

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 7, 2023
7:00 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington was held on Wednesday, June 7, 2023. This meeting was held in-person at the Municipal Building at 419 Howard Boulevard, Mount Arlington, New Jersey.

Mayor Stanzilis called the meeting to order at 7:02PM.

Mr. Bansch stated, "Adequate Notice of this meeting of the Mayor and 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 10, 2023 and posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Borough Municipal Building on January 4, 2023; 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 then asked everyone to remain standing to observe a moment of silence to pray for the safety of all firefighters in the nation.

Roll Call was taken for attendance:

Present: Councilwoman Galate, Council President Delaney, Councilwoman Fostle, Councilman BaRoss and Mayor Stanzilis

Absent: Councilman Loughridge, Councilman Cangiano

Present from Administration: Administrator/CFO Ms. Rinaldi, Borough Attorney Ms. Cofoni, Police Chief Green, Fire Chief Lima and Borough Clerk Mr. Bansch

Presentations:

Colleen Lyons, Lake Hopatcong Commission Administrator Monthly Report - None

Melissa Eckert, Board of Education Liaison Monthly Report:

Ms. Eckert reported the following:

- Band and Choir competed at the High Notes Music Festival and received the Exceptional Award.
- The Spring concerts and Art Show at MAPS were wonderful.

- The MAPS Clean Communities Program was June 5th where students cleaned up litter around the school grounds.
- End of year activities:
 - Field Day at MAPS was last week and Decker School was planned for this Friday.
 - 8th Grade trip to Gettysburg and Hershey was Wednesday through Friday this week.
 - Mount Arlington Class of 2024 upcoming fundraisers:
 - Andy's Roadside Dive on June 15th from 11am-6pm. 50% of proceeds would be going to the incoming 8th grade class.
 - Class of 2024 Car Wash at the ELKS on June 17th from 8am-12pm.
 - Ongoing clothing donative drive. Bins were in the front of MAPS.
 - Graduation was scheduled for June 20th at 6:30pm on the back field at MAPS (rain date was June 21st).
- The next Board Meeting was Wednesday, June 14th. Coffee and Chat with the Superintendent would be at 6pm in the Media Center before the meeting.

Eagle Scout Project Proposal - Matthew Marcano

Mr. Marcano of Troop 188 presented his Eagle Scout project proposal. His project consisted of sanding, priming, and painting the Mount Arlington Firehouse overhead garage doors and applying new Mount Arlington Fire Department decals. He was raising funds to meet the monetary goals of his project. Donations in the form of checks made payable to Troop 188 could be dropped off at the Clerk's Office.

The Mayor and Council agreed Mr. Marcano's Eagle Scout project proposal sounded like a good idea. Mr. Marcano should review with Ms. Rinaldi to confirm conformance with the aesthetics ordinance and any other requirements.

Appointments: – All Vote by Consent

- 2023-92 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Appointing Caiden Wodynski as Volunteer Fire Fighter
- 2023-93 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Appointing Matthew Marcano as Volunteer Fire Fighter
- 2023-94 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Appointing Anthony Roznoy as Volunteer Fire Fighter
- 2023-95 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Appointing Kyle Wodynski as Volunteer Fire Fighter

Motion to Appoint: Fostle

Second: Galate

Council Discussion: None

Roll Call:

All in Favor: Aye

Opposed: None

Motion Approved

Mayor Stanzilis administered Oaths of Office to each firefighter individually.

Approval of Minutes

May 2, 2023 – 10:00AM Regular Council Meeting

Motion to Approve: Galate

Second: BaRoss

Council Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Aye: Galate, BaRoss, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: Fostle

Motion Approved

May 2, 2023 – 7:00PM Regular Council Meeting

Motion to Approve: Galate

Second: Fostle

Council Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Aye: Galate, Fostle, BaRoss, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

Mayor's Report

Mayor Stanzilis reported the Memorial Day Parade was a great event with great weather. He thanked Ms. Todd and Ms. Rinaldi for coordinating the event. The Lake Hopatcong Foundation Block Party also went well despite the rainy weather. The recent meeting at town hall with residents from McGregor Avenue went very well. McGregor Avenue will have water line installation completed, as well as drainage, milling and paving of the entire road. These improvements will help the water quality of Lake Hopatcong. In addition to the town hall meeting, there were also three nights of walking McGregor Avenue, in different sections, to understand each individual resident's specific needs.

