

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 14, 2009**

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Arthur Ondish welcomed all in attendance and called the meeting 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 Wednesday, December 31, 2008; notice was posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on December 31, 2008 and has been available to the public; notice of this meeting is on file in the office of the Borough Clerk. Notice of this meeting was subsequently re-advertised as a Change in Meeting Location in the Daily Record on September 11, 2009; was posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on September 11, 2009 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.

**3. Flag Salute**

Mayor Arthur Ondish led the flag salute.

Mayor Ondish also asked for a moment of silence for our troops overseas and to reflect and remember September 11, 2001.

**4. Roll Call**

Councilman Driscoll, Councilman Sorge, Councilman Sadow, Councilwoman Galate Council President Cerasoli, Councilman Doran, Mayor Ondish, Borough Administrator-JoAnne Sandler, Borough Attorney-Matthew Giacobbe, Borough Auditor-Frances Jones, CFO-Joseph Kovalcik, and Carolyn Rinaldi-Finance Department were also present.

**5. Budget Resolutions**

**2009-137 Public Hearing** on the Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending the Introduced Budget.

**The Mayor opened the floor to the public on the public hearing of the budget.**

Veronica Silkes – 668 Succasunna Road

- Questioned if there has been a reduction in the budget. The Mayor stated that there would be a reduction in what the tax increase will be.

- Questioned how much the budget has been reduced. Bud Jones, Borough Auditor stated that the budget was reduced by the amount of the extraordinary aid of approximately \$325,000.00 and the tax levy was reduced by approximately \$4,000.00. Total of approximately \$329,000.00.

- Questioned the State Aid in the Introduced Budget. Bud Jones, Borough Auditor explained that the State Aid the Borough knew about was in the Introduced Budget and the aid the Borough didn't budget for is for extraordinary aid in the Resolution Amendment on the agenda.

-Questioned the reserve for uncollected taxes. Bud Jones, Borough Auditor stated that the amount is \$195,231.23.

**Mayor Ondish closes the floor to the public on the public hearing of the budget.**

**2009-139** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending the Introduced Budget.

Motion to Approve: Councilman Sorge

Second: Councilman Driscoll

Roll Call: Driscoll, Sorge, Sadow, Galate, Council President Cerasoli, Doran

Motion Approved.

**2009-140** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Adopting the 2009 Budget.

Mayor Ondish stated that he was very pleased to see this budget pass and that the

Mayor, Council and Staff will be busy working on next year's budget.

Motion to Approve: Councilman Driscoll

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call: Driscoll, Sorge, Sadow, Galate, Council President Cerasoli, Doran

Motion Approved.

The Deputy Borough Clerk read the resolution into the record.

**6. Discussion**

Bruce and Lynda Tobey, 4 Lee Drive, Mount Arlington:

Notice of Property Maintenance Violation and Appeal Letter from Mr. and Mrs. Tobey.

Motion to Amend Agenda and Carry Discussion Portion of Agenda  
to 7:00pm: Councilman Driscoll  
Second: Councilman Sorge  
All in Favor –Aye  
None Opposed  
Motion Approved.

## **7. Old Business**

### **1. Block Parties**

Police Chief Richard Peterson was present to give comment on Block Parties. Sample Ordinance was prepared from the Borough Attorney for review by Mayor, Council and Chief of Police. Borough Attorney, Matthew Giacobbe explained how the Chief of Police should put his comments forth to amend the Sample Ordinance as he sees fit and then bring it in front of the Council for further discussion. Also advised that whatever the Council decides to do, the power should reside with the Chief of Police from a public safety and liability perspective to determine what roads can be closed. Councilman Doran questioned if there would be a fee associated with a Block Party since there would be use of town resources. Borough Administrator, JoAnne Sendler stated that the Ordinance that the Borough Attorney has prepared suggests certain fees. Also, if additional Police Personnel are required during a Block Party, the residents requesting the Block Party would be responsible for the cost and have to be in agreement according to the proposed Ordinance. Councilman Doran stated that he did not see the need to hold up people's entertainment in their own neighborhoods, but there has to be compliance without making it too difficult to do that. Council in agreement to proceed with moving ahead with an Ordinance.

