts Neck ROTC, On Site 50/50
    Raffle No. 1160, Colts Neck ROTC, Hole in One

    Resolutions:
    A. Authorizing Refund of Duplicate, Erroneous and Overpayments for 2019,
       2018 and Prior Years
    B. Authorizing Refund of Premiums and/or Cost of Sale Paid at Tax Sale
C. Authorizing the Purchase of a Kubota KX080-4SR3A Excavator Under Sourcewell Formerly National Joint Powers Alliance – NJPA Member #32514
D. Providing for the Insertion of any Special Item of Revenue in the Budget of Any County or Municipality Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (Chapter 159 P.L. 1948) from the Division of Highway Traffic Safety for: "Click It or Ticket":
E. Authorizing Execution of a Bus Rental Agreement for the Summer Recreation Program in the Township of Manalapan

13. OLD BUSINESS:

14. NEW BUSINESS:
A. Resolutions:
   1) Approving Bill List Dated May 9, 2019 to May 22, 2019 Totaling $9,271,506.87
   2) Authorizing the Appointments of 2019 Recreation Summer Camp Staff E for Manalapan Recreation
   3) Authorizing the Appointments of 2019 Bus Drivers B for Manalapan Recreation
   4) Authorizing the Appointment of Seasonal Park Maintenance Laborer of the Department of Public Works
B. Approval of Minutes: Public/Executive March 27, 2019

15. PUBLIC COMMENT – Non-Agenda Items Only
   Please state your name and address clearly for the record

16. ADJOURNMENT

ROLL CALL:
Present: Jacobson, McNaboe, Musich, Uniglicht, Cohen
Also present: Regina Preteroti, Municipal Clerk
Tara Lovrich, Business Administrator
Renee Garrigana, Assistant Administrator
Shari Rose, Deputy Municipal Clerk
Roger McLaughlin, Esq., Township Attorney
Jim Winckowski, Twp. Engineer

Resolution No. 2019-186 a motion was offered by Mr. McNaboe, seconded by Mrs. Cohen to go into Executive Session, and was approved by unanimous roll call vote:

The meeting went into Closed Session and returned to Public Session:

PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING:
MEETING IS CALLED TO ORDER BY THE MAYOR:

MAYOR COHEN: Good evening. I’d like to call this meeting to order. If you wish to address us during our public session, please sign your name behind our clerk. Tonight we welcome several dignitaries that we have today. We have Chief Mike Fountain, Captain Ed Niesz and Captain Leonard Maltese and all of Manalapan’s Finest. We’re so happy to see all of you. We also have retired Captain Barstow and retired Sergeant Castellani joining us tonight. We’re very happy to have you back. So at this time we’re going to ask you to join us for a salute to the flag led by our Chief Michael Fountain of the Manalapan Police Department and take it away.

CHIEF FOUNTAIN: Colored guard can you post the colors.

MOMENT OF SILENCE AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG:

CHIEF FOUNTAIN: Please remain standing for a moment of silence remembering all of our emergency services and military personnel that have made the ultimate sacrifice. Thank you, thank you Mayor and committee. If you would Mayor do you have some proclamations you want to make? Thank you.

MAYOR COHEN: Thank you very much Chief. Before we begin tonight, I would like to read our disclaimer. The Township of Manalapan Television Network will be recording this meeting for rebroadcast on MTTN channel 77 on Cablevision and channel 42 on Verizon Fios. By attending this evening, attendees acknowledge the
recording and agree to allow their image to be rebroadcast on MTTN channel 77 and Verizon Fios channel 42. All attendees and participants agree to conduct themselves in a manner appropriate for a public gathering. Inappropriate behavior or gatherings creating a disturbance or a safety hazard are prohibited from this meeting. Individual speakers should be advised that no right of privacy protects a citizen’s public comments made in a public forum. Any statements made by a member of the public to promote or alter public opinion about a candidate for political office, a political party or interest group are inappropriate and in violation of MTTN broadcast policies. Accordingly, all participants bear responsibility for their own statements and commentaries. I have two proclamations this evening. Our first is for National Gun Violence Awareness Day and I’d like to ask our police commissioner Mary Ann Musich to join me at the podium. At this time, I’d like to invite Robin Norwicki from Moms Demand Action to be with us and to accept the proclamation. National Gun Violence Awareness Day, this proclamation declares the first Friday in June to be the National Gun Violence Awareness Day in the Township of Manalapan to honor and remember all victims and survivors of gun violence and to declare that we as a country must do more to reduce gun violence whereas every day 100 Americans are killed by gun violence and on average are nearly 13,000 gun homicides every year and whereas Americans are 25 times more likely to be killed with guns than people in other high income countries and whereas protecting public safety in the communities they serve is one of the highest responsibilities of the Mayor and Township Committee and whereas support for the Second Amendment right of law-abiding citizens goes hand in hand with keeping guns away from people with dangerous histories and whereas Mayors and law enforcement officers know their commitments best, are the most familiar with local criminal activity and how to address it and our best positioned to understand how to keep their citizens safe and whereas to help honor those lives that --- are cut short and the countless survivors who are injured by shootings every day, a national coalition of organizations has designated June 7, 2019, the first Friday in June, as a fifth National Gun Violence Awareness Day. I sincerely thank you for announcing this proclamation for National Gun Violence Awareness Day and I’d like to invite Deputy Mayor and Committeemen Uniglicht and Jacobson to join me here for our second proclamation for National Police Week whereas the Congress and the President of the United States has designated May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which May 15 falls as National Police Week whereas the members of the Manalapan Township Police Department play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the people of Manalapan and whereas it is important that all

MRS. NORWICK: Thank you. Thank you very much. Okay so thank you to Mayor Susan Cohen and the township, Manalapan Township Committee for giving me the time to speak about declaring National Gun Violence Awareness Day. My name is Robin Norwicki. I’m a resident of Manalapan and a member of the Monmouth County group of Moms Demand Action for gun sense in America. Much like Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Moms Demand Action is a non-partisan grassroots movement begun after the Newtown school shooting in 2012. While we fully support the right of law-abiding citizens to own firearms, our goal is to reduce the 36,000 deaths every year through sensible legislation, raising awareness and by promoting gun safety. I sincerely thank you for announcing this proclamation for National Gun Violence Awareness Day. I invite everyone who agrees we can do more to save American lives from gun violence to wear orange on June 7th to help spread the word about the importance of remembering and honoring the victims of gun violence. We also invite you and your families to attend our community day of action on Saturday June 8th from 11:00-2:00 at Liberty Park Community Garden in Neptune Township. If you would like any more information about the event or Moms Demand Action I have flyers and thank you for your time and if you don’t mind, I’d like to take a picture with all of you. Can we do that for Moms Demand Action? Thank you. Thank you very much.

