

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 4, 2014**

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 and Roxbury Register on January 2, 2014; notice was posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on December 20, 2013 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

Girl Scout Troop 4227 led the flag salute. The Mayor asked for a moment of silence to remember all those who put themselves in harm's way to protect our freedoms; and to remember recently deceased Oscar Doyle, a prominent political figure in Morris County, and Pete Laue, a former Mount Arlington Councilman.

4. Roll Call

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

5. Presentations/Mayor's Appointments

- Proclamation Naming February 7, 2014 National Wear Red Day for Women; the Mayor read the Proclamation into the record.

6. Finance Report for the Month of December, 2013.

Current Fund:

Total Receipts: \$ 347,900.25

Total Disbursements: \$1,344,629.42

7. OPRA Report

The Mayor briefly explained the OPRA process and monthly report; there were no requests costing \$100.00 or over in this report however this report contained 29 OPRA requests, with a total cost to the Borough of \$577.00. The Mayor asked Councilwoman Danchuk if there was anything we could help with, since she had filed a couple of OPRA requests.

8. Approval of Minutes

None.

9. Mayor's Report

- The Mayor complimented the DPW on their continuous snow removal efforts and keeping the Borough safe.
- The Mayor thanked the Girl Scouts for attending the meeting tonight and praised the leaders and overall efforts of the Girl Scout organization. The Girl Scouts gave a presentation on their involvement in the Toys for Tots program. Councilman Sadow publicly thanked the Girl Scouts for their help with the program and stated he is looking forward to working with them again next year on the Toys for Tots.

10. Chief of Police Report

- Last week the Chief, along with the Lake Hopatcong Foundation, presented a lake ice safety program to the 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students. The Mayor thanked Chief Licata for his participation in this program with the students as safety is a priority in and around the Lake.

11. Municipal Administrator's Report

- Superintendent of Schools Jameson will be getting back to Administrator Rinaldi to schedule a meeting with the Board of Education Committee.
- Just to clarify, the Recycling Tonnage Grant does include all recycling throughout the municipality.
- Councilwoman Danchuk had asked DPW Supervisor Paul Nelson to generate a monthly report, which was submitted. If Councilwoman Danchuk wants any changes or additions to the report, please speak with the Administrator.
- There will be an ordinance on for introduction at the next council meeting, amending the meeting agenda to be more specific.
- Paul Nelson has been working with CP Engineers regarding requests for proposals for retaining wall work and tree removal at 404 Howard Boulevard. Councilman Sadow stated it seems we are spending money on property that continually drains money and wants to do something with the building that will stop costing us money. Council approved the present safety work of the trees and stone repair to be done but for future maintenance and plans, the Mayor appointed a committee:
 Councilman Sadow, Chair
 Mayor Ondish
 Sabine Watson, CP Engineers
 Councilman Stanzilis
 Jessica Caldwell, Planner
 Carolyn Rinaldi

- A Girl Scout asked why the proclamation was only for women's heart health, not men. The Mayor explained that this was just designated as a day for women. Councilman Sadow explained that women are at risk as well as men and the wear red is to get women to learn more about heart health.

12. Council Committee Reports

Councilwoman Danchuk:

- Very pleased with DPW report and read some of the information into the record.
- Finance Committee will meet next week.

Councilman Cangiano:

- Board of Health met in January and the only issues are the changes at Saint Clare's and how or if this will affect Mount Arlington.
- Recreation had two meetings in January; very active with lots of events and sports.

Council President Sorge:

- Will be meeting with Police Chief and Officers as new Police Liaison.
- Requested a proclamation for the next meeting designating March as Women In History Month.

The Mayor introduced Borough Attorney Matthew O'Donnell and Elizabeth Valandingham, Esq. to the Girl Scouts, explaining their role at meetings.

Councilman Sadow:

- Due to the inclement weather, the Parking Authority meeting will be rescheduled.
- There will be a Finance Committee meeting next week.
- Councilman Sadow and Municipal Administrator Rinaldi will be attending the Seniors Meeting on February 10th; invited Police Chief Licata as well.
- Thanked Police Chief Licata and the efforts of the Police Department for quick and thorough response to a neighbor's possible break-in.
- Thanked Paul Nelson and the efforts of the DPW during these winter storms.
- Water and Sewer Committee meeting scheduled for February 18th.

