

**REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
MAY 8, 2017**

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THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MANVILLE, COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, WAS HELD ON MAY 8, 2017 IN THE MANVILLE MUNICIPAL COURTROOM, 325 NORTH MAIN STREET, MANVILLE, NEW JERSEY AT 7:00 P.M.

**MAYOR RICHARD ONDERKO PRESIDED**

The Clerk announced that proper notice had been given by the posting of the Regular Meeting Notice and by providing adequate notice of the Regular Meeting to the Courier News and the Star Ledger.

**ROLL CALL:**

MAYOR RICHARD ONDERKO  
COUNCILWOMAN DAYNA CAMACHO  
COUNCILWOMAN MICHELE MAGNANI  
COUNCILMAN THEODORE PETROCK, III  
COUNCILMAN PHILIP E. PETRONE, Absent  
COUNCILMAN RON SKIRKANISH  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT STEPHEN SZABO

**ALSO PRESENT:**

THADDEUS R. MACIAG, BOROUGH ATTORNEY  
PAMELA BOREK, BOROUGH CLERK  
ANDREA BIERWIRTH, BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR  
MARK PELTACK, CHIEF OF POLICE

Mayor Onderko acknowledged Freeholder Director Peter Palmer who was in the audience tonight. He noted that Freeholder Palmer has a long career in public service and has served on the Board of Chosen Freeholders since 1997, and has been the Director in 1998, 2003, 2008, 2013 and 2017, and Deputy Director in 2007, 2012 and 2016. He also stated that he has served on the Somerset County Planning Board 1995 to 1996, and the Mayor of Bernardsville from 1985 to 1994. He was also a Councilman in Bernardsville from 1968 to 1984, and a member of the Board of Education from 1962 to 1968. He welcomed Freeholder Palmer to Manville and thanked him for his many years of public service and making Somerset County the best County to live in in New Jersey.

Mayor Onderko also announced that next week is Police Week. He stated that in 1962 President Kennedy signed a Proclamation which designated May 15<sup>th</sup> as Peace Officers Memorial Day, and the week in which that date falls is Police Week. He stated that tens of thousands of officers will converge on Washington, D.C. to participate in a number of

planned events which honor those they have lost and paid the ultimate sacrifice. He added that in 2017, 44 law enforcement officers have been killed in the line of duty, and tonight he dedicates the moment of silence to those officers and to keep all law enforcement officers in the State of New Jersey safe.

### **SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Freeholder Director Palmer thanked Mayor Onderko for his comments. He stated that he made the decision that this year, he would attend a Council Meeting in each of the twenty-one Somerset County municipalities. He stated that Manville is the fourth, and he has seventeen to go. He noted that working cooperatively with each municipality is the highest priority of the Freeholders, and said they are proud to do so. He stated that it has been his privilege to work with our past and current Borough government officials, and he wishes us the best.

Mayor Onderko thanked Freeholder Palmer for his comments and for his assistance in the \$3 million grant for Main Street from the Transportation Trust Fund. He stated that we have one of the most dangerous pedestrian crossings in Somerset County, and he is thankful for the grant to make Main Street safer.

Freeholder Palmer noted that transportation is his utmost interest.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Onderko requested a motion to approve the following minutes:

A/ Regular Meeting of April 24, 2017

Councilman Petrock, seconded by Council President Szabo, made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 24, 2017.

ROLL CALL: AYES: SZABO, CAMACHO, MAGNANI, PETROCK, SKIRKANISH  
ABSENT: PETRONE

### **ORDINANCES - FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION**

Mayor Onderko read the Ordinance by title.

Mayor Onderko requested a motion to introduce Ordinance #2017-1187.

Council President Szabo, seconded by Councilman Petrock, made a motion to introduce Ordinance #2017-1187.