MAYOR COHEN: At this time, I would like to invite Deputy Mayor and Committeemen Uniglicht and Jacobson to join me here for our second proclamation for police week. National Police Week whereas the Congress and the President of the United States has designated May 15th as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which May 15th falls as National Police Week whereas the members of the Manalapan Township Police Department play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the people of Manalapan and whereas it is important that all
citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazard, and sacrifices of their law enforcement agencies and that members of our law enforcement agencies recognize their duty to serve the people by safe guarding life and property by protecting them against violence and disorder and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression and whereas the men and women of the law enforcement agencies of Manalapan Township increasingly provide a vital public service. Now therefore we call upon all citizens of Manalapan Township and upon the patriotic, civic, and educational organizations to observe the week of May 13-19th 2019 as Police Week with appropriate ceremonies and observances in which all our people may join in commemorating law enforcement officers past and present who by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities have rendered a dedicated service to their communities and in doing so have established themselves as enduring reputation for providing the rights and security of all citizens. Now therefore I Mayor Susan Cohen do hereby proclaim the week of May 13th and I’m going to make it until the 22nd, as Police Week and call upon all citizens of Manalapan Township to observe this day, May 2019 as Peace Officers Memorial Day in honor of these law enforcement officers who through their courageous deeds have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community or have become disabled in the performance of duty and let us recognize and pay respect to the surveyors of our fallen heroes. In witness whereof I have hereof set my hand and cause the seal of the Township of Manalapan to be affixed this 22nd day of May in the year 2019. Chief, this is for you.

CHIEF FOUNTAIN: Thank you.

MAYOR COHEN: With our thanks to everyone, all of our officers and Chief if you’re ready, I’d like to turn the meeting over to you for our police annual award ceremony. Thank you.

CHIEF FOUNTAIN: Thank you Mayor and thank the rest of the governing body for the proclamation for us. Much appreciated. Captain Niesz, you okay? Captain Niesz the stage if yours.

MR. NIESZ: Good evening. Thank you very much for coming and thank you to the committee and the administrator for allowing us this opportunity to thank and acknowledge some of the officers who work so hard throughout the year. At this time, I’d like to invite Chief Michael Fountain and K9 officer Adam Sosnowski to come up to the front please. The Allegiance Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, president Tom Johnson is here to present our K9 program with a check from proceeds from a fundraiser they did for the law enforcement community. Thank you very much. Now I’m going to ask Detective Dominick Donatelli to come forward. He’s recently been named our future PBA president. He’s going to present the honorable service awards to members of our department for their service and years of service with this department Dominick.

MR. DONATELLI: Thank you sir. For five years’ honorable service Patrolman Christopher Makwinski and Patrolman Christopher Oleksy, please step forward. For fifteen years of honorable service Captain Leonard Maltese, Detective Sergeant Michael Hoppock, Sergeant Kenny Mikulik, Patrolman William Dutton, Officer Jeanie Letts, and from records Cheryl Langlaís. Cheryl please step up come on Cheryl. For twenty years of service Lieutenant Thomas Mantle, Sergeant Robert Kelly, and Detective Seth Kreizman and for twenty-five years of service our retired Captain Thomas Barstow and from records Randy Rittberg. Thank you Captain for the honor, I appreciate it.

MR. NIESZ: Next our educational achievement awards very proud, Patrolman Kyle Earley, Bachelor’s Degree. Next Patrolman Matthew Meyler, Master’s Degree public administration. Our next awards are the lifesaving awards. On August 3, 2018, Detective Kreizman responded to a residence on Union Hill Road in reference to a male subject who was having chest pains. While in route, it was reported that the patient was unresponsive and upon Patrolman Kreizman arriving the patient was found unconscious and not breathing. Detective Kreizman promptly moved the patient from the chair to the floor and began CPR and applied the defibrillator. After two shocks from the defibrillator the patient began to gasp for air and first aid arrived on scene, a third shock was advised and the patient was then transported to Jersey Shore Medical Center. In the days following the incident, Jersey Shore Medical Center was contacted and advised that the patient was in intensive care and doing well thanks to Detective Kreizman’s quick and decisive actions on that day. It is for this reason that Detective Kreizman is receiving a lifesaving award congratulations! I would now like our P.B.A. vice president Patrolman Steve Turner to come forward.
Steve Turner who recently announced that he will be retiring from our department has a distinguished 25 years of law enforcement. He was also recently nominated for the Crow De-Negotiator Award which is granted for maintaining the presence of composure, alert, talk down, and wit under extreme circumstances which prevented a life threat. This award is a 2019 award so we’re hoping this award makes Steve Turner come back next year. Steve Turner is going to now be presenting the Exceptional Service Awards from our department, Steve.

