# BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 2, 2018 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 Daily Record and the Roxbury Register on December 14, 2017 and posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on December 6, 2017; 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.

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.

## 3. Flag Salute

The Mayor asked for a moment of silence in honor of all those who have made the ultimate sacrifice protecting our freedoms in this country and around the world.

#### 4. Roll Call

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

#### 5. Presentations

- Morris County Sheriff's Office HOPE One Mobile Recovery Access Vehicle Travis Somerville, Morris County Sheriff's Office, has been at the municipal building with the Hope One vehicle in the parking lot for about three hours, opening it to the public and governing body. The Mayor thanked Mr. Somerville and stated the tour was very informative. Mr. Somerville stated the Morris County Sheriff's website will show where and when the vehicle will be next. Sheriff Gannon started Hope One in April of 2017, trying to get treatment for people who need it, whether from addiction, alcohol, opiates, and/or mental health issues. The Sheriff's Office can help; they have connections with treatment groups such as DayTop, Family Promise in Morristown, and Cares. Mr. Somerville stated that if interested, a person can get a Narcan kit and training, which takes about 15 minutes, by visiting the van. Councilman Cangiano suggested offering CPR training along with the Narcan training. The Mayor thanked Councilman Delaney for inviting Hope One. Councilman Delaney stated this has been very successful throughout the State; we are not going to stop the flow of drugs so we should start learning other ways to deal with it.

- Tax Assessor Jack Marchione Added Assessments
  - Mr. Marchione thanked the Mayor and Council for the opportunity to speak tonight and stated he has been the Tax Assessor for Mount Arlington since 2001. This year the Borough had 57 added assessments totaling \$16 million dollars, which translates into Borough collection of \$300,000. The nice thing about an added assessment is the Borough keeps most of the dollars that come in, we share a little bit with the county, but we don't have to pay anything to the school portion like we do on taxes; there is a big bonus on added assessments. Our ratable base is \$731 million and our ratio from the State sales ratio is now 86.85%. With regard to appeals, this year we had 7 county appeals totaling \$1.7 million and we only lost \$20,000 of that \$1.7 million. Currently we also have zero State tax appeals which is a really big plus not to have that burden. Mr. Marchione stated that the appeal level in the Borough has been very low for the past number of years. If the county does order a revaluation, the municipality has to pay for it; the municipality can bond for 5 years and a revaluation for Mount Arlington would cost about \$160,000. We would have to do a revaluation if we our assessments dropped to 75% of sales prices.
- Lake Hopatcong Foundation Lake Loop Tour Rebecca Rubenstein is a resident of Mount Arlington, volunteer for the Lake Hopatcong Foundation and coordinates the Lake Loop Tour event; she distributed the Fall/Winter 2018 issue of the Lake Guide to the governing body. The Lake Loop will be held on Sunday, October 7, 2018, starting at 7 a.m., and consists of a 20, 40 and 62 mile bike route, a 5K trail run which will be timed this year and a 2-1/2 mile paddle. The Mount Arlington Boy Scouts will be volunteering again this year, taking boats from cars, washing the boats and helping get them in the water. There will also be the Mayors 1.5 mile walk at 9:45 am. This year with fundraising, sponsorships and registration, the Foundation will reach its goal of \$50,000. The Mayor thanked Ms. Rubenstein for her efforts and bringing attention and awareness to our lake town; he added that Ms. Rubenstein is a great example of those that volunteer and care and do things for others. Ms. Rubenstein stated that Mount Arlington has been a huge support to the Foundation and they are very appreciative.

# 6. Tax and Utility Report for the Month of August, 2018

Total Tax Collections: \$4,395,278.70
Total Utility Collections: \$117,188.24

# 7. Finance Report for the Month of August, 2018

Current Fund:

Total Receipts: \$4,938,741.28 Total Disbursements: \$1,993,528.26

# 8. Approval of Minutes

September 4, 2018 Regular Meeting

Motion to Approve: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Delaney

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Sadow None Opposed

Motion Approved

## 9. Mayor's Report

- The Mayor again reminded all of the Lake Loop this coming weekend; the more people that come and support it the better; the Mayor is looking forward to participating.

