

**MAPLE SHADE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 28, 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-155** Resolution to Meet in Executive Session for the following:

1. Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiation, and the Attorney-Client Privilege/Personnel:  
Independent Fire Company

Motion to Close (6:33 pm): Wiest                      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 (7:01 pm): Schmidt                      Second: Nunes                      All in Favor: yes

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

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

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Resolution No. 2023-R-156** Amend Contract for FY 2019 & 2020 NJDOT Municipal Aid Program / Improvements to Collins Lane & North Coles Avenue and Approve Change Order No. 1 as a Decrease

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**Resolution No. 2023-R-157** Authorize Engineering Services to Remington and Vernick Engineers for the 2024 Safe Route to School Application

**Resolution No. 2023-R-158** Authorize Amendment to Shared Service Agreement with Burlington County Commissioners on Behalf of the Burlington County Prosecutor’s Office to Increase Funding and to Extend the Terms of the Operation Helping Hand Program

**Resolution No. 2023-R-159** Resolution Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation – N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87-Burlington County Prosecutor’s Office – Operation Helping Hand Program

**Resolution No. 2023-R-160** Amend Contract with Booth Mechanical, Inc. for the Frederick Avenue Sewer Main Replacement and Approve Final Change Order No. 1

**Resolution No. 2023-R-161** Amend Contract with Municipal Maintenance Company, Inc. for the Headworks Bar Screen Refurbishment for the Park Avenue Wastewater Treatment Plant and Approve Final Change Order No. 1

**Resolution No. 2023-R-162** Release Performance Guarantee and Accept Maintenance Guarantee for Frederick Avenue Sewer Main Replacement

**Resolution No. 2023-R-163** Release Performance Guarantee and Accept Maintenance Bond or Municipal Maintenance Company, Inc. for the Headworks Bar Screen Refurbishment for the Park Avenue Wastewater Treatment Plant

**Resolution No. 2023-R-164** Resolution of Support Authorizing the Submission of Sustainable Jersey Grant Application Funded by PSE&G for Sustainable Maple Shade to Promote Efficient Energy Usage and Sustainable Practices Amongst Maple Shade Township Residents

**Resolution No. 2023-R-165** Resolution to Declare Block 66, Lot 3, Qualifier C312 as Tax Exempt and to Cancel and Refund Taxes from September 20, 2023 through December 31, 2023

**Resolution No. 2023-R-166** Authorize the Transfer of Excess and Unclaimed Bicycles from Police Department to Pedals for Progress

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda:

Comments: none

Roll Call:

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

**APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE LIST - \$3,153,369.63**

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<b>CURRENT FUND</b>	<b>\$2,865,650.37</b>
<b>UTILITY FUND</b>	<b>\$236,964.36</b>
<b>GENERAL CAPITAL FUND</b>	<b>\$14.69</b>
<b>UTILITY CAPITAL FUND</b>	<b>\$17,388.57</b>
<b>TRUST FUND</b>	<b>\$11,464.14</b>
<b>GRANT FUND</b>	<b>\$21,887.50</b>

Motion to Approve:		Comments: none		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** – Danielle Herman Simonsick, 17 Overbrook Avenue, asked questions about the Fire Department like who is the present chief and when was the prior chief suspended from his post. Attorney Fahey explained to her that the Council is not present for a Q & A session, but to listen to comments and concerns from the public. Mrs. Herman wants to involve the council in a private legal issue and was told that is not an option.  
Lynne Carsillo, 215 W. Woodlawn Avenue, reported Clean Up Day will be October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9-11 am.

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

**STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS** – Thank you to Jen Nixon and Manager Danson for hosting the first Business Economic and Development Commission meeting. The Wizards will be playing the teachers at the High School on November 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm and the ribbon cutting for the new Lego store is tomorrow.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Operations
  - a. A meeting with the sportsman club is being coordinated to address noise complaints
  - b. Interviews will begin for Tax Office Cashier and DPW personnel
  - c. A joint meeting with the school personnel will be October 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at MSHS
  - d. Alaimo will complete the North Coles and Collins repairs by November
  - e. POSHA inspected the EMS building/organization due to a complaint; no violations were found.
2. Site Plan – next meeting is October 3, 2023

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Council would like to revisit the cannabis business option for Maple Shade and would like to meet with the planner. List as Old Business on future agendas

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MOTION TO ADJOURN UNTIL TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR  
OCTOBER 12, 2023, AT 6:30 PM

Motion: Schmidt

Second: Volpe

All in Favor: yes

*Notice is being forwarded in accordance with The Open Public Meetings Act – 9/26/23.*