

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON
COUCIL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 3, 2020
7:00 PM**

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 January 9, 2020 and posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on January 3, 2020; notice of this meeting is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

In accordance with the Open Public Meeting 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 led the flag salute. The Mayor then asked for a moment of silence for the victims and family members of those who were impacted by in the tornadoes in Tennessee.

4. Roll Call

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

Matthew Jessup, Esq., Borough Attorney, and Carolyn Rinaldi, Borough Administrator and CFO, were also present.

5. Presentations

None

6. Appointments

- Land Use Board
 - o Alternate 1 – David Karpman
 - o Alternate 2 – Heidi Roldan

Motion to Approve: Councilwoman Farris

Second: Councilman Cangiano

Roll Call:

Aye: Farris, Loughridge, Cangiano, Fostle, Council President
Delaney

Opposed: None

Motion Approved

7. Tax and Utility Report for the Month of January

Total Tax Collections: \$3,453,517.64

Total Utility Collections: \$458,558.39

8. Finance Report for the Month of January

Receipts: \$2,435,913.28

Disbursements: \$1,869,653.61

9. Approval of Minutes

- January 2, 2020 7:00 p.m. Re-Organization Meeting

Motion to Approve: Council President Delaney

Second: Councilman Loughridge

Roll Call:

Aye: Farris, Loughridge, Cangiano, Council President Delaney

Abstain Fostle

Opposed: None

Motion Approved

10. Mayor's Report

Mayor Stanzilis met with the new owners of the Marriott Hotel, Opal Properties out of North Carolina. They plan on filling the pool in and making a banquet facility. In addition, they are renovating all the rooms at a cost of \$5 million. Mayor Stanzilis mentioned that their efforts will play hand-in-hand with the Borough's economic development plans.

Mayor Stanzilis went on to report that he was on a teleconference with the Governor today regarding the COVID-19 virus. The Mayor said the Governor had a number of experts on the line and the call was very well handled. Next week, the Borough will be holding a meeting with our Department of Health, Board of Health, Police, School Superintendent and School Nurse to make sure everyone is on the same page in our planning process. The Mayor went on to say there is no need to panic, but being prepared is very important. We always learn something when we prepare for any emergency and preparation will be useful for future emergencies. Mayor Stanzilis said we have no reported cases of COVID-19 in the state of NJ.

11. Borough Administrator's Report

Mrs. Rinaldi reported that the Borough submitted two separate applications for Morris County Preservation Trust Funds for projects located at 404 Howard Boulevard and 526 Altenbrand Avenue. The funding associated with these projects will go towards rehabilitation/potential reuse of the properties.

The Borough also completed an application for a repeater grant which will be used for the purchase of equipment that will assist OEM and RACIS.

We received an award for seven sets of turnout gear for our Fire Department. In addition, a grant application for a cascade system has been submitted.

12. Council Committee Reports

Councilwoman Farris:

Councilwoman Farris reported that she attended the Morris County League of Municipalities meeting along with Councilwoman Fostle and Council President Delany. The Borough was very well represented at the meeting.

Councilman Loughridge:

Councilman Loughridge reported that the senior yoga classes have continued and are well attended. He went on to report that Christina Chismar is doing a great job running these classes. Councilman Loughridge went on to report the following:

- The Recreation Committee met and discussed the Memorial Day Parade and the new route.
- The Seniors 50's Show is scheduled for May. Judy Loughridge and Christina Chismar are coordinating this event.
- The Lake Rogerene Trails Grand Opening will be scheduled for this spring.
- April 4th is the Easter Egg Hunt.

- May 9th is the Lake Hopatcong Foundation Block Party.
- May 21st is Jean's for Troops Day.
- The Seniors meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 1:00 pm. A number of issues have come up during the Senior meetings including:
 - Status of the traffic study for Quick Check
 - Street light at Carriage House; the pole is in place, but no light
 - Library concerns regarding programs/use

Mayor Stanzilis said the County Traffic Study is complete. Mrs. Rinaldi said the County will hold a meeting with the elected officials and will also have another public hearing at the school.

Councilwoman Fostle:

Councilwoman Fostle reported that she met with Mrs. Rinaldi today to discuss the Brough budget which will be introduced in April.

Councilman Cangiano:

Councilman Cangiano reported that the Leap in the Lake was well attended by Borough employees; all had a great time.

Councilman Cangiano mentioned the appointments of David Karpman and Heidi Roland to the Land Use Board; he feels both individuals bring much experience to the board. Also, Councilman Cangiano was very pleased to hear we are getting a grant for the rehabilitation of 404 Howard Boulevard, a project which is a great step for the Borough.