## 10. Chief of Police Report

- The Hope One van was not created just to teach people how to use or distribute Narcan but rather to help people who were not able to get treatment, or were getting arrested and not getting any help. The Sheriff's idea was to provide treatment on the street; it's hard for people who need help to bring themselves to a building but if the van is on the street, people tend to think, "there's the help I need" and enter the van. Most visitors are those that say my grandson/family member has a problem; I need to know what I can do for him or how can I help a family member. In the agreement between the Sheriff's Office and DayTop and the other facilities, the Sheriff has an assurance that when needed, a bed will be available immediately. In addition, the Morris County jail now has the Hope Wing where you can receive the same treatment recommended by Hope One while housed in the jail. So the people are going to jail, receiving the treatment, and hopefully stepping in the right direction upon jail release. The Sheriff frequently shares a few testimonials written from Mount Arlington residents. The Chief shared a story of an elderly man who had been taking pain medicine but his doctor no longer prescribed the medicine nor could the man afford his prescriptions without insurance; as a 65 year old man in pain, he is now a heroin addict because of a car accident he had in his mid-fifties.
- The Lake Loop is thriving however the 5K was struggling. The FOP will come up with another event and have something good for next year.
- The Mayor congratulated the Chief on completing the Iron Man in Lake Placid which is 2-1/2 mile swim, 112 mile bike, and a marathon. In addition, the Chief's training partner, Mount Arlington resident Rebecca Keenan, qualified for the World Championship in her age group in Kona, Hawaii.

# 11. Borough Administrator's Report

- Attended the last Library Board meeting and was asked to come back to the next meeting. The Board is working on policy issues. While the Library Board of Trustees are a completely separate entity from the Borough, there are certain overlaps, one of which would be the Personnel and Policies Procedure Manual, which covers the employees under the umbrella of our insurance fund.
- We are in throws of budget season; wrapping up anything for 2018 and beginning to look at 2019 with the various department heads.
- Resolution 2018-142 on tonight's agenda; the language of the NJDOT grant is correct but it refers to "various streets", which should read "Henmar Drive". There is a report attached to the resolution for Council's clarification. The Borough did receive a grant from NJDOT this year for several roads but the work associated with Henmar Drive is actually a full restoration so it would behoove us to put this application in, due by the end of the week, so we have a strong possibility of gaining additional funding before we go out to bid for that project.
- Saturday, November 3, 2018, is the annual municipal-wide lake clean-up. All the lake municipalities are involved and Mount Arlington has been an active participant for years and will continue. DPW helps out, there will be tire collections, and then everything gets transported to another site. There are several checkpoints around the municipality where they have volunteers stationed to do clean-up around the lake.
- Reminder that the November Council Meeting is on Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> since Tuesday November 6<sup>th</sup> is Election Day.

# 12. Council Committee Reports

### Councilman Delanev:

- With regard to the Hope One vehicle, a resident asked why the vehicle operator was not wearing a uniform. The Councilman stated they never wear uniforms because they are speaking with addicts and do not want to intimidate them in any way.
- Next week we are going to be meeting with the top three Fire Department Officers to go over their budget needs for 2019.

# Councilman Loughridge:

- Recreation will be having a Halloween Bash on October 20th, Fireman's Field, from 5-7 p.m.
- The Recreation Committee is in need of a member. Administrator Rinaldi stated there have been several recommendations because there are a couple of openings. The Mayor will make his appointment recommendation to Council for their consideration prior to a Council meeting.

- Councilman Loughridge stated that Recreation is interested in Gaga Ball. Administrator Rinaldi stated she has spoken with Recreation and will further discuss this topic with Councilman Loughridge.
- Councilman Loughridge did not attend the Land Use Board Meeting but they will be reviewing the tree ordinance; the Board will have recommendations for Council for ordinance introduction at the November 7, 2018 meeting.

### Councilman Windish:

Councilman Windish will not be present for the November 7, 2018 Council meeting.

