

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 2, 2019  
10:00 a.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 February 14, 2019 and posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on February 6, 2019; 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**

As requested by the Mayor, the seventh grade Boy Scouts led the Flag Salute. The Mayor asked for a moment of silence and prayers for all of our servicemen and women serving around the world protecting our freedoms, and to also keep Sergeant James DiStasio in our thoughts and prayers.

**4. Roll Call**

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

The Mount Arlington Public School seventh grade students, under the direction of Mrs. Longo, were in attendance.

**Resolution**

**2019-65** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Hiring Ryan Caparoni as Police Officer

Motion to Approve: Council President Delaney

Second: Councilman Sadow

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed

Motion Approved

The Mayor administered the Oath of Office to Patrolman Caparoni.

**5. Presentations**

- Mount Arlington Public School Science and Enrichment teacher Julie Crawford, gave a brief description of the various sustainable/hybrid projects the MAPS students have participated in and Mayor Stanzilis and Council President Delaney handed out the Certificates to each student. The Mayor thanked Ms. Crawford for the presentation and thanked Superintendent Monica Rowland

and Board of Education Member Sheila Studint for attending as well. The Mayor praised the quality of education given to our Mount Arlington students.

- The Mayor gave a special thanks to Ms. Sue Longo, MAPS teacher, for her dedication and commitment. Ms. Longo is retiring this year and has organized the seventh graders to attend a Council meeting for many years past.
- MAPS Teacher Ms. Longo called on the students to ask their questions. The questions pertained to adding funding to the technology at MAPS, plans for putting nets on the batting cages at the Righter Road fields, the schedule for fixing potholes in Mount Arlington, plans for QuickChek and Howard Boulevard traffic, funding for the Mount Arlington Recreation programs, community safety, MAPS program for football, artificial grass/turf at Fireman's Field, and a question about why Roxbury uses our sports fields. After the Mayor and Council addressed the students questions, the Mayor thanked the students for their welcome participation.

The Mayor asked each Councilman to give a brief description of their responsibilities for the Borough:

- Councilman Cangiano: Publicly thanked Ms. Julie Crawford; both of his children went through her programs, and he thanked Ms. Crawford and the school for providing the Stem Programs. Councilman Cangiano is one of six councilmembers that vote; the Mayor votes only in the case of a tie. We try to manage the town the way your parents manage your household with things that need to be done and we try to do it as cost efficiently as possible. Councilman Cangiano is an engineer and he helps the Borough with roads and sewer issues.

- Councilman Sadow: Was a surgeon before he retired and has assumed the role of Finance Chair on Council for the last ten years; he is the longest sitting councilmember, this is his eleventh year. The Finance Committee finds a way to pay for pieces of the infrastructure, pieces of the town, the roads, etc., in a fiscally responsible manner. We try to do this in a way that does not tax your parents beyond anything that is reasonable and still provide an outstanding experience for living in the town of Mount Arlington. We find out what funds we have available and make them available for projects, especially the ones that you were mentioning today such as roads and facilities for recreation.

- Carolyn Rinaldi, Borough Administrator/CFO/Purchasing Agent: Ms. Rinaldi is not an elected official and works for the governing body. Part of her job is to oversee the day to day operations of the Borough and speaks to Chief Licata and the DPW Supervisor Paul Nelson daily; she handles the daily operations with the Borough employees and reports to the Mayor and Council. Ms. Rinaldi works on the budgets and figuring and balancing costs and then presents this information to the governing body. The Council makes the decision on how we spend the money from your parents. It's important to know that the Mayor and Council members all live in Mount Arlington so they are being responsible for the place they live in as well.

- Borough Attorney Matthew O'Donnell stated he represents the Mayor and Council and introduced his partner Attorney Elizabeth Valandingham as well. Mr. O'Donnell encouraged the students to keep an open mind in pursuing a law degree because there is so much you can do. Attorney O'Donnell handles any day to day legal issues, people sue the town, police have grievances; we handle day to day issues with Ms. Rinaldi, Chief of Police Keith Licata, Council President Delaney and the Mayor. Under this form of government, the Council runs the day to day operations through Ms. Rinaldi and the Mayor is really the figurehead who only votes in case of a tie. Mount Arlington is a great Borough and this is a great opportunity to have the students see how local government works. The questions that every student raised were right on point; thank your family for the opportunity of such a great education.

- Council President Delaney thanked the students for coming to today's meeting. As Council President, he makes sure that all the information about meetings, etc., gets out to the Council members so we all know what's going on. He interacts constantly with our Administrator and the Mayor to try to keep everything in the town moving forward. If you ever want to get into politics, municipal government is great because you can really impact the citizens of the town in a good way.

