

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 28, 2015**

**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 April 16, 2015; notice was posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on April 8, 2015 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 those who put themselves in harm's way to protect our freedoms.

**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.

Council President Sorge suggested the Grand Marshall of the Memorial Day Parade this year be the Mayor's late father, George Ondish, who had been a longtime volunteer and resident of the Borough. Council agreed; the Mayor's mother will ride for her late husband.

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

- Proclamation Naming April Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month  
The Mayor read the Proclamation into the record.
- Proclamation Naming the Week of May 3 – 9, 2015 Municipal Clerk's Week  
The Mayor read the Proclamation into the record.

The Mayor stated Council will move on with the Agenda until the Girl Scouts arrive.

The Mayor asked to move the Public Comment section of the Agenda to be held after the Landfill Discussion.

Motion to Approve the Change in Agenda Order: Councilman Sadow

Second: Councilman Stanzilis

Roll Call:

All in Favor: Aye

None Opposed.

Motion Approved

The Mayor advised Council of Picatinny Media Day on Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, indicating he had tickets for Councilmembers should they want to attend.

**\*7. Landfill Redevelopment Discussion**

- Tom Brys, Matrix NewWorld, gave an overview presentation of the landfill redevelopment project. Mr. Brys stated the project will generate two streams of revenue for the Borough, through the parking facility and the solar project. The solar energy certificates will pay off the project in ten years, the solar incentive is for fifteen years. Mr. Brys stated the bonding is an important piece; Mount Arlington has an unusable piece of property ripe for sale, the Borough has borrowing capacity and an excellent bond rating so we can access money at a low cost.
- As soon as the facility is built the Borough will receive a positive cash flow.
- The Borough will issue temporary short term notes to provide funds for construction; there will be performance bond protection
- Borough Engineer Sabine Watson stated we must obtain NJDEP approval of the landfill closure plan; we are proving to DEP that modifications have taken place. Physical monitoring has been done, there is no drainage or groundwater and we have proof of gas monitoring. We should have the DEP approvals by the end of May. We then have to go through the NJ Highlands redevelopment process for Brownfield Redevelopment. Ms. Watson stated we should complete the NJ Highlands process by mid-July and go to bid for a developer in mid-September.

The Mayor announced that the Girl Scouts have arrived.

Motion to Temporarily Stop the Landfill Discussion: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call:

All in Favor: Aye

None Opposed.

Motion Approved

- Proclamation Recognizing Girl Scout Troop 94597  
Troop 94597 attended the meeting and the Mayor read the Proclamation into the record, congratulating and thanking the Scouts.

**\*7. Landfill Redevelopment Discussion (continued)**

- SREC = Solar Renewable Energy Certificate (Credits). ITC = Investment Tax Credit
- With regard to protecting the revenue from the project, Mr. Brys stated that Brick Township, for example, opened a "lockbox" account which was opened once a year to pay the debt service and the debt service reserve. It is imperative to have business interruption insurance so that the project revenue cannot be used for any other purpose.
- Mr. Brys suggested creating an environment to insure the developer's success and cultivate a good partnership with the developer.
- The Borough is much more in control if we do this project as a redevelopment.

**\*6. Public Comment**

- Larry Ross, 11 Berkshire Avenue:
  - Mr. Ross commended the Mayor and Council for utilizing barren land but voiced his concerns over parking lot emissions, the failure of the Morris County solar parking facility and fire safety.
- Wendy Maler, 75 Mountainview:
  - Ms. Maler voiced her concerns about drainage, the benefit to the residents and the maintenance of the revenue from this project.
- Gene Paradiso, 206 Howard Boulevard:
  - Mr. Paradiso addressed his concerns regarding the depth of the landfill, investment tax credit, current landfill monitoring and the cost of the solar facility with/without constructing the parking lot.
  - Mr. Paradiso thanked all those who attended/supported the Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast.

- Karl Wehmeyer, 12 Berkshire:
  - Mr. Wehmeyer voiced his concerns over the effect of construction vehicles on the roads, the amount of traffic during construction, weather related damage to the panels resulting in damage to parked/stored vehicles and the bonding.

#### 8. Adjourn



Linda DeSantis, RMC  
Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved at the Council Meeting of June 9, 2015.

# BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON

## Proclamation

### CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS MONTH

**WHEREAS**, the maltreatment, abuse and neglect of children is a significant social problem that damages children physically, mentally and emotionally and inflicts immeasurable harm on society as a whole and all children deserve to be nurtured, protected and free from physical or emotional harm; and

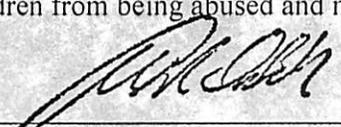
**WHEREAS**, the State of New Jersey and the Department of Children and Families believe that the best place to raise children is among strong, healthy families; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of New Jersey is committed to building a continuum of community-based child abuse prevention and intervention programs that are culturally competent, strength-based and family-centered and that achieve positive outcomes for parenting and family relationships, as well as empower domestic violence victims and their children; and

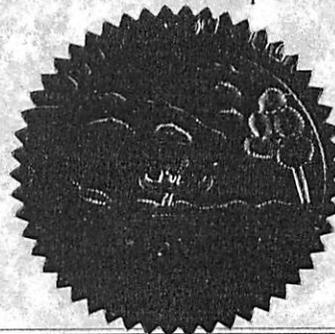
**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Children and Families embraces the Standards for Prevention Programs developed by the New Jersey Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect; and

**WHEREAS**, all sectors of the community, including law enforcement, medical professionals, schools, courts and media outlets, as well as numerous public and private agencies, have joined forces to promote public awareness and community involvement in strengthening families during the month of April and continuing throughout the year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, ON BEHALF OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL, I, ARTHUR R. ONDISH, MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON**, do hereby proclaim April 2015 as *Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month* and urge our residents to become involved in efforts aimed at strengthening families and communities and preventing our children from being abused and neglected.

  
Arthur R. Ondish, Mayor  
Borough of Mount Arlington

Date: April 28, 2015



# BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON

## Proclamation

**MUNICIPAL CLERK'S WEEK: MAY 3 – 9, 2015**

**WHEREAS**, the Office of the Municipal Clerk, a time honored and vital part of local government exists throughout the world; and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of the Municipal Clerk is the oldest among public servants; and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of the Municipal Clerk provides the professional link between the citizens, the local governing bodies and agencies of government at other levels; and

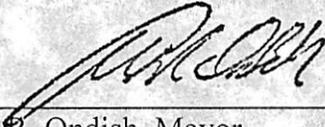
**WHEREAS**, Municipal Clerks have pledged to be ever mindful of their neutrality and impartiality, rendering equal service to all; and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Clerk serves as the information center on functions of local government and community; and

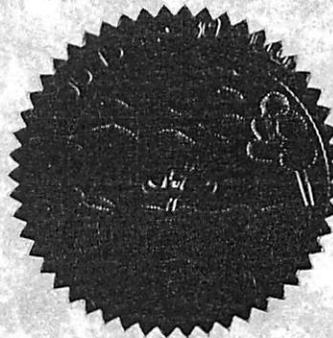
**WHEREAS**, Municipal Clerks continually strive to improve the administration of the affairs of the Office of the Municipal Clerk through participation in education programs, seminars, workshops and the annual meetings of their state, provincial, county and international professional organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, it is most appropriate that we recognize the accomplishments of the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Arthur R. Ondish, Mayor of the Borough of Mount Arlington, recognize the week of May 3 through May 9, 2015 as Municipal Clerks Week, and further extend appreciation to our Municipal Clerk, Linda DeSantis, and to all Municipal Clerks for the vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.**

  
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Arthur R. Ondish, Mayor  
Borough of Mount Arlington

Date: April 28, 2015



**PROCLAMATION**

**IN HONOR OF**

**GIRL SCOUT TROOP**

**#94597**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Borough Council wish to publicly recognize the efforts and commitment displayed by Girl Scout Troop #94597 for successfully achieving the Girl Scout Earth Day Badge.

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Borough Council wish to also publicly thank the Girl Scouts for completing their Earth Day Project, "Leave a Place Better Than They Found It" by using their homemade natural cleaners to spotlessly clean the windows at the Civic Center.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington that they wish to honor, congratulate and recognize the achievements and contributions of Girl Scout Troop #94597.



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Arthur R. Ondish, Mayor  
April 28, 2015

