

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 24, 2006**

1. Call to Order

- 2. Adequate notice** of this meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows: Notice was published in the Roxbury Register and the Daily Record on January 19, 2006; notice was posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on January 10, 2006 and has been available to the public; notice of this meeting is on file in the office of the Borough Clerk.

3. Flag Salute

The Mayor asked for a moment of silence in honor of those troops serving us overseas and their families and for the soldiers that have paid the ultimate price.

4. Roll Call

Councilwoman Mulligan, Councilman Doran, Councilman Sorge, Council President Driscoll, Councilman Stone, Mayor Ondish, JoAnne Sendler, Borough Administrator, and Joseph Bell, Borough Attorney, were also present. Councilwoman Cerasoli was out ill.

5. Presentations/Appointments

None.

6. Old Business

None.

7. New Business

- Councilman Sorge requested the Council make a personal donation to the Jan Gordon Foundation, as the late Mr. Gordon was a former Councilman; Joseph Bell asked to also be included in this personal donation.

8. Utility and Tax Collector's Report for the Month of March, 2006.

The Clerk read the Utility Report for the Month of March, 2006 into the record: Grand Total: \$54,576.87.

The Clerk read the Tax Collector's Report for the Month of March, 2006 into the record: Total Receipts: \$95,223.35.

9. Open to Public

Gary Keifer, Dunlap Street:

- Mr. Keifer stated that he was away for three months over the winter and the Police Department checked on his house constantly; he wanted to publicly recognize their efforts.
- Mr. Keifer stated that Dunlap Street had been resurfaced years ago but the left shoulder of the road collects water, creating a mud mess. The Mayor stated that an upcoming project is to put curbing in that area and address the stormwater issues. Councilman Doran will speak to DPW Supervisor Paul Nelson about a temporary repair.

The Mayor stated that a police officer recently complimented and commended the Borough's DPW for doing such a fantastic job this past winter with the snow removal.

Motion to Move the Executive Session to the End of the Meeting: Councilman Sorge.

Second: Councilman Stone.

All in Favor – Aye; None Opposed.

11. Ordinances – Introduction

None.

12. Resolutions

- 2006-76** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, Authorizing the Settlement of the Shore Hill Apartments Tax Appeal

Motion to Approve: Councilman Sorge.

Second: Councilman Driscoll.

Joseph Bell stated that we entered into a settlement agreement because the Borough could not withstand the assessment. Mr. Bell stated that Tax Assessor Jack Marchione should also be commended for his efforts. Mr. Bell stated that the Borough has only four tax appeals and Mr. Marchione has resolved two of them. The Mayor also publicly noted the efforts of Mr. Marchione.

Roll Call: Mulligan, Doran, Sorge, Council President Driscoll, Stone.

Motion Approved.

13. Motions

1. Civic Center Rental: Permission to Waive Fee and/or Security Deposit:

- Joe Wargo, Mount Arlington Police Department, Junior Police Academy,
August 7-11 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday
- August 14-16 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Wednesday

Motion to Approve with Waiver of Fee and Waiver of Security Deposit:

Councilman Stone.

Second: Councilwoman Mulligan.

Roll Call: Mulligan, Doran, Sorge, Council President Driscoll, Stone.

Motion Approved.

Councilwoman Mulligan stated that she was at the Civic Center on Saturday to find there was a flood; the new floor was gone in the kitchen and the restroom had flooded. Councilwoman Mulligan stated that it appeared that someone was aware of this because a drawer was taken out of the refrigerator and put under the sink to catch dripping water and she wanted to know if this had been reported or addressed. Councilwoman Mulligan stated that DPW was great and corrected the problem on Saturday afternoon for the Police event on Sunday.

Civic Center Rental: Permission to Waive Fee and/or Security Deposit:

- Pat Hoskins, Mount Arlington Girls Scouts Clothing Drive on May 20, 2006, from 8 a.m.-
1 p.m.:

Motion to Approve with Waiver of Fee and Waiver of Security Deposit:

Councilwoman Mulligan.

Second: Council President Driscoll.

Roll Call: Mulligan, Doran, Sorge, Council President Driscoll, Stone.

Motion Approved.

2. Approve a fixed assets contract – Information and discussion at meeting

JoAnne Sendler stated that we thought we would be successful with our new software program in doing the fixed assets properly but it does not keep year to date information and while our audit was excellent, this was one of the items to be corrected. The contract with American Appraisal Associates is \$4,000 and \$1,000 every year after that for physical inventory and reports. The \$4,000 this year we would have needed to absorb anyway because it is time to redo it so it's not that we are so much behind, it is very necessary; Nissivoccia & Company recommended this company and we have used them before.

2006-77 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, Authorizing Execution of a Contract Between the Borough and American Appraisal Associates.

Motion to Approve: Councilman Driscoll.

Second: Councilman Stone.

Roll Call: Mulligan, Doran, Sorge, Council President Driscoll, Stone.

Motion Approved.