Borough Administrator's Report

Ms. Rinaldi reported the next Summer Concert Series event was Saturday, June 17th from 3-5pm at Memorial Beach. Friday, June 30th was the Fourth of July Fireworks. Beach Yoga was starting up again for the summer season and would run weekly on Sundays from June 18th through August 27th from 9-10am. There was a \$10 fee to attend. Residents were encouraged to sign up and pay for Beach

Yoga online on Community Pass. She thanked everyone who volunteered to join her at the Lake Hopatcong Block Party. It was truly a team effort.

Police Chief's Report

Chief Green reported Police Department personnel attended various trainings including CPR training; Breach Point; Search and Rescue, Rifle Qualification; and Advanced Leadership.

Fire Chief's Report

Chief Lima reported, for the month of May, there were 8 calls totaling 27.21 man-hours. Tonight, they were awarding a scholarship to Roxbury High School senior Katarina Guerra. The Fire House got rid of Active 911 and was moving over to Rover which was paid for by the County. He asked everyone to please keep Firefighter Bizarro in their prayers. The Mount Arlington Fire Department Officers recently visited Mr. Bizarro at the hospital and presented him with the Chief William Chaplin Valor Award for saving a life back in 1978.

Council Committee Reports

Councilman BaRoss

Councilman BaRoss reported Construction Official Tom Mahoney would be retiring July 1st. To take his place was the new Jefferson Township Construction Official, Domenick Carnevale. The recent Summer Concert Series event was a big success. The free ice cream was a nice touch. He enjoyed walking in his first Mount Arlington Memorial Day Parade. He thanked everyone who came out.

Councilwoman Fostle

Councilwoman Fostle reported she had been working on a Mount Arlington Park Master Plan. The intent was to create a plan and vision for improvements to Memorial Park and Beach. The plan may include cleaning up the hiking trails; offering residents more connectivity between the Municipal Beach and Memorial Park; adding bathrooms; a boardwalk and more lighting. This would be accomplished while keeping with the aesthetics ordinance of the Borough to maintain its historical lakeside resort character.

Councilwoman Galate

Councilwoman Galate reported the Fire Department continued honoring a "Firefighter of the Week." She read bios for those recognized most recently: First Lieutenant Wes Martin; and Firefighter Jonathan Feinberg. The Fire Department's 100th Anniversary was July 29th at 11am; rain date of August 12th. She encouraged everyone to check out all that was going on at the Borough Library. There was a lot going on for the residents.

Council President Delaney

Council President Delaney reported the Memorial Parade was a huge success. The Fire Department's 100th Anniversary was coming up soon and he was looking forward to it. He thanked everyone who came out to vote in the Primary Election.

Mayor Stanzilis congratulated Council President Delaney, Councilwoman Fostle and Councilman BaRoss on their Primary Election wins.

Public Comment

Dennis Keenan, 5 Kadel Drive – Mr. Keenan spoke as a member of the Mount Arlington Knolls Property Owners Association (MAKPOA) who resides in the Knolls section of Mount Arlington. He, along with several other Knolls residents, were at the meeting to express their frustrations over the closing of Knolls Beach, which was located at the end of Hillard Drive. He stated the entrance to Knolls Beach had recently been locked, and the beach closed indefinitely, by the current property owner. Mr. Keenan explained the Knolls section of Mount Arlington, which included Knolls Beach, was under a 99-year lease since Henry Kadel purchased the land from Mount Arlington in 1961. Mr. Keenan passed out copies of the original Deed of Sale for the Mayor and Council to review. He wished to make the Borough aware of the obligations included in the original Deed of Sale. He referenced a specific condition on the Deed which he believed meant any property subdivided out of that purchase agreement would have the legal right to use Knolls Beach. He respectfully asked that the Borough Attorney be authorized to investigate the matter further to determine if the municipal obligations were being violated. He also wanted to make sure the Borough Zoning Officer, Borough Engineer and Land Use Board were made aware of the situation. Mr. Keenan clarified the Borough was mentioned only in the Deed of Sale; not in the 99-year lease.

