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**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 18, 2011**

1. Call to Order

- 2. Adequate notice** of this meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows: Notice was published in the Roxbury Register and the Daily Record on December 23, 2010; notice was posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on December 15, 2010 and has been available to the public; notice of this meeting is on file in the office of the Borough Clerk.

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-1 et seq.). The Borough Council opens every public meeting for comments of the public. However, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 : "Nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit the discretion of a public body to permit, prohibit or regulate the active participation at any meeting,...."

Speakers at Borough meetings shall have five minutes to present their comments to the Borough Council so as not to consume time that would otherwise be allotted to other persons who wish to speak. Speakers shall be courteous to the Council and other persons attending the meeting. Offensive remarks or unruly behavior will not be allowed and anyone who violates this policy will be barred from participating in the meeting.

*This Meeting shall conclude no later than 10:30 p.m. If business is to be conducted past 10:30 p.m., a Motion by the Council must be passed in order to exceed the time limit.

3. Flag Salute

The Mayor asked for a moment of silence to remember our troops and all those who put themselves in harm's way to protect our freedom. Mayor Ondish also asked for a moment of silence for Officer Joe Wargo who died this past Sunday in the line of duty.

4. Roll Call

Councilwoman Danchuk, Council President Sorge, Councilman Sadow, Councilman Gangiano, Councilman Windish, Councilman Stanzilis, Mayor Ondish. Matthew O'Donnell, Esq., Borough Attorney, was also present.

5. Presentations/Mayor's Appointments

None.

6. Utility Receipt Report for the Month of September, 2011.

The Clerk read the Utility Receipts Report for September, 2011 into the record.
Grand Total: \$57,606.19

Tax Collector's Report for the Month of September, 2011.

The Clerk read the Tax Collector's Report for September, 2011 into the record.
Total Receipts: \$184,407.31

7. Approval of Minutes

None.

8. Mayor' Report

The Mayor read his report into the record.

9. Council Committee Reports

Councilwoman Danchuk:

- Councilwoman Danchuk stated she had been working with Officer Wargo on the Police Contract; a Police Committee meeting will be scheduled at a later date.

- Councilwoman Danchuk attended the Recreation meeting last night; the 2012 Recreation budget was approved. The Recreation Committee discussed a drainage issue with the field behind Maps School; the field has very poor drainage and cannot be used for sports activities. Mayor Ondish stated an artificial field might be an alternative; also, a longer term plan might be to build an additional field beyond Fireman's Field

Council President Sorge:

- Council President Sorge thanked members of the public and Council for attending the ceremony at Memorial Park for Al Ferrara; the next ceremony will be held at the Library for Jack Richards with a plaque to read, In memory of Jack Richards for Appreciation of his Generosity to the Borough of Mount Arlington.
- Council President Sorge expressed his appreciation to all Borough employees for stepping- up to help the widow of Officer Wargo. Council President Sorge requested the Municipal Building be closed Friday to enable employees to attend Officer Wargo's funeral; Council agreed. Council President Sorge detailed the medical coverage for Mrs. Wargo and asked the Council for their approval to cover Mrs. Wargo's dental cost; Council approved. Council agreed to pay for Officer Wargo's repast; a resolution will be added to this Agenda to approve such cost. Council President Sorge suggested the Police Station be dedicated to Officer Wargo; Mayor Ondish will speak with Mrs. Wargo prior to moving forward with this suggestion.

Added Resolutions

- 2011-241** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, In the County of Morris, New Jersey, Authorizing Payment of Repast Expenses for Officer Joseph Wargo.

Motion: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Cangiano

Roll Call:

Aye: Danchuk, Council President Sorge, Sadow, Cangiano, Windish, Stanzilis

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

- 2011-242** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, In the County of Morris, New Jersey, Authorizing Payment of Dental Coverage Premiums for the Surviving Widow of Officer Joseph Wargo

Motion: Councilman Sadow

Second: Councilman Stanzilis

Roll Call:

Aye: Danchuk, Council President Sorge, Sadow, Cangiano, Windish, Stanzilis

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

- 2011-243** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, In the County of Morris, New Jersey Authorizing Closure of Municipal Buildings on the Day of the Funeral for Officer Joseph Wargo.

