

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON
COUCIL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 19, 2021
7:00 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Borough of Mount Arlington was held on Tuesday, January 19, 2021. This meeting was held remotely/electronically using the platform Zoom and commenced at 7:00PM.

Mayor Stanzilis stated “Adequate notice of this meeting held this 19th day of January, 2021, has been provided as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, as follows: Notice was published in the Daily Record and the Roxbury Register on January 12, 2021 and posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Borough Municipal Building, on January 6, 2021; notice of this meeting is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk. Additional notice of this meeting, including without limit setting forth procedures and requirements for public participation therein given the ongoing pandemic, was also transmitted to the Morris County Daily Record and the Roxbury Register, posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Borough Municipal Building, and posted on the Borough’s website. Consistent with that additional notice, public comment may be made during this meeting in any of the following ways:

1. By attending this meeting via Zoom, using the Attendee Link provided in that notice;
2. By attending this meeting via telephone, using the Phone Number and Event Number/Access Code provided in that notice;
3. By having provided comments in writing via electronic mail prior to 4:00 p.m. on the date of this meeting, as provided in the notice; or,
4. By having provided comments in writing and mailed same for delivery no later than the date of this meeting, as provided in the notice.

Procedures, requirements and standards for making public comment in remote meetings shall be governed by applicable law, including Local Finance and regulatory guidance. In connection with this remote meeting, the Borough will be utilizing an electronic communications platform that utilizes audio muting in connection with the control of this meeting, including the orderly conduct of public comment.”

The Mayor led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Stanzilis asked everyone to reflect on the souls who had lost their lives in the COVID-19 pandemic and their families.

Roll Call was taken for attendance:

Present: Councilwoman Farris, Councilman Cangiano, Councilwoman Fostle, Councilman Loughridge, Council President Delaney, Councilwoman Galate and Mayor Stanzilis

Absent: None

Present from Administration: Administrator/CFO Ms. Rinaldi, Borough Attorney Mr. Jessup, Police Chief LaBruno and Borough Engineer Mr. Puszcz

Presentations:

None

Appointments:

None

Tax and Utility Report for the Month of November:

None

Finance Report for the Month of November

Receipts	\$576,569.56
Disbursements	\$2,751,631.30

Approval of Minutes

December 15, 2020 – Regular Meeting

Motion to Approve: Councilman Loughridge

Second: Councilwoman Galate

Council Discussion: None

Roll Call was taken.

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

Opposed: None

Abstain: Cangiano

Motion carries.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Stanzilis had nothing to report.

Chief of Police Report

Chief LaBruno thanked everyone for their support of No Shave November and December between the Borough Police Department and the FOP (Fraternal Order of Police). They had raised \$2,500 in donations which would be split between cancer research and the Special Olympics. As part of President Trump's Safe Policing Executive Order, every police department in the country had to submit their department's Use of Force Policy. Any departments not meeting the criteria would be ineligible to receive federal funding. The Mount Arlington Police Department's Use of Force Policy had been approved and they received their certification from the State.

Borough Administrator's Report

Ms. Rinaldi reported the new and improved Borough website was currently being rolled out and a lot of hard work had been put into it. The new economic development portion would be up and running on January 24. There would be more live information on the website for the residents. The Borough was currently working on its year-end closings and getting ready for the upcoming fiscal year.

Council Committee Reports

Councilwoman Farris

Councilwoman Farris proclaimed she was looking forward to the COVID-19 pandemic hopefully being over soon.

Councilwoman Fostle

Councilwoman Fostle had nothing to report.

Councilwoman Galate

Councilwoman Galate announced, on behalf of Fire Chief Giacobbe, the Fire Department was open, the Firefighters were wearing masks and are decontaminating the Fire Trucks after each call. The new Cascade System was scheduled to be installed at the end of the month.

Councilwoman Galate stated that the Board of Education had announced some personnel changes at their Reorganization meeting last week. Liz Cangiano was stepping down after ten years on the Board of Education. Business Administrator Tonya Flowers was leaving as well. The Board of Education was looking to hire numerous substitute positions: teachers; secretaries; nurses; custodians and paraprofessionals. Regarding Girl Scouts, if you did not want to buy Girl Scout Cookies you could still buy them and have them donated to the troops. If interested please contact Melissa Eckert. Great job to the Police and Fire Departments. It was a shame that the public could not see more of what goes on because both departments were doing a great job.

Councilman Loughridge

Councilman Loughridge reported the Recreation Committee's Reorganization Meeting was last night. They were moving along and had plenty prepared for 2021.

Councilman Cangiano

Councilman Cangiano reported Mount Arlington Middle School teacher Julie Crawford was retiring at the end of January. She had done such a fantastic job for the schools and communities through so many events and sustainability efforts; she was second to none. If there was some sort of recognition the Council could give her it would be great. Regarding Water and Sewer projects, they were moving forward quite rapidly and he would like to schedule a high-level meeting to discuss the financing of these projects.

Ms. Rinaldi replied she would organize a meeting as she was planning on scheduling meetings soon for budgets and capital planning.

Mayor Stanzilis agreed that a recognition for Julie Crawford would be a good idea.

Council President Delaney

Council President Delaney reported that all of the committees had hit the ground running during their Reorg meetings. There were a lot of good ideas out there and everyone wanted to get out of their houses and get moving. The Health Department was extremely busy handling the COVID-19 pandemic.

Public Comment

There was no one present from the public.

Ordinance – Introduction:

None

Ordinance – Second Reading

01-2021 An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Providing for Aid to the Landfill Solar Redevelopment Project Located in the Mount Arlington Landfill Redevelopment Area in and by the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, Appropriating \$4,750,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$4,750,000 Bonds or Notes of the Borough to Finance the Cost Thereof

The Mayor opened the Hearing to the Public and read Ordinance 01-2021 by Title.

There was no public comment.

The Mayor closed the Hearing to the Public.

Motion: Council President Delaney stated: “I move for adoption and final passage of Ordinance 01-2021”

Second: Councilwoman Galate

There was no Council discussion.

Roll Call:

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

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

Resolutions – All Vote by Consent

2021-30 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Approving Transfer of Funds

2021-31 A 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 January 19, 2021

2021-32 A Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Appointing Carolyn Rinaldi as Public Agency Compliance Officer for the Calendar Year 2021

2021-33 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Confirming the Appointment of the Municipal Court Judge

2021-34 A Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Redeeming a Third-Party Tax Lien Certificate of Sale# 20-00010 for Property Known as Block 97 Lot 8

- 2021-35 A Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Redeeming a Third-Party Tax Lien Certificate of Sale# 20-00013 for Property Known as Block 123 Lot 13
- 2021-36 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey Authorizing Execution of an Agreement with Prime Healthcare Services – Saint Clare’s for Emergency Medical Services

Motion to Approve: Councilwoman Galate
Second: Councilwoman Farris
Council Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Aye: Farris, Cangiano, Fostle, Loughridge, Galate, Council President Delaney
Opposed: None
Abstain: None
Motion Approved

Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Council President Delaney
Second: Councilwoman Farris

Roll Call:

All in Favor: Aye
Opposed: None
Motion Approved

The meeting adjourned at 7:20PM.



Matthew N. Bansch, Borough Clerk

CC: Website