### **2. Council Committee Reports**

Councilwoman Galate- POLICE LIAISON REPORT

The FOP is having a Second Annual Car Show on October 4, 2009, and a Bike Ride, Tour de Lake on October 10, 2009. The Police also had an Internal Affairs Seminar.

Council President Cerasoli-DPW, BUILDINGS, GROUNDS & UTILITIES REPORT

Has DPW Reports to be made part of the minutes.

Councilman Doran-FIRE, RESCUE & OEM REPORT

Fire Department has taken delivery of the new fire truck and would like the public to be able view the truck. Secondly, working on the firehouse reconstruction project and running into some problems. Building Committee should meet to review and discuss the project as it progresses. Borough Administrator, JoAnne Sendler stated that she has spoken to Borough Engineer, Daren Phil and he has asked the Council to allow going to twenty percent due to the contractor moving very rapidly and that could stall the project.

**Councilman Sadow-PARKS & RECREATION REPORT**

Will be conducting a survey at the Park and Ride lot to determine the ridership in Mount Arlington for both train and bus. Purpose is to see if the Borough should go forward with a commuter trolley service. This effort is to try to gather data in support of any service which will promote ridership which will in turn bring forth a need and in turn a service for pedestrian traffic.

**Councilman Sorge-PERSONNEL & PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIR**

Nothing to report at this time.

**Councilman Driscoll – FINANCE CHAIR**

Nothing to report at this time.

**8. New Business**

None.

**9. Utility Receipt Reports for the Month of July, 2009 & Month of August, 2009.**

The Deputy Clerk read the Utility Receipt Report for the Month of July 2009 into the record: Grand Total: \$243,967.30.

The Deputy Clerk read the Utility Receipt Report for the Month of August 2009 into the record: Grand Total: \$188,997.94.

**Tax Collector's Reports for the Month of July, 2009 & Month of August, 2009.**

The Deputy Clerk read the Tax Collector's Report for the Month of July 2009 into the record: Total Receipts: \$2,304,279.89.

The Deputy Clerk read the Tax Collector's Report for the Month of August 2009 into the record: Total Receipts: \$1,635,977.36.

**10. Finance Reports for the Month of July, 2009 & Month of August, 2009.**

The Deputy Clerk read the Finance Report for the Month of July 2009 into the record: Ending Balance: \$7,769,544.52.

The Deputy Clerk read the Finance Report for the Month of August 2009 into the record: Ending Balance: \$8,947,384.25.

**11. Open to Public**

-Paula Danchuk – 50 Elizabeth Way

Emailed questions ahead of time. Question regarding Attachment A of Jefferson Contract. Borough Attorney, Matthew Giacobbe stated the agreement went out incorrect and will be corrected to specify Mount Olive. Once corrected it will be available to the public.

Questioned Resolution 2009-116, and retroactive police payroll; if there is no police contract, how can there be police payroll? Borough Attorney, Matthew Giacobbe explained that until a police contract is set in place, the Borough can act and did act on

the Memorandum of Agreement which modifies the existing collective bargaining agreement.

Questioned Council's vote on spending \$17,000 in salary increases. Mayor Ondish stated that there was a discussion and then a decision was made.

-Veronica Silkes – 668 Succasunna Road

Questioned number of Borough Employees. Asked Borough Administrator, JoAnne Sendler about the number of employees stating she was told 29. Borough Administrator added in the Council members to confirm 36 and confirmed again the personnel count at the police station as being 15, which includes the police secretary.

Questions regarding the budget. Mayor Ondish stated that the Budget Hearing is over and at the Citizens Budget Review Meeting the professionals stated these numbers are justified and work with our budget.

