

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 11, 2013**

**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 Daily Record on December 22, 2012; notice was posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on December 21, 2012 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.

**3. Flag Salute**

The Mayor asked for a moment of silence to remember all those that put themselves in harm's way to protect our freedom, and a special remembrance for the late Senator Frank Lautenberg.

**4. Roll Call**

Councilwoman Danchuk, Councilman Cangiano, Council President Sorge, Councilman Stanzilis, Councilman Windish, Mayor Ondish. Matthew O'Donnell, Esq., Borough Attorney, and Carolyn Rinaldi, CFO/Municipal Administrator, were also present. Councilman Sadow arrived at 7:05 p.m.

**5. Presentations/Mayor's Appointments**

- Letter of Resignation from Holly Bisson, Recreation Commission.  
The Mayor read the letter into the record.

Motion to Accept the Resignation, With Regret: Council President Sorge  
Second: Councilman Stanzilis  
All in Favor – Aye.  
None Opposed  
Motion Approved.

- Appointment of Jennifer Tamburo to Recreation Commission.  
The Mayor read a letter from Ms. Tamburo into the record.

Motion to Accept the New Volunteer Appointment: Council President Sorge  
Second: Councilman Cangiano  
All in Favor – Aye.  
None Opposed  
Motion Approved.

Jennifer Tamburo was in the audience and thanked the Mayor and Council for the opportunity.

- Report on Borough-Owned Properties.  
The Mayor asked to postpone this topic to later in the meeting.

**6. Utility Receipt Report for the Month of April, 2013.**

The Clerk read the Utility Receipt Report for April, 2013 into the record.  
Grand Total: \$299,122.96

**Tax Collectors' Report for the Month of April, 2013.**

The Clerk read the Tax Collector's Report for April, 2013 into the record.  
Total Receipts: \$811,099.82

**Utility Receipt Report for the Month of May, 2013.**

The Clerk read the Utility Receipt Report for May, 2013 into the record.  
Grand Total: \$305,974.49

**Tax Collectors' Report for the Month of May, 2013.**

The Clerk read the Tax Collector's Report for May, 2013 into the record.  
Total Receipts: \$3,131,848.49

**7. Finance Report for the Month of April, 2013.**

The Clerk read the Finance Report for April, 2013 into the record.

Current Fund:

Total Receipts: \$1,091,678.46

Total Disbursements: \$1,185,455.78

**Finance Report for the Month of May, 2013.**

The Clerk read the Finance Report for May, 2013 into the record.

Current Fund:

Total Receipts: \$3,652,905.31

Total Disbursements: \$1,934,756.20

**8. OPRA Report**

The Mayor explained the OPRA process and monthly report; there were no requests costing \$100.00 or over on this report.

**9. Approval of Minutes**

May 7, 2013

Regular Meeting

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call:

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

Abstain: Cangiano

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

**10. Mayor's Report**

The Mayor read his report into the record.

**11. Chief of Police Report**

None. (Chief attending class)

The Mayor suggested amending the Agenda to discuss Succasunna Road, which quite a few residents were in attendance to discuss.

Motion to Amend the Agenda: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Windish

All in Favor – Aye.

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

Councilman Windish is a resident of Succasunna Road but chose to stay on the dais for the discussion.

The following portion of the minutes is verbatim, as per Council's request.

**Mayor:** As you know, Succasunna Road has been on the list to have something done for the last 3-4 years. Last year we had successful gas installation on Bertrand Island so we decided to try to get

gas on Succasunna Road because that was one of the roads we were going to try to repave; no point repaving it only to dig it up and put gas lines in. So it made sense to wait. We worked with NJ Natural Gas, they came through, they put the gas in and I think the work is just about done. We had put in for a NJ Department of Transportation grant for \$322,000 to help us go forward with paying for Succasunna Road. The grant did not come through because it is not common for NJDOT to fund secondary roads. At the last meeting, I suggested we move forward to do the road anyway. There was some discussion and we thought that maybe we should wait for a grant next year and just do some patchwork and we will discuss that again now. But here is really the big problem: the road is split between Mount Arlington and Roxbury. I believe we are willing to move forward and do what we have to do, which in my opinion, and a pretty well based opinion, this road does not need to be patched or paved, it has to be completely reconstructed. My opinion from what I have learned being elected here for 17 years, if you do it once, you do it right, you don't do it again for 20 years. I believe the opportunity is there for us to decide what to do as I believe a complete reconstruction of the road is needed; however, we need Roxbury to come on board with this because we can't foot the whole bill. I was in touch with the Roxbury Mayor last month, told him this was an issue, be prepared to have people come to talk about it, and this is after we tried to get hold of them last year, two years ago. It's been an ongoing thing trying to get them to come to the table. When I spoke to the Mayor last month, I said I would like to get together with your engineer, my engineer, your administrator, my administrator, let's sit down and talk about what has to be done here, something has to be done. I still have not gotten a call back. I called him again last week, "Oh well I told Chris (the administrator), to get hold of you"; still nothing. I like Fred Hall, he's a good guy, but for some reason they are just not getting back to us.

**Carolyn Rinaldi:** About two hours ago I heard from the DPW Supervisor from Roxbury, asking me what we were looking to do.

**Mayor:** That to me is not appropriate because he is not the guy to be looking at this; this is something that needs engineering consideration, it's totally inappropriate. This is something that needs engineering and administrator attention because it comes down to dollars. I know when we had our natural gas meeting here I said we were going to pave the road and that is what we are going to do because it is the top of the list of our road study that we had done showing roads that need to be done in Mount Arlington. We do have the money to do it but it is not fair, we can't do it all without Roxbury's support and funding. So this is what it comes down to. What I would suggest is, you are welcome to come up and ask questions and any Council member is welcome to say something, but Roxbury's Council meeting starts at 7:30 tonight so if you want to high-tail it down there and ask them to come to the table with us to get this done, that's probably going to need to be done. The Roxbury residents are going to have to go down there and say something to them because I am having a hard time getting them to the table. The Mount Arlington residents can go too because it is a split street; this is one of the most difficult streets in town because it is right down the middle and it's really not something that either town should do alone, we should do it as a project together. And when I talked to Fred back in May I said, "Fred, this is a great opportunity, there have been a lot of problems between the two towns for quite some time, let's get together on this and get it done. He said, "Sounds great", but I have not heard from him. Last year, or 2 years ago, we did have our engineer do a complete road study of all the roads in town, depicting the ones that are really in bad shape, and Succasunna Road is one of those roads, so we have all the details, we have some idea of what it will cost to do a full reconstruction, not exact numbers because that has to be figured out, but it is considerable dollars, it's not going to be cheap.

**Joan Starego, 634 Succasunna Road:** I beg to differ with you on a few points. It has not been the last 2-3 years, it has been more like 6-7 years and we've been this route before, the finger-pointing goes on and on, no one wants to take responsibility. So we get a little bit of chatter and that is supposed to suffice us; that's not going to work anymore, we're not going away. This needs to be taken care of, no more patching; if you were to live on the road and travel the road daily, especially during the winter. Mr. Sadow, you have to see the potholes, there is an accident waiting to happen.

**Councilman Sadow:** I've been there, I agree with you completely.

**Joan Starego:** More patching is not the answer. In addition to that my understanding is that our town has the largest tax reserve that it has ever had; what are your earmarking that money for; if this road can't take a portion of that.

**Mayor Ondish:** the cash reserve is not earmarked for anything in particular, that is money to back up; you are supposed to have at least 6 months in reserve to run the Borough, God forbid something should happen. That has nothing to do with the roads; we have a road budget and we have money in the road budget.