Ordinance #2017-1187

### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SCHEDULES "I" OF ORDINANCE NO . 500, KNOWN AS THE TRAFFIC ORDINANCE, AS AMENDED**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT OF SCHEDULE I- NO PARKING**

Schedule I of Ordinance No. 500 is hereby amended to include the following under the stated designations:

<u>NAME OF STREET</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>SIDE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
William Street	Anytime	North	From the east curblineline of Gladys Avenue to a point 77' east

**SECTION 2. INCONSISTENCY**

Should any provision of this ordinance be inconsistent with the provisions of any prior ordinances, the inconsistent provisions of said prior ordinances are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of such inconsistencies.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY**

In the event that any provision of this ordinance, or the application of thereof to any person or circumstance is declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration of invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this ordinance which may be given effect, and, and to realize this intent, the provisions and application of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

**SECTION 4. PURPOSE OF CAPTIONS**

Captions contained in this ordinance have been inserted only for the purpose of facilitation reference to the various sections, and are not intended and shall not be utilized to construe the intent and meaning of the text of any section.

**SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This shall be effective immediately upon final adoption, approval and publication in accordance with law.

Borough of Manville,  
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

ROLL CALL: AYES: SZABO, CAMACHO, MAGNANI, PETROCK, SKIRKANISH  
ABSENT: PETRONE

## **PUBLIC PORTION ON RESOLUTIONS**

Mayor Onderko requested a motion to open the public portion on Resolutions #2017-81 through #2017-90.

Council President Szabo, seconded by Councilman Petrock, made a motion to open the public portion on Resolutions.

All present were in favor.

Mayor Onderko noted for the public that the meeting room sound system will be upgraded soon, and the vendor is present at the meeting if anyone has questions for him.

Bob Kaminski, 10 Liberty Street - asked if Resolution #2017-87 regarding the audit applied to the School Board.

Mayor Onderko stated that they perform their own audit.

Mr. Kaminski also asked if Resolution #2017-85 is passed, how soon lawns would be cut.

Mayor Onderko stated that if they are above ten inches, they will be cut tomorrow.

Maria Janucik, 720 East Frech Avenue - asked if the four properties mentioned in #2017-85 are the same properties that were part of the Bond Ordinance.

Mayor Onderko stated that they were and noted that the closings took place and we are going out to bid for demolition.

Attorney Maciag and Administrator Bierwirth also addressed her questions.

When no one else wished to comment, Mayor Onderko requested a motion to close the public portion on Resolutions.

Councilman Petrock, seconded by Council President Szabo, made a motion to close the public portion on Resolutions.

All present were in favor.

## **RESOLUTIONS (TO BE TAKEN SEPARATELY)**

Mayor Onderko requested a motion to adopt Resolution #2017-81.

Councilman Skirkanish, seconded by Councilwoman Camacho, made a motion to adopt Resolution #2017-81.

Resolution #2017-81

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of The Borough of Manville that the following accounts:

1. Current	\$2,2 16,762.82
2. Water/Sewer Utility	\$3,1 92.51
3. General Capital	\$0.0 0
4. Recreation Trust	\$1,4 77.76
5. Other Trust	\$0.0 0
6. Dedicated Dog	\$0.0 0
7. Housing Trust	\$0.0 0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,2 21,433.09</b>

After being examined by each respective committee, are hereby ordered to be paid.

Borough of Manville,  
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

ROLL CALL: AYES: SZABO, CAMACHO, MAGNANI, PETROCK, SKIRKANISH  
ABSENT: PETRONE

### RESOLUTIONS BY CONSENT

Mayor Onderko asked if any Council Member wished to take any Resolution individually.

When no one wanted to take any Resolution individually, Mayor Onderko requested a motion to adopt Resolutions #2017-82 through #2017-90.

Council President Szabo, seconded by Councilman Petrock, made a motion to adopt Resolutions #2017-82 through #2017-90.

ROLL CALL: AYES: SZABO, CAMACHO, MAGNANI, PETROCK, SKIRKANISH  
ABSENT: PETRONE

Resolution #2017-82

**WHEREAS**, the Recreation Department is in need of personnel for their seasonal programs; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Ordinance #2015-1160, these employees are now referred to as Temporary Seasonal Employees.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville, County of Somerset, and State of New Jersey, that the following Temporary Seasonal Employees shall be hired by the Recreation Department:

Name	Title	Length of Service	Pay Rate
Bob Wanagiel	Softball Umpire	5-09-17 to 8-25-17	\$50.00 per game

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Recreation Director will have the authority to replace any staff member that leaves during the season in order to maintain the health, safety, and welfare of the public, with the approval of the Borough Administrator; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution is contingent upon approval from the State of New Jersey.

