# BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES December 3, 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 "as we pray for those around the world who are protecting our freedoms", as well as in memory of Jack "the Mayor of Madison" O'Donnell, the brother of our Borough Attorney, Matt O'Donnell. The Mayor explains that though Jack was not the actual Mayor of Madison, he was well-known and loved in that community.

### 4. Roll Call

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

Matt O'Donnell, Esq., Borough Attorney, and Carolyn Rinaldi, Borough Administrator and CFO, were also present.

# 5. Presentations

None

# 6. Tax and Utility Report for the Month of October

- October 2019

Total Tax Collections: \$1,753,103.29 Total Utility Collections: \$2,094,988.05

### 7. Finance Report for the Month of October

October 2019

Receipts: \$2,365,647.14 Disbursements: \$1,765,359.92

# 8. Approval of Minutes

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August 6, 2019

7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

Motion to Approve:

Councilman Cangiano Councilman Loughridge

Second: Council Discussion:

NONE

Roll Call:

Aye:

Loughridge, Farris, Sadow, Galate, Cangiano, Council President Delaney

Abstain: Opposed: None None

**MOTION APPROVED** 

September 3, 2019

7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

Motion to Approve: Second:

Councilman Loughridge Councilwoman Farris

Council Discussion:

NONE

Roll Call:

Aye:

Loughridge, Farris, Sadow, Galate, Cangiano, Council President Delaney

Abstain: Opposed: None None

MOTION APPROVED

October 1, 2019

7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

Motion to Approve:

Councilman Cangiano

Second:

Councilman Sadow

Council Discussion:

NONE

Roll Call:

Aye:

Loughridge, Farris, Sadow, Galate, Cangiano, Council President Delaney

Abstain:

None

Opposed:

None

**MOTION APPROVED** 

November 6, 2019

7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

Motion to Approve: Second:

Councilman Loughridge Councilwoman Farris

Council Discussion:

NONE

Roll Call:

Aye:

Loughridge, Farris, Sadow, Galate, Cangiano, Council President Delaney

Abstain:

None

Opposed:

None

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# 9. Mayor's Report

Mayor Stanzilis informs there was a meeting held at the Lake Hopatcong Foundation with the four Mayors of the Lake Hopatcong municipalities, Governor Murphy, some members of the State Congress, as well as the DEP and Morris County Freeholders, to discuss harmful algal blooms (HABs) and what the State has planned to address the matter. Though the State has many plans, the Mayor was disappointed that there was nothing specific to Lake Hopatcong. However, at least Lake Hopatcong is now on the Governor's radar. The Mayor goes on to state that there are still things we can do as a municipality with green infrastructure, but the big picture is to get funding from the State for the Lake Hopatcong Commission, and to address septic/sewer problems in Hopatcong and Jefferson.

The Mayor then goes on to read an e-mail into the record from Remax Heritage, praising Borough staff for their helpfulness, particularly Kathy Appleby in the Construction Department. A copy of the e-mail is attached. After finishing the e-mail, the Mayor thanked the Borough Hall team for the great customer service provided.

The Mayor announces the resignation of Councilman Sadow, and goes on to share some of his legacy in almost 11 years of service, stating that he is certainly leaving Mt. Arlington better than it was. He continues on to say what an asset the Councilman has been to the Borough, and how Councilman Sadow's intellect, as well as due diligence, have often brought council discussions to another level. "It's just been a pleasure to know you and to have sat with you on this dais for all these years... Thank you." The Mayor then provides Councilman Sadow with a Borough Merit Coin.

The Mayor then asks that Council Committee reports be done next, rather than the Chief of Police Report, and asks Councilman Sadow to speak first.

### 10. Council Committee Reports

#### Councilman Sadow

The Councilman thanks the Mayor for his "very kind words." He goes on to read a farewell speech, which is attached.

## Councilman Cangiano

The Councilman acknowledges the "fantastic thoughts and speeches" of both the Mayor and Councilman Sadow, and goes on to state what an honor and privilege it has been to work with Councilman Sadow, who has been a mentor to him, and that he will be sorely missed.

#### Councilwoman Galate

Councilwoman Galate "duplicates" everything that has already been said regarding Councilman Sadow. She also remarks that Councilman Sadow is a wordsmith, and that it has been wonderful working with the Councilman, now and before.

After Councilwoman Galate concludes her remarks, Councilman Sadow states that he does have a committee report. He shares that Seniors group will be holding their annual Christmas party at Casa Bianca on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, and that the event is always very well attended.

### Councilman Loughridge

The Councilman mentions the Borough's Christmas Tree Lighting will be Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, starting at 6:30pm. He also shares that Recreation will soon be offering a Hip-Hop class, and more information will follow on that. He also makes note that Senior Yoga continues to go on, and is always well attended. Councilman Loughridge then announces the resignation of Jennifer Hoffman as chairperson for the Recreation Committee, remarking that she was a very good volunteer and that she will be missed.

Councilman Loughridge concludes by thanking Councilman Sadow for his service, stating that "it will be a long time until we get somebody such as you, Steve."

# Councilwoman Farris

The Councilwoman thanks Councilman Sadow "all [his] good words" and says he will be missed.

# Council President Delaney

The Council President says to Councilman Sadow "You WILL be missed." He goes on to remark that the Councilman has done a lot of work on the Council and for the municipality, and that he wishes him all the best in any future endeavors.