**Joan Starego:** Is there enough to cover this? Obviously you have done a study so you know what this is going to cost.

**Mayor Ondish:** I am going to say that one way or another, we will find the money to make it happen because we do have money in roads. If we did Succasunna and it cost a little bit more, we would just not have to do another road we were thinking of doing this year, wait till next year.

**Councilman Sadow:** Budgets are a work in progress.

**Joan Starego:** So now we leave this meeting and go down to Roxbury and they know that obviously we need the two towns to start speaking with one another; where do we go from there? What is the next meeting going to accomplish.

**Mayor Ondish:** I think you can go there and tell them you want them to meet with us.

**Councilman Cangiano:** Then come back and tell us next month, that will be the squeaky wheel.

**Joan Starego:** We are going to run out of season again, as we have in the past 6-7 years.

**Mayor Ondish:** The one thing is you going and speaking to the entire Council; there may be some Councilmembers that have no idea what is going on because I have spoken to the Mayor, not the Council.

**Councilman Sadow:** I would like to hear from anybody else in the audience before I say what I'd like to say about a plan that may change the way this business is getting done. I can't think of everything, I would like to hear anybody else's ideas on how to get this done.

**Councilman Windish:** And then I would like to speak because I live on Succasunna Road.

**Joan Starego:** I think my last comment would be that if, perhaps, a meeting between the two towns does not work, that we involve higher government to mediate between the two towns to come up with a workable resolution because this has been going on for years and it's not working.

**Mayor Ondish:** I tell you what I would like to do, I'd like to just do the work and send them the bill.

**Joan Starego:** You know that is not going to work; I'm not opposed to doing it but I'm just saying if we cannot do it between the towns, I do believe that higher government does need to become involved.

**Mayor Ondish:** I think you going there and approaching them will make a difference.

**Bill Keuntje: 642 Succasunna Road:** I think the first step in the resolution of this paving issue is to have us commit to it and not commit to patching. Committing to patching just tells Roxbury, if they hear about it, that we don't care, we're willing to put it off. Sending a good enough signal to Roxbury, and to our residents that we are willing to resolve this issue. So tonight I would like to see from the Council a vote to resolve this issue by the end of the year. I think anything less than that not only puts it off another year but will put it off another 2 or 3. We are not going to get any funding from the state next year to do Succasunna Road, or the year after or the year after that.

**Councilman Sadow:** This Council actually did vote against patching. At the last meeting that we discussed this, there was a great deal of controversy over whether or not we should at least do something for Succasunna Road, and the Council basically said exactly what it is that you are saying, we don't want to patch this road, we want to fix it. That was the vote. So we have already taken that step and we are proud of it and we have effectively committed to fixing the road by virtue of that no-vote on patching.

**Bill Keuntje:** My understanding that in the minutes it was voted on just to patch.

**Councilman Sadow:** It was voted against patching.

**Bill Keuntje:** The minutes say, " Councilman Sadow suggested we just patch the road because he does not see any reason to spend cash and would rather wait for the grant"; that's in the minutes.

**Councilman Sadow:** Are we talking about Oneida or Succasunna Road.

**Bill Keuntje:** Succasunna Road.

**Councilman Sadow:** I don't think so.

**Mayor Ondish:** Ok, that's the past, we are moving forward.

**Bill Keuntje:** The point is though, if we don't take a statement to get it done, we are just telling Roxbury we don't care, and if we don't care, Roxbury certainly is not going to care and then they don't have to do anything.

**Mayor Ondish:** in my discussions with the Mayor, I told him what is needed is curb-to-curb reconstruction.

**Bill Keuntje:** Is it the amount of work that is the issue, what kind of work is being done.

**Mayor Ondish:** It is the level of repair that needs to be done, last I had any inkling from Roxbury. It's how much money they want to spend and what they want to get done; and the numbers that we had at first may be too high but you don't even have a chance. What I want to do is sit down with their engineer and my engineer because that's the way it's been for the past many years is I hear from my engineer and then I hear some grumbings from down there because I have never had the opportunity to sit down, they have never given us the opportunity to sit down at a table and talk about it, and talk it

through. So what I want to do is sit down with their engineer and our engineer and say what needs to be done, what can you guys agree on that is the best thing for this road.

**Bill Keuntje:** I understand that, but if they haven't done it in the last two years, there's not much prospect that they will do in the next two years. How much of Succasunna Road is actually Roxbury.

**Mayor Ondish:** It is half and half.

**Bill Keuntje:** It is, exactly half and half? Okay, so if they are not willing to go through the whole reconstruction route, and they just want to repave, what's wrong with just grinding up the road and repaving it and waiting another five years to do the rest of the reconstruction, or ten years down the road; I've seen better dirt roads in lake communities as I've travelled around the tri-state area.

**Mayor Ondish:** But here you are again, it's kicking the can down the road, now, it is the time to get it done. If you're going to do it, you do it once, you do it right, it's done, that's my opinion. Now whether everybody agrees with that or not....and I've had some experience here in roads, so I can tell you, based on my experience and knowledge of doing roads in this town, that's the way to do it.

**Bill Keuntje:** Three years being on the top of the list for road reconstruction is a sad comment when it's not going to be done for another year.

**Mayor Ondish:** Well, there were reasons; last year was the gas, you have to knock that year off because it would have been foolish to do that, the year before that, I'm sorry that it didn't get done then, but I'm glad because we got the gas in so everything happens for a reason, so now it's time.

**Bill Keuntje:** I think it's time that Succasunna Road receive some kind of priority, if the money is there in our road budget to do this work, I think we should resolve this issue one way or another soon. I would like to see a commitment from the Council as far as that goes.

**Mayor Ondish:** Well, you have my commitment, I'm working on it.

**Bill Keuntje:** Your commitment I know I have, we've talked. Thank you.

**Gary Colucci, 703 Succasunna Road:** I want to tell you now, if anybody paves that street before they fix the water problem, it's a waste of taxpayers' money. I walk my dogs around the block every day and I'm telling you now, the lady who lives across the street from me, her yard ends up in the middle of that street every day, where Lillian comes down the street. And, I tell you right now, there is a sinkhole under that street. There is so much erosion there it's not even funny. I put like 46 tons of stone in my backyard because of erosion, over a ten year period of time. And I have pictures in my phone of the street, everybody's been on the street. My problem is, I emailed them, I forgot his name who is in charge of the Road Department in Roxbury, Rick Blood, and he told me that the gas line was all going on, and when that was done, they were willing to mill it and pave it where you guys were going to work together with the drainage.

**Mayor Ondish:** When I say curb to curb, the reason I say to put curbs in is to control the water, and storm drains so the water goes in.

**Gary Colucci:** I know, and they came and put those stupid tar curbs. That's another thing too, they are not even plowing with a back hoe; my friend plows the street, he has a truck, Abe Snyder, the road is so beat up he brings construction equipment up there now to plow the street because the trucks are getting beat up. Let me ask another question, who started to salt that street in the wintertime.

**Mayor Ondish:** How Paul works that, I'm not sure. What DPW does is we have agreements where we do some of their streets they do some of ours; I can't tell you without Paul being here.

**Gary Colucci:** I'm telling you, if you have been on the street, you know where it is; if anybody's been on that road, like he said, its one step from being a dirt road.

**Mayor Ondish:** Why do you think I have this opinion that it's got to be done.

**Gary Colucci:** So my problem is that I've emailed them, I emailed the Mayor down there, I've done everything. If he's not listening to the Mayor of this town, what .....