Motion: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Stanzilis

Roll Call:

Aye: Danchuk, Council President Sorge, Sadow, Cangiano, Windish, Stanzilis

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

9. Council Committee Reports (continued)

Councilman Sadow:

- Councilman Sadow thanked Council President Sorge for his efforts regarding the memorials for Al Ferrara and Jack Richards.
- Councilman Sadow requested the Council create a resolution acknowledging October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month.
- Councilman Sadow said the landfill geotechnical data supports a parking lot on the property; other opportunities might be available such as the installation of solar panels, which would drop electrical cos, by as much as 50%. Councilman Sadow mentioned that Mount Arlington might be able to work with the County on a joint solar venture.

Councilman Stanzilis:

- Councilman Stanzilis reported that at last night's Board of Education meeting, he learned the school is part of a garbage collection co-op with Roxbury and they are saving about 60% of their waste management costs. Also Councilman Stanzilis said the Board of Education supports the Borough's Safe Sidewalk effort and would like sidewalks installed the entire length of Howard Boulevard. The Board of Education adopted a Resolution memorializing Officer Wargo.

Councilman Windish:

- Councilman Windish reported the Recreation program is doing very well with many different sports offered to community children and adults. The Recreation budget does not cover all the programs offered to the community but the organization has become self-sustaining.
- Councilman Windish went stated the IT site is up and running at a cost of \$157.00 for two years of web service; the previous IP provider charged \$60.00 per month.

Councilman Cangiano:

- Councilman Cangiano reported the Tax and Utility Assistant recently resigned creating an additional job opening. An employment ad will be published in the paper and on-line for the Tax and Utility position. In addition, resumes will be reviewed for the open position in the Clerk's office. Councilwoman Danchuk mentioned that Morris County provides a tax collection services. Councilman Cangiano said the Borough has many walk-in residents and residents take advantage of the drive-up window so remote tax collections may not work for the Borough.
- Councilman Cangiano expressed his condolences to the Police Department for the loss of Officer Wargo.

10. Public Comment

Nancy Absalon, 15 Oak Street:

- Ms. Absalon asked if the Borough was responsible for maintaining the sidewalk to the train station. She also suggested the Council consider hiring a Grant Writer on a per-diem basis.
- Ms. Absalon asked if any Council person has medical benefits paid by the Borough. Councilman Sadow said he has medical benefits through the Borough, as afforded by the state statute. Ms. Absalon asked if Councilman Sadow was the only licensed physician on the Council, to which Councilman Sadow said yes.

11. New Business

None.

12. Old Business

1. Letter from Kara at Mount Arlington II, LLC regarding Performance Bond Release. This issue was tabled to the November meeting.
2. Mayors Wellness Open House.
Councilman Sadow said he was concerned that the Mayor authorized expenditures associated with the Wellness Flyers without the authorization of the Council. Council President Sorge suggested a discretionary fund be created for these types of expenditure. A lengthy discussion followed, including a solution that the petty cash fund might be increased to avoid this type of issue in the future.

3. Discussion regarding need for a new ambulance.

Mayor Ondish reviewed the issue related to the costly repairs needed on the Borough ambulance; the contract with Saint Claire's states they agree to replace the rigs as needed with no additional cost to the Borough. Councilman Sadow read the contract and reported that it does not document a rig replacement policy. Mayor Ondish is waiting for a response from Saint Claire's on this matter.

**13. Added
Resolution
2011-244**

Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, Awarding Contract for Howard Boulevard Pedestrian Walkways to Transit Project.

Motion: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call:

Aye: Danchuk, Council President Sorge, Sadow, Cangiano, Windish,
Stanzilis

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

14. Ordinances – Introduction

14-11

Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Borough Code Chapter 4, Administration of Government, Regarding Sections 4-9 Through 4-34, Except 4-14, Police Department, and 4-9, Business Administrator.

The Mayor read Ordinance 14-11 by Title.

Councilman Sadow stated that Ordinance 14-11 be introduced by Title and passed on First Reading and that a meeting be held on November 22, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 419 Howard Boulevard, Mount Arlington, NJ, for a Public Hearing, consideration of Second Reading and Passage of said Ordinance, and that the Clerk be directed to publish, post and make available said Ordinance in accordance with the requirements of law.

Second: Council President Sorge.

Roll Call:

Aye: Danchuk, Council President Sorge, Sadow, Cangiano, Windish,
Stanzilis.

