

MAPLE SHADE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES  
JULY 22, 2021 – 6:30 P.M.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and in order to continue to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public, until further notice, all meetings will be held in person in accordance with CDC guidelines and virtually, using the Zoom platform. Members of the public are able to participate in the meeting by audio and/or video or through the Zoom chat feature. Public comments may also be submitted to the Township Clerk via electronic mail or in written letter form. All comments must be received no later than 4 PM the day of the meeting. Electronic Mail should be sent to [publiccomment@mapleshade.com](mailto:publiccomment@mapleshade.com). Please type "Township Council Meeting Comment" and the date of the meeting in the email subject line. Written letters should state that the letter is being submitted as a Township Council meeting comment and the date of meeting for which the comment is scheduled. During the business session portion of the Remote Public Meeting the audio of all members of the public attending the meeting will be muted. At the end of the business session of the meeting, a time for public comment will be available. Members of the public who desire to provide comment shall raise their virtual hand in the Zoom application and/or submit a written comment via the text message section of the application. The meeting moderator will queue the members of the public that wish to provide comment and the mayor will recognize them in order. Public comment shall be concise and to the point and shall not contain abusive, defamatory, or obscene language.

Township of Maple Shade is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Township Council Meeting

Time: Jul 22, 2021, 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Jul 22, 2021, 06:30 PM

Aug 26, 2021, 06:30 PM

Sep 9, 2021, 06:30 PM

Sep 23, 2021, 06:30 PM

Oct 14, 2021, 06:30 PM

Oct 28, 2021, 06:30 PM

Nov 18, 2021, 06:30 PM

Dec 9, 2021, 06:30 PM

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**PUBLIC NOTICE** of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given by the Township Council in the following manner:

Notifying the Township Clerk December 15, 2020.

Mailing Notice to the Courier Post, The Central Record and Burlington County Times on December 15, 2020.

Posting Notice on the Official Municipal Bulletin Board on December 15, 2020.

**ROLL CALL**

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kauffman			x			
Ms. Nunes			x			
Schmidt			x			
Mrs. Volpe			x			
Wiest			x			

**Resolution No. 2021-R-109** Resolution to Meet in Executive Session for the following:

1. Personnel
2. Attorney Client / Potential Litigation – Maple Shade Fire Department

Motion to Close: Kauffman                      Second: Volpe                      All in Favor: yes

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Mayor of the Township Council then declares the meeting closed and directs that the tape be shut off. At conclusion of closed portion, Mayor of Township Council calls for a motion to reopen the meeting and turn the tape on.

Motion to Adjourn: Schmidt                      Second: Volpe                      All in Favor: yes

**OPEN BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING – April, May, and June 2021**

Reports – seven incidents, all resolved

Public Participation - none

Motion to Close: Nunes                      Second: Volpe                      All in Favor: yes

Motion to Adjourn: Kauffman                      Second: Schmidt                      All in Favor: yes

**Resolution No. 2021-R-110** Resolution Amending the 2021 Capital Budget

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Motion to Approve:                      Second:                      Comments:                      Roll Call:

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kauffman			x			
Ms. Nunes		x	x			
Schmidt			x			
Mrs. Volpe	x		x			
Wiest			x			

**ORDINANCES – FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION**

**Ordinance No. 2021-09** An Ordinance of the Township of Maple Shade, in the County of Burlington, New Jersey, Providing for Various Capital Improvements and other Related Expenses in and for the Township of Maple Shade and Appropriating \$2,310,000. Therefore, and Providing for the Issuance of \$1,980,400.00 in Bonds or Notes of the Township of Maple Shade to Finance the Same

Motion for Introduction:                      Second:                      Comments:                      Roll Call:

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kauffman			x			
Ms. Nunes	x		x			
Schmidt		x	x			
Mrs. Volpe			x			
Wiest			x			

Publication Date: July 29, 2021

Public Hearing: August 26, 2021

**Ordinance No. 2021-10** An Ordinance of the Township of Maple Shade, in the County of Burlington, New Jersey, Providing for Various Utility Improvements and other Related Expenses in and for the Township of Maple Shade and Appropriating \$2,090,000.00. Therefore, and Providing for the Issuance of \$1,990,000.00 in Bonds or Notes of the Township of Maple Shade to Finance the Same

Motion for Introduction:                      Second:                      Comments:                      Roll Call:

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kauffman	x		x			
Ms. Nunes			x			
Schmidt		x	x			
Mrs. Volpe			x			
Wiest			x			

Publication Date: July 29, 2021

Public Hearing: August 26, 2021

**Ordinance No. 2021-11** An Ordinance of the Township of Maple Shade, in the County of Burlington, New Jersey, Appropriating \$966,928.10 in American Rescue Plan Funds to Various Sanitary Sewer and Water System Improvements in and for the Township

Motion for Introduction:                      Second:                      Comments:                      Roll Call:

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kauffman			x			

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Ms. Nunes		x	x			
Schmidt			x			
Mrs. Volpe	x		x			
Wiest			x			

Publication Date: July 29, 2021

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**PUBLIC PORTION (for Consent Agenda Items)** - none

Motion to Close: Nunes      Second: Schmidt      All in Favor: yes

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Resolution No. 2021-R-111** Resolution Approving and Authorizing Lien on Real Property for Property Maintenance Work Performed by the Township of Maple Shade, 43 Stiles Avenue, Block 86, Lot 16