**Mayor Ondish:** But have you showed up at their meetings? That's what you need to do.

**Gary Colucci:** What would be the next step; I mean, outside of me going to his house.

**Mayor Ondish:** Show at their meeting; that's what I'm saying, their meeting is going on and that's why if you guys can hustle down there, you are better off.

**Gary Colucci:** But I'm going to go down there, I'm going to raise my voice, and I'm going to yell at him.

**Mayor Ondish:** No, I wouldn't yell.

**Gary Colucci:** What I'm saying is that if he's not listening to you, the Mayor of this town, we say hey, we need to do something here, the road is dangerous, it's not paving it for aesthetics, the road is dangerous. Don't get me wrong, I'm not real happy about getting it paved, too, because people will fly down that street at 90 miles an hour and with it paved, they will be flying even faster. But, I'd rather have it smooth than what it is now.

**Mayor Ondish:** Understood.

**Councilman Stanzilis:** Is there erosion, except where Lillian hits, is it throughout the whole street.

**Gary Colucci:** The whole street. I had Roxbury come and in front of my driveway, my house on Succasunna Road is the only driveway that is flat to the garage, if you know where that is. So, the water was going in my garage, I spent \$25,000, they came and they rebuilt, there were holes under my driveway, from the erosion, they came and dug all the rocks out of there, fixed all that, and I had them come and put a hump in front of my driveway, all the way down, to stop that water, so it went down the street; but now, that's still there but next to my house they used curb made out of tar, that's gone, it's flat now. There are a lot of drainage problems there; if you go there and look and you look at the erosion, if you walk down that street and you look, where they made those curbs, you can see the holes. I'm telling you, I guarantee there are sinkholes under that street. I been there for ten years, where the house is, and not once, except a year-and-a-half ago, they came and they patched in front, on the Mount Arlington side, in front of my house; they literally came down the middle of the street and patched, which to me, my friend who's a cop now in Mount Arlington, Ryan, and I said that was the biggest waste of money I'd seen in my life, if I was a taxpayer I would have been angry, it was ridiculous. But in ten years, not one thing has been done to that street since I lived there. That's horrible, and I'm talking even when I went out and bought my own snowplow for my own truck because I'm tired of, you know, they do a crappy job there. I'll be honest with you, both sides fight, they do a crappy job and I bought my own snow plow. You tell me who I've got go talk to, tomorrow I'll call them up, you know, you get a number, I'll call them.

**Mayor Ondish:** As I said, I suggest you go to their meeting, just happens they are having a meeting now and if you wait, it will be another two weeks before they have another meeting.

**Winnie Proctor, 625 Succasunna Road:** I agree with that gentleman, the road is the way the road is because of water. I have not been there as long as most people but we've been there 27 years. We never ever had a water problem, ever, until the sewers went in. Both Roxbury and Mount Arlington did that, that was an engineer, I'm not an engineer but I'm not illiterate and I can see that the drains in the middle of the road before it was paved were way up high; they paved the road so that the road is now over the curbing. We never had to have berms going into our driveway; our foundations on the Succasunna side are being undermined I believe – I can see water comes down, it looks like it goes under my bank and out through my driveway. Like that gentleman, my husband and I have spent a lot of money putting drains in but I don't know what's going underneath the house; I don't know what's happening and Mayor Ondish, you told us that you were also going to put storm sewers in.

**Mayor Ondish:** Yes, that's right, storm drains.....that's called a reconstruction. That's right.

**Winnie Proctor:** Okay, I want to make sure of that.

**Mayor Ondish:** That's reconciliation, curb-to-curb .

**Councilman Sadow:** Lower curbs, as well.

**Mayor Ondish:** Well, the drops, where you need to have drops, absolutely.

**Winnie Proctor:** And I don't know why, I have talked to Rick Blood, I have sent emails, I have spoken to these people many, many times and there's nothing they can do. I talked to our Councilman last week, happen to see him at the Pub, he was very upset with me, but he told me the reason nothings being done is that Mount Arlington ....

**Mayor Ondish:** Of course, it's always Mount Arlington.

**Winnie Proctor:** That's my point, when we sit here it's Roxbury, and we talk to Roxbury and it's Mount Arlington, and what I'm saying is this, and I'm not blaming anybody, but we are all adults and the problems began when the sewers went in; both towns have to take responsibility. It sounds as if Mount Arlington is willing to and I'm sure the Mount Arlington residents will all go to Roxbury and tell them how we feel.

**Mayor Ondish:** I can give you the exact date and time I spoke to the Mayor, how long we spoke, and what we spoke about. I can't help it if they don't get back to me. That's the problem.

**Winnie Proctor:** I understand that but I'm being told that their being hostage, I'm being told that NJ Natural Gas paid Roxbury a sum of money

**Mayor Ondish:** Permit fees.

**Winnie Proctor:** It wasn't just permit fees, they dug up the wrong side of the road, they dug up Roxbury.

**Mayor Ondish:** You see, that's between NJ Natural and Roxbury.

**Winnie Proctor:** But my point is this, nobody looks at what is going on up here. I mean, here you are, we had people from the Roxbury Road Department on our street, while they were digging up Roxbury and they should have been digging up Mount Arlington, I personally don't care which side of the road they dug up, but I guess the people that are in power in town did. So, everything stopped, nothing happened, and again we had water problems because the gentleman, nobody's watching Roxbury, and Roxbury is sitting there, seeing them, they must have dug 50 feet on our side before

somebody said anything. So, I don't have much confidence, and I'm sorry and I don't mean any disrespect that anybody really does care. So, if you Councilmen can't speak to other Councilmen, there is one of our Councilmen that lives right around the street not far from you Sir, Mr. Windish, and talk to each other, maybe something will get done that way. I don't know, all of us individually have spoken to Roxbury and it doesn't work. We will all go in a group and hopefully that will help.

**Mayor Ondish:** But have you talked to the Council like you are talking to us.

**Winnie Proctor:** Yes, that gentleman asked me if he could speak and I told him no.

**Mayor Ondish:** No, I mean as a group. See, you need to go to a public meeting, that's what I am saying.

**Winnie Proctor:** Well, we'll do that.

**Mayor Ondish:** That's what I am saying, go to a public meeting. Now that you've heard us, and I stand by everything I've told you, go down there and see what they have to say and how it's all Mount Arlington's fault. Go ahead.

**Winnie Proctor:** No, I didn't say that.

**Mayor Ondish:** I know, that's what you are going to get, though, and I don't know why.

**Winnie Proctor:** I know that but, but,

**Mayor Ondish:** Now you know the truth...

**Winnie Proctor:** Yes, but in all fairness to everyone, you're telling us it's Roxbury and Roxbury is telling us it's not them.

**Mayor Ondish:** What I'm telling you is Roxbury is not getting back to meet with us; we can't ... I'm calling for a meeting with them so that we can discuss this and get it finalized, they are not responding so that's why you can go down and tell them. Ask them to please respond to Mount Arlington and let's get this worked out.

**Winnie Proctor:** I will do that.

**Mayor Ondish:** That's all I can ask you to do.

**Winnie Proctor:** And as Joan said if we need to get someone to intermediate, we will.

**Mayor Ondish:** We don't need anybody to intermediate; we will get this worked out. The sewers went in in '95.

**Councilman Windish:** You just said the State....or say something. When everybody's done, I would like to speak on some topic's. Let it run.