# 11. Chief of Police Report

None

### 12. Borough Administrator's Report

Administrator Rinaldi begins by wishing Councilman Sadow all the best, stating that she has enjoyed their conversations and it has been a pleasure working with him.

She continues on to give an overview of items that will be coming up at the December 17<sup>th</sup> council meeting. First is the Board of Health contract, which will be renewed with Mt. Olive for 3 years. Also up for renewal is the Animal Services contract, which she clarifies will no longer be with Mt. Olive. However, the Borough will be establishing a new Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Wharton and Animal Control Solutions, LLC, for that contract. Finally, she mentions that we will be renewing our contract with Blue Diamond Disposal, with services for solid waste and recycling remaining the same. Administrator Rinaldi does make note that it might be necessary to reassess the Borough's quarterly garbage utility fees at some point during the course of the 5 year contract.

Administrator Rinaldi concludes with a reminder that the Borough's reorganization meeting will be held on Thursday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 6pm.

### 13. Public Comment

# Bill Kosch - 526 Henmar Drive

Mr. Kosch asks about the status of work on Henmar Drive and why blacktop and curbing was done. The Borough Engineer answered some of the questions, but stated that he could speak with Mr. Kosch at a later time to present information on the work being done and answer specific questions.

Mr. Kosch also asked if the Borough might be able to acquire new Christmas wreathes, as the ones on the lampposts look worn. The Mayor says it will be looked into.

# 14. New Business

None

# 15. Old Business

None

# 16. Ordinances – Introduction

None

# 17. Ordinances - Second Reading

Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Borough Code Chapter 4, Administration of Government, Regarding Section § 4-14, Police Department

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing for Ordinance 14-19.

Public Comment:

NONE

The Mayor closed the Public Hearing for Ordinance 14-19.

Motion to Approve:

Council President Delaney

Second: Council Discussion: Councilman Cangiano

Roll Call:

NONE

Aye:

Loughridge, Farris, Sadow, Galate, Cangiano, Council

President Delanev

Abstain:

None None

Opposed:

**MOTION APPROVED** 

15-19 Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter 135, Sewers, of the Code of the Borough of Mount Arlington

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing for Ordinance 15-19.

**Public Comment:** 

NONE

The Mayor closed the Public Hearing for Ordinance 15-19.

Motion to Approve:

Councilman Loughridge

Second:

Council President Delaney

Council Discussion:

NONE

Roll Call:

Aye:

Loughridge, Farris, Sadow, Galate, Cangiano, Council

President Delaney

Abstain:

None

Opposed:

None

**MOTION APPROVED** 

16-19 Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Providing for the Purchase of a Mason Dump Truck

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing for Ordinance 16-19.

Public Comment:

NONE

The Mayor closed the Public Hearing for Ordinance 16-19.

Motion to Approve:

Councilman Sadow

Second:

Councilman Cangiano

Council Discussion:

NONE

Roll Call:

Aye:

Loughridge, Farris, Sadow, Galate, Cangiano, Council

President Delaney

Abstain:

None

Opposed:

None

MOTION APPROVED

17-19 Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Providing for the Purchase of a Crack Sealer and Line Striping Equipment through a Shared Service Agreement with the Borough of Wharton

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing for Ordinance 17-19,

Public Comment:

NONE

The Mayor closed the Public Hearing for Ordinance 17-19.

Motion to Approve:

Council President Delaney

Second:

Councilman Sadow

Council Discussion:

NONE

Roll Call:

Aye:

Loughridge, Farris, Sadow, Galate, Cangiano, Council

**President Delaney** 

Abstain:

None

Opposed:

None

# **MOTION APPROVED**

Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Private Sale of Certain Municipal Property Located on Howard Boulevard in Block 67 Lot 1 Owned by the Borough of Mount Arlington Not Required for Public Purposes Pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:12-13(B)(5)

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing for Ordinance 18-19.

Public Comment:

NONE

The Mayor closed the Public Hearing for Ordinance 18-19.

Motion to Approve:

Council President Delanev

Second:

Councilman Sadow

Council Discussion:

NONE

Roll Call:

Aye:

Loughridge, Farris, Sadow, Galate, Cangiano, Council

President Delaney

Abstain:

None

Opposed:

None

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#### 18. Resolutions - VOTE BY CONSENT

# **RESOLUTIONS 2019-171 through 2019-175**

2019-171 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 December 3, 2019

2019-172 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Designating Council Meeting Dates for the Year 2020

2019-173 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Establishing Holiday Schedule and Closure of Borough Hall Offices for Calendar Year 2020

2019-174 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 45 Edgemere Avenue Drainage Project to Salmon Brothers, Inc.

2019-175 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 # 18-00023 for Property Known as Block 108 Lot 23

Motion to Approve:

Councilman Cangiano

Second:

Councilman Sadow

Council Discussion:

NONE

Roll Call:

Aye:

Loughridge, Farris, Sadow, Galate, Cangiano, Council President Delaney

Abstain:

None

Opposed: None

**MOTION APPROVED** 

### 19. Motions

None

## 20. Executive Session

None

# 21. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn:

Councilman Sadow

Second:

Councilman Cangiano

Voice Vote for All in Favor:

Ave:

Loughridge, Farris, Sadow, Galate, Cangiano, Council President Delaney

Opposed:

None

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Acting Borough Clerk

CC: Website