Wanted to point out that the next Council Meeting is scheduled on Yom Kippur and Mayor Ondish stated that we are cancelling it.

-Wendy Mahler – 35 Mountainview Avenue

Discussed letter from the Commissioner of Unemployment Benefits in Trenton and felt no employees should be receiving increases.

## **12. Approval of Minutes**

July 13, 2009 Regular Meeting

Motion to Approve: Council President Cerasoli

Second: Councilwoman Galate

Roll Call: Driscoll, Sorge (Abstain), Sadow, Galate, Council President Cerasoli, Doran (Abstain)

Motion Approved.

August 3, 2009 Regular Meeting

Motion to Approve: Council President Cerasoli

Second: Councilman Doran

Roll Call: Driscoll, Sorge, Sadow, Galate, Council President Cerasoli, Doran

Motion Approved with correction.

August 11, 2009 Special Meeting

Motion to Approve: Council President Cerasoli

Second: Councilman Doran

Roll Call: Driscoll, Sorge, Sadow, Galate, Council President Cerasoli, Doran

Motion Approved.

### 13. Resolutions

**2009-141** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Approving the Check Register Dated September 14, 2009.

Motion to Approve: Councilman Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call: Driscoll, Sorge, Sadow, Galate – except #7883, Council President Cerasoli, Doran –except #7799, 09-01204, #7834, #7870, 09-01255

Motion Approved.

**2009-142** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Approving the 2009 Temporary Budget 9/14/09 Version.

Motion to Remove from the Agenda: Councilman Sadow

Second: Council President Cerasoli

All in Favor –Aye

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

**2009-143** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Close Out of Public Assistance Trust Account I and the Transfer of the Balance to the Borough's Current Account.

**2009-144** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Close Out of Public Assistance Trust Account II and the Return of the Balance to the State of New Jersey.

**2009-145** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Establishment of a Petty Cash Fund for the Finance Office.

**2009-146** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Cancellation of a Stale Check.

**2009-147** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Supporting an Amendment to the Open Public Records Act.

**2009-148** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Creating a Complete Count Committee in Support of the 2010 Census.

**2009-149** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Disposal of Vehicles no Longer Needed by the Borough of Mount Arlington through GovDeals Auction.

**2009-150** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Property through GovDeals Auction.

**2009-151** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Requesting the Legislature to Restructure and Bring Fairness to Tax and Franchise Fees Imposed on Telecommunications and Cable Telecommunications Service Providers in New Jersey.

Motion to Approve Resolutions #2009-143-#2009-151 by Consent:  
 Councilman Sorge  
 Second: Councilman Sadow  
 Roll Call: Driscoll, Sorge, Sadow, Galate, Council President Cerasoli,  
 Doran  
 Motion Approved.

#### **14. Ordinances – Introduction**

**22-09** An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter 17.24.8 Signs of the Code of the Borough of Mount Arlington.

Mayor Ondish read Ordinance 22-09 by Title.  
 Motion to Approve: Councilman Driscoll made the motion and stated that Ordinance 22-09 be introduced by Title and passed on First Reading and that a meeting be held on October 12, 2009 at 6:00 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: Councilman Doran

Borough Attorney, Matthew Giacobbe stated that the Ordinance was reviewed by an expert in first amendment law in New Jersey who suggested changes to bring it into compliance with the first amendment. Question from Councilman Sadow regarding if there is a distinction between a sign and a billboard? The Borough Attorney stated that there is and it would be found in the zoning code. He further explains that the term political sign does not mean that this Ordinance is hampering freedom of speech. It just means type of sign, "signs are signs". Question from Councilman Sadow regarding the anchoring of such large billboard sized signs and the potential public safety hazard these signs may pose if the anchoring comes loose and they blow over. Are there structural issues for the construction of these temporary billboard signs? The Borough Attorney stated he would need to check the Zoning Ordinances to see if we have a Billboard Ordinance. Zoning Officer, Joseph Weaver, present at meeting, stated that billboard signs would be considered a sign and a structure. Councilman Sadow stated he would like to have included in the draft the size, structural elements and required permits for the constructed sign. The Borough Attorney stated that the courts have said that signs have to be large enough to be effective so people can read them but the Borough can put size restrictions for the temporary signs to be in compliance with the first amendment so it is effective speech. Question

