

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON
COUNCIL MEETING Minutes
August 6, 2019
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 13, 2018 and posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on December 6, 2018; 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

Mayor Stanzilis lead the flag salute. The Mayor then asked all to remain standing for a moment of silence in observance of Jason Gil, the young man that passed away on Lake Hopatcong this past weekend. The Mayor states "May our thoughts and prayers be with his family."

4. Roll Call

Councilman Loughridge, Council President Delaney, Councilwoman Galate, Councilman Cangiano, and Mayor Stanzilis were present.

Matthew O'Donnell, Esq., Borough Attorney, was also present.

Councilwoman Farris, Councilman Sadow, and Carolyn Rinaldi, Borough Administrator and CFO, were absent.

5. Presentations

None

6. Appointments

Land use Board Alternates
Stormwater Committee
Library – Mayor's Alternate
Recreation Commission Alternate

The Mayor asked the Council if everyone had the opportunity to review the names for appointments, to which all present replied that they had. The Mayor than asked that a motion be made to approve the appointments

Motion: Council President Delaney made a motion to approve the appointments.

Second: Councilman Cangiano seconded the motion.

No Council Discussion

Before Roll Call, Mayor Stanzilis took a moment to share a bit more about the purpose of the Stormwater Committee, which is to assist in developing Green Infrastructure.

Councilman Cangiano asked the Mayor what inspired the creation of this committee, to which the Mayor replied the HAB (harmful algal bloom) issue. The Mayor went on to state that, though the Borough already has many things in place, such as rain gardens, and the Community Garden, there is still more that can be done. Mt. Arlington is already a leader in this on Lake Hopatcong, and the Mayor believes can also be a leader in this on a larger level.

Councilman Sadow arrived at the council meeting and was marked present by the Borough Clerk. It was confirmed that the Councilman did not have to abstain from the roll call, as he had reviewed the names for the appointments.

Roll Call:

Aye: Loughridge, Sadow, Galate, Cangiano, Council President Delaney
Opposed: None

Motion Approved

7. Tax and Utility Report

None

8. Finance Report

None

9. Approval of Minutes

- June 11, 2019 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

Motion: Council President Delaney made a motion to approve the minutes.

Second: Councilman Cangiano seconded the motion.

No Council Discussion

Roll Call:

Aye: Loughridge, Sadow, Galate, Cangiano, Council President Delaney
Opposed: None

Motion Approved

- June 20, 2019 5:00 p.m. Special Meeting

Motion: Council President Delaney made a motion to approve the minutes.

Second: Councilman Loughridge seconded the motion.

No Council Discussion

Roll Call:

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

Opposed: None

Motion Approved

- July 9, 2019 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

Motion: Councilman Sadow made a motion to approve the minutes.

Second: Councilwoman Galate seconded the motion.

No Council Discussion

Roll Call:

Aye: Loughridge, Sadow, Galate, Council President Delaney
 Opposed: None
 Abstain: Cangiano

Motion Approved

10. Mayor's Report

Mayor Stanzilis states that there's been a lot going on with the Mt. Arlington-Roxbury Consolidation Study Committee, Lake Hopatcong and the HABs (harmful algal blooms), and the tragic accident on Lake Hopatcong last weekend.

The Mayor mentions again the creation of the Stormwater Committee to assist with developing more green infrastructure to help address the HAB. He also shares that the Lake Hopatcong Foundation setup a meeting with the Mayors of the four Lake Hopatcong municipalities to put together ideas on what to do. It was noted at the meeting that one of the most important things to address with the State is fully funding the Lake Hopatcong Commission, as there is a clear correlation between when there was full funding and thus better maintenance of the Lake, as compared to when funding was drastically cut. Though the main goal is to get that funding, the Mayor reiterates that Mt. Arlington can be at the cutting edge with stormwater management and green infrastructure.

The Mayor attended the Mt. Arlington-Roxbury Consolidation Study Committee's meeting. Over 200 Mt. Arlington residents were present, as well as Council President Delaney and Councilman Loughridge, who sits on the committee. The Mayor states that in his opinion, the consolidation is not a good idea for the Borough and is not well put together.

The Mayor ends his report, in light of the tragic loss of the young Borough resident, Jason Gil, going over the importance of boating safety, particularly on pontoon boats which have the "tunnel of death." The Mayor, Chief Licata, and Christopher D'Amico went to visit the family and offer condolences. Mayor Stanzilis then stated that he would working with Local, County and State law enforcement, as well as legislators and the Mayors of the other Lake Hopatcong municipalities, to ensure that Christopher's Law is "not just in the books" but is used. The Mayor goes on to say he would like more awareness brought to Christopher's Law and boating safety next summer.

11. Chief of Police Report

Chief Licata explains that he was not present at the last council meeting because he was away at a leadership training program in Scotland, which he will do a full presentation on at the September council meeting. Chief Licata states that it was a very informative trip, and one of the particular highlights was getting to meet with local people and hear their thoughts the new National Police Force, which overall was not favorable.

Mayor Stanzilis congratulates Chief Licata on his scholarship to attend the leadership program. All present applauded the Chief.

Chief Licata states that when he started 25 years ago as a patrolman, he would never have imagined the opportunities he would be afforded, from Quantico to Scotland, and he feels very fortunate.

12. Borough Administrator's Report

None

13. Council Committee Reports

Councilman Cangiano

The Water & Sewer Committee met on July 15th. The Windemere Ave. I & II projects were discussed, and an updated Asset Management Plan was provided. The committee is working on contingency plans and funding sources for those projects, as the anticipated i-Bank funding was not available.