**Resolution No. 2021-R-112** Resolution Approving and Authorizing Lien on Real Property for Property Maintenance Work Performed by the Township of Maple Shade, 393 West Park Avenue, Block 1.02, Lot 23

**Resolution No. 2021-R-113** Resolution Approving and Authorizing Lien on Real Property for Property Maintenance Work Performed by the Township of Maple Shade, 215 Ruth Avenue, Block 204, Lot 14

**Resolution No. 2021-R-114** Resolution Approving and Authorizing Lien on Real Property for Property Maintenance Work Performed by the Township of Maple Shade, 105 North Coles Avenue, Block 20, Lot 1.03

**Resolution No. 2021-R-115** Resolution to Declare Block 8, Lot 5.02 as Tax Exempt and to Cancel Taxes from June 28, 2021, Through December 31, 2021

**Resolution No. 2021-R-116** Resolution to Waive the Gaming License Local Fee for the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 2445

**Resolution No. 2021-R-117** Release Performance Guarantee from Joseph Angelo for Block 113, Lot 1.06

**Resolution No. 2021-R-118** Authorize Acceptance of State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety 2021 Body-Worn Camera (BWC) Assistance Program Grant

**Resolution No. 2021-R-119** Resolution Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation – N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 – Body Worn Camera Grant Program

**Resolution No. 2021-R-120** Authorizing the Appointment of Anthony Scarengille to the Maple Shade Police Department and Attendance at the Camden County Police Academy

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**Resolution No. 2021-R-121** Approval of Fireworks Display

**Resolution No. 2021-R-122** Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Gradwell and Anna Avenue Improvement Project

Motion to Approve:                      Second:                      Comments:                      Roll Call:

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kauffman			x			
Ms. Nunes		x	x			
Schmidt	x		x			
Mrs. Volpe			x			
Wiest			x			

**APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE LIST - \$4,134,450.12**

Motion to Approve:                      Second:                      Comments:                      Roll Call:

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kauffman		x	x			
Ms. Nunes			x			
Schmidt	x		x			
Mrs. Volpe			x			
Wiest			x			

**APPROVAL OF 2021 JUNE MINUTES**

Motion to Approve:                      Second:                      Comments:                      Roll Call:

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kauffman		x	x			
Ms. Nunes	x		x			
Schmidt			x			
Mrs. Volpe			x			
Wiest			x			

**STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS** – Council wished everyone a Happy Summer and reminded of the Wednesdays on Main event.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Operations
  - a. Applications for Public Works Laborer are being received/reviewed
  - b. 2021 paving project started today
  - c. Kevin Kavenaugh, reached out to ask for assistance in getting the neighbors’ properties core tested
  - d. fiscal year funding on schedule
  - e. Fire Department – draft report was received, will schedule a meeting with Council, the Rogers Group, and the Fire Department to review the final report.

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2. Engineer Report

- a. 2022 NJDOT Municipal Aid Application: proposal is for improvements to Gradwell Avenue from S. Coles to S. Clinton and Anna Avenue from S. Forklanding to S. Lippincott. Total funding requested, \$590,721.42. Mayor and Clerk need to log in and approve.
  - b. 2019 & 2020 NJDOT Municipal Aid – Collins Lane and N. Coles Avenue: 3-month extension of time for award has been granted by NJDOT, which extends the deadline for award to 9-25-21
  - c. 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG): the resident at 102 Thomas Avenue has expressed concerns about the slope of the driveway apron. Alaimo in touch with resident, visited site, and conducted field survey. Under review.
3. Site Plan – next meeting 8/5  
4. Advisory Board – next meeting 8/5

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. North Coles – Roadway Project: the temperature of the asphalt was under par and had to be reconstructed curb to curb. Future discussions for the \$22,000 bill
2. Downtown Maple Shade – Main Street Planner – Township Manager introduced Heyer, Gruel and Associates as planner that works on affordable housing. Council agreed to a presentation.
3. A complaint was received involving 2811 Route 73 South and forwarded to DEP and Woodard and Curran. Will follow up and update.
4. Pradip Soni, our new Community Development Director/Zoning Officer will be starting Monday

**PUBLIC PORTION** – Bill Ries, 28 Collins Lane, asked for a report showing the breakdown of fees the township is paying the covering Fire Companies. Karen Mastrangelo reported council's voices are too low on zoom.

Mayor Wiest made a statement about the conversations on social media and elsewhere involving council's last executive session. To rectify the bad information that's being spread, Mayor Wiest publicly announced that no family of his will be involved with the Fire Department at any time.

Motion to Close: Nunes      Second: Schmidt      All in Favor: yes

**Resolution No. 2021-R-123** Resolution to Meet in Executive Session for the following:

1. Litigation/Negotiation/Attorney Client Privilege

Motion to Return to Close: Schmidt      Second: Volpe      All in Favor: yes

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Motion to Open: Nunes      Second: Volpe      All in Favor: yes

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MOTION TO ADJOURN UNTIL TOWNSHIP COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 26, 2021, AT 6:30 PM

Motion: Schmidt                      Second: Volpe                      All in Favor: yes

*Notice is being forwarded in accordance with The Open Public Meetings Act – July 20, 2021*