MR. TURNER: Chief Fountain, --- Captain Niesz, thank you for having me. Thanks for coming. I’m going to do this without a microphone. (off microphone “I need you to use the microphone”). Alright thank you for coming. We’re going to go over the exceptional duty award. I’m going to give you the definition. It’s a great award. An award for a highly credible accomplishment bringing public acclaim to the employee, the department or the law enforcement profession as a result of training and devotion to duty and service to the public. I’d like to take this time to commend three of our police officers for doing an exceptional job. I’m going to take that --- Oh they’ll hear. Detective Sergeant Mike Hoppock come on up please. Please tell me he’s here. He’s not here. Mike’s tied up on police work right now. Sergeant Hoppock is receiving this award for his tireless commitment and diligence in his work for this agency’s accreditation endeavor that began in 2015 and was completed in April of 2018. It’s important to note that the state chiefs of police commission on accreditation voted unanimously to grant our police department with full accreditation honors. It is because of Sergeant Hoppock that this three-year project came to fruition. I commend him on his efforts. This endeavor at times was not easy. It appeared to be an insurmountable task, however, he took this project as a challenge and did what was required to get the job done and he did just that. The New Jersey Association of Chiefs of Police Accreditation brings this department acclaim, while also reducing our exposure and our guaranteeing we are consistently utilizing the best practices in law enforcement. For Sergeant Hoppock’s hard work and commitment, he is awarded the Exceptional Duty Award. Please give him a round of applause. Patrolman Chris Makwinski step up here please, come on. On May 3, 2018 at approximately 11:45 PM Freehold Township had a shooting on Route 33 in which a subject who was traveling in a car was shot. The suspect’s vehicle description was dispatched over the police radio, Patrolman Makwinski immediately realized that earlier in the evening he had spotted a vehicle and the driver both matching the description given over the radio. He was able to look back and retrieve the suspect’s vehicle information, registration and identification through our Spillman system. Based on Patrolman Makwinski’s actions and quick thinking he was able to identify the suspect. Thanks to Patrolman Makwinski’s hard work, attention to detail and dedication to police work an arrest was made in connection to the shooting. For this Patrolman Makwinski is awarded the Exceptional Duty Award. Please give him a round of applause. He comes from a police family. He comes from a great lineage as they say. He’s a great young man. It’s been great working with him. Thank you. Last, but not least Patrolman Eric Voorand. Where are you? Come on up here. Stand right here please. On July 17, 2018 at 4:50 AM, Patrolman Voorand responded to a township residence for a report of a female in labor with twins. While in route dispatch advised that the first baby was out. That in itself is stressful. Patrolman Voorand arrived on scene and found the female laying in an upstairs hallway with her husband holding the newborn. The distraught husband asked for help and immediately handed Patrolman Voorand the baby. Not what he signed up for that night. The baby was not crying. It appeared to be having difficulty breathing. Patrolman Voorand observed that there was fluid blocking the baby’s airway so he proceeded to turn the baby on its side, cleared the baby’s airway by removing the fluid and wiping around its mouth and nose. Patrolman Voorand began to rub the baby. Think about that for a minute. Just put yourself in his shoes just for a second which eventually it began to cry. Patrolman Voorand continued to hold the baby while monitoring the mother who was in active labor with a second child. When first aid and paramedics arrived on location, Patrolman Voorand gave them the baby for further evaluation. Paramedics cut the umbilical cord and prepared the female for transport to deliver the second baby at the hospital. Patrolman Voorand responded to a stressful situation with poise and professionalism. He provided much needed medical care to the newborn by clearing its airway while being a calming presence in a stressful situation. For Patrolman Voorand’s actions he is awarded the Exceptional Duty Award. Please give him a hand. This one is special to me I’m being a little selfish here he works midnights. He works midnights; I’ve worked with him for many years; know his family well, know his kids. They’re sweet kids and we all go to work, we all love our kids, we all think about our kids, you guys do it, we all do it, but for him to put himself in that situation having kids of his own and handling that with the poise and grace that he did. My goodness folks, that’s a heck of a job! Give it up one more time. That’s the last of the ---. I’m going to sign off as Captain Niesz.
said I’m checking out August 1st. I’m going to tell you one thing, before I get out of here. I’ve spent most of my time in this --- I spent most of my time in my profession with the women right here, every one of them, and I have to tell you being here all this time. Well I’ll tell you what, how blessed am I? How blessed am I to have worked at Manalapan Township Police Department? How blessed am I and how blessed are you to have these guys in your town? I feel blessed. I hope you feel blessed. Let’s give up one more time!

MR. NIESZ: Thank you Officer Turner. He will be available in September for motivational speaking should anybody like to get a hold of him. We can forward his information to you. At this point I think next year when we have Steve back he’s going to do the presentations next year as well. Next I’d like to call up our Lieutenant Kevin Dobbin. He is going to present the Meritorious Service Award.