**Councilman Sadow:** The last woman that spoke I believe has the correct idea. I, along with the Council, empowered the engineer to do the road study, and I was forceful at the time about getting the road study done. When we got the Succasunna Road as the priority project, it was also the most expensive project and we tried, as a member of the Finance Committee, to prioritize Succasunna Road. I've been on Council, this is my fifth year, so I can tell you I started on the Finance Committee I believe my second year so I'm now four years on the Finance Committee and yes, it's been at least in front of the Finance Committee for that long. The road study is about two years old and I spearheaded getting the road study so I am very much in favor of getting Succasunna Road finished but I don't want it done haphazardly, I don't want it patched, I don't want intermediate repair, I want it fixed for you but I also am very.... hearing the news I heard this afternoon about the engineer, not the engineer, or supervisor or worker at DPW calling our administrator, this is not how work gets done. The Mayor has reached out, the Mayor and I believe this Council are firmly in favor of paying their fair share of paving a road, and it's expensive, it's the most expensive road project that we do have and we want to do it right. Roxbury has got to come across the line and I started the beginning of this discussion to say that you have the right idea and I had proposed this to the Mayor and that is, since the Mayor is getting nowhere with the Mayor of Roxbury, who by the way is elected by their Board and serves for one year, unlike our Mayor who has served for over twelve and elected by the people directly, so this Mayor has a whole lot more intimacy with this citizenship than that Mayor does, that's the first thing. But one other thing that is very important to me is that this Council in the last several years has taken every single bull by the horns, knocked it down and tied its legs; we are good doing what we do and I propose to the Mayor that we have a meeting, demand a meeting, of their Council with our Council and we will then tell the administrators and the Mayors, frankly, the way we think this should be done. I am proposing tonight, and I hope that the Council will vote on it, that we have a Council-to-Council committee, I would like to see citizens from both sides of Succasunna Road on that committee, and I would like to have it happen before the Fourth of July because you are right, Sir, this time has come and we have got to do something different. You know, the definition of insanity is expecting a different result by doing the same thing over and over. So, we are guilty of insanity or at least the same behavior in what we have said; yes, I believe we should not patch it and I would vote against patching but I am firmly in favor and will vote 100% of the time to shoulder our fair share of fixing Succasunna Road. As far as going tonight to the meeting, that's your choice, I don't know how effective it will be but I do think that we can create a meeting of Councilpersons that are

meaningful people that will get together and come up with a meaningful solution to this problem. That's what I would like to propose tonight.

**Mayor Ondish:** And I'm not trying to shuffle you out the door I just really feel that a show of force at their meeting will make a difference in getting them to respond. I don't want anyone to think I am trying to shuffle you out the door; I'm not, you're welcome to stay here all night long but I just think that getting to them, and especially because the Mayor told me about this tonight, about their Council meeting, probably be good for you to hear what they had to say.

**Bill Keuntje:** Just one other point, if the regular citizenship approaches you, the Council, to get this job done, has the Council itself thought about going down to their meeting and confronting them face-to-face.

**Mayor Ondish:** I think Steve's onto something. If the Mayor is not going to have the administrator get back to me, then let Bob as our Council President, make a call to their Deputy Mayor, whatever they want to do, and put something together, jointly.

**Gary Colucci:** Do you think they understand the seriousness of the street; it's not a matter of taste, people's foundations are washed away.

**Mayor Ondish:** The one Councilperson you spoke to might understand but I don't think as a group they get it. Of course, it's all my fault.

**Winnie Proctor:** I was told that in order for .....Mount Arlington was telling Roxbury that unless they paved that part of Succasunna Road by the apartments, Mount Arlington was not willing to do anything, which I know is not true because it's already paved.

**Mayor Ondish:** You're right, I've never even talked to them about it. We have not gotten together in order to talk.

**Winnie Proctor:** I can't say he talked to you, I don't know who he spoke to; he did not tell me I spoke to Mayor Ondish.

**Mayor Ondish:** Well I understand he was using my name in vain but he has not talked to me.

**Winnie Proctor:** Well you don't know, because you don't know his name.

**Mayor Ondish:** Exactly. I have an idea who it was, but anyway, John.....

**Councilman Windish, 650 Succasunna Road:** I have lived on Succasunna Road for 35 years.

That road, I hear what you're saying, I drive it every day, I drive it in winter. As far as patching goes, I said to maintain the road, you don't want to let potholes continue to develop there, and do nothing about it while we try to resolve the issues. And the issue is we have two different scopes, we don't have any fine scope to work with. It's both parties to come together, they have not come together which means that they have no scope. If you go to the Mount Arlington side, they're talking about curbs and sidewalks...

**Mayor Ondish and Some Councilmembers:** Nothing was ever said about sidewalks.

**Councilman Windish:** Yep, there sure was and I was there, I was, when Phil was there, they talked about low curbs and they talked about sidewalks. Now this goes back, uh, Joan, please, I live there. This goes back to defining the scope and what needs to be done. Roxbury is willing to mill, we need to reconstruct. Reconstruct means many different things; need to get it down on paper, that hasn't been done, it's been going on for years. What I would like to see happen there are potholes develop and not be repaired, I don't care if it's on Roxbury's side or Mount Arlington's side. To take the devil's advocate, we ride it every day, school busses ride it, ambulances and cars, its passable, it's not the greatest and yes, it should be done. I watched it when it was paved once before. I don't want it to degenerate any further. A solution should come together but it needs both parties. We haven't been able to get together. to try to bring in an outside authority which is what you talked about with whatever it is, county, state, federal, it's not going to happen, it becomes two towns and until they get together that's it. Now we can call Roxbury and you can go down there but if they do not respond, we cannot invade Roxbury and force them to respond. So this effort is stalemated because of those items; I've heard Art talk about it and I've seen Art, he's taking a lot of hits for this. But until that pe is developed, which is what we should be fighting for, what is it that we want...is it repaving, is it milling, is it curbs, is it sidewalks. And then once it's defined, is it the drainage on the Roxbury side.

**Winnie Proctor:** First thing is the drainage.

**Councilman Windish:** Ok, that's Roxbury's issue, Mount Arlington is on the high side. Let me finish, I'm saying the both of us should go down there together, it's not Roxbury it's not Mount Arlington, it's the Succasunna Road citizens. But right now, that hasn't happened. I knew that water ran down, on the low side, I never knew it was undermining your homes. If it is undermining your homes, definitely you should be going not only to the DPW you should call the Board of Health. That's a hazard, alright, it's life and safety, it falls under that. They have to address undermining. And we've gone round and round with this for a while but the key is to get the two parties to agree on what that scope is. Hasn't happened. As long as they can delay it they will do so. So, if you want to go down to Roxbury that's fine. But if they turned around and said yes, we'll get a meeting and it's

going to be before July 4<sup>th</sup> and it does not happen, we're right back where we were. And I'm talking as a Succasunna Road resident. But, in my opinion, speaking for myself and not this Council, is the bottom line, in my opinion. Now I've watched this thing go back and forth but if we didn't have the money and they are not going to commit to pave that road, I don't want to see potholes and not repair it, as badly as they are, it's not like we're breaking axles and the rest of it, but it needs to be done. Roxbury has a much more serious issue. I use the word Roxbury not because you're Roxbury, I could say the lower side of the road, but just for identification purposes, you have a bigger issue now. And it's a serious issue and it needs to be addressed. Succasunna Road just becomes a catalyst, you know, because it's not paving it. Paving is not going to do that, you've got to get the storm sewers in there, you've got to get the drainage corrected and you've got to get the pitch corrected. That's part of the scope and until that scope is developed, we're not going to go anywhere guys, ladies, everybody. Now I'm done.

