

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 1, 2017
7:00 p.m.**

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 on January 4, 2017 and posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on December 21, 2016. Notice of this meeting is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk and has been made available to the public.

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 in honor of all those brave men and women serving around the world in uniform services protecting our freedoms.

4. Roll Call

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

Council President Sorge stated: "I would like to remind the Councilpersons that nothing shall be discussed or addressed in the Public portion of this meeting which includes any matter that is: 1) pending litigation; 2) ongoing investigation of any type; 3) potential litigation; and, 4) personnel and any comments regarding any Borough employee without being given a Rice Notice. Should any of the Councilpersons discuss any of these issues in Open Session, I will ask the Borough Chief of Police to remove that Councilperson from the dais. Do I make myself clear?"

5. Presentations

None

6. Tax and Utility Report

None

7. Finance Report

None

8. Approval of Minutes

July 11, 2017 Regular Meeting

Motion to Approve: Councilman Sadow

Second: Councilman Cangiano

Roll Call

Aye: Delaney, Loughridge, Sadow, Cangiano, Windish, Council President Sorge

None Opposed

Motion Approved

9. Mayor's Report

None

10. Chief of Police Report

None

11. Municipal Administrator's Report

None

12. Council Committee Reports**Councilman Delaney:** None**Councilman Loughridge:** None**Council President Sorge:** None**Councilman Sadow:** None**Councilman Cangiano:** None**Councilman Windish:**

- Councilman Windish stated he is waiting for information on the Code Committee; he knows action was taken or pending but he knew nothing about it and he is the Chair of the Committee. Councilman Windish suggested the ordinance to be introduced be tabled and sent back to the Committee so it can be done correctly.

13. Public Comment

Thomas Forrest, 566 Henmar Drive:

- Mr. Forrest stated there is a home in his neighborhood that is lacking maintenance and has been a problem in the last 3 ½ years since he has lived there. The yard is extremely overgrown, lawn not mowed, trimming not done, and no snow removal in the winter. The home is very much in disrepair and an eyesore to the neighborhood and detriment to our property values. The property address is 679 Henmar Drive. Borough Attorney Matthew O'Donnell stated the Borough is involved in litigation with the homeowner; we are addressing your issues and concerns and we are prosecuting this matter to the full extent.

Pat Alviggi, 681 Henmar Drive:

- Ms. Alviggi stated she lives on the bad side of 679 Henmar, and detailed the condition of the outside of the home along with the wildlife that has inhabited both the grounds and the home itself. Ms. Alviggi might have to sell her home in the near future and this property will bring her property value way down, plus she has a mouse problem that the exterminator said was coming from that yard. Borough Attorney Matthew O'Donnell stated we were in court this morning on this issue, it is being addressed; since it is in litigation, the Attorney cannot discuss the case but we will get results.

Susan Mabee, 677 Henmar Drive:

- Ms. Mabee stated the issues with 679 Henmar have been going on for many, many years and the neighbors have been very patient; we cannot even enjoy our own backyards or invite people over, it's embarrassing. The Mayor stated this is in court as we speak.

14. New Business

None

15. Old Business

None

16. Resolutions**Voted By Consent****2017-126 through 2017-131 and****Removal of 2017-130**

- 2017-126** 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 August 1, 2017
- 2017-127** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Accepting the Bid and Awarding the Contract for the 2017 Kadel Drive Restoration Project to Top Line Construction
- 2017-128** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Accepting the Bid and Awarding the Contract for the 2017 Road Restoration Project to Top Line Construction
- 2017-129** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Accepting the Bid and Awarding the Contract for the Schmitz Terrace and Henry Court Water Main Project to Pacific Construction, LLC
- 2017-130** 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 License for the Licensing Period Commencing July 1, 2017
Removed from Agenda – No Vote Taken
- 2017-131** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, To Redeem A Third Party Tax Lien Certificate of Sale #15-00016 For Property Known as Block 33, Lot 16

Motion to Approve By Consent: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call

Aye: Delaney, Loughridge, Sadow, Cangiano, Windish, Council President Sorge

None Opposed

Motion Approved

Municipal Administrator Rinaldi publicly thanked Tom Lemanowicz, CP Engineers, and William Selders, H2M Associates, for being present at this meeting to address any questions pertaining to the project bid awards.

17. Ordinances – Introduction

- 11-17** 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 4, Administration of Government, To Change the Name of the Municipal Administrator to Borough Administrator

Motion: Councilman Sadow stated that Ordinance 11-17 be adopted and further considered after a Public Hearing to be held on September 5, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 419 Howard Boulevard, Mount Arlington, NJ.

Second: Council President Sorge

Council Discussion:

- Councilman Windish stated he doesn't care about the name, the name doesn't bother him, he could care less. He stated he is the Head of the Code Committee and why wasn't this discussed in committee form, brought out and acted upon. Mayor Stanzilis stated that it was his understanding that this is just a name change and asked the Council if this needs to go to the Code Committee. Councilman Windish stated it is the process. Borough Attorney Matthew O'Donnell stated there are no substantive changes. Councilman Windish stated he has the April 27, 2016 ordinance which is different from tonight's ordinance; he cannot specify at this time what all the differences are but if we went through the committee form, we would have gone through all of this, red-lined what was needed. Councilman Windish stated if we were going to do this, maybe it would

have been a good opportunity to update and revise the Code. That opportunity was not afforded so he suggested Council table this; Council can push it through but Councilman Windish objects to it and wants it on the record so that it is duly noted. Mayor Stanzilis stated it is duly noted.

Roll Call

Aye: Delaney, Loughridge, Sadow, Cangiano, Council President Sorge

Opposed: Windish

Motion Approved

18. Ordinances – Second Reading

10-17 An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, to Establish the Formal Limits of the Rights-Of-Way For Berkshire Avenue and an Unnamed Road Along Their Shared Boundary with the Borough Owned Property Identified as Block 12, Lot 1

The Mayor opened the Hearing to the Public; no Public comment.

Council President Sorge: I make the Motion to Adopt Ordinance 10-17

Second: Councilman Loughridge

No Council discussion

Roll Call

Aye: Delaney, Loughridge, Sadow, Cangiano, Windish, Council President Sorge

None Opposed

Motion Approved

19. Motions

Vendor Permit:

- Loving Hut Restaurant, selling vegan snacks at the Elks Lodge during Anderson Farm Market Hours
- Frank Diorio, Frank's Italian Ice, selling fresh-scoop Italian ice at the Elks Lodge during Anderson Farm Market Hours

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Delaney

Roll Call

All in Favor – Aye

None Opposed

Motion Approved

20. Executive Session

None

21. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Council President Sorge

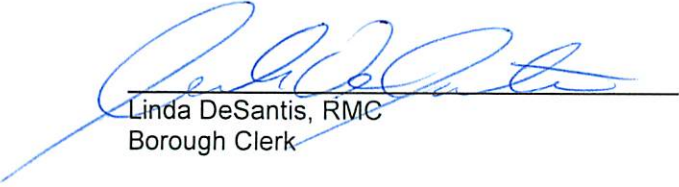
Second: Councilman Delaney

Roll Call

All in Favor – Aye

None Opposed

Motion Approved


Linda DeSantis, RMC
Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved at Council Meeting of September 5, 2017.