MR. DOBBIN: Good evening. Tonight I’m extremely honored and privileged to present these next two awards. These awards are very special and deals with situations that are very difficult that officers face on a daily situation. The awards I’m going to present tonight is the Meritorious Duty Award. It’s an award for a highly unusual accomplishment under adverse conditions with some degree of hazard to life, limb; to the nominee over a death or an injury to a third party is prevented. The first recipient of this award tonight Patrolman Adam Sosnowski, come up forward please. On August 28, 2018 at approximately 10:00 PM, Patrolman Sosnowski responded to a township residence where a third party called and reported that there was a suicidal subject. It should be noted that Patrolman Sosnowski was at the same residence earlier in the afternoon and the same subject was transported to the hospital for a psychological evaluation due to making suicidal comments. Upon arrival Patrolman Sosnowski knocked on the front door of the residence. A male answered the door along with a female. Patrolman Sosnowski spoke to the male and immediately recognized it was the same individual from earlier in the day. Patrolman Sosnowski identified himself once again as a police officer and requested the male to step outside the residence. The subject exited the residence through the front door and approached Patrolman Sosnowski. Within seconds in extremely close proximity to Patrolman Sosnowski, the subject pulled a handgun from his front pants pocket. The individual then raised the weapon and pointed it at Patrolman Sosnowski. Patrolman Sosnowski immediately reacted to the threat and lunged towards the subject in an attempt to disarm him. A physical struggle ensued and the two went to the ground with Patrolman Sosnowski was able to free the firearm from the subject’s hand and Patrolman Sosnowski --- holds and successfully handcuffed the individual and putting an end to the threat and saving both his own and the subject’s life. It should be noted that neither the subject nor Patrolman Sosnowski was injured that night. Patrolman Sosnowski then requested additional units and the supervisor to respond to the scene. The firearm was later photographed and taken into custody and placed into evidence. Sosnowski then requested additional units and the supervisor to respond to the scene. The firearm was later photographed and taken into custody and placed into evidence. Further inspection of the firearm revealed it to be an airsoft glock replica without an orange tipped barrel. It appears from the subject’s comments at the scene that he was attempting to commit suicide by cop. Patrolman Sosnowski responded to a deadly force situation with courage and having a tactful mindset to make sure he went home at the end of his shift to his family and his friends. He made sure he was going to win that battle. The training he received from the United States Marine Corps and over the last ten years of law enforcement he prepared himself for this encounter. Patrolman Sosnowski faced an adversary and was able to successfully end the threat without injury or killing someone that night and that’s what he wanted. It is for these reasons Patrolman Sosnowski will be receiving his first Meritorious Service Award, phenomenal job Adam! The second recipient to the Meritorious Award goes out to Patrolman Kyle Earley, please step forward please. On Friday, May 11, 2018 at approximately 5:48 AM, Patrolman Kyle Earley was dispatched to the Covered Bridge development area for an electrical fire. Upon arrival Patrolman Earley observed heavy black smoke coming from the front door of an apartment. He was approached by a woman running towards him stating there’s a fire in her apartment and her husband was still in the residence. Patrolman Earley exited his patrol vehicle and retrieved his fire extinguisher from the trunk he ran towards her apartment. Patrolman Earley entered the front door of the apartment and observed heavy fire and smoke advancing out of the living room area. Patrolman Earley with dutiful purpose entered the apartment and located the resident in the kitchen. Patrolman Earley then escorted the individual out of the residence and quickly evacuated the rest of the apartment complex. It is for his quick actions and not having a breathing apparatus to enter the thick, black smoke that he was entering, showed great courage. That is why Patrolman Kyle Earley is receiving his first Meritorious Award.

MR. NIESZ: Thank you Lieutenant Dobbin great job. Our next award; the Drug Buster Award each year our police department’s drug buster award is given
to the officer who excels in narcotic enforcement and its addiction. During 2018 there were several officers in this department that excelled in narcotic enforcement and case work and they all deserve to be recognized for their steadfast efforts in this area. The officers that excelled in narcotic enforcement are Detective Seth Kreizman, Officer Joe DeFilippis, Officer Kevin Ruditsky, Officer Ross Dessel, Officer Kyle Williams, Patrolman John Lightbody, and Patrolman Bart Mataliano. They each made multiple narcotic arrests. We thank you all for your efforts in this area and we greatly appreciate what you do. However, this year one officer stood above. His narcotic enforcement activity was matched by none. This year’s Drug Buster Award recipient is Patrolman Matthew Porricelli. Our next and final award for this I would like last year’s Officer of the Year Patrolman Bart Mataliano to come up and present this award. The Officer of the Year 2018, each year the command staff is tasked with nominating an officer for this agency’s highest honor. The officer this year, each ranking officer prepares a report citing their justifications for their nominee to receive this award. The criteria for this award are clear. The nominee must represent the department’s core values; honor, courage, and respect. The officer must exemplify professionalism and dedication to law enforcement and be a proud example both internally for the men and women of this department and externally for the community that they serve. They have to be an example of what a Manalapan police officer is. The chief is then given a difficult task of picking the one individual who personifies these traits for that given year. This year there were five officers nominated for this award and they all deserve to be recognized. They were Patrolman Bart Mataliano again, Patrolman John Lightbody who also received several nominations, Patrolman Phil Accatatta. However, this year’s winner, Matthew Porricelli, received the highest amount of nominations for this honor. As mentioned before Patrolman Porricelli works tirelessly on narcotics enforcement. He has developed cases and worked beyond the initial street arrest to lead to source dealers making the most of every arrest he makes. He also was one of our leading D.W.I. arresting officers. He trains our new police officers and he’s one of our new firearm instructors. In addition to his many roles with our patrol division Patrolman Porricelli does an amazing job working with the youth of our town as a Police Explorer Advisor. He clearly does represent the best of our department. Thank you for your service Matthew Porricelli, congratulations, great job! Chief Fountain any closing remarks?

CHIEF FOUNTAIN: Sure. That concludes our awards ceremony for this evening for the year 2018. I’d like to thank everybody for coming out and staying and watching this happen for us. This is just a small snapshot of what the officers do day in and day out. They all deserve the recognition. They all do a great job. We just have a few that we like to isolate and pinpoint out that deserve something a little bit extra, but day in and day out the officers do a great job here and we’re fortunate to have, I’m fortunate to have, all these officers in the Manalapan Township police department and very proud of them all! Thank you Mayor and governing body members appreciate it and again thank you for your time and allowing us to have this ceremony; thank you Tara, Renee and the clerks.

MAYOR COHEN: Thank you chief. We definitely have the best police department in the state and we appreciate all that you do and at this time we’re going to take a ten-minute break for those that would like to leave you are able to leave. Thank you for coming this evening. We are back to our meeting and our township committee reports, Committeeman Jacobson.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REPORTS