Mayor Stanzilis replied he would instruct the Borough Attorney to review the Deed of Sale to see if the Borough had any legal grounds to get involved or if it was strictly a matter between two private entities. There were no objections by the Council.

Several other Mount Arlington Knolls residents then took turns reiterating similar frustrations and concerns as Mr. Keenan:

- Krista Anderson, 41 Richard Drive East
- Bill Hauley, 41 Richard Drive East
- Linda Tuneblom, 49 Kadel Drive
- Rosalie Sweeney, 5 Richard Drive West
- Chrisanne Manz, 2 Kadel Drive
- Per Tuneblom, 49 Kadel Drive

Charles Alan Torrise, 19 Windemere Avenue – Mr. Torrise introduced himself as the Democratic candidate running for Mount Arlington Borough Council in November.

Ordinance – Introduction

04-2023 An Ordinance of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Adopting a Redevelopment Plan for Block 17, Lot 18 (61 Rooney Road) on the Tax Maps of the Borough

The Mayor opened the Hearing to the Public and read Ordinance 04-2023 by Title.

There was no public comment.

The Mayor closed the Hearing to the Public.

Motion: Council President Delaney stated: “I make the motion that Ordinance 04-2023 be introduced, and will be further considered after a public hearing held on July 11, 2023 at the Municipal Building at 7:00PM.”

Second: Fostle

Council Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Aye: Galate, Fostle, BaRoss, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

Ordinance – Second Reading- None

Resolutions – All Vote by Consent

- 2023-96 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 June 7, 2023
- 2023-97 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Delineating Salary Amounts and Rates for the Year 2023
- 2023-98 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing a Fee Schedule and Capacity Limit for Access to the Municipal Beach
- 2023-99 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption/ Distribution and Club Licenses for the Licensing Period Commencing July 1, 2023
- 2023-100 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Road Closures During the 2023 Fire Department 100th Anniversary Parade
- 2023-101 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for Refund of Tax Overpayment Made on Property Known as Block 39 Lot 12 Qual C038
- 2023-102 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Appointing Beach Attendants for the 2023 Season
- 2023-103 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Appointing Lifeguards for the 2023 Season
- 2023-104 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Execution of a Contract Between Eastern Armored Service, Inc. and the Borough of Mount Arlington

- 2023-105 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# 19-00008 for Property Known as Block 52 Lot 8
- 2023-106 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Release of Cash Bond Associated with HESP Solar, LLC
- 2023-107 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation NJS 40A:4-87
- 2023-108 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Receipt of Bids for a Dial-a-Ride Bus
- 2023-109 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Release of Maintenance Bond Associated with Shadow Woods / Woodmont Properties (Seasons Woodmont JV, LLC)

Motion to Approve: BaRoss

Second: Galate

Council Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Aye: Galate, Fostle, BaRoss, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

Motion – All Vote by Consent

- Vendor Permit –Trinity Solar Inc. – solar energy products
 - o Chelsea Lynch
- Vendor Permit – Sunrun – solar energy products
 - o Sergio Martinez
- Vendor Permit – Dolly Jingles Ice Cream – prepackaged ice cream, candy and soda
 - o Daniel Sullivan
- Vendor Permit – Schwan’s (Cygnus Home Service, Inc.) – prepackaged frozen foods delivery service
 - o Edmund Schoenfeld
- Vendor Permit – Aptive Environmental – pest control services

o Adam Clark	o Garrett Challburg
o Zach Seager	o Roman Plant
o Ray Camacho	o Bailey Standley
o Jett Johnson	o Luke Liston
o Ethan Belnap	o Taylor Bell
o Jaxen Hawk	

Motion to Approve: Council President Delaney

Second: BaRoss

Council Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Aye: Galate, Fostle, BaRoss, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Council President Delaney

Second: Fostle

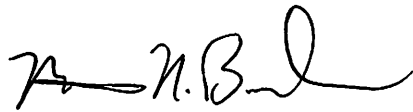
Roll Call:

All in Favor: Aye

Opposed: None

Motion Approved

The meeting adjourned at 8:13PM.



Matthew N. Bansch, Borough Clerk

CC: Website

Minutes Approved at Council Meeting of July 11, 2023