Borough of Manville,  
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

ALL PRESENT IN FAVOR PER ROLL CALL

Resolution #2017-83

**WHEREAS**, several real property tax payers have redeemed liens held against their property taxes and the Tax Collector has received proof of such payments after correspondence with said property owners.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council, of the Borough of Manville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, hereby authorizes the Tax Collector to release the amount specified to the lienholders listed below.

Block	Lot	Name of Owner	Amount	Lienholder
178	16	Medina & DeMaris	\$ 1,931.44	ProCapital
126.01	24.01	Shipman, Myrtle	\$ 767.61	FWDSL

Borough of Manville,  
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

ALL PRESENT IN FAVOR PER CALL

Resolution #2017-84

**RESOLUTION TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN  
ELECTRONIC TAX SALE PILOT PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, NJSA 54:5-19.1 authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations to be promulgated by the Director of the Division of Government Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has promulgated rules and regulations for pilot programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has approved NJ Tax Lien Investors/RealAuction.com to conduct pilot programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the rules and regulations authorize a municipality to submit an application for participation in the pilot program for an electronic tax sale; and

**WHEREAS**, an electronic tax sale is innovative and provides a greater pool of potential lien buyers, thus creating the environment for a more complete tax sale process; and

**WHEREAS**, the municipality of the Borough of Manville wishes to participate in the pilot program for an electronic tax sale.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville, County of Somerset, and State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to complete an application to participate in the electronic tax sale program and submit same to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Borough Administrator, Tax Collector and Director of the Division of Government Services forthwith.

Borough of Manville,  
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

ALL PRESENT IN FAVOR PER ROLL CALL

Resolution #2017-85

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance #2015-1162 authorized the acquisition and demolition of flood-prone properties by the Borough of Manville; and

**WHEREAS**, all four properties have been acquired and are now owned by the Borough of Manville; and

**WHEREAS**, the properties have been vacated and are in need of grass cutting.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville, County of Somerset, and State of New Jersey, that the Department of Public Works is hereby authorized to perform grass cutting on these properties:

<u>Street Address</u>	<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>
645 Huff Avenue	176	31
201 Knopf Street	34	36
627 Boesel Avenue	177	49
255 North Second Avenue	34	40

Borough of Manville,  
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

ALL PRESENT IN FAVOR PER ROLL CALL

Resolution #2017-86

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF MANVILLE TO PARTICIPATE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PATCH TO OFFER THE RESIDENTS OF MANVILLE AN ONLINE NEWS SOURCE AT NO COST TO THE BOROUGH**

**WHEREAS**, there is the desire of the Borough of Manville to pursue an online news presence; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Administrator and Borough Clerk have established a relationship with the editor of the Patch; and

**WHEREAS**, Patch is a community-specific news, information and engagement network affording individuals to find out about what is happening in their community; and

**WHEREAS**, there is no cost to the Borough of Manville to have a presence on Patch; and

**WHEREAS**, it is anticipated that the Manville Patch will be released on, or about May 15, 2017.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville, County of Somerset, and State of New Jersey, that the Borough of Manville will have an online news presence with the onset of the Manville Patch on, or about May 15, 2017, at no cost to the Borough.

Borough of Manville,  
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

ALL PRESENT IN FAVOR PER ROLL CALL

Resolution #2017-87

**RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE ANNUAL AUDIT FOR THE YEAR 2016 OF BOROUGH OF MANVILLE, SOMERSET COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions, and

**WHEREAS**, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2016 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Borough of Manville's Municipal Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

**WHEREAS**, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall, by resolution, certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed, as a minimum, the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto; and



**WHEREAS**, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and

**WHEREAS**, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

**WHEREAS**, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52: A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, hereby state that the Borough has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

Borough of Manville,  
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

ALL PRESENT IN FAVOR PER ROLL CALL

Resolution #2017-88

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROVING  
THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN FOR THE 2016 AUDIT**

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Local Finance Notice 92-15, the Borough of Manville must submit a Corrective Action Plan for 2016 to the Division of Local Government Services in regards to the Borough Audit of 2016; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville, County of Somerset and State of New Jersey, that they hereby accept and approve the attached "2016 Corrective Action Plan for the Borough of Manville" as submitted by Chief Finance Officer Lori Majeski.

