

**MAPLE SHADE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
MAY 11, 2023 – 6:30 P.M.**

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 22, 2022.

Mailing Notice to the Courier Post, The Central Record and Burlington County Times on December 22, 2022.

Posting Notice on the Official Municipal Bulletin Board on December 22, 2022.

ROLL CALL - 6:30 PM

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

Resolution No. 2023-R-91 Resolution to Meet in Executive Session for the following:

1. Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiation, and the Attorney-Client Privilege – Personnel, Contractual Agreements

Motion to Close (6:31 PM): Schmidt Second: Nunes All in Favor: yes

Formal action may be taken upon conclusion of Closed Session.

(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 Open (6:52PM): Volpe Second: Schmidt All in Favor: yes

OPEN BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

Reports – Manager Danson – no report

Public Participation - none

Motion to Close: Wiest Second: Volpe Comments: none All in Favor: yes

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

PRESENTATION: WOODARD AND CURRAN Present for the annual presentation: Ryan Sullivan, Area Manager: Jim Reilly, Will Gray, Robert Gezzi and Utility Engineer Dennis Yoder. The discussion included water quality, Kings Highway Plant, Lime Chemical feed system and the priority, replacement of the Main Street Pump Station force Main.

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ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

Ordinance No. 2023-10 An Ordinance of the Township of Maple Shade in the County of Burlington, New Jersey Amending Chapters 160 and 200 of the Maple Shade Township Code to Establish Sewer and Water Service Rates and Connection Fees for the Third Quarter of 2023 Through 2027

Motion for Introduction:		Second:	Comments:		Roll Call:	
COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ms. Nunes		x	x			
Schmidt			x			
Mrs. Volpe	x		x			
Wiest			x			
Kauffman			x			

Publication Date: May 17, 2023

Public Hearing: June 8, 2023

Ordinance No. 2023-11 An Ordinance of the Township of Maple Shade in the County of Burlington, New Jersey Amending Chapter 51 of the Maple Shade Township Code Regarding Requirements for Vacant and Abandoned Properties

The Township previously established a property registration program for vacant and abandoned properties. The State then enacted N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.12s3, which revised the requirements for municipal property registration programs and further provided for the regulation of the maintenance, security, and upkeep of the exterior condition of vacant and abandoned residential and commercial foreclosure properties and to impose additional property registration fees to be paid by the creditors of such properties on an annual or semi-annual basis. The Township is amending Chapter 51 to establish the additional requirements as set forth in N.J.S.A. 48-2s3.

Motion for Introduction:		Second:	Comments:		Roll Call:	
COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ms. Nunes		x	x			
Schmidt			x			
Mrs. Volpe	x		x			
Wiest			x			
Kauffman			x			

Publication Date: May 17, 2023

Public Hearing: June 8, 2023

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

Ordinance No. 2023-08 An Ordinance of the Township of Maple Shade, in the County of Burlington, New Jersey, Amending Chapter 154 “Rental Properties”, clarifying Notice Provisions

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Open Public Hearing – no participation

Motion to Close: Wiest Second: Volpe Comments: none All n Favor: yes

Motion to Adopt: Comments: none Roll Call:

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

Ordinance No. 2023-09 An Ordinance of the Township of Maple Shade, in the County of Burlington, New Jersey, Amending Chapter 4, to Establish the Position of the Director of Fire Safety Operations

Motion to **Table to June 8, 2023:** Second: Comments: Roll Call:

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

PUBLIC PORTION (for Consent Agenda Items) – none

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No. 2023-R-92 Award of Contract to Municipal Maintenance Company for Headworks Bar Screen Refurbishment at the Park Avenue Wastewater Treatment Plant for the Amount of \$143,569.00

Resolution No. 2023-R-93 Authorize Engineering Services for 2022 Hydrant & Valve Replacement Program to Remington & Vernick Engineers in an Amount of \$26,200.00

Resolution No. 2023-R-94 Release Performance Guarantee for MSP Construction Corporation for Merion Lane Water Main Replacement

Resolution No. 2023-R-95 Authorizing the Use of Collins Lane Park for the Third Annual Downtown Dog Parade Sponsored by the Maple Shade Business Association

Resolution No. 2023-R-96 Authorizing the Use of Gazebo Park for Paint in the Park Night Sponsored by the Maple Shade Business Association

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Resolution No. 2023-R-97 Authorize CME Associates to Prepare and Submit the 2024 NJDOT Grant Application

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda:

Second:

Comments:

Roll Call:

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

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE LIST - \$1,711,595.59

Motion to Approve:

Second:

Comments:

Roll Call:

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

APPROVAL OF 2023 APRIL MINUTES

Motion to Approve:

Second:

Comments:

Roll Call:

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

PUBLIC PORTION - Jermaine Williams, Fox Meadow, thanked the township for doing everything in their power and by law now (during the tragic fire) and previously, regarding the Fox Meadow issues.

Motion to Close: Nunes

Second: Schmidt

All in Favor: yes

STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS - The township as a whole sends their condolences to the families of the Complex and the generosity has been amazing. The Governor called the mayor to assist. The bump on North Forklandng Road right off Main Street has been leveled, great improvement.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Operations

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- a. There have been a lot of social posts about the fire and the complex, they have become part of the problem and not the solution. The township has been proactive toward the apartment complex issues including pushing the cleanup, installing security cameras, recycling, trash and election issues. Remembering the township has no authority over the complex.
2. Police Report
 - a. 4/27 was “Bring your Kids to work Day” was well received, kids had fun.
 - b. PD is undergoing technical upgrades, cameras and computers in the cars.
 - c. State Chief’s Association is the next step for the accreditation.
 - d. there was a second person plea in the Woods Edge February 2020 murder, sentenced 20 years.
 - e. PD will be holding a Fire debriefing, the state/county is heading up the investigation.
3. Site Plan – one application: Route 73 North, Gas Station to reopen.
4. Advisory Board – updates were given by various groups including Green Fair, Budget, New Trailer for DPW and 8th grade dance.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Meeting with School in reference to their budget on May 17th
2. Request to change meeting date to May 30th - yes

**MOTION TO ADJOURN UNTIL TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR
May 25, 2023, AT 6:30 PM**

Motion: Schmidt

Second: Nunes

All in Favor: yes

Notice is being forwarded in accordance with The Open Public Meetings Act – 5/9/23.