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

15. Ordinances – Second Reading

None

16. Clerk's Follow-Up

- The Clerk asked the Council's opinion regarding Mrs. Stanzilis' request to use the Civic Center to hold a free Yoga class for the seniors. The Council agreed this is a Borough event, which falls under Recreation, and the Civic Center should be offered free of charge.
- The Clerk asked the Council's opinion regarding Councilwoman Danchuk's request to use the Civic Center for Zumba classes; the participants will be charged a fee. The primary issue is the Borough has never allowed individuals or organizations to use the Civic Center for a profit making event.
- The Clerk had requests from residents to post flyers, which were for personal business advertisements; Council denied the requests, stating the flyers were not Borough-event related.
- 2012 Borough Calendar: Mayor Ondish will speak with Tina Mayer to see if she would be interested in creating the 2012 Borough Calendar.
- Morris County League Luncheon, Atlantic City, NJLM Convention: the Clerk requested names of those Council members planning to attend.

Councilman Sadow left the meeting prior to Executive Session.

17. Executive Session

2011-240 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, Authorizing An Executive Session of the Mayor and Borough Council and Excluding the Public from That Portion of the Meeting. Action May Be Taken.

Executive Topics:

Attorney Client Privilege
Personnel Matter

Motion to Go Into Executive Session: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Stanzilis

All in Favor – Aye.

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

Motion to Return to Open Session: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Stanzilis

All in Favor – Aye.

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

18. Adjourn

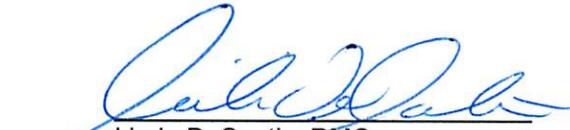
Motion: Council President Sorge

Seconded: Councilman Stanzilis

All in Favor – Aye.

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.


Linda DeSantis, RMC
Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved at Council Meeting of February 21, 2012.

BOROUGH OF MT. ARLINGTON

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UTILITY RECEIPT REPORT FOR

MONTH OF September 2011

<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>COLLECTED IN</u>	<u>2010</u>
<u>\$ 9,869.09</u>	<u>SOLID WASTE RECEIPTS</u>	<u>\$ 9,599.03</u>	
<u>\$ 35,793.82</u>	<u>SEWER RECEIPTS</u>	<u>\$ 12,405.85</u>	
<u>\$ 3,868.28</u>	<u>WATER RECEIPTS</u>	<u>\$ 3,338.98</u>	
	<u>(WATER REPAIR RECEIPTS INCLUDED IN WATER RECEIPT TOTAL)</u>		
<u>\$ 8,075.00</u>	<u>(TRUST ACCT) SEWER CONN FEE INSTALL PLAN</u>	<u>\$ 7,650.00</u>	
<u>\$ 57,606.19</u>	<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	<u>\$ 32,993.86</u>	
<u>\$ 20.00</u>	<u>RETURN CHECK FEE (GARBAGE)</u>		

Completed By Patricia E. Simari, CTC 

cc: Mayor & Council
C. Rinaldi
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BOROUGH OF MT. ARLINGTON
TAX & UTILITY OFFICE

To the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Mt. Arlington:
I hereby submit my report of receipts & disbursements for

The Month of September 2011

Dated October 3, 2011

Completed By Patricia E. Simari, CTC

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Collections:

Current Taxes (1-01-17-001-001)	\$ <u>161,261.89</u>
2010 Taxes (1-01-17-001-003)	
2010 Taxes (Collected at Tax Sale)	
Pre-Paid Taxes (1-01-17-001-004)	\$ <u>21,736.51</u>
Municipal Redemption (1-01-17-004-001)	
Interest & Costs (1-01-08-112-000)	\$ <u>1,384.91</u>
Interest & Costs (Collected at Tax Sale)	
Return Ck. Fee (1-01-16-500-017)	
Tax Searches (1-01-08-105-010)	
Duplicate Bills (1-01-16-500-016)	\$ <u>24.00</u>
3 rd Party Red./Subs (1-01-17-004-002)	
3 rd Party Red. Int. (1-01-17-004-003)	
3 rd Party Rec. Fee. (1-01-17-004-003)	
Misc. Copies (1-01-16-500-017)	
Tax Sale Costs (1-01-16-500-018)	
Tax Sale Costs (Collected at Tax Sale)	
Tax Sale Premiums (Trust Account)	
6% Delinquent Penalty (1-01-16-500-025)	
Tax Paid Certification	
Redemption Calculation Fee	
Total Receipts	\$ <u>184,407.31</u>
<u>Total Receipts September 2010:</u>	<u>\$ 143,875.72</u>