from Councilman Sadow regarding this Ordinance putting into place a fee for the temporary commercial signs that show up from out of state vendors, ie: mattress sales, that litter the streets and a penalty for non-removal. The Borough Attorney advises not to impose a fee to place the sign because it might be seen as an impediment to free speech, rather, impose a fine if they do not remove them after proper notification. Question from Councilman Sadow regarding the distinction between what signs are commercial and all other signs. The Borough Attorney stated this is very difficult, because once the Borough starts making this distinction, then it's a distinction on speech. Question from Councilman Driscoll regarding the Ordinance and what signs are publicly authorized signs in the right-of-way. Borough Attorney, Matthew Giacobbe stated that publicly authorized signs are stop signs, yield signs, hospital signs.

Mayor Ondish asks for further discussion.

Roll Call: Driscoll, Sorge, Sadow, Galate, Council President Cerasoli, Doran with no changes.  
Motion Approved.

Motion to go back to Item #6 Discussion on the Agenda:  
Councilman Driscoll  
Second: Councilman Sorge  
All in Favor –Aye  
None Opposed  
Motion Approved.

## 6. Discussion

Bruce and Lynda Tobey, 4 Lee Drive, Mount Arlington:  
Notice of Property Maintenance Violation and Appeal Letter from Mr. and Mrs. Tobey.

Mayor Ondish stated that Mr. and Mrs. Tobey received a Notice of Property Maintenance Violation from the Borough and the Borough received an Appeal Letter from the Mr. and Mrs. Tobey. Mayor Ondish invited the Tobey's to come forward to discuss their situation. Mrs. Tobey brought her neighbors who are aware of the situation. Mr. Tobey explained to Mayor Ondish and Council that he and his wife want to appeal the violation they received regarding their recreational vehicles and where the vehicles can be parked. One boat parked on his side yard because he has no back yard due to a hill. It is parked on a stone pad. The other boat is kept in storage at Lee's Park in the winter, and when not in the water during the summer, he parks the boat and trailer on the side yard/street.

Zoning Officer, Joseph Weaver, stated that according to the Zoning Ordinances, Mr. Tobey is parking on the front yard, not the side yard and this is the nature of the violation. The Ordinance also states that you are only allowed to have one recreational vehicle per lot and the Tobey's have three. Mr. Tobey stated that the smaller of the three trailers will be moved within the next several weeks and the other trailer is only parked for a few months and the other places to store boats in town you

have to pay. He and his wife are on fixed incomes. Mayor Ondish stated that the intent is to make the Borough look a little cleaner by not having boats with trailers and recreational vehicles all over on properties and not complying according to the Ordinance. Joseph Weaver was instructed to follow the Ordinance and issue violations if necessary. It was decided that the Ordinance would be strictly enforced. Councilwoman Galate asked the neighbors if the boat was between the houses. The neighbors commented that it was between the houses but could not be seen because of the grade.

Councilman Doran extended his concern for the Tobey's situation as he too faces the same property situation as a boat owner with no back yard. He asked the Tobey's to try to understand the position of the Council in their decision for what the Council feels is in the best interest for the residents of the Borough to enhance property values and make the town look better. Mrs. Tobey stated nobody drives by their neighborhood. Councilman Doran stated that the law is meant to be enforced for everyone and the only way that the Borough can stand behind the Ordinance and make sure everyone follows it is if it is enforced. It is not a law to be followed only during six months of the winter. Councilman Doran stated to the Tobey's to try to help the Council and follow the Ordinance and remove additional trailers permanently.