Borough of Manville,  
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

ALL PRESENT IN FAVOR PER ROLL CALL

Resolution #2017-89

**WHEREAS**, the policy of the Borough of Manville, as dictated by our auditors, is that every purchase order issued must be reviewed and signed by the Borough Administrator; and

**WHEREAS**, in the event that the Borough Administrator is unavailable or otherwise out of the office, a designee should be named that can sign purchase orders when the Borough Administrator is not able to do so.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville, County of Somerset, and State of New Jersey, that in the event that the Borough Administrator unavailable or otherwise out of the office to sign purchase orders, that Michael Pitts, the Qualified Purchasing Agent, is authorized to sign purchase orders in her absence.

Borough of Manville,  
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

ALL PRESENT IN FAVOR PER ROLL CALL

Resolution #2017-90

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for the sound system in the Borough Hall Council Meeting Room; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of Public Works requested quotes from several vendors in the surrounding area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Buildings and Grounds Committee interviewed the top two vendors on Wednesday, May 3, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, Gramco Business Communications presented the most cost effective proposal in an amount not to exceed \$9,661.00, to include:

- 1.) Power module
- 2.) ATEIS - DSP auto mixing system
- 3.) Amplifier
- 4.) 12 - 20" gooseneck microphones
- 5.) 4 wall-mount speakers
- 6.) 6 - in ceiling speakers
- 7.) 2 - wireless handheld microphones
- 8.) Installation
- 9.) Three-year warranty

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville, County of Somerset, and State of New Jersey, that the proposal from Gramco Business Communications be accepted.

Borough of Manville,  
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

ALL PRESENT IN FAVOR PER ROLL CALL

**OFFICIAL REPORTS**

Mayor Onderko announced that the following reports were on file in the Clerk's Office:

- A/ Clerk's Report, April, 2017
- B/ Police Department Report, April, 2017

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS AND COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Mayor Onderko reported that on Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> he attended the panel discussion on opioid abuse at the Manville Elks. He stated about 80 to 85 residents attended the discussion, which was entitled "Right in Your Backyard" and was led by Brian Stack who is the Somerset County Chief Assistant Prosecutor. He noted that earlier that day, his neighbor overdosed on heroin and left a wife and two children. He stated it was truly right in his backyard. He stated that this epidemic has become a crisis in our Country and we need to communicate with anyone regarding addiction and the help that is available. He also reported that on Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> we celebrated Arbor Day in Manville for the first time at the Library and planted three trees. He stated it was a nice event for the environmental club from ABIS who attended. He also reported that he met with representatives from Assemblyman Zwicker's office concerning the School Funding Formula. He stated that they plan on having another meeting in Trenton, since there is much confusion about how school aid is determined in Manville. He stated that he will be sure to find out if the equation is accurate.

Councilman Petrock, reported that he attended a Public Safety meeting and Public Works Committee on May 3<sup>rd</sup>; as Chairperson of the Finance Committee reported that they have not met, however reported that as of May 1<sup>st</sup> we officially joined with the Township of Montgomery for Financial Services headed by Michael Pitts. Mr. Pitts stated that by the June 12<sup>th</sup> meeting he will present a review of where we stand.

Councilwoman Camacho, gave a report on Buildings and Grounds on behalf of Councilman Petrone who is absent. She reported that the meeting room sound system is being upgraded, and the Committee met with two vendors: CSAV Systems and Gramco Business Communications. She stated that the quote was finalized at \$9,661 with Gramco as the preferred vendor. She also reported that the street light on South Main Street was installed today. She reported that although WalMart will be installing a locking cart system, the Committee would still like to adopt a Shopping Cart Ordinance which they are currently working on and will introduce on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. She also reported that there will be a Borough-wide cleanup of properties such as debris, vehicles, etc. She stated a letter will be sent by the Administrator to the properties in violation of the Ordinances and Mr. Wilczek, the Zoning Officer is taking photos and documenting everything. She also reported that there are 17 site issues such as obstructed intersections which they will be working on remedying. She also reported that the Manville Library will be blocking inappropriate websites because there has been some behavior that needs to be addressed. She stated that our computer administrator will be taking care of that. As Chairperson of the Policy, Planning and Personnel Committee reported that they met on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and the Committee interviewed two candidates for the Recreation Director position. She stated that although both candidates were qualified

