

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 3, 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.

At the mandate of Council President, all Councilpersons shall not discuss or address in the Public portion of this meeting any matter that is: 1) pending litigation; 2) ongoing investigation of any type; 3) potential litigation; and 4) personnel or any comments regarding any Borough employee without being given Rice Notice. Should any Councilperson discuss any of these issues in Open Session, the Borough Chief of Police will remove that Council person from the dais.

3. Flag Salute

At the Mayor's request, Boy Scouts Dylan Coons and Louis Bacinsky led the flag salute. Mayor Stanzilis asked for a heartfelt moment of silence for those that were innocently slaughtered in Las Vegas, their family members, those that survived and all of the first responders.

4. Roll Call

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

5. Presentations

Eagle Scout Project Presentation

Dylan Coons:

Dylan distributed a proposal depicting his Mount Arlington Community Garden Eagle Project. Dylan wants to add two bins to the community garden area, one for mulch, one for dirt, and also build/erect a sign stating, "Mount Arlington Community Garden". Mr. Coons met previously with the Mayor, Carolyn Rinaldi, Paul Nelson and his Scout Master regarding his plans.

Certificate of Appreciation to Former Recreation Member Michael Strickler

The Mayor read the Certificate of Appreciation into the record and presented same to Mr. Strickler.

6. Executive Session

2017-145 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.

Attorney Client Privilege:

- Green Acres Discussion
- Pending Litigation – COAH
- Approval of Executive Minutes: June 13, 2017
June 13, 2017

Action May or May Not Be Taken.

Motion to Go Into Executive Session: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Cangiano

Roll Call

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

Absent: Windish

None Opposed

Motion Approved

Motion to Return to Open Session: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Cangiano

Roll Call

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

Absent: Windish

None Opposed

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve Executive Minutes #2017-89, June 13, 2017: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call

Aye: Delaney, Loughridge, Sadow, Council President Sorge

Abstain: Cangiano (absent 6/13/17)

Absent: Windish

None Opposed

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve Executive Minutes #2017-110, June 13, 2017: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call

Aye: Delaney, Loughridge, Sadow, Council President Sorge

Abstain: Cangiano (absent 6/13/17)

Absent: Windish

None Opposed

Motion Approved

7. Tax and Utility Report

None

8. Finance Report for the Month of August, 2017

Current Fund:

Total Receipts: \$5,061,349.27

Total Disbursements: \$1,860,336.59

9. Approval of Minutes

September 5, 2017

Regular Meeting

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Loughridge

Roll Call

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

Absent: Windish

None Opposed

Motion Approved

10. Mayor's Report

- The Mayor reminded all that the Joe Wargo Memorial 5K will be held this Saturday and he hopes for a good turnout.

11. Chief of Police Report

- The Chief has been working with the Administrator in reviewing ordinances and updating some codes.
- The Chief also mentioned the upcoming 5K.

12. Borough Administrator's Report

- Just a reminder that the November 1st Council Meeting is on a Wednesday evening.
- Best Practices Inventory:

The Administrator read into the record: Each municipality is required to complete and submit a Best Practices Inventory worksheet to the Division of Local Government Services to determine whether or not some portion of the municipality's aid will be withheld. The Inventory encourages municipalities to embrace practices that promote financial accountability, sound management and transparency. As the Chief Financial Officer, Ms. Rinaldi is responsible for completing the questionnaire and apprising the governing body of the outcome. The deadline for submission is October 20, 2017.

There have been some changes to the questionnaire but all of the questions have been asked on previous questionnaires but the number of questions has been reduced; originally there were 50 questions, reduced to 30 and this year it is down to 25 questions. Questions pertain to contracts, Borough policies, website, Borough efforts at transparency, information from the assessor, confirmation that Council members have submitted their Financial Disclosure Statements, annual debt statements, health benefits, and overall policy and procedures for the Borough. Mount Arlington is in compliance with Best Practice Standards and will continue to receive 100% of our aid.