Councilman Windish:

- New phone system is installed and operational. The Council voicemail/email issues will be repaired on Thursday.

Councilman Stanzilis:

- Attended the Board of Education meeting on Wednesday; the Board has switched meeting days from Monday's. There was discussion regarding a gate at Decker School and Superintendent Jameson will be preparing a letter to Council.
- Also commended Paul Nelson and DPW for their efforts.

Chief Licata mentioned that he researched our Reverse 9-1-1 program; the only way for someone to register if they do not have a computer is to contact the Chief Licata, the organizational administrator, and have him monitor their account for them. Chief will devise a form to assist residents with this process. Verizon home phone numbers are automatically registered, but not other phone carriers. If a non-resident wants to be on the system, they can register as well.

13. Public Comment

Marlene Ackerman, 56 Rogerene Way:

- Thanked Council and Chief for the Reverse 9-1-1 information.
- Asked status of town calendars; should be mailed this week.

14. New Business**15. Old Business**

- Letter from the Lake Hopatcong Foundation, dated January 13, 2014, regarding Lake Hopatcong Block Party.

The letter was read into the record at the January 28, 2014 Council meeting. The Mayor publicly thanked the Foundation for their safety efforts and information regarding ice safety on and around the lake. Marty Kane, Leon Moreau and Donna Mcalle-Holly from the Lake Hopatcong Foundation gave a brief presentation regarding the upcoming block party on Saturday, May 10, 2014 and asked for transportation assistance from the Council, possibly using our Dial-A-Ride services on the day of the party due to limited parking; they will be transporting from the park to off-site parking locations. The Mayor suggested possibly looking into a jitney service and/or school busses since our Dial-A-Ride van is old and was recently repaired

- Mr. Kane also noted that the Feasibility Study for Lee's Park is now underway; the study will be focused on the pavilion.

16. Resolutions

2014-31 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 February 4, 2014.

Motion to Approve: Councilman Sadow

Second: Council President Sorge

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

2014-32 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing a Transfer of Funds.

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Windish

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed

Motion Approved.

- 2014-33** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending the 2014 Temporary Budget.
- Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge
 Second: Councilman Cangiano
 Roll Call:
 Aye: Danchuk, Cangiano, Council President Sorge, Sadow, Windish, Stanzilis
 None Opposed
 Motion Approved.
- 2014-34** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Hiring Part-Time Seasonal Help for DPW.
- Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge
 Second: Councilwoman Danchuk
 Roll Call:
 Aye: Danchuk, Cangiano, Council President Sorge, Sadow, Windish, Stanzilis
 None Opposed
 Motion Approved.
- 2014-35** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Delineating Salary Amounts and Rates For the Year 2014.
- Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge
 Second: Councilman Windish
 Roll Call:
 Aye: Danchuk, Cangiano, Council President Sorge, Sadow, Windish, Stanzilis
 None Opposed
 Motion Approved.
- 2014-36** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing a Merit Increase for Debra Halik.
- Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge
 Second: Councilman Cangiano
 Roll Call:
 Aye: Danchuk, Cangiano, Council President Sorge, Sadow, Windish, Stanzilis
 None Opposed
 Motion Approved.
- 2014-37** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Calling on the Legislature to Make Permanent the 2% Cap on Interest Arbitration Awards.
- Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge
 Second: Councilman Stanzilis
 Roll Call:
 Aye: Danchuk, Cangiano, Council President Sorge, Sadow, Windish, Stanzilis
 None Opposed
 Motion Approved.
- 2014-38** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending the Agreement Between the Chief of Police and the Borough of Mount Arlington.
- Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge
 Second: Councilman Windish

Roll Call:

Aye: Danchuk, Cangiano, Council President Sorge, Sadow, Windish, Stanzilis
None Opposed

Motion Approved.

- 2014-39** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending the Agreement Between Lieutenant Edward LaBruno and the Borough of Mount Arlington.

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Windish

Roll Call:

Aye: Danchuk, Cangiano, Council President Sorge, Sadow, Windish, Stanzilis
None Opposed

Motion Approved.

17. Ordinances – Introduction

- 01-14** An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Borough Code Chapter 86, Excavations, Regarding Section 86-1, Permits for Excavations; and Chapter A210 of the Borough Code, Entitled "Fees" to Update the Fees for Excavations.