- Councilman Ray Simard thanked the students for coming and commended them on their questions. Councilman stated this is his first year on Council but he has lived in town 51 years and has been a fireman with Mount Arlington for 46 years. The town has grown since he has been here

but everybody does a great job. His two daughters went through the Mount Arlington School system, both graduated college; they were given a great education.

- Councilman Lee Loughridge and his wife have been residents of Mount Arlington for 50 years and his wife taught in Mount Arlington School for 31 years. All of Lee's children went through the Mount Arlington School system, all graduated from college and all have good jobs; you are receiving a great education. Councilman Loughridge is also the Liaison for the Parks and Recreation Committee, Christina Chismar is our secretary. We are really proud of the programs we have for the kids. Councilman thanked the students for coming, stating the Council really enjoys their visits.

Ms. Julie Crawford stated that since the students use the Civic Center for their projects and the kids use their phones for internet access, the Robotics Committee was wondering if there is any possibility of having some Wifi access at the Center; also, if there was a town emergency, it would be nice to have the Wifi there. The Mayor stated he thought there was Wifi at the Center but we will look into having a guest feature added as well.

Ms. Longo expressed her thanks to the Mayor and Council for supporting her all these years in her efforts to have the students visit a Council meeting.

#### 6. Tax and Utility Report

None

#### 7. Finance Report for the Month of February, 2019

Current Fund:

Total Receipts: \$3,797,082.60

Total Disbursements: \$2,974,216.03

#### 8. Approval of Minutes

March 5, 2019

Regular Meeting

Motion to Approve: Councilman Simard

Second: Councilman Loughridge

Roll Call:

Aye: Loughridge, Simard, Council President Delaney

Abstain: Sadow, Cangiano (both absent March 5, 2019)

None Opposed

Motion Approved

#### 9. Mayor's Report

None

#### 10. Chief of Police Report

None

#### 11. Borough Administrator's Report

- Upcoming Events:

April 7<sup>th</sup>, Youth Community Clean-Up Day

April 13<sup>th</sup>, Easter Egg Hunt in the morning

April 13<sup>th</sup>, Ribbon Cutting for the Community Garden on Sandra Drive at 1:00 p.m.

- The Borough has an E-blast system where we send e-mail alerts for events in town and any useful information for living in Mount Arlington. Both the students and their parents can sign up through our Borough website.

## 12. Council Committee Reports

### Councilman Gangiano:

- There will be a Youth Clean-Up at Fireman's Field at 10 a.m. on April 7<sup>th</sup> in celebration of Earth Day. Students can get Community Service Credits for that time if you should need them.

### Councilman Sadow:

- Just wanted to take a moment to remember Joyce Bambach who recently passed; she was a freelance photographer for Mount Arlington.
- The Council will be introducing the 2019 Municipal Budget at tonight's Council meeting; you and/or your parents are welcome to attend tonight's 7 p.m. meeting.

### Councilman Loughridge:

- Recreation and Parks activities coming up:  
Easter Egg Hunt on April 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m.  
Community Garden Inauguration on April 13<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m.  
5-K Run/Walk on June 8<sup>th</sup> at 8 a.m.
- Ms. Rinaldi stated we received a grant from the County for the Trails at Lake Rogerene and the resolution allowing us to sign an agreement for this grant award is on today's agenda.
- Councilman stated we are presently working on the walking trails at Firemen's Field.
- Councilman Loughridge stated we have talked about Gaga Ball; he had an article from the Daily Record showing the ball and court and estimated our cost would be about \$2,000. This will require something better than putting it on a basketball court and a referee or monitor is needed for the games. Some of the students present have played at camp, or on scout trips. Councilman Loughridge stated we need to do more research.

### Councilman Simard:

No report.

### Council President Delaney:

- Thanked the students for coming to see the Borough government at work. We meet every month for Council meetings. If any of the students' parents have questions, Councilmembers are always available.

## 13. Public Comment

- One of the students asked about the e-cycle bin at the Recycling yard and was concerned that people did not know it was there; the Mayor stated we will send out a reminder to our residents.