**Mayor Ondish:** Just for clarification, in the study we paid \$10,000 to have it done, it has zero for sidewalks so I don't know where you heard that but there are no sidewalks at all.

**Councilman Windish:** Out of Daren. That was my big concern I said, how are you going to put sidewalks in there, we have all cutouts on that side. He said we could put in low pitch curves that we could ride over....

**Mayor Ondish:** It's not in the proposal; I just wanted to just quell everybody, that's not in the proposal. There has been a long history between Mount Arlington and Roxbury of difficulty whenever it comes to trying to work with them on anything, to be quite honest with you. And, I hate to say that because I have put the olive branch out, I can't tell you how many times, to get it crinkled up and thrown back in my face. So, I don't know what's going on, why, we had a fire hydrant issue that went on for how many years. Just ridiculousness that it's kind-of like they just look at us as a knat on their back and, oh, you're not important, I don't need to talk with you or deal with you. But, when I talk to Mayor's from all the towns around Roxbury, I can tell you this, Mount Arlington is open-minded, we work with so many different towns We share services with many different towns, we're open to do whatever we need to do to make things better. If you notice Roxbury's shared service list, it isn't very long, so I guess it isn't just Mount Arlington, I don't know; I'm just telling you that because this is a long history, so we are going to get to the bottom of this, because I'm glad that it has finally come to a big head here, I'm glad you folks came out tonight because I have been kind-of running with the ball here trying to make things happen and I'm glad everybody has an understanding of the perspective where I sit now. The reasons, I'm not trying to push you out the door, the reason I was suggesting. You don't have to go to Roxbury, you do not have to go there at all, I'm just saying it is another option for you and I think they meet every two weeks; if you can't make it tonight, you want to go in two weeks, fine, if you don't, then don't worry about it. We're going to come to a head on this now because now it's really come to light.

**Bill Keuntje:** I would like to hear a resolution from the Council to commit to resolving this issue. And hold a vote for it.

**Mayor Ondish:** I think it's pretty much on the table, is it not.

**Councilwoman Danchuk:** I have a question for you. What Minutes were you reading from earlier.

**Mayor Ondish:** The ones that were just approved, I just handed them to Joan because she wanted to see a copy of it. Councilman Windish was absolutely correct, I would love to just do the work on Roxbury's side and like I said, send them a bill but the rules don't allow that; we cannot work in another municipality without approvals from them. We've had this same issue up at the other end of town, back off of Southard Road and Parker and Circle when we were installing water lines; it was a big hassle trying to get them to ...I can't even tell you the history we have with that town.

**Winnie Proctor:** The past is the past, we can all work together to make the future better.

**Mayor Ondish:** Let's hope, that's what I said to the Mayor.

**Winnie Proctor:** So, if you get a Councilman in Roxbury, bring it to the Council in Roxbury, maybe something can be done.

**Winnie Proctor and Bill Keuntje:** We want something on the record

**Mayor Ondish:** I think the whole conversation will be in the Minutes and it's pretty clear, I think, as long as Linda can pick it all up, and I think it should be kind-of verbatim, if you don't mind, that part of it. It's important to let the public know and have it on record.

**Bill Keuntje:** So we've heard from you and we've heard from Councilmen Sadow and Windish, but we have not heard from the rest of the Council.

**Councilman Cangiano:** Absolutely, this has been on our agenda for a couple of years now, it's in our budget to do the work. I for one agree with the Mayor, Mr. Sadow, Mr. Windish; this has been on the plate to do and I will repeat exactly what they said, it's a scope issue, we believe that it needs to be a full reconstruction, with storm drains, with curbs, with under drains, and we're trying to see what Roxbury's opinion is on it and we haven't gotten that far yet. It should be a meeting with their

engineer, their administrator or their mayor or whatever council people that they want to have on it but so far we don't have an agreement in principle on what needs to be done yet and we're trying to get there. Absolutely, I agree wholeheartedly, we've got to get moving on this.

**Councilman Windish:** Carolyn, you spoke to the DPW, didn't they throw out a dollar amount? You've got to listen to this.

**Carolyn Rinaldi:** To be fair to him, he's answering to a whole group of people ....

**Councilman Windish:** This is the mentality; this is the heart of the issue, listen to this...

**Carolyn Rinaldi:** What he was telling me was what he was advised, at most Roxbury would look to mill and pave, probably in the neighborhood of a \$50,000 to \$80,000 contribution.

**Councilman Windish:** The project is well over \$500,000.

**Councilman Cangiano:** The issue, you have a lot of water to deal with here, you're on a mountain, you're on a hillside, and the drainage work is probably foremost. To get that curve drainage on there; I am a civil engineer by trade, I do this all the time, you have to have that in there. With the scope they are talking about, is over here and what needs to be done is over here, so we've got to come close together on the scope and something we all can live with because it's not just another pave job.

**Councilman Windish:** And the only reason I brought that up is because we are all Succasunna Road residents and I thought we should have the information and the gap that we are facing here that hasn't closed.

**Councilwoman Danchuk:** I have also spoken to Rick Blood about the road. Roxbury does things differently than Mount Arlington because they have their own Road Department, they have their own engineers, so his philosophy was so we'll rip up the road, we'll see what's there, if there's a sinkhole, we're work with it as we're doing it. Mount Arlington does not do it that way, we hire the engineering firm and we engineer it first so there is a difference of how it would go about being done. Again, I don't have any reason to not trust Roxbury's judgment because I do feel like they have done all the roads in their town and they don't seem to have issues so I am not opposed if Roxbury feels they can do it cheaper than we would do it; I've never been opposed to letting them do it and we just pay half of that, whatever that is, but I don't think that was the majority of the Council's feelings. But, like I said, they have done roads in their town, they've been okay, this is how they do it, they do it in house, so I think because of the different ways of doing it, that's why we're having trouble.

**Gary Colucci:** Do you have Rick Blood's phone number?

**Councilwoman Danchuk:** Not on me.

**Carolyn Rinaldi:** I have it. For the record, the conversation I had with Mr. Blood earlier this evening was that he was aware of the fact that this road required more than milling and paving. As of two-three hours ago, he did say that he was aware that there was more to it than milling and paving. Again, he is the DPW Supervisor, he is not the Borough Engineer and he is not a town manager, so he is answering to other people with whatever recommendations he finds. But if you would like to contact the DPW Supervisor, the number is 973-448-2069.

**Council President Sorge:** This is an ongoing problem with Roxbury. Roxbury is always, since I been sitting on this Council, trying to dictate terms to our little community, because they are the big guys on the block. But, again, what this Council has said time and time again, it takes two to dance, it takes two to sit down and agree. Roxbury has not turned around and bargained in faith and until we sit down and straighten out all our ills, this thing isn't going to happen.

**Mayor Ondish:** (to audience member) You have to come up; everybody that wants to speak has got to come up because Linda has got to be able to pick this up, especially she's doing them verbatim. Please speak in the microphone.

**Gary Colucci:** Is Roxbury on one side, from end to end of that street.

**Mayor Ondish:** From where they stopped paving the last time

**Gary Colucci:** Yeah, they came up to a certain point, it was nice and beautiful.

**Mayor Ondish:** All the way up through and the cul-de-sac belongs to Roxbury also. I believe the line comes right by the edge of the cul-de-sac, Correct Jimmy? (Sgt. DiStasio was present)

**Winnie Proctor:** The end of the road, by the apartments, is Roxbury.

**Mayor Ondish:** No, the apartments are in Mount Arlington.

**Winnie Proctor:** Ok, and part of the Succasunna Road that's adjacent to the back of those apartments, is that Mount Arlington or Roxbury?