for the job, they selected the person who they felt would be the best fit for the community. She stated that the process is moving forward, and the candidate met with Montgomery Township. She stated that references and background are being checked. She stated that labor negotiations are scheduled for this week and next week for PBA and Teamsters Contracts. She also reported that we are creating a Manville Patch, which will be a good way to get information and news to the public. She stated that since the Manville News was lost we have been trying to come up with new ways to keep our citizens informed. She stated that at the last council meeting, Council President Szabo stated that the Fire Department will be need of a new truck sooner than later, and Mr. Shepard expressed his concern for public safety regarding police vehicles. She stated that we have asked all Departments to tighten their belts, and therefore, they feel it is only fair that they do the same. She made a motion that the Council members get a zero salary and that the money be evenly divided between the Police Department, Fire Department and Rescue Squad to be used for lease payments, repairs or equipment.

Councilwoman Camacho, seconded by Councilman Petrock, made a motion to remove the Mayor and Council salaries.

ROLL CALL:           AYES:CAMACHO, PETROCK  
                          NAYES:        SZABO, MAGNANI, SKIRKANISH  
                          ABSENT:     PETRONE

Mayor Onderko indicated that the motion failed 3-2.

Councilman Skirkanish, as Chairperson of the Progress and Development Committee reported that they are scheduled to meet next Thursday with Joe Korn regarding the Rustic Mall Redevelopment. He stated that the next Board of Health meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30, and he reminded everyone that a rabies clinic will be held on May 20<sup>th</sup> at Firehouse #3 on North 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. He noted that microchips will be available for \$25 and dogs and cats may be licensed at that time. He further reported that he attended the Policy, Planning and Personnel meeting on Thursday.

Council President Szabo, as Chairperson of the Public Safety Committee reported that they met on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at the VFW to discuss the Red Cross and Shelter Fundamentals course to be held on May 18<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. He stated that the Proclamation for Police Week will be presented at the May 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting, and Chief Peltack will also be presenting awards to the officers. He also reported that the Administrator has been in contact with a non-animal circus that has successfully toured throughout the United States and they have selected Manville as a site for their circus and hope it will be approved for August 27<sup>th</sup> at the Rustic Mall. He reported that the Library will be receiving security cameras, and portable speed boats have been discussed by the Committee, which will be reviewed by Director of Public Works, Vince LoMedico. He stated that a personnel issue was discussed by the Committee which is under further investigation. He also reported that the Administrator will be reviewing grants for transportation solutions and will report back to the Committee in June. He further

reported that he attended the Fire Board of Engineer meeting, and gave the following information: Inspections conducted 15, re-inspections 12, fire investigations 0, complaints 0, meetings with residents, business owners, and phone conversations with the State 15. The Fire Marshal reported that 44 South Main Street and 38 South Main Street both have lock boxes and notices were sent to the Chief. He reported that fire hose testing was performed on April 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. He also reported that the Somerset County Credentialing Program was on track. He further reported that he attended the Tricky Tray for the Bridgewater Animal Shelter and the Rescue Squad Dinner. He reported that the Library had a Cupcake Tournament on Saturday, and they are displaying paintings done by Dr. Auletta's mother. He also reported that he attended the Policy, Planning and Personnel Committee meeting.