13. Council Committee Reports

Councilman Delaney:

- The CERT Team will be out in full force to help with the Wargo Memorial 5K. We also have four new volunteers for the CERT Team, going through background checks, etc. now and will start training at the end of the month.

Councilman Loughridge:

- We are starting to get some positive results with Property Maintenance issues.
- Councilman Loughridge stated he is the Chairman of the Trails Committee and on September 23, 2017, the first section of the trails in Hopatcong were completed. The new trail is named the Lake Hopatcong Trail which is 9 miles long and funded by the Federal Highway Administration Recreational Trails Program.

Councilman Cangiano:

- Attended a TransOptions Awards Ceremony on behalf of the Borough, along with Mayor Stanzilis. This Association is involved with environmental education, sustainability, bicycle safety, pedestrian safety, etc. Julie Crawford of Mount Arlington Public School was given an award for her efforts with the programs' sustainability and Green Team efforts.

Councilman Sadow:

- The Finance Committee is planning to meet on October 27th to look at potential capital projects for 2018 and beyond; both CFO Rinaldi and Budget Consultant Kovalcik will be present as well.

Council President Sorge:

- Reminded all that the Fire Department Dinner is Saturday night and urged all to attend.

14. Public Comment

Chris Kelley, 52 Summit Avenue:

- Mr. Kelley asked if Summit Avenue could be on the list for paving. Mr. Kelley deals with Paul Nelson, DPW, about two or three times a year and the road has been patched but it is now getting beyond patch repair.

15. New Business

None

16. Old Business

None

17. Resolutions - Voted By Consent

2017-146 through 2017-155

- 2017-146** 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 October 3, 2017
- 2017-147** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Solicitation of Qualifications for Professional Services Pursuant to NJSA 19:44A-20.4, 20.5 et seq., Pursuant to a "Fair and Open" Process
- 2017-148** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Urging the State Legislature to Extend the 2% Cap on Police and Fire Arbitration Contract Awards
- 2017-149** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application and Execution of a Grant Contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the "Howard Boulevard Pedestrian Safety Project – Final Phase" Project (#P-00408)
- 2017-150** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application and Execution of a Grant Contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the "Howard Boulevard Pedestrian Safety Project – Final Phase" Project (#00049)
- 2017-151** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application and Execution of a Grant Contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the "Mount Arlington Various Street Resurfacing" Project (#00043)
- 2017-152** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Temporary Parking Restrictions and Road Closures During the Mayor's Wellness Committee 5K Run/Walk
- 2017-153** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Execution of an Animal Control Contract for the Year 2017

- 2017-154** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Execution of a Shared Services Agreement for Animal Control with the Township of Mount Olive
- 2017-155** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Appointing Kayleen Pickering as the Borough Tax Collector

Motion to Approve By Consent: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Delaney

Councilman Cangiano publicly congratulated Kayleen Pickering for achieving the role of Tax Collector (Resolution 2017-155).

Mayor Stanzilis stated that Resolution 2017-148 is an important step for all municipalities and he is signing on through the Conference of Mayors as well.

Roll Call

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

Absent: Windish

None Opposed

Motion Approved

18. Ordinances – Introduction

- 14-17** 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 155 Towing, Chapter 155 Towing, Sections 155-3. Standards for Licensing Equipment; 155-4. Towing Operator's Base of Service; 155-5. Storage Facilities; 155-8. Term of License; 155-9. Number of Licenses; and 155-13. Towing and Storage Fees to Update the Borough Code

Motion: Council President Sorge stated that Ordinance 14-17 be adopted and further considered after a Public Hearing to be held on November 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 419 Howard Boulevard, Mount Arlington, NJ.