MR. JACOBSON: Thank you Mayor. First I wanted to congratulate all the officers in Manalapan and they do a great job and this town is a great place to live and police are one of the reasons. Also, my report, most of my report will be concentrating on the environmental commission and the green team. Now the environmental commission, this report exemplifies why this town is great. There was an e-mail blast and social media request to help with the eco-patio because it needed some planting and some weeds. The regular team that could clean up weren’t available. In response we had members from the high school environmental club, college students that were on break, a Boys Scout, the town arborist and her son, Pat Eisman and Jenine Tankoos from the Environmental Commission, Jenine Tankoos’ son and a family of three, a woman brought her two children and we had, just from this we had all the volunteers. Also Kristoff’s Nursery donated the plants and they did a wonderful job. They cleaned up and also the Mayor donated the, some doughnuts from Dunkin’ Donuts so to help the volunteers and they did the cleanup, they did the plantings and several volunteers there asked when it was occurring again. Well, this Friday two volunteers are returning at 11:00 AM and again anyone who wants to volunteer this Friday, they’re going to be adding moss to the garden and everyone,
anyone is free to join in the endeavor. If anyone has any wishes to contact the environmental commission, you can e-mail Jenine at MEC@mtnj.org and this way we can clean it up, spruce it up, and this way if people in the township want to have a little picnic there, it’s a nice place to have a little outing. Now, getting to the green team which is the green team had its meeting today and we discussed their plan of action. They have several ideas to help with Manalapan, meeting the Sustainable Jersey threes---, criteria which will help us in receiving more grants for the environment and energy improvement. Basically, we set a calendar and set an agenda that we will be meeting in the third Wednesday of every month in the morning and those meetings will be on the township calendar and hopefully we’ll get this process going. And lastly, Sustainable Jersey selected Manalapan Township to participate in the 2019 Environmental Defense Fund Fellowship Program with the E.D.F. and New Jersey Natural Gas. As a participant New Jersey, Manalapan gets to there’s a fellow, another word for an intern who will be given an office, desk space, a place to work in the township for ten weeks this summer and will depend on developing different energy, an energy audit and looking at different projects that help Manalapan save energy. They’ll give guidance to the township and they will receive support from relevant staff and an opportunity to present project results and recommendations to decision makers at the end of the program and hopefully this will be a success again it’s the summer and we look forward to this fellow reporting and that’s my report Mayor, thank you.

MAYOR COHEN: Thank you --- Mayor Musich.

MRS. MUSICH: Good evening. I just want to also thank our police honor guard and all the Manalapan Police Department who were here tonight and for all they do for our safety. They’re very attentive to our community. Congratulations also to all the police officers who received awards tonight; there’s too many to mention individually. Seniors, a limited number of tickets are still available for the senior trip to Westchester Broadway Theater which is on Thursday, July 25th for the show “On Your Feet” with lunch included. The cost is $61.00 contact the senior center for more information. This Friday the 24th the senior center will be showing the movie “On the Basis of Sex” which follows the life of Ruth Bader Ginsburg. The movie starts at 10:00AM. On Friday, June 7th at 10:30AM, Steve Ross from the Manalapan First Aid will provide a demonstration on how to use life-saving AED equipment as well as a quick lesson on performing CPR. Seniors are reminded to check the township website at mtnj.org, channel 77 or stop by the senior center at 211 Freehold Road to catch up on the latest activities and trips. You can also call (732)446-8401. Recreation, the cut off for the registration of Manalapan summer program and travel camp is fast approaching. We will no longer accept registrations after June 2nd. Details can be found on the recreation page of the township website, at mtnj.org. Manalapan Recreation travel youth basketball will be holding tryouts for the most teams in June. Check the website for information and various other camps are also being offered this summer so go to the website for that as well for exact details. The splash pad in Manalapan Recreation Center will open on Monday, May 27th, Memorial Day. This park will be open daily from 11:00-7:00 until Labor Day weather permitting. The Freehold Regional High School board had their Board of Education had their meeting the other night and the board voted to approve the start of a lacrosse team at Manalapan High School beginning the school year 2019-2020 and that’s my report.

MAYOR COHEN: Thank you very much. Committeeman Uniglicht.

MR. UNIGLICHT: Thank you Mayor. Firstly, I also want to thank our Manalapan’s Finest, our police officers. Congratulations to all the award recipients. Thank you for your service, thank you all to the first responders for all the service that you do for us and the residents of this town. Dr. Marciante who is superintendent to the Manalapan-Englishtown Board of Education asked me to read something tonight to the Board of Ed. but yet it impacts your taxes. There’s been some major cuts to the you know to their funding from the state and there’s been some lack of understanding maybe out there in terms of why this is happening so he had asked me to read his report into the record tonight just so everybody can help have a better idea of what’s going on. Also possibly advocate to your state representatives going forward to maybe change the system. So this is from Dr. Marciante. “There is a tremendous amount of confusion in regarding the state funding formula for school aid, also known as the S.F.R.A. It’s not as simple as taking money from the overfunded and giving it to the underfunded. First let’s put the current budget picture into perspective during the Great Recession of 2009 all districts experienced a large cut in state aid followed by eight years of flat funding during which salary and health benefits which are
approximately 80 percent of most districts’ budgets increase significantly. The outcome all districts are underfunded. If your enrollment dropped during this period, you were able to minimize the impact of the flat funding. If your enrollment increased, you were significantly underfunded. The extent of the education of children was negatively impacted. The S.F.R.A. distorts this reality. For example, in the latest district report card our cost per pupil in Manalapan is $14,695.00. This is significantly below $15,901.00, the median cost per pupil for a large K-8 thus making us extremely efficient. So how can Manalapan be both 5 million over adequacy overfunded and be very efficient at the same time? In addition, by enrollment decrease ten percent which contributed to a decrease in regular education staff while an increase in rigor of instruction assessment contributed to an increase in special education staff as well as a reading specialist in every building to help struggling students. The current adequacy calculation does not take any of this into account. How can a cost model from 2008 accurately represent the schools our students attend in 2019? The Department of Education nor New Jersey state president’s office can explain how the S.F.R.A. could lead to these contradictory findings. The reality is that the S.F.R.A. is not used to determine what amount of aid a district needs, but it is modified each year to reflect the amount of funds allocated in the state budget. In essence, the important task of educating our children we’re doing the math backwards. This is why the S.F.R.A. is fatally flawed. I propose the following as a way forward so that all children can be successful. First, let’s stop using the formula. Second, immediately direct the commissioner and Department of Education to establish a task force to address the significant flaws of the S.F.R.A. so the formula accurately calculates what is required for adequacy and contains a stable measure of a community’s local fair share that can be in place for the 2022 budget year. The education commissioner has indicated that he has recognized that the funding formula needs to be re-evaluated. Let’s hope that before any district suffers additional massive cuts that will have a detrimental effect on the education of children we have a formula that accurately reflects the financial reality of this issue”. Again that’s Dr. Marcianente’s report, he’s the superintendent of the district and just lastly Mayor I just want to wish everybody a meaningful Memorial Day. I say meaningful because I know a lot of people who go down the shore, going on the beach, playing in the pools, but I just want everybody to remember what Memorial Day is all about; remembering those who gave their service to this country and in many cases paid the ultimate sacrifice. Thank you Mayor.