Councilwoman Magnani, reported that she attended the Buildings and Grounds, Public Safety meetings, and as Chairperson of the Public Works Committee reported that the staff of the Shade Tree Commission is planting 34 trees throughout the Borough that were obtained from the 2016 Grant. She reported that New Jersey American Water is performing the final pavings in the Weston area and are finishing up work on Marian Place and St. John Street. She also reported that they are mulching Borough buildings and Main Street, and routine mowing is being done on tax liens and Blue Acre properties. She reported that the ball fields are being completed and the pools are being prepared. She also reported that the County Bridge work is continuing and will be ongoing for eighteen months. She reported that the grass drop-off is continuing on Saturdays and asked that residents refer to the calendar for the schedule. She thanked Mr. Kelly and the Boy Scouts for the cleanup in the valley on April 30<sup>th</sup>. She reported that Cooper Pool is open for lifeguard training and she reminded residents to purchase their pool badges. She also reported that we have applied for a Community Development Block Grant for repair to the Kiddie Pool, and the rain garden at the Library is almost completed. She reported that she inspected the fire truck at Firehouse #3 regarding the request for a new truck. She stated that the truck is a 1993 model with 70,000 miles, and she stated that a trade in would only be \$15,000. She also reported that they also spoke to the seller of the new truck who demonstrated it. She stated that the old truck has rotted pipes and the calibration on the water is low. She stated that it can be dangerous, and she is trying to find out if we can get a grant from the State for the purchase of a new truck. She stated that they are looking into it, and they cannot promise the Fire Department a new truck yet, but will review finances. She reported that there is a banner on Main Street for a Jamie Cap Day and Manville Day at Patriot's Stadium.

## **PUBLIC PORTION**

Attorney Maciag set forth the rules for Public Portion.

Mayor Onderko requested a motion to open the public portion.

Councilman Skirkanish, seconded by Councilman Petrock, made a motion to open the Public Portion.

All present were in favor.

Ray Walsh, 26 North 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue - complimented the Mayor and Council for approving the budget and asked for the figures on the School Board budget.

Mayor Onderko indicated he did not have the exact figures, however, the increase was over \$700,000. He also mentioned the increased pension payment and the increase in healthcare costs. He noted that we are severely underfunded, and our Board of Education is trying to keep educating our children.

Mr. Walsh stated that he recommended regionalizing the school district, however, the Board was not in favor of it. He mentioned that our school district does not have as many programs as other districts, and he feels our children are being denied opportunities.

Mayor Onderko stated that Senate President Sweeney proposed giving Manville \$1 million additional aid for the next five years if it will pass. He stated that they still have not come to an agreement, however, he remains hopeful that we made the case that Manville is a distressed community and is still the eighth most under-funded district in the State.

Marianne Shoaf, 144 South 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue - stated that a month ago she brought up the issue of renting rooms in homes and wondered if anything has been done.

Mayor Onderko stated legal research has been done and asked the Borough Attorney to comment.

Attorney Maciag commented on his research and stated that the regulations do not apply unless a homeowner has two or more tenants. He indicated that he will be looking into the laws further.

Mrs. Shoaf also asked about yard maintenance and people maintaining their properties, commercial vehicles, and the open burn ordinance.

Councilwoman Camacho stated that she reported on this in the Buildings and Grounds report and reiterated that they will be cracking down on homeowners who are not maintaining their property.

Attorney Maciag, Mayor Onderko, and Chief Peltack, also addressed her questions.

Bob Kaminski, 10 Liberty Street - mentioned parking on Huff Avenue and requested an Ordinance to prohibit parking to the intersection of Bridge Street. He also commented on the DEP removing weirs.

Mayor Onderko stated that they will look into it.

Maria Janucik, 720 East Frech Avenue - had questions regarding the municipal budget.

Mayor Onderko and the Borough Clerk addressed her questions.

Mary Marsicano, 235 South 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue - had a question regarding the lane closure on South Main Street and stated that the sign is very high and asked if it can be lowered.

Chief Peltack stated he will check with the County Engineers, since it is their project.

Dean Shepard, P.O. Box 222 - thanked Councilwoman Camacho for bringing up the salary cut and Councilman Petrock for supporting the Resolution. He also commented that candidates should consider the cost of the litigation and that it was a waste of taxpayer money.

When no one else wished to comment, Mayor Onderko requested a motion to close the public portion.

Council President Szabo, seconded by Councilman Petrock, made a motion to close the public portion.

All present were in favor.

Mayor Onderko requested a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Council President Szabo, seconded by Councilman Petrock, made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

All present were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:06 p.m.

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pamela Borek".

Pamela Borek, Borough Clerk