Second: Councilman Cangiano

Council Discussion: None

Roll Call

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

Absent: Windish

None Opposed

Motion Approved

- 15-17** An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter 135, Sewers, of the Code of the Borough of Mount Arlington

Motion: Council President Sorge stated that Ordinance 15-17 be adopted and further considered after a Public Hearing to be held on November 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 419 Howard Boulevard, Mount Arlington, NJ.

Second: Councilman Loughridge

Council Discussion: None

Roll Call

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

Absent: Windish

None Opposed

Motion Approved

- 16-17** An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Acquisition of the Real Property Located in Block 85.01, Lot 2; Block 86, Lot 5; Block 87, Lot 7; Block 88, Lot 1; Block 89, Lot 16; Block 89, Lot 22; and Block 90, Lot 13 on the Tax Map of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris and State of New Jersey

Motion: Council President Sorge stated that Ordinance 16-17 be adopted and further considered after a Public Hearing to be held on November 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 419 Howard Boulevard, Mount Arlington, NJ.

Second: Councilman Sadow

Council Discussion:

Councilman Cangiano stated Pio Costa has agreed to the \$400,000 purchase price we were awarded by a county grant to obtain the property; he is very pleased they accepted our offer. Councilman Loughridge stated this property will be part of the trails as well; the Mayor stated this property will be the kick-off for the Trails Committee in the Borough.

Roll Call

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

Absent: Windish

None Opposed

Motion Approved

19. Ordinances – Second Reading

- 12-17** 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 Reinstate Section 4-20, Municipal Court
The Mayor opened the Hearing to the Public; no Public comment.

Council President Sorge: I make the Motion to Adopt Ordinance 12-17

Second: Councilman Delaney

Council Discussion: None

Roll Call

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

Absent: Windish

None Opposed

Motion Approved

- 13-17** An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, To Amend and Supplement the Code of the Borough of Mount Arlington, Chapter XII, Salaries, Personnel and Standards

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

Council President Sorge: I make the Motion to Adopt Ordinance 13-17

Second: Councilman Loughridge

Council Discussion: None

Roll Call

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

Absent: Windish

None Opposed

Motion Approved

20. Motions

None

21. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Cangiano

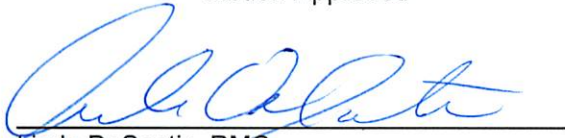
Roll Call

All in Favor: Aye

Absent: Windish

None Opposed

Motion Approved



Linda DeSantis, RMC
Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved at Council Meeting on November 1, 2017.