**Mayor Ondish:** When you get to the hill and start going down, that's all Roxbury.

**Winnie Proctor:** Okay, so you come up Oneida, make a left onto Lopatcong...

**Mayor Ondish:** When you come over the hill, make a left, that's the cul-de-sac.

**Winnie Proctor:** And that town is ...

**Mayor Ondish:** The edge of that is Roxbury, the cul-de-sac is Mount Arlington.

**Sergeant James DiStasio:** When you get up to the top of Lopatcong, there are three houses that are actually Mount Arlington, everything on the far side is Roxbury so after the cul-de-sac, is all Roxbury. So the side that you're on, everything runs down till you get to Dorothy and that's all Roxbury Township. So if you come off Mount Arlington Boulevard to Succasunna, everything on the left hand side is Roxbury Township. The house that is on the corner on the left is actually Roxbury Township.

**Mayor Ondish:** Thank you, Jimmy, appreciate it. So that's the scoop, okay, I don't know what else we can say, you have everybody's commitment here on the Council, on record, that we are going to work....

**Councilman Cangiano:** I just want to touch on one more thing that Councilwoman Danchuk brought up, I know it's my opinion and I think the Council supports it too, that if the solution is that Roxbury was going to hold the contract and do the work and we would pay them...we're not looking for just us to do the work, if they have a solution to do the work, and we agree with their scope of work, by all means Roxbury can do the work and we'll pay them.

**Mayor Ondish:** No skin off my nose, as long as the road work is done. I just don't want it done halfway, I want it done right with storm drains, curbs and milling, whatever. The crown of that road is destroyed, you can look at it, it's just destroyed, the sub-coating is bad, it needs to all be taken out and redone. That's where I'm coming from and as long as they are willing to do that that's great, but, as Carolyn just said, Rick Blood is aware, but Chris Raths, the Administrator, I'm not sure of what's he's aware of, if he's only budgeted \$80,000 for it; it ain't going to cut the mustard.

**Winnie Proctor:** They told us ten years ago there was money in the budget but they could not put storm drains in because Mount Arlington .....so that's the problem, if you all don't get together,...

**Mayor Ondish:** Well, we're together and we are going to move forward. Thank you all for coming in. Anybody else have anything? Thank you all for coming in and believe me, this is not an issue we are taking lightly, it's not going to get blown off, it's going to happen but I do suggest you make some pressure down there somehow.

\*End of verbatim portion of Minutes.

## 12. Municipal Administrator's Report

- In order to move forward with NJ Transit and the train station agreement before the year is out, we need to have a letter of intent sent to both agencies. Attorney O'Donnell stated that he and Ms. Rinaldi conducted a conference call with NJ Transit; this is a mere formality to memorialize the Borough's intent to either acquire or take possession of the parking lot. It also involves NJDOT because of the right-of-way there. This is just part of the process as to how we can eventually acquire the lot. The Mayor stated we will generate revenue with this lot. Some Councilmembers were not in favor of a letter until they knew the entire scope and cost of the project, and the amount of revenue it could generate for the Borough. This is the process that allows us to do our due diligence; the Borough is not committing to anything. Councilman Sadow stated this may be our opportunity to control that parking lot at nominal fees that will cover lighting, insurance, maintenance. Council President Sorge suggested this be given to the Building Committee to further research but the Council agreed to send the letter to NJDOT.
- The Borough has been contacted by a television producer looking for locations to shoot their show, "Deadly Sins". They are looking at Borough owned buildings, possibly using the inside of the buildings and the surrounding grounds. Attorney O'Donnell stated we would enter into a licensing agreement with the company. Ms. Rinaldi will speak with them further to obtain more detail as to exactly what they are looking for.
- Regarding the Fire Department's need for a tanker, KME is willing to build a tanker specific to our needs, they are a local dealer, offer full repair and maintenance, delivery included, inspection trips are not a cost factor (in Flanders), and full warranties are available. Last quote to purchase was about \$330,000 and we are waiting for the lease options. Chief Norman was present and spoke in detail about the broken existing tanker. Ms. Rinaldo stated we are looking at a lease option, minimum of 5 years, with an option to buy at the end of the lease; the life of fire vehicle is anywhere from 20 – 25 years. Councilman Windish stated he wants more information regarding compensation while we are responding on Route 80. Ms. Rinaldi will contact KME for lease numbers; they are very competitive, very reliable. Mayor suggested Carolyn and Committee continue to get the numbers and if need be, Council can have a special meeting to finalize the purchase/lease.
- Brenda Temple has asked for Governing Body volunteers for the dunk tank at Fun Day in July.

### **Report on Borough-Owned Properties**

Postponed from earlier in the meeting.

- The Mayor stated the Council authorized a study of all of Borough owned properties because we do have a couple of vacant buildings. The Mayor introduced Stan Puszcz of CP Engineers and Jessica Caldwell, Borough Planner, J Caldwell & Associates, who together prepared the report. Mr. Puszcz and Ms. Caldwell distributed the study findings and presented using poster-size copies. The Borough owns 47 different pieces of property and they gave a brief overview of the study, providing a baseline of all Borough assets, including property size, property use, property restrictions, zoning, sewer and water availability, environmental constraints, assessed value and they visited each property. The Clerk will place the report on the website.

Motion to Accept the Borough-Owned Properties Report as Presented: Council  
President Sorge

Second: Councilman Windish

All in Favor – Aye.

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

### **13. Council Committee Reports**

#### **Councilman Windish:**

- Recreation working on the Beach Bash and Fun Day and will be coming out with a packet of upcoming summer events

#### **Councilman Stanzilis:**

- DARE Graduation was outstanding, 5<sup>th</sup> graders along with the Historical Society did a presentation on Mount Arlington at Acorn Hall.

- The October 5K is in the planning stages and the Committee will be looking for volunteers as we get closer to the race date.

#### **Councilman Sadow:**

- It seems the DOT was counting cars at the traffic light off Route 80 onto Howard Boulevard last Sunday. We finally have sidewalks on Howard Boulevard completely to the train station.

- Surprisingly, there has been an amendment to the proposed Redevelopment Agreement; seems they changed the word "property" to "site", but they are staging the placement of the bond as the project as it rolled out, which would affect the first five years of the project. Carolyn Rinaldi stated this will be on the June 26, 2013 Land Use Board meeting agenda, and then they will potentially bring it back to Council for our July 2, 2013 meeting. This is a financial change to the verbiage and the Borough is unsure what caused the change, possibly a lender requirement.

#### **Council President Sorge:**

- Fire Department discussion held earlier in the meeting.

#### **Councilman Cangiano:**

- Asked the status of natural gas lines in the Borough. The Mayor stated Lake Rogerene is going to be one of the next targeted areas. The Mayor and Carolyn Rinaldi did meet with NJ Natural Gas and their time line for Rogerene is probably end of 2013, early 2014. NJ Natural Gas will name a Captain for the Rogerene area and then meetings, etc. will be scheduled from there.

- Board of Health adopted an ordinance, which was recommended by the County, which basically monitors maintenance of septic systems. Every homeowner with a septic system must register every three years and show proof their septic was pumped by an operator on the approved list of vendors. Once the vendor list is complete, Patty Simari will mail a letter with the ordinance to all applicable residents.

#### **Councilwoman Danchuk:**

- Nothing to report.

#### **Councilman Windish:**

- The price of gas has gone up since President Obama approved exporting.