# Councilman Cangiano:

- The DPW will be holding a Community Shred Day on October 13, 2018 from 8 am to 12 noon at the Recycling Center
- Attended the quarterly Water/Sewer Committee meeting, discussed our water asset management plan; everything is on track and progressing as planned
- On tonight's Agenda there are two ordinances for introduction as recommended by the Board of Health, one is for policies pertaining to tattoo establishments and the other is a nuisance ordinance.

## **Council President Sorge:**

- Attended the Water/Sewer Committee meeting with Councilman Cangiano.
- Asked the Council to consider obtaining a grant for cameras in the police cars and/or body cameras. Administrator Rinaldi stated she had a discussion with Chief Licata about proposals for the car cameras; we are going to pursue that with Millennium to see what, if any, opportunities are available. The Chief feels very strongly that it is time for us to look at that investment.
- Council President Sorge stated sooner or later our legislators will pass legislation regarding non-medical marijuana and he asked the Council to consider placing a ban on selling non-medical marijuana in Mount Arlington. Administrator Rinaldi stated resolutions from other municipalities that have taken action against non-medical marijuana have been included in recent communication packets; we can use those resolutions as samples and work with the Borough Attorney to write a resolution for Mount Arlington with Council's approval. Councilman Cangiano stated he is not opposed to such a resolution, he knows some municipalities are working with their zoning ordinances as stating it is not a permitted use in the Borough.
- Council President Sorge stated he will not be present for the two December Council meetings.

The Mayor asked the Governing Body if the Administrator should begin work on a resolution prohibiting adult use of non-medical marijuana. Attorney O'Donnell stated that Attorney Valandingham is an expert in the cannabis laws and her advice is to wait to see what develops out of Trenton.

# 13. Public Comment

None

#### 14. New Business

None

# 15. Old Business

None

#### 16. Resolutions

Voted By Consent Resolutions 2018-139 through 2018-144

2018-139 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 2, 2018

- 2018-140 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Execution of Two (2) Release and Compensation Agreements with the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
- 2018-141 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 N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, 20.5 et seq. Pursuant to a "Fair and Open" Process
- 2018-142 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Submission and Execution of a Grant Application with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for "Mount Arlington Henmar Drive Phase II"
- 2018-143 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Adopting Personnel Policies and Procedures
- 2018-144 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 #17-00029 for Property Known as Block 108, Lot 8

Motion to Approve By Consent: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Cangiano

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Sadow None Opposed Motion Approved

#### 17. Ordinances - Introduction

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 Termination of the May 19, 2011 Utility Easement from the Borough of Mount Arlington to the Borough of Mount Arlington for the Property Located in Block 18, Lot 12

The Mayor read Ordinance 13-18 by Title.

Motion: Council President Sorge stated that Ordinance 13-18 be introduced by Title and passed on First Reading and that a meeting be held on November 7, 2018 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.

Second: Councilman Delanev

No Council Discussion

Roll Call

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

Absent: Sadow None Opposed

**Motion Approved** 

An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, In the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Approving and Authorizing the Recordation of a Deed of Restriction (Green Acres Restrictions) for the Property Located in Block 12, Lot 1

The Mayor read Ordinance 14-18 by Title.

Motion: Council President Sorge stated that Ordinance 14-18 be introduced by Title and passed on First Reading and that a meeting be held on November 7, 2018 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.

Second: Councilman Cangiano

No Council Discussion

Roll Call

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

Absent: Sadow None Opposed

**Motion Approved** 

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 the Code of the Borough of Mount Arlington to Add a New Chapter 180, Tattoo and Body Piercing Establishments

The Mayor read Ordinance 15-18 by Title.

Motion: Council President Sorge stated that Ordinance 15-18 be introduced by Title and passed on First Reading and that a meeting be held on November 7, 2018 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.

Second: Councilman Loughridge

No Council Discussion

Roll Call

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

Absent: Sadow None Opposed

Motion Approved

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 the Code of the Borough of Mount Arlington to Reinstate and Add a New Chapter 200, Nuisances

The Mayor read Ordinance 16-18 by Title.