## 14. New Business

None

## 15. Old Business

None

## 16. Resolutions

### Voted By Consent

#### Resolutions 2019-63 through 2019-76, excluding 2019-65

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| 2019-63 | Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing a Temporary Budget   |
| 2019-64 | 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 April 2, 2019                           |
| 2019-66 | Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Release of Bonds Associated with the Nolan's Ridge Development |

- 2019-67** 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 Morris County Trail Construction Grant Agreement for the Lake Rogerene Trail
- 2019-68** 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 Recycling Center Walls Project to Kulpeska Land Improvement Corp.
- 2019-69** 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 Howard Boulevard Pedestrian Safety Project to Mike Fitzpatrick Contractors Inc.
- 2019-70** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Rejecting All Bids and Authorizing Re-Bid for the 2018 NJDOT Road Restoration Project
- 2019-71** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Rejecting All Bids and Authorizing Re-Bid for the 2018 CDBG Road Improvements Project
- 2019-72** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, For Refund of Tax Overpayment Made on 100% Tax Exempt Property Known as Block 61, Lot 42.03, Qualifier C054
- 2019-73** 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 #18-00017 for Property Known as Block 98, Lot 20
- 2019-74** 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 #18-00026 for Property Known as Block 121, Lot 26
- 2019-75** 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 #18-00010 for Property Known as Block 39, Lot 6
- 2019-76** 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 #18-00020 for Property Known as Block 105, Lot 3

Motion to Approve: Council President Delaney

Second: Councilman Simard

Councilman Loughridge discussed #2019-66: Ms. Rinaldi stated Nolan's Ridge Bonds have been in place for any of the site work done within the development. There was an approved amended site plan before the Land Use Board for landscaping requirements and that is being addressed. Councilman Sadow stated there was no specific plan regarding the dead trees; there was a planting on the Howard Boulevard exposure of the Nolan's Ridge project maybe 5 or 7 years ago. Some of the trees survived and there is overgrowth of weeds and this is being addressed by the Board at Nolan's Ridge. Ms. Rinaldi stated that in order for the bonds to be released, there has to be a review by the engineers, so the dollar amounts associated are specified in the CP letters attached to the resolution.

Councilman Cangiano discussed #2019-71: Ms. Rinaldi stated the bids were rejected because they did not meet the CDBG requirement checklist; we are not expecting any further issues and expecting to rebid and award at the May meeting.

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed

Motion Approved

**17. Ordinances – Introduction**

None

**18. Ordinances – Second Reading**

None

**19. Motions**

Vendor Permit:

- Andrew Patin, Andy's Roadside Dive, for stationary food stand at Lee's Park.

Motion to Approve: Council President Delaney

Second: Councilman Cangiano

Roll Call:

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

None Opposed

Motion Approved

**20. Executive Session**

None

**21. Adjourn**

Motion to Adjourn: Council President Delaney

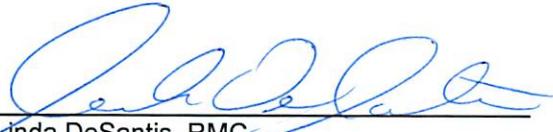
Second: Councilman Simard

Roll Call:

All in Favor: Aye

None Opposed

Motion Approved



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Linda DeSantis, RMC  
Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved at Council Meeting of May 7, 2019.

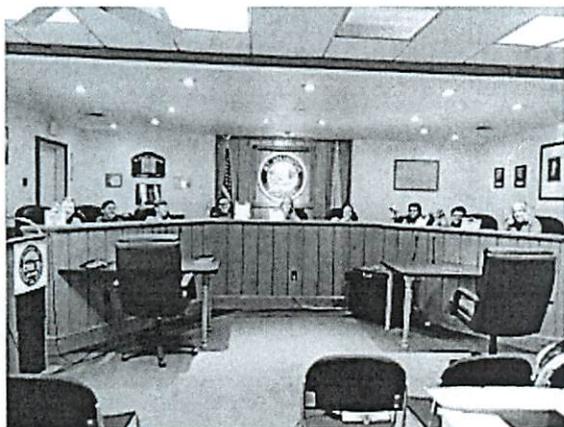
**Linda Desantis**

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**From:** Julie Crawford <jcrawford@mtarlingtonk8.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 01, 2019 8:58 AM  
**To:** Carolyn Rinaldi; Linda Desantis; Michael Stanzilis; Monica Rowland  
**Subject:** STUDENTS TO HONOR AT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

I have certificates ready for the following programs. I have a brief speech for each group. This is the order.

- Alternatively Energies Letter Writing Campaign (2 students)
- Model United Nations Outstanding Delegations for Gender Equity and Energy Resource Management (2 groups - 3 students each group)
- Solar Car NJ Speed 3rd Place (2 students)
- Solar Car NJ Portfolio and Engineers Log Records 1st Place (2 students)
- Solar Car NJ Grand Champion (1 student)
- PowerSave Leaders from Grade 7 (8 students)



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BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON  
FINANCE OFFICE

Finance Report Current Fund

February 2019

Receipts	3,797,082.60
Disbursements	2,974,216.03