### **14. Public Comment**

Dan Terp and Sara Farmer, 382 Howard Boulevard:

- They are working with a group in New York City called New Work City which provides business incubators; spaces where you bring people in, train them, give them assistance, and try to get them started in businesses, new projects, hi-tech industries. Also people can come and rent desk/work space. The "project" is known as co-working, stemming from the idea that people can't afford or justify their own office and work together in one space. They are looking at our old

municipal building and old police station; the Mayor suggested meeting with our DPW Supervisor to go through both buildings and follow up with a letter of intent to the Council.

**15. New Business**

None.

**16. Old Business**

None.

**17. Resolutions**

**2013-69** 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 June 11, 2013.

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Stanzilis

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

**2013-70** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, To Affirm the Borough of Mount Arlington's Civil Rights Policy with Respect to All Officials, Appointees, Employees, Prospective Employees, Volunteers, Independent Contractors, and Members of the Public that Come Into Contact with Municipal Employees, Officials and Volunteers.

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

**2013-71** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Temporary Road Closure of Rogerene Way.

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilwoman Danchuk

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

**2013-72** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, To Cancel Municipal Tax Lien Certificate of Sale #9-77 for Property Known as Block 10, Lot 66, and Formerly Known as Block 11, Lot 9.

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

**2013-73** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Establishing Swimming Lesson Fees for the Year 2013.

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Windish

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

**2013-74** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Adding Animal Control Duties and Responsibilities to Linda DeSantis and Lizbeth Dwyer.

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

**2013-75** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Transfer of Alcoholic Beverage License #1426-33-001-006 from Apollo Properties Management Corp. to Davy's, LLC.

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Windish

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

**2013-76** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption/Distribution and Club Licenses for the Licensing Period Commencing July 1, 2013.

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

**2013-77** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Approving Appointment for Dog Census.

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Cangiano

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

**2013-78** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Borough Tax Collector to Prepare and Issue Estimated Tax Bills.

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

**18. Ordinances – Introduction**

None

**19. Ordinances – Second Reading**

None

**20. Motions**

None.

**21. Executive Session**

**2013-79** 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.

Executive Topic: Attorney/Client Privilege

No Action Will Be Taken.

Motion to Go Into Executive Session: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

All in Favor – Aye.

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

Motion to Return to Open Session: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Cangiano

All in Favor – Aye.

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

**22. Adjourn**

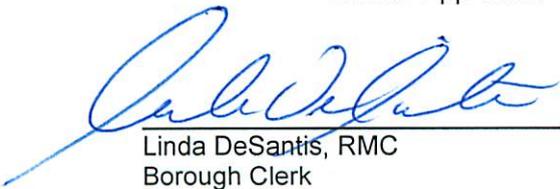
Motion to Adjourn: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Windish

All in Favor – Aye.

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.



Linda DeSantis, RMC  
Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved at Council Meeting of July 2, 2013.

To: [hollybisson27@gmail.com](mailto:hollybisson27@gmail.com)

Cc: [info@maborc.com](mailto:info@maborc.com); [mtarec@mtarlintonboro.com](mailto:mtarec@mtarlintonboro.com); Carolyn Rinaldi

Subject: RE: Resignation

Hello Holly,

I am very sorry to hear this. I hope this resignation comes as a result of something positive in your future.

Thank you for your service to our Borough. I know you have made a difference during the time you have served and that is something one can not understand until they donate their precious time to serve.

I wish you all the best in whatever your next venture. Know I am here if I can be of assistance in the future. If time comes again when you have the time and ability to serve, you are always welcome back.

I will publicly announce your resignation at our next Council meeting June 11.

Thanks again,

Art Ondish

On Tue, May 14, 2013 at 4:57 AM, Holly wrote:

> Mayor Ondish,

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> I'm proud to say I was born and raised here in Mt. Arlington, and I  
> respect this town very much. Being elected Chairwoman of the Board of  
> Recreation Commission has been an honor. It is with deep regret that I  
> inform you that I am resigning from all my positions and  
> responsibilities, effective immediately.

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> Over the past 16 months I have given my time to recreation as a

> volunteer. Due to personal reasons, I feel it necessary for me to step  
> down. Unfortunately I do not feel able to meet the increased  
> requirements on my time that this position requires and feel the  
> position and the members will be better served by someone who is able  
> to make a fuller commitment.

> Thank you,

> Holly Bisson

----- Original message -----

From: Jennifer Tamburo <[jennifer.tamburo@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.tamburo@gmail.com)>

Date: 5/21/2013 9:41 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: [mamayor@optonline.net](mailto:mamayor@optonline.net)

Subject: Board of Recreation Vacancy

Dear Mr. Mayor,

My name is Jennifer Tamburo and I am writing to you to discuss the recent vacancy on the Board of Recreation. Several members of the board have approached me in the last few days to see if I would be interested in serving, and I feel I would be a good fit for the position. To tell you a little bit about myself, I moved to Mt. Arlington in June of last year and quickly felt welcomed by so many within the community. I have worked for PNC Investments for the last 5 years and maintain both securities and insurance licenses. I hold a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Felician College and I have two young girls who attend school here. My daughter Emmy is in Kindergarten at Decker and my daughter Sarah attends pre-school at KinderCare. They have been involved in volleyball, soccer, and basketball and this season I served as a coach for the soccer program. I have also volunteered at movie nights as well as at the Easter Egg Hunt, and I will be assisting with the volleyball program this summer. Even in difficult times I have witnessed this community (especially the members of the Board of Recreation) pull together to support one another, share information, and give so much of their own time to help others. As a mom and a resident of Mt. Arlington, I believe in the important work done by the board and would love to become more involved. It is for that reason that I am seeking to fill the vacancy on the board and request your consideration and appointment.

Respectfully,

Jennifer Tamburo

**BOROUGH OF MT. ARLINGTON**  
**UTILITY RECEIPT REPORT**

MONTH OF APRIL 2013

RS

Dated: May 16, 2013

Completed by Patricia E. Simari, CTC

<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>COLLECTED IN APRIL 2012</u>
\$34,220.63	SOLID WASTE RECEIPTS	\$26,604.74
\$225,617.06	SEWER RECEIPTS	\$191,550.66
\$38,860.27	WATER RECEIPTS	\$51,824.66
\$425.00	SEWER CONN FEE INSTALL PLAN	\$0.00
<b>\$299,122.96</b>	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$269,980.06</b>

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 and disbursements for:

**The Month of April 2013**

Dated: May 16, 2013

Completed by Patricia E. Simari, CTC

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**Collections:**

Current Taxes (3-01-17-001-001)	<u>\$779,114.21</u>
2012 Taxes (3-01-17-001-003)	<u>\$10,091.88</u>
2012 Taxes (Collected at Tax Sale)	
Pre-Paid Taxes (3-01-17-001-004)	
Municipal Redemption (3-01-17-004-001)	
Interest & Costs (3-01-08-112-000)	<u>\$1,478.91</u>
Interest & Costs (Collected at Tax Sale)	
Return Check Fee (3-01-16-500-017)	<u>\$20.00</u>
Tax Searches (3-01-08-105-010)	
Duplicate Bills (3-01-16-500-016)	<u>\$18.00</u>
3rd Party Red./Subs (3-01-17-004-002)	<u>\$17,802.13</u>
3rd Party Red. Int. (3-01-17-004-003)	<u>\$1,805.08</u>
3rd Party Red. 6% YEP (3-01-16-500-025)	<u>\$665.61</u>
3rd Party Rec. Fee (3-01-17-004-003)	<u>\$104.00</u>
Misc. Copies (3-01-16-500-017)	
Tax Sale Costs (3-01-16-500-018)	
Tax Sale Costs (Collected at Tax Sale)	
Tax Sale Premiums (Trust Account)	
6% Delinquent Penalty (3-01-16-500-025)	
Tax Paid Certification	
Redemption Calculation Fee	
<b><u>Total Receipts</u></b>	<b><u>\$811,099.82</u></b>
<b><u>Total Receipts April 2012</u></b>	<b><u>\$606,541.54</u></b>