MAYOR COHEN: Thank you. Deputy Mayor.

MR. MCNABOE: Thank you Mayor. The Manalapan Township planning board meeting will be cancelled for tomorrow night Thursday 5/23. So again it’s a chance, there was very little business, nothing that wasn’t pressing so it was in a way of giving the volunteers on the board the night off. So to all of our volunteers in the town, our planning board, zoning board, every one of our committees thank you very much for what you do on behalf of this town. To piggyback on the Memorial Day that Committeeman Uniglicht discussed, there is a real reason for Memorial Day; 1.4 million Americans have died in defense of this country in its 240-plus years. So let’s take a moment during the course of that weekend and remember that that is the real reason behind Memorial Day. This weekend, Memorial Day, starting on Friday 5/24 going through Sunday 5/26 the Manalapan Soccer Club will be hosting a Memorial Day soccer tournament. Again the club is a quasi-private/public concern of this town and it teaches soccer to our young kids. In this case they’ll be bringing in players from all over New Jersey and New York. I think as far as Virginia and they will be here playing in Manalapan. So you will see a lot of traffic here in the area of Town Hall and the recreation facility across the street. So again you just know it’s going to a good cause to our businesses in town there will be a real boom. You will notice more people in the luncheonettes and restaurants and the likes of that as quite a few players in town and they will be playing games over those three days. Sunday, I’m sorry Monday will be the cleanup day. So on Memorial Day Saturday at 11:45 in the rec center, the Manalapan soccer club will be recognizing the real meaning of Memorial Day. They will be stopping all games and they’ll do a small ceremony and show appreciation for those that did pay the ultimate price for this country. So again I salute them and congratulate them on doing that and I will be in the park as well. So anybody that likes soccer likes to watch the games by all means come by. It goes on for a couple of days and the park will be jumping during those days. Memorial Day parade will be on Monday the 27th at 2:00 pushing off here from Manalapan Township right out front. At 1:45 we’ll be doing a small ceremony in front of our veteran’s walk of honor, right here in front of town hall. So we’ll all be gathering there. The heavy lifting for this parade is put on by the American Legion here in Manalapan-Englishtown and by Englishtown itself. So we kind of piggyback on it, but if anybody needs any information they certainly can call into administration at 446-8308. I’ll be more than happy to get you what I know and get back to you but again they’re nice enough to let
Manalapan be part of it. It’s really in Englishtown and American Legion set up and anybody I can help to be part of that or wants to be part of that by all means reach out to me. On Thursday May 30th at 2:00 PM at the Monmouth County Library right here in Manalapan an Asian-Pacific American month. They’ll be showing a movie called “Honor and Duty” and the movie will basically show the Asian Americans contribution to America, especially during World War II. So anybody that has the time and is off on that Thursday at 2:00 o’clock in the afternoon there will be a movie and discussion afterwards so by all means stop on by. It is the first time that this is being done so we’d like to see a good turnout and make it worthwhile. The Monmouth County Library is a great partner to our veteran organization in putting on many of these things as well as our MAC organization and others. Our veteran scholarship is still up and running. For anybody I’ve mentioned it before, it’s a $500.00 scholarship so instead of just an essay as it has been in years past, it could be an essay, it could be a song, it could be a poem, it can be a video, it can be whatever you imagine and basically the concept is what does a veteran mean to you. So in other words if you had a grandfather or father or mother or somebody that served in your family by all means send us something and $500 doesn’t pay for college, but it goes a long way when it comes to buying books and some of the expenses that you’ll incur while you’re there. And with our Manalapan police, I’m always proud of what they do. It seems to be a time now where bashing of police officers are something that is acceptable across this country. I certainly don’t think it is. I think that the majority of all police officers across the nation are good. I certainly know how hard these men and women work here. So again as you mention our own Captain Maltese, our bag piper, the honor guard that came out. They mentioned the accreditation that is part of Manalapan police department so all the way from Chief Fountain down to our newest class two officers thank you for everything you do. Here in Manalapan if you’ve ever need to call you know the professionalism of these men and women when they show up. There is a tremendous amount of professionalism in our police department and again if there is ever a medical episode or something as you heard tonight you sure are glad that they’re around and as well trained as they have. So as far as I’m concerned in this town, I think most of our people do appreciate it and I certainly have their back as they have the back of all of our residents here. So thank you Mayor.

