

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 5, 2022  
7:00 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington was held on Tuesday, July 5, 2022. This meeting was held in-person at the Municipal Building at 419 Howard Boulevard, Mount Arlington, New Jersey and commenced at 7:00PM.

Mayor Stanzilis called the meeting to order.

Mr. Bansch stated, “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 13, 2022 and posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Borough Municipal Building, on January 6, 2022; 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.”

The Mayor led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. He asked everyone to remain standing to observe a moment of silence to remember the innocent who lost their lives at the Fourth of July parade shooting in Highland Park, Illinois.

Roll Call was taken for attendance:

**Present:** Councilwoman Farris, Council President Delaney, Councilwoman Galate and Mayor Stanzilis

**Absent:** Councilman Loughridge, Councilman Cangiano, Councilwoman Fostle

**Present from Administration:** Administrator/CFO Ms. Rinaldi, Police Chief LaBruno, Borough Attorney Mr. Jessup and the writer.

**Presentations:**

**Melissa Eckert, Board of Education Liaison Monthly Report:** - None

**Colleen Lyons, Lake Hopatcong Commission Administrator Monthly Report:**

Ms. Lyons reported weed harvesting continued to move up Lake Hopatcong from south to north. Areas south of Bertrand Island had been completed with approximately 300 cubic yards removed so far. Harvesting over the next two weeks would focus on Crescent Cove. Regarding the NJ DEP’s buoys on the lake, which continuously monitored for Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs), two of the buoys had recently been vandalized. It was very frustrating, as these buoys were expensive

and would need to be removed if the vandalism continued. The DEP was working with the State Police to hopefully find the culprit soon. Princeton Hydro completed their June water quality sampling of the lake. They noted higher phosphorus level concentrations in the northern parts of the lake, River Styx and Crescent Cove. Phosphorus was the primary nutrient driving cyanobacteria blooms. While Lake Hopatcong had not experienced any HABs in 2022, the Lake Hopatcong Commission and Lake Hopatcong Foundation were meeting with licensed applicators to discuss permitting for small-scale HAB treatments in the event of HABs in high-contact areas of the lake. They were hoping that none of this would be necessary, but they wanted to be prepared nonetheless.

Mayor Stanzilis thanked Ms. Lyons for attending the press conference at Lees County Park Marina for Boating Safety with resident Christopher D'Amico whose son, Christopher D'Amico Jr., was tragically killed in a pontoon boating accident in 2015. Ms. Lyons replied boating safety was very important and she hoped the word was getting out. She was aware of some boaters spreading awareness to other boaters on the dangers of sitting on the fronts of pontoon boats.

#### **Approval of Minutes -**

#### **June 14, 2022 – Regular Council Meeting**

*Motion to Approve:* Councilwoman Farris

*Second:* Council President Delaney

*Council Discussion:* None

#### *Roll Call:*

Aye: Farris, Galate, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

#### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Stanzilis had nothing to report.

#### **Borough Administrator's Report**

Ms. Rinaldi had nothing to report.

#### **Police Chief's Report**

Chief LaBruno had nothing to report.

#### **Fire Chief's Report**

2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Eric Fowler reported the Fire Department responded to 8 calls last month, with an average response time to the firehouse of 4.25 minutes, and an average arrival time to the scene with apparatus of 9.21 minutes.

Mayor Stanzilis thanked the Fire Department for providing coverage at the Fourth of July Fireworks.

**Council Committee Reports**

*Councilwoman Galate*

Councilwoman Galate reported schools were closed for the summer. The Board of Education was looking to hire new staff. She encouraged residents to visit the BOE website for job postings.

*Councilwoman Farris*

Councilwoman Farris reported the recent Morris County League of Municipalities dinner was a wonderful and well-attended event. The Veteran’s Cruise around Lake Hopatcong on June 25<sup>th</sup> was fantastic. It was great to be on the municipal beach waiving to the veterans as they went by.

*Council President Delaney*

Council President Delaney had nothing to report.

**Public Comment** - There was no public comment.

**Ordinance – Introduction** - None

**Ordinance – Second Reading** - None

**Resolutions – All Vote by Consent**

- 2022-97 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Approving the Check Register Dated July 5, 2022
  
- 2022-98 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, to Redeem a Third-Party Tax Lien Certificate of Sale# 21-00003 for Property Known as Block 22 Lot 32
  
- 2022-99 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, to Redeem a Third-Party Tax Lien Certificate of Sale# 21-00007 for Property Known as Block 80 Lot 18
  
- 2022-100 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Accepting the Bid and Awarding the Contract for Schmitz Terrace Stand Pipe Rehabilitation to Dynamic Sandblasting and Painting, LLC
  
- 2022-101 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Appointing Lifeguards for the 2022 Season
  
- 2022-102 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, to Authorize Submission of a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for “Reba Road and Eric Lane Repaving Project”
  
- 2022-103 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing a Morris County Trail Construction Grant Application

- 2022-104 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Donating Cascade System and Removing Item from Fixed Asset Ledger
- 2022-105 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Execution of a Proposal for Engineering and Procurement Services with CP Engineers LLC for I-Bank Project 1426005-004, Booster Station Improvements

*Motion to Approve:* Councilwoman Farris

*Second:* Councilwoman Galate

*Council Discussion:* None

*Roll Call:*

Aye: Farris, Galate, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

**Motion** - None

**Adjourn**

Motion to Adjourn: Council President Delaney

Second: Councilwoman Farris

*Roll Call:*

All in Favor: Aye

Opposed: None

Motion Approved

The meeting adjourned at 7:10PM.



Matthew N. Bansch, Borough Clerk

CC: Website

Minutes Approved at Council Meeting of August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022