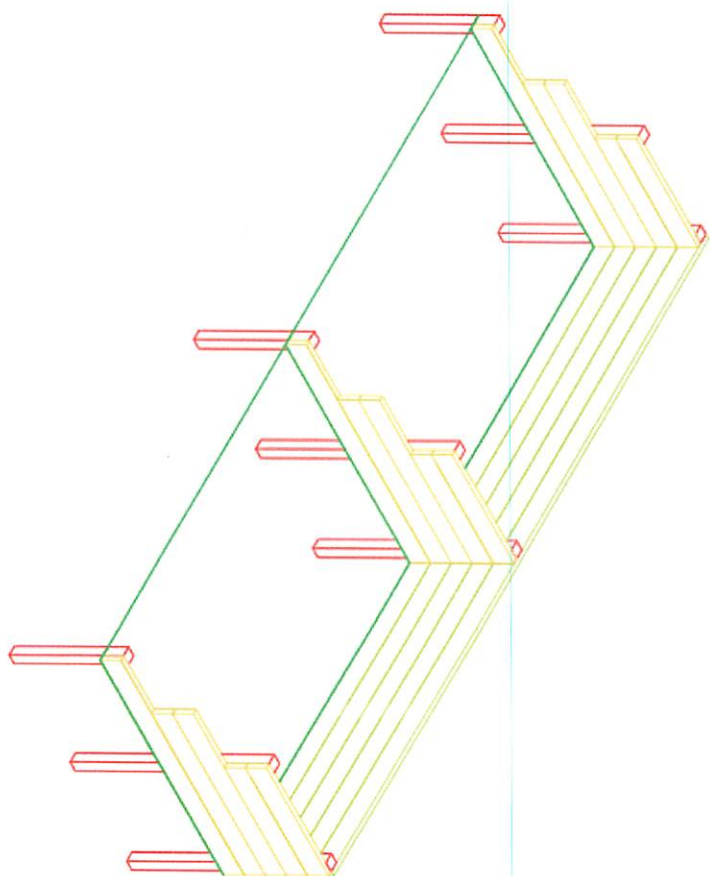
Dylan Coons

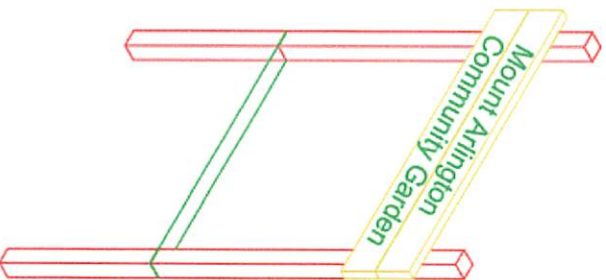
Eagle Project Proposal

Mount Arlington Community Garden

Proposal

As we all know, the Mount Arlington Community Garden is currently in the works. For my eagle project I would like to add storage for two very useful resources. These resources would be mulch and dirt. Every successful garden needs these two key ingredients to prosper. With the help of my troop, I would build two three-walled structures to encase the mulch and dirt. These structures would be created with wood and would be placed in front of the fence that is currently there. The width would be 10-foot-wide each so a town truck can fill them up regularly. The height would be 5-foot-tall out of the ground with a gradual decline. The depth would be 8-foot-deep so that there is a lot of room for the materials. The second part of my project will be to build a sign at the entrance. This will also be made from wood and it will say "Mount Arlington Community Garden". It will be about 8-foot-tall and 6-foot-wide. All in all, I strongly believe that this project can be completed in a fair amount of time. I also believe that it will turn out fantastically and it will get a lot of use.





Budget

ITEM	NEEDED	Cost
4x4x8 Wood	10	\$90
5/4x6x8 Decking Board	17	\$130
5/4x6x10 Decking Board	12	\$120
5/4x6x16 Decking Board	3	\$50
4x6x12 Wood	3	\$70
Concrete	16 bags	\$90
Nuts, Bolts, Screws	Many	\$30
Extra materials if needed	?	\$220
	Total	\$800

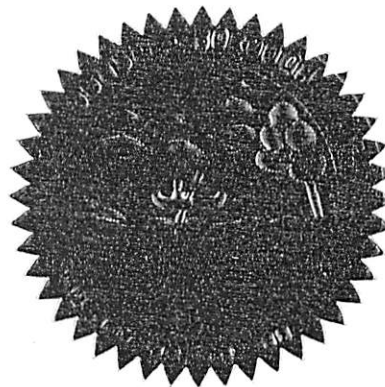
**CERTIFICATE OF
APPRECIATION
AWARDED TO
*MICHAEL STRICKLER***

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council wish to publicly extend their gratitude and appreciation to *Michael Strickler* for his countless hours of volunteer service with the Borough of Mount Arlington Recreation Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council wish to acknowledge the dedication and commitment *Michael Strickler* has exhibited during his years of volunteer service with the Recreation Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN, that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington wish to honor, recognize and express thanks to *Michael Strickler* for his loyalty and service to the Borough of Mount Arlington.

Michael Stanzilis, Mayor
October 3, 2017



BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON
FINANCE OFFICE

Finance Report Current Fund

August 2017

Receipts	5,061,349.27
Disbursements	1,860,336.59