14. Mayor's Report

- The Mayor recently attended the 43rd Annual Mayor's Convention in Atlantic City, which was very informative. The Mayor met a lot of people and made a lot of contacts. This was the first Mayor's Convention that eighteen Cabinet members and the Governor attended the kick-off luncheon, which is unprecedented. The Mayor spoke with Lisa Jackson, the DEP Commissioner, regarding the Lake Hopatcong Commission and their budget and she plans to visit; the Mayor indicated that it is a \$200+ million revenue stream that will only cost \$900,000 to maintain and keep making improvements. The Conference was focused on gang violence and emphasized Mayor's get more involved with the schools so that the students know there are people that they can go to if they have questions or problems; our next Council meeting is at 10:00 a.m. so that the MAPS students can attend.
- The Mayor received more information from Congressman Rodney Frelinghuysen regarding the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit and asked the Clerk to make the information available to residents, either on the website or have a supply in the Municipal Building lobby. The Mayor stated that the information can also be viewed on the Congressman's website.
- The Mayor is trying to schedule a Meet & Greet with the residents of Ridgeview; the clubhouse at Ridgeview is now complete so the meeting can be held there. The Mayor would like JoAnne Sendler, Linda DeSantis, Patty Simari, Chief Peterson, Paul Nelson, Chief Perillo and the Council to attend. The Mayor would like to advise the new residents of our positions, what is available in Mount Arlington, welcome them to the community and answer their questions, similar to the meeting we had with residents of Lakeshore. The Mayor will send Mr. Stein of Ridgeview some available dates; the meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. either during the week of May 15 or the week of May 23. JoAnne Sendler will contact Chief Peterson and Paul Nelson to ascertain their available dates.
- The Mayor stated that Mr. Stein of Ridgeview also contacted him about the water rates and the irrigation of the grass. The Mayor stated that the new water rate will change drastically; we will be lowering the minimums, including fees, and raise it for those using more water.

15. Borough Administrator's Report

- JoAnne Sendler indicated that Ken Eicher, Dial-A-Ride Driver, has resigned effective May 31, 2006, however he will continue on through June except for one week that he is away and he will fill in any time that he is in Mount Arlington Borough. Ms. Sendler asked the Clerk to include a Motion to Accept Mr. Eicher's Resignation on the next Council Agenda. Ms. Sendler stated that we are advertising for this position but it is a very difficult position to fill.
- JoAnne Sendler stated that we are in the process of hiring lifeguards for the municipal beach; she has contacted Paul Horsey and he might have some employees that are certified and willing to work on a part-time basis. Joseph Bell suggested contacting the Lakeland YMCA; Councilman Doran suggested contacting the Randolph YMCA.
- JoAnne Sendler thanked Linda DeSantis and Tina Mayer for their efforts during the past week.

10. Executive Session

2006-78 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, Authorizing Conference of the Mayor and Borough Council with the Public Excluded.

Motion to Go Into Executive Session: Councilman Doran.

Second: Councilwoman Mulligan.

All in Favor – Aye; None Opposed.

Motion Approved.

Motion to Return to Open Session: Councilman Driscoll.
Second: Councilman Doran.
All in Favor – Aye; None Opposed.
Motion Approved.

Added Resolutions:

2006-79 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, Authorizing an Increase in Salary of \$2.00 Per Hour for Carolyn O'Connor.

Motion to Approve: Councilman Stone.
Second: Councilman Sorge.
Roll Call: Mulligan - No, Doran, Sorge, Council President Driscoll, Stone.
Motion Approved.

2006-80 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, Converting Tina Mayer from Part Time to Full Time Employee.

Motion to Approve: Councilman Sorge.
Second: Councilman Stone.
Roll Call: Mulligan, Doran, Sorge, Council President Driscoll, Stone.
Motion Approved.

16. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Council President Driscoll.
Second: Councilman Stone.
All in Favor – Aye; None Opposed.
Motion Approved.

Linda DeSantis, RMC
Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved at Council Meeting of June 12, 2006.

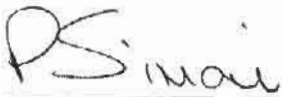
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UTILITY RECEIPT REPORT FOR

MONTH OF March 2006

<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>
\$ 16,392.34	SOLID WASTE RECEIPTS	190-0353-097
\$ 29,174.86	SEWER RECEIPTS	190-0356-097
\$ 9,009.67	WATER RECEIPTS	190-0354-097
<u>\$ 54,576.87</u>	<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	
\$ 2,556.00	SEWER CONNECTION FEE INSTALLMENT PLAN RECEIPTS	
\$ 0.00	WATER REPAIR RECEIPTS	



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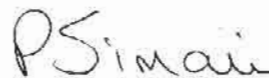
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To the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Mt. Arlington:
I hereby submit my report of receipts & disbursements for

The Month of March 2006

Dated April 7, 2006



Patricia E. Simari, CTC

Collections:

Current Taxes (5-01-17-001-001)	\$ <u>86,774.25</u>
<u>2005</u> Taxes (5-01-17-001-002)	\$ <u>7,175.20</u>
Future Taxes (5-01-17-001-004)	
Munic. Red. (5-01-17-004-001)	
Interest & Costs (501-08-112-000)	\$ <u>1,212.15</u>
Assessments (5-01-16-500-009)	
Return Ck. Fee (5-01-16-500-021)	
Tax Searches (5-01-08-105-010)	
Duplicate Bills (5-01-16-500-021)	
3 rd Party Red. (5-01-17-004-002)	
3 rd Party Red. Int./Subs (5-01-17-004-003)	
Misc. <u>Copies</u> (5-01-16-500-021)	\$ <u>61.75</u>
Tax Sale Costs (5-01-17-001-005)	
Tax Sale Premiums	
Franchise Tax	
Gross Receipts Tax	
6% Delinq. Pen. (5-01-16-500-021)	
Tax Paid Certification	
Total Receipts	\$ <u>95,223.35</u>