The Mayor read Ordinance 01-14 by Title.

Motion: Councilman Cangiano stated that Ordinance 01-14 be introduced by Title and passed on First Reading and that a meeting be held on March 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 419 Howard Boulevard, Mount Arlington, NJ, for a Public Hearing, consideration of Second Reading and Passage of said Ordinance, and that the Clerk be directed to publish, post and make available said Ordinance in accordance with the requirements of law.

Second: Council President Sorge.

Council Discussion: typically for commercial situation where it involves permit fees, bonding and escrow; this just defines the Borough's requirements.

Roll Call:

Aye: Danchuk, Cangiano, Council President Sorge, Sadow, Windish, Stanzilis
None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

- 02-14** An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Borough Code Chapter 169, Vehicles and Traffic, Section 169-13, Parking Prohibited At All Times On Certain Streets.

The Mayor read Ordinance 02-14 by Title.

Motion: Council President Sorge stated that Ordinance 02-14 be introduced by Title and passed on First Reading and that a meeting be held on March 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 419 Howard Boulevard, Mount Arlington, NJ, for a Public Hearing, consideration of Second Reading and Passage of said Ordinance, and that the Clerk be directed to publish, post and make available said Ordinance in accordance with the requirements of law.

Second: Councilman Sadow.

No Council Discussion.

Roll Call:

Aye: Danchuk, Cangiano, Council President Sorge, Sadow, Windish, Stanzilis
None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

- 03-14** An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Borough Code Chapter 138 Snow Removal Contractors, Section 138-3 Establishment of Rates.

The Mayor read Ordinance 03-14 by Title.

Motion: Council President Sorge stated that Ordinance 03-14 be introduced by Title and passed on First Reading and that a meeting be held on March 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 419 Howard Boulevard, Mount Arlington, NJ, for a Public Hearing, consideration of Second Reading and Passage of said Ordinance, and that the Clerk be directed to publish, post and make available said Ordinance in accordance with the requirements of law.

Second: Councilman Sadow.

No Council Discussion.

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

18. Ordinances – Second Reading

None.

19. Motions

None.

20. Executive Session

- 2014-40** 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 – Approval of Executive Minutes
Action Will Be Taken.

Motion to Go Into Executive Session: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Cangiano

All in Favor – Aye.

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

Motion to Return to Open Session: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Windish

All in Favor – Aye.

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

Motion to Approve the January 15, 2013 Executive Minutes: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow.

Roll Call:

Aye: Danchuk, Council President Sorge, Sadow, Windish

Abstain: Cangiano, Stanzilis

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

Motion to Approve the February 5, 2013 Executive Minutes: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Cangiano

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

Motion to Approve the April 2, 2013 Executive Minutes: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Windish

Roll Call:

Aye: Cangiano, Council President Sorge, Windish, Stanzilis

Abstain: Danchuk, Sadow

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

Motion to Approve the June 11, 2013 Executive Minutes: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilwoman Danchuk

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

Motion to Approve the July 2, 2013 Executive Minutes: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call:

Aye: Council President Sorge, Sadow, Windish

Abstain: Danchuk, Cangiano, Stanzilis

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

Motion to Approve the August 6, 2013 Executive Minutes: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call:

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

Abstain: Danchuk

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

Motion to Approve the September 3, 2013 Executive Minutes: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Cangiano

Roll Call:

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

Abstain: Stanzilis

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

Motion to Approve the October 1, 2013 Executive Minutes: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call:

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

Abstain: Stanzilis

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

Motion to Approve the January 28, 2014 Executive Minutes: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call:

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

Abstain: Windish

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

Councilman Sadow stated there was a Motion tabled at the January 28, 2014 meeting; the Motion was to drop any investigation and ethics charges against Councilwoman Danchuk. The Mayor asked that the Motion was tabled due to lack of full Council being present, which we have tonight.

Motion to Drop any Ethics Action by Council Against Councilwoman Danchuk:
Councilman Sadow.

Second: Councilwoman Danchuk.