MAYOR COHEN: Thank you very much. I’d like to piggyback on everyone. Thank you to our honor guard and to Captain Maltese on the bagpipes and to all our police officers who do such a great job especially to those tonight, who received awards and to Officer Porricelli for being named Officer of the Year. At our last meeting I reported information that I found out to be erroneous about the Manalapan-Englishtown Board of Education and Freehold Regional and I thank Tara Lovrich and Trisha Addario, our CFO, for giving me the correct information. So the Manalapan-Englishtown Regional budget was up and represents a 3.15% tax increase which represents $137.06 for the average home owner in Manalapan and the Freehold Regional Board of Education it’s a 5.92% tax increase which is $111.87 and I stand corrected and I thank you for getting me that information. The Manalapan Medical Reserve Corps and the Community Emergency Response Team or our MRC-CERT had a fundraiser at Bonefish Grill in Manalapan. We thank the managing partner Daryl Bromphy and all those that came out to support the MRC-CERT team for lunch or dinner and they did raise a nice amount of money. The MRC-CERT team had its graduation on May 26th. We were all present and we congratulate all the graduates and I will apologize if I messed up your name. Doug Chung, Greg Colon, Peter Francesci, Wayne Galler, Lynn Corrachi, Michael Pinola, Andrew Pissani, Bonnie Rusofski, Wayne Roy, Diane Simon, Brendan Smith, Betty Subramanija, Mary Sisco, and to our new teen CERT members Emily Krishepshi, Devin Patel, and Joy Qualin. We thank you very much for joining our team and we also thank Applebee’s Neighborhood Grill and Bar, Bonefish Grill, Wegmans Market, Uncle Gino’s Market, Diversified Services also known as the Englishtown Auction Sales, Dunkin’ Donuts Gordon’s Corner, Dunkin’ Donuts Route 33, Four Boys Ice Cream, Gus’ Diner, Manalapan Diner, Rizzola Bakery, Romeo’s Pizza on Route 33, Solomon Bakery, Turning Point, and Zack’s Deli for providing very delicious desserts and we thank them for all they did for us. If you’re interested in joining the MRC-CERT team, please call our health department (732)446-8345. In 17 days, yes 17 days I can’t believe it’s here, the Manalapan Arts Council or MAC will present Manalapan Day on Saturday, June 8, 2019 from 3:00-10:00 PM with our free rides opening at 2:00 PM at the Manalapan Recreation Center. This is the biggest and the best event of the year. It’s our annual kickoff to our summer celebration and to say thank you to our Manalapan residents. This year we’re very excited to present the renowned group “Under the Street Lamp” who will take the main stage at 8:00 PM. They are the former cast of the Broadway show “Jersey Boys”. Fun, food, and all day events, games, rides, ponies, petting zoo, exhibits, local performances all make up Manalapan Day and of course closing out the event will be our fireworks display. As in previous years, MAC raised...
the bar again and this year we, our main stage entertainment is provided by our MAC fundraising and especially Marty Gelfond and we thank all of our sponsors. This year, our platinum sponsors are CME Associates, Englishtown Auction and Mainbrook Tavern, Farmer’s Agency, David Gozola Agency, Ray Catena Family of Dealerships, Wegmans. Our gold sponsors Advanced PMR, All-American Old Bridge Automall, ContraState Healthcare System, Columbia Bank, Dancing on the Edge, Hackensack Meridian Health, Bay Shore Medical Center, ICON Dance Complex, Investor’s Bank, IPlay America, Manalapan Soccer Club, McLaughlin, Stauffer and Shaklee, Netcost Markets, Party Perfect Rentals, Suez, The MAX Challenge of Manalapan, Wells Fargo Bank, and Weiner Law Firm. And our silver sponsors this year are Ace Home Improvement, AJC Accounting Services, Applebee’s, Brown and Brown Metro, California Cold Company, Concept Engineering Consultants, Insureyourhome.com, Jersey Strong, Joffe Family Chiropractic, Lightbridge Academy of Manalapan, Manalapan Baseball and Softball Association, Manalapan Diner, Pantano Nursery, Sonnenblick, Parker, and Selvers, Wawa, and Waxing the City. All our sponsors helped keep the main stage entertainment that we don’t use tax payer funds. So thanks to all of them and if you can stop by and say thank you when you see them, we would appreciate it. So thank you to all our businesses that have displayed things for Manalapan and at this time we --- Manalapan Diner, Salon Simone who had an event that they, Mayor Musich and I attended, and Steve Ross’ event is coming up for first aid and CPR LLC. Thank you and you’ll notice some of us are wearing blue for the police department and also pink for ManalamPink so I appreciate you doing that and as the deputy mayor said on a more serious note Memorial Day, please stop by and stop and think about all those that gave their lives and freedoms for our country and they’re serving our country and if you see someone that is currently serving or is home on leave or you know that served call them and say thank you or if you see them say thank you. And as I like to end all my reports please like us on Facebook, sign up for our e-mail blasts on our website mtnj.org. This is the best way to know what’s happening in our town besides the News Transcript and we will continue now with our public comment session on agenda items only. Anyone wishing to speak please state your name and address clearly for the record. Anybody wish to address us? Seeing none, I’ll close public. We’re at our workshop session, legal Mr. McLaughlin.

WORKSHOP SESSION:

LEGAL:

MR. MCLAUGHLIN: No report this evening Mayor.

MAYOR COHEN: Thank you. Engineering, Mr. Winckowski.

ENGINEERING:

MR. WINCKOWSKI: No report Mayor.

MAYOR COHEN: Thank you both for being sponsors. Appreciate it. Mrs. Preteroti?

CLERK:

MRS. PRETEROTI: No items of new business.

MAYOR COHEN: Oh my goodness. Okay sorry, Mrs. Lovrich ---

ADMINISTRATION:

MRS. LOVREICH: Thank you Mayor. I always have items, just a few resolutions tonight. A resolution authorizing the purchase of a Kubota Excavator and that’s for our obviously public works department to do work in the park and the streams and that is part of our capital budget this year. We also have a resolution providing the insertion of a special item of revenue. When we get grants after the budget’s adopted, we call it a chapter 159 and this is for a ‘Click It or Ticket’ grant for the police department and then our final resolution authorizing our bus rental agreement with the board of education for our summer recreation program that we annually do. That’s all I have.

MAYOR COHEN: Thank you very much. We are at our Consent Agenda.

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER ITEM “CONSENT AGENDA” ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE (1)
MOTION IN THE FORM LISTED BELOW. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION ON THESE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED ON ANY ITEM, THAT ITEM WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY. Does anyone need anything discussed separately? No, then I need a motion to approve.

MR. MCNABOE: So moved.

MAYOR COHEN: Thank you and a second?

MRS. MUSICH: Second.

MAYOR COHEN: Thank you. Roll call please.

ROLL CALL:

MRS. PRETEROTI: Mr. Jacobson?

MR. JACOBSON: Yes.