Motion: Council President Sorge stated that Ordinance 16-18 be introduced by Title and passed on First Reading and that a meeting be held on November 7, 2018 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.

Second: Councilman Delanev

No Council Discussion

Roll Call

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

Absent: Sadow None Opposed Motion Approved

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17-18 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 the Borough Code Chapter 175 Water, Sections 175-5. Water Services, and 175-7. Hydrants

The Mayor read Ordinance 17-18 by Title.

Motion: Council President Sorge stated that Ordinance 17-18 be introduced by Title and passed on First Reading and that a meeting be held on November 7, 2018 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.

Second: Councilman Loughridge

No Council Discussion

Roll Call

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

Absent: Sadow

None Opposed Motion Approved

18-18 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 the Chapter 4 Administration of Government, Section 4-8. Administrative, of the Code of the Borough of Mount Arlington

The Mayor read Ordinance 18-18 by Title.

Motion: Council President Sorge stated that Ordinance 18-18 be introduced by Title and passed on First Reading and that a meeting be held on November 7, 2018 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.

Second: Councilman Delaney

No Council Discussion

Roll Call

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

Absent: Sadow None Opposed

**Motion Approved** 

# 18. Ordinances – Second Reading None

### 19. Motions

None

#### 20. Executive Session

2018-145 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of 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:

- Approval of Executive Minutes: September 4, 2018

Action May or May Not Be Taken.

Motion to Go into Executive Session: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Delaney

Roll Call

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

Absent: Sadow None Opposed

**Motion Approved** 

Motion to Return to Open Session: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Cangiano

Roll Call

All in Favor: Aye Absent: Sadow None Opposed Motion Approved Motion to Approve Executive Session Minutes of September 4, 2018: Council President

Sorge

Second: Councilman Delaney

Roll Call

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

Absent: Sadow None Opposed Motion Approved

# 21. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Council President Sorge

Second: Councilman Delaney

Roll Call:

All in Favor: Aye Absent: Sadow None Opposed

Motion Approved

Linda DeSantis, RMC

Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved at Council Meeting on November 7, 2018.

# Borough of Mt. Arlington

Tax & Utility Office

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

# **The Month of August 2018**

Dated:

Completed by:

Kayleen Pickering, CTC

# **Tax Collections:**

Description	Account #	Collections	
Current Taxes	8-01-17-001-001	\$	4,319,785.12
2017 Taxes	8-01-15-499-200		31,691.17
2017 Taxes (Collected at Tax Sale)			
Prepaid Taxes	8-01-17-001-004		30,593.33
Municipal Redemption	8-01-17-004-001		
Interest & Costs	8-01-08-112-000		7,556.93
Interest & Costs (Collected at Tax Sale)			
Return Check Fee	8-01-16-500-047		
Tax Searches	8-01-08-106-010		
Duplicate Bills	8-01-16-500-016		
O/S Lien Red./Subs	8-01-17-004-002		4,940.83
O/S Lien Red. Int.	8-01-17-004-003	The second state of the se	460.49
O/S Lien Red. 6% YEP	8-01-16-500-025		
O/S Lien Red. Rec. Fee	6-01-17-004-003		186.00
Misc. Copies	6-01-16-500-017		9.00
Tax Sale Costs	6-01-16-500-018		55.83
Tax Sale Costs (Collected at Tax Sale)			·
Tax Sale Premiums	Trust Account		
6% Year End Penalty	6-01-16-500-025		
Tax Paid Certification	6-01-16-500-013		
Redemption Calculation Fee		- +- <u></u>	
Total Tax Collections		\$	4,395,278.70
<b>Utility Collections:</b>			
Solid Waste		\$	19,938.78
Sewer		***	71,126.58
Water			26,122.88
Sewer Connection Fee Install Plan		***************************************	
Total Utility Collections		\$	117,188.24
Total Collections for the Month		_\$	4,512,466.94

# BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON FINANCE OFFICE

# Finance Report Current Fund

# <u>August 2018</u>

Receipts	4,938,741.28
Disbursements	1,993,528.26