Council President Delaney:

Council President Delaney reported he is very pleased to hear of the repeater grant, which will be used by the CERT Team and RACIS, as well as the Coast Guard.

13. Chief of Police Report

Chief Licata reported that our two new Police Officers are cleared from field training and are now part of the Police Department manpower pool.

The Hazardous Mitigation Grant program is processed through OEM. It is a program which is in place to help municipalities mitigate natural disasters such as snow storms or hurricanes. Enrolment into the program is required to be eligible for emergency funding should the need arise. The Borough is fully compliant with the Hazardous Mitigation Grant program.

14. Public Comment

Carol Glucksman – 21 Hickory Way, Mount Arlington, NJ

Ms. Glucksman expressed her concern regarding our Library system and how underutilized it is. She said we have three movies in March and the yoga class every Friday. Mrs. Glucksman brought event guides from two other library systems showing programs available to the public. She feels our library is often not open and it could offer more than it does. She said the library is a beautiful facility, but it is underutilized.

Mayor Stanzilis thanked Ms. Glucksman for attending and asked that she please present her ideas to the Library Board of Trustees who are meeting Tuesday, March 10th at 7:00 pm in the Library. The Mayor explained how the library is funded through the State and the Borough. He thanks Ms. Glucksman for her presentation.

Jackie Espinoza – JCP&L Richboynton Road, Dover, NJ 0780 17:36:24

Mayor Stanzilis introduced Ms. Espinoza as our JCP&L representative. Ms. Espinoza explained that in July 2019 the BPU allowed JCP&L to spend additional money on power distribution systems. JCP&L installed automation in their control centers and installed new fuses on the power lines which are known as trip savers. The trip savers reduce interruption of power and reduce lineman calls. They keep the power on and improve reliability. Ms. Espinoza went on to report that JCP&L has done more work on vegetative management which will also improve power reliability.

15. New Business

None

16. Old Business

None

17. Ordinance – Introduction

02-2020 Ordinance Authorizing a Special Emergency Appropriation in the Amount of \$200,000 for the Preparation and Execution of a complete Revaluation of Real Property and all Related expenses in and by the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, New Jersey

The Mayor read ordinance 02-2020 by Title

Motion: Councilman Cangiano stated that Ordinance 02-2020 be introduced and will be further considered after a public hearing held on April 7, 2020 at the Municipal Building at 7 pm.

Second: Councilwoman Farris
No Council Discussion
Roll Call:
Aye: Farris, Loughridge, Cangiano, Fostle, Council President
Delaney
Opposed: None
Motion Approved

18. Ordinance – Second Reading

01-2020 Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter 67 of the Borough Code Entitled “Construction Code, Uniform”, Specifically Section 67-5, “Construction Fees”

The Mayor opened the Hearing to the Public and read Ordinance 01-2020 by Title

No Public Comment

The Mayor closed the Hearing to the Public

Motion: Councilman Loughridge stated: “I move for adoption and final passage of Ordinance 01-2020”
Second: Council President Delaney
No Council Discussion
Roll Call:
Aye: Farris, Loughridge, Cangiano, Fostle, Council President
Delaney
Opposed: None
Motion Approved

19. Resolutions – Vote by Consent

Resolution 2020-48 through 2020-58

2020-48 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Approving the Check Register Dated March 3, 2020

2020-49 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Temporary Appropriations for Operating Purposes

- 2020-50** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Temporary Suspension of Parking Restrictions on Seasons Drive as Set Forth in the New Jersey Traffic Code 39:4-138
- 2020-51** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Road Closures During the Memorial Day Parade
- 2020-52** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for Redemption of TSC #18-00007
- 2020-53** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for Redemption of TSC #18-00012
- 2020-54** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for Redemption of TSC #18-00024
- 2020-55** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for Redemption of TSC #19-00012
- 2020-56** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for Redemption of TSC #19-00014
- 2020-57** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for Redemption of TSC #19-00017
- 2020-58** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for Refund of Utility Overpayment for the Property Known as Block 54 Lot 7

Motion to Approve: Councilman Cangiano
Second: Councilwoman Farris
No Council Discussion

Roll Call:

Aye: Farris, Loughridge, Cangiano, Fostle, Council President
Delaney

Opposed: None

Motion Approved

20. Adjourn

Motion of Adjourn: Council President Delaney

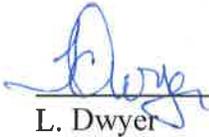
Second: Councilman Loughridge

Roll Call:

All in Favor: Aye

Opposed: None

Motion Approved



L. Dwyer

Acting Borough Clerk

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