MRS. PRETEROTI: Mr. McNaboe?

MR. MCNABOE: Yes.

MRS. PRETEROTI: Mrs. Musich?

MRS. MUSICH: Yes.

MRS. PRETEROTI: Mr. Uniglicht?

MR. UNIGLICHT: Yes.

MRS. PRETEROTI: Mrs. Cohen?

MAYOR COHEN: Yes. We have no old business. We have four resolutions tonight; the first approving a Bill List Dated May 9, 2019 to May 22, 2019 totaling $9,271,506.87. I need a motion to approve.

MR. UNIGLICHT: I'll move that.

MAYOR COHEN: Thank you and a second?

MRS. MUSICH: Second.

MAYOR COHEN: Roll call please.

ROLL CALL:

MRS. PRETEROTI: Mr. Jacobson?

MR. JACOBSON: Yes.

MRS. PRETEROTI: Mr. McNaboe?

MR. MCNABOE: Yes.

MRS. PRETEROTI: Mrs. Musich?

MRS. MUSICH: Yes.

MRS. PRETEROTI: Mr. Uniglicht?

MR. UNIGLICHT: Yes.

MRS. PRETEROTI: Mrs. Cohen?

MAYOR COHEN: Yes. The next three resolutions I'd like to vote on together unless someone has an objection. The first is authorizing the appointments of 2019 Recreation Summer Camp Staff E for Manalapan Recreation. The next is authorizing the appointments of 2019 bus drivers B for Manalapan Recreation and the
next is authorizing the appointment of seasonal park maintenance laborer of the department of public works. If everyone is okay, I need a motion to approve.

    MR. MCNABOE: I'll move all three of those.
    MAYOR COHEN: Thank you a second?
    MRS. MUSICH: Second.
    MAYOR COHEN: Thank you. Roll call please.

ROLL CALL:

    MRS. PRETEROTI: Mr. Jacobson?
    MR. JACOBSON: Yes.
    MRS. PRETEROTI: Mr. McNaboe?
    MR. MCNABOE: Yes.
    MRS. PRETEROTI: Mrs. Musich?
    MRS. MUSICH: Yes.
    MRS. PRETEROTI: Mr. Uniglicht?
    MR. UNIGLICHT: Yes.
    MRS. PRETEROTI: Mrs. Cohen?

    MAYOR COHEN: Yes, and we have public and executive meetings for approval for March 27, 2019. Does anyone have any changes or comments? If not, I need a motion to approve.

    MR. JACOBSON: I make that motion.
    MAYOR COHEN: And a second?
    MR. UNIGLICHT: Second.
    MAYOR COHEN: Thank you. Roll call please.

ROLL CALL:

    MRS. PRETEROTI: Mr. Jacobson?
    MR. JACOBSON: Yes.
    MRS. PRETEROTI: Mr. McNaboe?
    MR. MCNABOE: Yes.
    MRS. PRETEROTI: Mrs. Musich?
    MRS. MUSICH: Yes.
    MRS. PRETEROTI: Mr. Uniglicht?
    MR. UNIGLICHT: Yes.
    MRS. PRETEROTI: Mrs. Cohen?

    MAYOR COHEN: I had to leave for part of executive so I’m going to abstain. Mrs. Lovrich, do you have any new business?

NEW BUSINESS:

    MRS. LOVRICH: No Mayor we do not tonight.
MAYOR COHEN: Okay great. We have come to our final public comments sessions on non-agenda items. Again when you come up to speak please state your name and address clearly for the record. Is there anyone here that would like to address us? Seeing none, I close public. We’d like to remind our residents of the Memorial Day ceremony on Monday May 27th at 1:45 at our veteran’s memorial in front of town hall. If it’s inclement weather, we’ll be having it here in our courtroom followed by the Englishtown Memorial Parade beginning at 2:00 PM. I thank everyone that is here and that’s watching at home. Our next township committee meeting is June 10th at 7:30PM and of course we can’t forget Manalapan Day June 8th, "Under the Street Lamp", the former Broadway cast of “Jersey Boys”. Does anybody have anything they’d like to say?

MRS. MUSICH: Just a correction.  

MAYOR COHEN: I’m sorry.  

MRS. MUSICH: The 12th.  

MAYOR COHEN: The 12th, I’m sorry thank you June 12th at 7:30PM. Anybody else have anything else they want to say? No? Okay so I need a motion to adjourn.  

MR. MCNABOE: So moved.  

MAYOR COHEN: And a second?  

MR. JACOBSON: Second.  

MAYOR COHEN: All in favor?  

ALL: Aye.  

MAYOR COHEN: Anyone against or opposed? Thank you, goodnight. Thanks for watching. Have a safe holiday.  

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Resolutions for May 22, 2019

2019-186 Executive Session
2019-187 Authorizing Refund of Duplicate, Erroneous and Overpayments for 2019, 2018 and Prior Years
2019-188 Authorizing Refund of Premiums and/or Cost of Sale Paid at Tax Sale
2019-189 Authorizing the Purchase of a Kubota KX080-4SR3A Excavator Under Sourcewell Formerly National Joint Powers Alliance – NJPA Member #32514
2019-190 Providing for the Insertion of any Special Item of Revenue in the Budget of Any County or Municipality Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (Chapter 159 P.L. 1948) from the Division of Highway Traffic Safety for: “Click It or Ticket”
2019-191 Authorizing Execution of a Bus Rental Agreement for the Summer Recreation Program in the Township of Manalapan
2019-192 Approving Bill List Dated May 9, 2019 to May 22, 2019 Totaling $9,271,506.87
2019-193 Authorizing the Appointments of 2019 Recreation Summer Camp Staff E for Manalapan Recreation
2019-194 Authorizing the Appointments of 2019 Bus Drivers B for Manalapan Recreation
2019-195 Authorizing the Appointment of Seasonal Park Maintenance Laborer of the Department of Public Works

September 11, 2019

Approved

Regina Preteroti, Municipal Clerk