Mrs. Tobey stated that she walks daily with her dogs and she walks through the town. She has passed areas where there is garbage thrown on the streets and homes with junk cars in the driveway. Mrs. Tobey maintains her home and cannot understand as retired citizens in a boating community why she can't park her trailer for the summer season where she can. Councilman Doran stated that the Council is not here to hurt the community in anyway, rather to upgrade the community so that everyone wants to move to Mount Arlington. Councilwoman Galate stated that she would be in favor of more discretionary laws because it is a boating community and mentioned that the Borough is working on a storage facility over at the old Borough dumping ground which would help alleviate some of the storage problems for residents. Borough Attorney, Matthew Giacobbe advised there are problems with the term discretionary.

Mayor Ondish summed it up by saying that it is with good intention and a goal of beautification of the town and not harm to residents that enforcement of the Zoning Ordinances takes place. Mayor Ondish asks for more comment of the Council. Councilman Driscoll stated that he owns a small piece of property and a large boat. When the boat was purchased, Councilman Driscoll made the decision to not house the boat on his property or impose on his neighbors to look at his boat he tried to fit on his property. Councilman Driscoll pays to dock his boat at a marina because he has no room on his property. Mrs. Tobey comments that her property is not necessarily small, but she can't get to her back yard because of a rock wall.

Mayor Ondish asked the Council if they need more time to reach a decision. Borough Attorney, Matthew Giacobbe stated that there would have to be a motion and a second to overturn the decision of the Zoning Officer by the Council and a Roll Call Vote and as the Zoning Officer said, there was a neighbor who complained about the trailers which is how this violation came about. If there is no action then the Zoning Officer's decision stands.

Mr. Al Dunphy, neighbor to the Tobeys, on Lee Drive had a question regarding cars and the parking of the cars in the street if there are more than two cars. Borough Attorney, Matthew Giacobbe stated this is a hearing for the Tobey's matter. Mayor Ondish thanked Mr. Dunphy and welcomed him to address his concerns at any future meeting.

Mayor Ondish stated that the matter is now closed. Borough Attorney, Matthew Giacobbe explains that the Council can take no action or if the Council wishes to overturn the Zoning Officer's Recommendation there must be a motion, a second and roll call vote.

Mayor Ondish makes a Motion to Overturn Zoning Officer's Decision.

No Council Member makes the Motion.

Second: None

Motion: Denied, Zoning Officer's Recommendation Stands.

Councilwoman Galate states Joe Weaver does an excellent job and this was initiated on a complaint.

#### **15. Ordinances – Second Reading**

Mayor Ondish stated that there were no Ordinances for Second Reading.

#### **16. Motions**

Mayor Ondish stated that there were no Motions.

#### **17. Mayor's Report**

Mayor Ondish read his report into the record.

Mayor Ondish addresses the Communication's Packet and asks Councilman Sadow to bring forth any discussion he has on any items. Councilman Sadow stated that there has been some water allocation issues down at the office buildings. Noticed some literature in the packet regarding a Water Transfer Plan based on credits that seems to be working in and around the Atlanta, Georgia area. Unsure if program exists in New Jersey and would like to ask the Borough Engineer, Daren Phil and any other appropriate person to look into changing over office buildings which will help with water conservation. Councilman Sadow stated that the Borough has seen cooperation from the developers of these projects in the past and there might be a way to help fund the changeover. Councilman Sadow questioned the twenty pages of Roxbury Ordinances in the packet and any potential development of Hercules or something else that could impact Mount Arlington? Mayor Ondish stated he couldn't comment on Hercules but he did know that it was customary that Municipalities send neighboring Municipalities changes. Councilman Sadow asked if there was a place to get this information. Deputy Clerk, Tina Mayer, offered to obtain information for Councilman Sadow.