The Mayor asked if the discussion included wastewater, and Councilman Cangiano clarified that only potable water. He goes on to state there's no real discussion happening at the moment with regard to wastewater, though the idea of providing water and wastewater services to the Lake Rogerene area is still being explored.

Councilwoman Galate

Councilwoman Galate states that she has nothing to report for Fire or OEM. For Police, she shares of an instance where traffic was re-routed from I-80 along Howard Blvd., and during a routine stop officers seized drugs and assault weapons. She also shares of an instance where MTA PD assisted Jefferson on a call where the individual wanted to harm himself, and they were able to diffuse the situation and get the resident to the hospital.

"On a lighter note," the MTA PD is now participating in the Police Assisted Addiction & Recovery Initiative (PAARI), which "offers a safe, stigma-free setting for individuals to be screened by an officer and connected with a Certified Peer Recovery Specialist from Daytop New Jersey, who will assist with guiding individuals to treatment and recovery services."

Councilwoman Galate remarks that it's great these services are being made available to help people, and though we don't often here about the positive results, there are many individuals that are helped and saved by programs such as PAARI and Hope One.

Councilman Sadow

The Finance Committee has "put the pedal to the metal" in terms of prioritizing larger projects that have been "languishing." Councilman Sadow states he will provide a more in-depth report at the September council meeting.

The Seniors had their annual picnic at the Elks using their outdoor area, with a turn-out of at least 150 seniors. Councilman Sadow thanked the Elks, Madeline, and all those that helped make the event a success.

Councilman Loughridge

The Councilman reports that Senior Yoga is still going strong, 24 people in attendance last Friday. He also remarks that Recreation is currently holding a soccer camp, and also a Senior Exercise class at the Mt. Arlington Beach.

Council President Delaney

The Council President gave a brief recap of the Mt. Arlington-Roxbury Consolidation Study Committee, making note that over 200 residents were present at the meeting. He also remarked on

the Mayor's composure at the meeting and what a great job he did speaking up for Mt. Arlington Borough, at that those not present would have been proud.

14. Public Comment

Laura O'Reilly-Stanzilis – 31 Willow Street

Mrs. O'Reilly-Stanzilis, a member of the Mt. Arlington Board of Health, remarks that there's a huge initiative going on in the State with regard to mental health and addiction recovery, which is part of public health education. As she, some other members of the BoH, and the Borough's health officer are a part of the collective impact model in several counties, Mrs. O'Reilly Stanzilis asks if there is any statistical data that the Borough has access to and can share regarding the amount of individuals that come in and are connected with a peer specialist, or the amount of instances where first responders administer Narcan.

Chief Licata replies that those statistics are reported to the State. Mrs. O'Reilly Stanzilis asks if that information, numbers only, could be provided to the BoH at its quarterly meetings, to which the Chief replies yes. Mayor Stanzilis comments that Sherriff Gannon and Hope One might be another helpful resource for statistics.

15. New Business

None

16. Old Business

None

17. Ordinances – Introduction

None

18. Ordinances – Second Reading

None

19. Resolutions – Vote by Consent

Resolution 2019-125 through 2019-131, excluding 2019-125

- 2019-126** 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 6, 2019
- 2019-127** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Appointing James Braun to Patrolman
- 2019-128** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Supporting ACR235
- 2019-129** 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 # 16-00031 for Property Know as Block 123 Lot 60

2019-130 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 Sales # 17-00015 for Property Known as Block 49.01 Lot 13

2019-131 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Receipt of Bids (Solid Waste, Recyclable Material and Vegetative Waste Collection Services)

Motion: Councilman Cangiano made a motion.

Second: Councilman Loughridge seconded the motion.

No Council Discussion

Roll Call:

Aye:	Loughridge, Sadow, Galate, Cangiano, Council President Delaney
Opposed:	None
Abstain:	None

Motion Approved

2019-125 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Opposing the Extension of the Time Requested by the Roxbury/Mt Arlington Consolidation Study Commission to Continue the Exploration of the Consolidation of the Borough of Mount Arlington and Roxbury Township

Motion: Councilman Sadow made a motion to approve the minutes.

Second: Councilman Loughridge seconded the motion.

Councilman Cangiano asks for confirmation of who will be receiving copies of this resolution. Mayor Stanzilis replies that a copy will go to the State. He also states that this is a joint resolution with Roxbury, so Roxbury will also be passing and sending to the State a similar resolution, and the Mayors of both municipalities will be sending their own statements as well.

Councilman Sadow asks if the wording can be changed to indicate how strongly opposed the Borough is to the extension, to which Borough Attorney O'Donnell replies its to the pleasure of Mayor & Council.

Roll Call:

Aye:	Loughridge, Sadow, Galate, Cangiano, Council President Delaney
Opposed:	None
Abstain:	None

Motion Approved upon review and revision for stronger wording.

20. Motions

Vendor Permit

- Edward Jones – Financial Advisor

Motion: The Motion was tabled for the September council meeting.

21. Executive Session

None

22. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Council President Delaney made a motion.

Second: Councilwoman Galate seconded the motion.

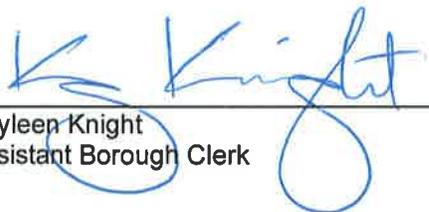
Roll Call:

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

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved



Kayleep Knight
Assistant Borough Clerk

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