**BOROUGH OF MT. ARLINGTON**  
**UTILITY RECEIPT REPORT**

MONTH OF MAY 2013

Dated: June 4, 2013

Completed by Patricia E. Simari, CTC

PS

<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>COLLECTED IN MAY 2012</u>
\$44,615.26	SOLID WASTE RECEIPTS	\$40,103.05
\$177,789.43	SEWER RECEIPTS	\$201,285.34
\$79,744.80	WATER RECEIPTS	\$70,305.40
\$3,825.00	SEWER CONN FEE INSTALL PLAN	\$2,975.00
<b>\$305,974.49</b>	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$314,668.79</b>

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 and disbursements for:

**The Month of May 2013**

Dated: June 4, 2013

Completed by Patricia E. Simari, CTC *PS*

**Collections:**

Current Taxes (3-01-17-001-001)	<u>\$3,078,967.89</u>
2012 Taxes (3-01-17-001-003)	<u>\$22,095.39</u>
2012 Taxes (Collected at Tax Sale)	
Pre-Paid Taxes (3-01-17-001-004)	
Municipal Redemption (3-01-17-004-001)	
Interest & Costs (3-01-08-112-000)	
Interest & Costs (Collected at Tax Sale)	<u>\$5,628.24</u>
Return Check Fee (3-01-16-500-017)	<u>\$40.00</u>
Tax Searches (3-01-08-105-010)	
Duplicate Bills (3-01-16-500-016)	<u>\$12.00</u>
3rd Party Red./Subs (3-01-17-004-002)	<u>\$20,210.60</u>
3rd Party Red. Int. (3-01-17-004-003)	<u>\$2,969.18</u>
3rd Party Red. 6% YEP (3-01-16-500-025)	
3rd Party Rec. Fee (3-01-17-004-003)	<u>\$104.00</u>
Misc. Copies (3-01-16-500-017)	
Tax Sale Costs (3-01-16-500-018)	<u>\$1,074.73</u>
Tax Sale Costs (Collected at Tax Sale)	
Tax Sale Premiums (Trust Account)	
6% Delinquent Penalty (3-01-16-500-025)	<u>\$746.46</u>
Tax Paid Certification	
Redemption Calculation Fee	
<b><u>Total Receipts</u></b>	<b><u>\$3,131,848.49</u></b>
<b><u>Total Receipts May 2012</u></b>	<b><u>\$3,180,153.44</u></b>

cc: C. Rinaldi  
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BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON  
FINANCE OFFICE

Finance Report Current Fund

April 2013

Receipts

1,091,678.46

Disbursements

1,185,455.78

BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON  
FINANCE OFFICE

Finance Report Current Fund

May 2013

Receipts

3,652,905.31

Disbursements

1,934,756.20

Mayor report for 6/11/13

Since our meeting on May 7, 2012:

May 8- Was on the radio at WRNJ with the Mayor of Hackettstown talking about all of the great summer activities that go on in our communities. I spent time talking about Lake Hopatcong as well as our Boro events.

May 9- Participated in a Golf outing fundraiser for our Guard and Reservists at Fort Dix

May 14- Attended Library Meeting

May 17- Officiated a wedding here in town.

May 21- Met with Gina Genovese of Courage to Connect to learn more about her mission and goals.

- Attended a Conference of Mayors meeting in Trenton.

May 22- Carolyn and I met with NJ Natural Gas to discuss their future planning for gas line installation in the Borough.

- Cut the ribbon at the grand reopening of Pub 199. Great event and we are very happy to have the Pub back open and employing over 50 people.

May 23- We held a generator seminar at the Arlington. About 30 residents attended. I thank Kraft power for

putting this event on at no cost and also thank Dan, Tom, Anna and the staff of the Arlington for hosting the event and providing refreshments.

May 27- We had a great and successful Memorial Day parade. There are many to thank but I don't want to leave anyone out so I will just say a general thank you to all. I thank Major Brannon from Picatinny Arsenal for being our keynote speaker. Major Brannon attended with his wife and 4 children. I thank him for taking the time to attend and say some very appropriate words about the holiday.

May 29- I attended the DARE graduation at MAPS. Ed LaBruno did a great job working with the 5<sup>th</sup> grade class. It was a very nice graduation ceremony.

- Attended the Morris County League of Municipalities Dinner in Mt Lakes. BPU Commissioner Holden was the keynote speaker.

May 30- Attended a planning committee meeting here at Boro Hall with Councilman Sadow and Administrator Rinaldi.

-Attended a Mayors Book Club celebration in Eatontown on behalf of the League of Municipalities Education Foundation where serve as President. You may remember this is an ongoing program each year focusing in different parts of the State encouraging early reading focused on first graders. Getting the Mayors involved with their fist graders

is wonderful to see and Mayor Gerry Tarantolo of Eatontown is certainly well liked by his 5<sup>th</sup> graders.

-Attended the Morris County Municipal Summit at County College of Morris. Keynote Speaker was Economist Dr Jim Hughes of the Bloustein School at Rutgers.

May 31- Spent the weekend on field trip to Gettysburg Pa with High School class from Morris Knolls as a chaperone.

June 4- Election day. Congratulations Andrew Cangiano and Paula DanChuk and thank you to all those who came out to vote.

June 5- Attended the opening of the newest Compressed Natural Gas facility in Newark. Covanta Energy. Our own John Shortino of Blue Diamond was also in attendance. If you recall Blue Diamond opened up a Natural Gas Filling station to service his fleet of waste hauling trucks here in town. He has been changing out his fleet and plans on being all CNG one day soon. That really reduces the emissions that would come from the diesel trucks. As a board member of NJ Clean Cities it was great to see another project come to completion.

- Attended a League of Municipalities Executive Board Meeting in Princeton.
- Attended our own Employee Appreciation Dinner with most of the rest of the Council. I am glad to see Council President Sorge is feeling better. I know he wanted to be there but was not up to it.

June 6- Served as a panelist in our NJ State League Education Foundation seminar on, "Restoring Civility in Government". Keynote speaker was Senate President Sweeney. This event was recorded and is, or will soon be, available on the Education Foundation Website. It was well attended with some great panelists.

June 7- Attended a Picatinny Work Group meeting in Rockaway Twp. I have been a member of this committee for 16 years. We work with Congressman Frelinghuysen to keep a focus on the importance of Picatinny. The arsenal is vital to the local economy and it would be a disaster for the Arsenal to be closed. We want to keep Picatinny off of the BRAC list. The Arsenal is constantly winning awards for new technology in support of our war fighters.

June 8- Attended the Red Oak Fallen Soldier memorial service at Picatinny. 9 soldiers from NJ were honored this year. They add to the total of 174 that have been lost since the war started following 9/11.

-I stopped by the Knee Deep Handicapped Fishing tournament that was held at our Memorial Park. This is a great event each year and I am very proud that we have a great location for this event to be held. The Club is very appreciative of our continued support.

June 9- Officiated a wedding in Stanhope.

Announcements:

I have become a Channel Partner with EMEX.

I will recuse myself from any discussion about EMEX when it involves the Borough.

I want to make it clear that I receive no financial benefit from any engagement with the Borough.