#### **18. Borough Administrator's Report**

The Borough Administrator, JoAnne Sendler requested to cancel, as requested by Council, the September 28, 2009 Council Meeting. Looking to schedule meeting next week to address items and have closed session at the Municipal Building, not at MAPS.

Next regularly scheduled meeting is October 12, 2009 and if changed, everyone will be notified.

The Borough Administrator stated that the Fire Chief received a letter from the County asking if the Borough would like to donate the old Fire truck to them rather than sell it. Councilman Sadow asked what does the Borough receive? The Borough Administrator stated that the Fire Department will be going to Wildwood for the Fireman's Convention and would like to take the new fire truck with them on September 17<sup>th</sup> and return it back to the Borough on September 20<sup>th</sup>. During the time the truck is away it will be insured by the company that built it. The Borough Administrator added that the Fire Department wants to show it off and it is exciting for them. Councilman Sadow asked where the truck would be. The Borough Administrator stated that the fire truck would be in Wildwood. Councilman Sadow had a concern that the truck would be out of service to the Borough residents. Borough Attorney, Matthew Giacobbe stated that before anything can take place, the insurance certification needs to be in place for full replacement costs. Councilman Sadow was concerned about the personnel coverage situation for the Borough during the convention. Kevin Inglis, DPW Employee for the Borough and Volunteer Fire Fighter, present at the meeting stated that usually the Dealer drives the apparatus down. At night there is twenty four hour security for the apparatus. Mayor Ondish asked Kevin Inglis who pays for the fuel. Kevin Inglis stated it is his experience that the Dealer usually pays. The Borough Administrator stated that the fire truck is under warranty and the Fire Chief mentioned that the Fire Department would like to take the truck for a long run to see if anything is wrong with it. Borough Attorney, Matthew Giacobbe needs something from the Dealer that holds the Borough blameless in case of an accident.

The Borough Administrator is looking at setting up a Zoning Committee Meeting and more discussion of Joe Weaver's Role and the Department because it is a Professional Service.

The Borough Administrator requested Councilman Driscoll's help with the known situation of the Clerk's e-mail and asked for him to give both the Administrator and Tina Mayer guidance.

### **19. Executive Session**

**2009-152** 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.

### **20. Adjourn**

Motion to Adjourn: Councilman Sorge  
 Second: Councilman Doran  
 All in Favor –Aye  
 None Opposed  
 Motion Approved.

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Tina Mayer  
Deputy Borough Clerk

Council Minutes Approved at Meeting of November 10, 2009.

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## UTILITY RECEIPT REPORT FOR

MONTH OF July 2009

<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>COLLECTED IN JULY 2008</u>
\$ 38,719.67	SOLID WASTE RECEIPTS	\$ 35,122.38
\$ 157,540.24	SEWER RECEIPTS	\$ 149,314.09
\$ 47,707.39	WATER RECEIPTS	\$ 58,817.71
<b>\$ 243,967.30</b>	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 243,254.18</b>
\$ 0.00	(TRUST ACCT) SEWER CONNECTION FEE INSTALLMENT PLAN RECEIPTS	
	<u>WATER REPAIR RECEIPTS (INCLUDED IN WATER RECEIPT TOTAL)</u>	

Completed By Patricia E. Simari, CTC

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## UTILITY RECEIPT REPORT FOR

MONTH OF August 2009

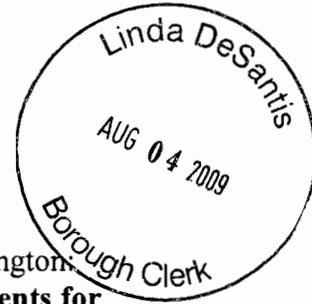
<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>COLLECTED IN AUGUST 2008</u>
\$ 42,282.17	SOLID WASTE RECEIPTS	\$ 46,939.24
\$ 102,062.34	SEWER RECEIPTS	\$ 108,767.00
\$ 44,653.43	WATER RECEIPTS	\$ 48,468.56
<b>\$ 188,997.94</b>	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 204,174.80</b>
\$ 0.00	(TRUST ACCT) SEWER CONNECTION FEE INSTALLMENT PLAN RECEIPTS	
	WATER REPAIR RECEIPTS (INCLUDED IN WATER RECEIPT TOTAL)	
\$ 20.00	RETURN CHECK FEE (SEWER)	
\$ 20.00	RETURN CHECK FEE (WATER)	