Discussion:

Councilman Windish questioned Councilwoman Danchuk's complaint to the Prosecutors Office and stated this will cost the Borough money, it is not Borough business. Councilwoman Danchuk stated calling the prosecutor costs no money; she had contacted the Prosecutor because Council was discussing business in Executive Session that should have been discussed in Open. Councilman Windish also asked if Councilwoman Danchuk wanted O'Donnell McCord's contract or RFP, as requested in a recent OPRA. There was a lengthy discussion regarding the cost to the Borough for ethics charges, Councilwoman Danchuk's reasoning for submitting certain OPRA requests, and the Mayor stated that Councilwoman Danchuk ran for election on transparency yet she is the least transparent member of Council. With regard to the Executive Minutes, the Mayor stated we would adjust the way we do Executive Minutes, and review and approve them monthly. Councilman Sadow requested Councilwoman Danchuk contact the Prosecutors office and withdraw the inquiry if Council decides not to file anything with the Ethics Board. Councilwoman Danchuk stated she would like to start over and get things done in a normal way on Council, without the animosity and suspicion of why she is doing something. Councilman Sadow stated the Council is willing to give Councilwoman Danchuk a clean slate, but she has to come across to that line as well, enough of OPRA, enough of the back-stabbing stupidity and wasting Council's time. Councilwoman Danchuk stated she has researched what it takes to file ethics charges and suggested that Council President Sorge file the charges to get it over with, and get a decision without costing the Borough money. Council again discussed the fact that questions should go through Council President Sorge, who in turn will contact Mr. O'Donnell.

Roll Call:

Aye: Danchuk, Sadow, Stanzilis, Mayor Ondish (due to tie vote)

Opposed: Cangiano, Council President Sorge, Windish

Motion Approved.

The Mayor stated he prays this is the last time Council has to vote on this issue and he appreciates Councilwoman Danchuk's apology (for being in the position of breaking the tie vote) and looks forward to working together. Councilman Sadow stated Council now has expectations, and so should Councilwoman Danchuk.

21. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Stanzilis

All in Favor – Aye.

None Opposed.

Motion Approved.



Linda DeSantis, RMC
Borough Clerk

Minutes Tabled at Council Meeting of April 1, 2014.

Minutes Approved with Corrections at Council Meeting of April 15, 2014.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, diseases of the heart are the nation's leading cause of death and stroke is the third leading cause of death;

WHEREAS, cardiovascular diseases (CVD) claim the lives of nearly 420,000 American females each year or about one death per minute;

WHEREAS, each year, 52 percent of all deaths due to cardiovascular disease and 60 percent of stroke deaths occur in females;

WHEREAS, too many women die each year because they are unaware that heart disease is their No. 1 killer;

WHEREAS, in 2008, the direct and indirect cost of cardiovascular diseases and stroke in the U.S., including stroke, is estimated at \$298 billion;

WHEREAS, nearly as many women die of heart disease, stroke, and all other cardiovascular diseases than the next four leading causes of death combined, including all cancers;

WHEREAS, only 16 percent of women surveyed in 2009 identified cardiovascular disease as the greatest health problem facing them;

WHEREAS, February is designated as American Heart Month;

WHEREAS, Go Red for Women is the American Heart Association's national call to increase awareness about heart disease – the leading cause of death for women – and to inspire women to take charge of their heart health and reduce risk;

WHEREAS, all women should learn their own personal risk for heart disease, using tools such as the American Heart Association's My Life Check, Go Red For Women Heart CheckUp, Go Red BetterU, and by talking to their healthcare provider.

WHEREAS, taking action and making the right choices relating to proper nutrition, physical activity, and other health lifestyle choices are essential to living a heart healthy life;

WHEREAS, by choosing to MAKE IT YOUR MISSION - you can save lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Arthur R. Ondish, in recognition of the importance of the ongoing fight against heart disease and stroke, do hereby proclaim **Friday, February 7, 2014** to be

NATIONAL WEAR RED DAY FOR WOMEN

in the Borough of Mount Arlington, and urge all citizens to show their support for women and the fight against heart disease by commemorating this day by the wearing of the color red. By increasing awareness, speaking up about heart disease, and empowering women to reduce their risk for cardiovascular disease, we can save thousands of lives each year.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the Borough of Mount Arlington this 4th day of February, 2014.

Arthur R. Ondish, Mayor
February 4, 2014

BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON
FINANCE OFFICE

Finance Report Current Fund

December 2013

Receipts	347,900.25
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