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

## The Month of July 2009

Dated Aug. 3, 2009

Completed By Patricia E. Simari, CTC

### Collections:

Current Taxes (8-01-17-001-001)	\$ <u>2,299,977.45</u>
___ Taxes (8-01-17-001-002)	
___ Taxes (Collected at Tax Sale)	
Future Taxes (8-01-17-001-004)	
Municipal Redemption (8-01-17-004-001)	
Interest & Costs (8-01-08-112-000)	\$ <u>990.84</u>
Interest & Costs (Collected at Tax Sale)	
Return Ck. Fee (8-01-16-500-021)	
Tax Searches (8-01-08-105-010)	
Duplicate Bills (8-01-16-500-021)	\$ <u>36.00</u>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Red./Subs (8-01-17-004-002)	\$ <u>3,075.72</u>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Red. Int./Fees (8-01-17-004-003)	\$ <u>140.63</u>
Misc. Copies (8-01-16-500-021)	\$ <u>59.25</u>
Tax Sale Costs (8-01-17-001-005)	
Tax Sale Costs (Collected at Tax Sale)	
Tax Sale Premiums	
6% Delinquent Penalty (8-01-16-500-021)	
Tax Paid Certification	
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$ <u>2,304,279.89</u></b>
<b>Total Receipts July 2008:</b>	<b>\$ <u>724,765.52</u></b>

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## The Month of August 2009

Dated Sept. 1, 2009

Completed By Patricia E. Simari, CTC

### Collections:

Current Taxes (9-01-17-001-001)	\$ <u>1,634,866.43</u>
___ Taxes (9-01-17-001-002)	
___ Taxes (Collected at Tax Sale)	
Future Taxes (9-01-17-001-004)	
Municipal Redemption (9-01-17-004-001)	
Interest & Costs (9-01-08-112-000)	\$ <u>710.18</u>
Interest & Costs (Collected at Tax Sale)	
Return Ck. Fee (9-01-16-500-021)	\$ <u>40.00</u>
Tax Searches (9-01-08-105-010)	
Duplicate Bills (9-01-16-500-021)	\$ <u>318.00</u>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Red./Subs (9-01-17-004-002)	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Red. Int./Fees (9-01-17-004-003)	
Misc. Copies (9-01-16-500-021)	\$ <u>42.75</u>
Tax Sale Costs (9-01-17-001-005)	
Tax Sale Costs (Collected at Tax Sale)	
Tax Sale Premiums	
6% Delinquent Penalty (9-01-16-500-021)	
Tax Paid Certification	
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$ <u>1,635,977.36</u></b>
<b><u>Total Receipts August 2008:</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>3,349,104.06</u></b>

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BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON  
FINANCE OFFICE

Finance Report for July 2009

Beginning Balance	6,478,269.97
Receipts	2,782,636.98
Disbursements	1,491,362.43
Ending Balance	<b>7,769,544.52</b>

BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON  
FINANCE OFFICE

Finance Report for August 2009

Beginning Balance	7,769,544.52
Receipts	2,041,878.22
Disbursements	864,038.49
Ending Balance	<b>8,947,384.25</b>

Mayor report for 9/14/09:

Since our meeting of 8/3/09:

8/8/09- Officiated 2 weddings.

8/11/09- We held a Council meeting to accept the \$320 k in extraordinary aide from the DCA. I am very pleased that we were approved for this needed funding to help reduce our taxes. With all of the measures we have put in place this year, we should see relief begin next year. This aide is a one shot influx of funds that we can not count on next year. This is to help us bridge the gap until the measures we have taken kick in.

8/11/09- JoAnne, Daren and I had a meeting with Maplewood homes to try and bring some resolve to the ongoing unresolved issues with Horizons at Ridgeview in order to get their bonds refunded.

8/11/09- Attended a meeting with the Mayors from around the lake to discuss how the municipalities and County are going to deal with the lack of maintenance of Lake Hopatcong due to the lack of state funding. This affects all of our residents in one way or another.

8/13/09- Attended Mayors Committee for a Green future executive meeting in New Brunswick.

8/13/09- Attended the retirement party for Helen Yeldell who was on staff of the League of Municipalities for over

20 years. I have worked with Helen since becoming part of the league and she has always been helpful and dedicated. One of the committees she was deeply involved with and dedicated to was the legislative review committee. She will be missed.

8/17/09- Chaired the Lake Hopatcong Commission meeting in Jefferson Twp.

8/18/09- Attended the Mayors Committee for a green future core business partner meeting in New Brunswick. This meeting was with those who helped develop Sustainable Jersey. This meeting was to discuss the next steps and how SJ will evolve in the future.

8/20/09- Attended the Raritan Highlands Compact meeting in Randolph.

8/21/09- Officiated a wedding.

8/22/09- Officiated a wedding at the Arlington.

8/25/09- Had 5 high level DEP representatives out on Lake Hopatcong for the day to give them a tour of the Lake. There will be a change of the DEP representative on the LHC so it was great to have the new person who will step in have a first hand view of the lake. We also visited the site on Castle Rock Road where one of the DEP grant funded water filtration devices was being installed. Then we headed back to the state park to get a up close and personal tour of a harvester to show what complicated

pieces of machinery they are and how much there is to maintain.

8/26/09- Attended another meeting with the Mayors and Freeholder directors from Sussex and Morris Counties, as well as the administrators to discuss how to deal with Lake Hopatcong. It was agreed that we need to look into another shared service plan. Both the Shared service coordinators for both counties are going to meet and discuss how to go about seeking funding for a shared service operation.

9/9/09- Traveled to Trenton and joined JoAnne and Bud Jones our Auditor to attend our cap waiver hearing with the DCA. We were able to explain why we are asking for this waiver and the steps we have taken to avoid having to be back next year for another round. They were very understanding and granted the waiver to us.

9/9-10/09- Attended the H209 forum at Liberty Science Center. This forum was based on "Water challenges for coastal cities from the Dutch delta to the Hudson river. It was a very educational experience. I had the opportunity to meet several members of the Dutch parliament as well as network with high ranking officials from New York and New Jersey. I sat in on panel discussions and was given the opportunity to address the conference about how the many organizations that I am a part of interact with the same issues discussed at the forum. Water and sewer issues were a hot topic. It was good to talk about Sustainable Jersey and how NJ is moving forward with ways to protect our natural resources.

9/12/09- Attended the Annual Conference of Mayors Seafood festival and seminar held at Barnegat Light on LBI. Had the chance to spend time with acting Commissioner Richman of the DCA. I thanked him for our extraordinary aide and for our cap waiver. He said he knows me and knows that we are doing everything we can do combat this economic downturn and applauds us for the actions we have taken to reduce our costs and try and generate revenue. I also had the chance to spend some time with DEP Commissioner Mauriello. We discussed Lake Hopatcong and how we can work together for future funding. I will be traveling to Trenton sometime in the beginning of October, with Mayor Petillo from Hopatcong Borough to meet with Commissioner Mauriello to discuss some shared service ideas. He is very open and willing to help us in any way he can. I also had the chance to network with Mayors from all over the state to discuss ongoing issues facing all of us as Mayors. I also took my oath of office as a member of the Board of Directors of the NJ Conference of Mayors.

9/12/09- Officiated a wedding at the Arlington.