

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 1, 2023
7:00 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington was held on Tuesday, August 1, 2023. This meeting was held in-person at the Municipal Building at 419 Howard Boulevard, Mount Arlington, New Jersey.

Council President Delaney called the meeting to order at 7:01PM.

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."

Council President Delaney led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. He then asked everyone to remain standing to observe a moment of silence to pray for Lieutenant Governor Sheila Oliver who passed away today.

Roll Call was taken for attendance:

Present: Councilwoman Galate, Council President Delaney, Councilman Cangiano, Councilwoman Fostle (arrived at 7:05pm) and Councilman BaRoss

Absent: Councilman Loughridge, Mayor Stanzilis

Present from Administration: Administrator/CFO Ms. Rinaldi, Borough Attorney Mr. Jessup and Borough Clerk Mr. Bansch

Presentations – None

Appointments – None

Approval of Minutes

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Motion to Approve: Cangiano

Second: Galate

Council Discussion: None

Roll Call:

All in Favor: Aye

Opposed: None

Motion Approved

Mayor's Report – None

Borough Administrator's Report

Ms. Rinaldi reported the July Summer Concert on July 20th at Memorial Beach was very successful and well attended. The next Summer Concert would be at Memorial Beach on Thursday, August 17th 6-8pm with a rain date of August 24th.

Councilwoman Fostle arrived at 7:05pm.

Police Chief's Report

Councilwoman Galate reported in Chief Green's absence. Police Department personnel attended various trainings in July including CPR and Defensive Tactics. Next month they would be conducting an Active Shooter Training in the Mount Arlington Public School with assistance from the Morris County CERT. In response to reports of car thefts all around New Jersey, the Police Department wished to remind everyone to please lock their car doors and leave their key fobs and garage door openers inside the house.

Fire Chief's Report

First Lieutenant Martin gave the monthly report. He was accompanied by Assistant Chief D'Arco and 2nd Lieutenant Fowler. For the month of July, there were 19 calls totaling 76.56 man-hours. Year-to-date they had 93 calls. They were on pace for approximately 150 calls in 2023. The Fire Department 100th Anniversary Parade and celebration were excellent. The Fire Department wished to thank the Governing Body, PD, DPW, CERT and everyone else involved for their help and support. This week they would be undergoing a communications upgrade for their fire bound radios.

Council Committee Reports

Councilman BaRoss

Councilman BaRoss attended the Summer Concert at Memorial Beach. It was a real nice event in a perfect location. He walked in the Fire Department 100th Anniversary Parade. It was a great day.

Councilwoman Fostle

Councilwoman Fostle stated the Fire Department did an amazing job with the 100th Anniversary Parade. She was very impressed with the procession of fire trucks and support from adjoining communities.

Councilman Cangiano

Councilman Cangiano agreed the 100th Anniversary Parade was a fantastic event and the weather was great. He was very pleased to see Resolution 2023-132 on the agenda because it was for the amended water allocation agreement with the MCMUA. This agreement would allow a higher water allocation limit to serve the remainder of the Borough. This was a great first step to

eventually include the Lake Rogerene section in the Borough's sewer service area. Everyone in that area was currently on well and septic. It was a long time coming.

Councilwoman Galate

Councilwoman Galate stated, in addition to everything else that was said about the 100th Anniversary Parade, it was a great opportunity and pleasure overall to celebrate Mount Arlington. There was a great sense of community overall. There were many exciting activities going on at the Borough Library for all ages.

Council President Delaney

Council President Delaney had nothing to report.

Public Comment

Clinton Hill, 352 Howard Boulevard – Mr. Hill stated there was a paper road between his house and his neighbor's house that had never been developed. He was wondering if the Borough could get rid of the paper road by either selling it or splitting it up between the two properties. The paper road made it difficult to build anything such a patio. He also believed, if he were to ever sell his house, it would make selling more difficult. He provided a copy of his survey to Ms. Rinaldi.

Ms. Rinaldi replied she would look further into the survey and work with Mr. Jessup to see what the appropriate next step might be. There were no objections from the Governing Body.

Ordinance – Introduction

05-2023 An Ordinance of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Providing for Improvements to McGregor Avenue in and by the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Appropriating \$2,862,211 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,719,100 Bonds or Notes of the Borough to Finance Part of the Cost Thereof

Council President Delaney opened the Hearing to the Public and read Ordinance 05-2023 by Title.

There was no public comment.

Council President Delaney closed the Hearing to the Public.

Motion: Councilman Cangiano stated: "I make the motion that Ordinance 05-2023 be introduced, and will be further considered after a public hearing held on September 5, 2023 at the Municipal Building at 7:00PM."

Second: Councilwoman Fostle

Council Discussion: Ms. Rinaldi proved an overview of Ordinance 05-2023. Once adopted, the Borough would go out to bid and be on track to break ground on the project in the Fall. McGregor Avenue will have water line installation completed, as well as drainage, milling and paving of the entire road. There was a recent meeting at town hall with residents from McGregor Avenue. In addition to the town hall meeting, there were also three nights of walking McGregor Avenue to meet with residents and review the draft plans.

Roll Call:

Aye: Galate, Cangiano, Fostle, BaRoss, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

06-2023 An Ordinance of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Appropriating \$100,000.00 for the Purchase of a Dial-a-Ride Bus by the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey

Council President Delaney opened the Hearing to the Public and read Ordinance 06-2023 by Title.

There was no public comment.

Council President Delaney closed the Hearing to the Public.

Motion: Councilman BaRoss stated: "I make the motion that Ordinance 06-2023 be introduced, and will be further considered after a public hearing held on September 5, 2023 at the Municipal Building at 7:00PM."

Second: Councilwoman Galate

Council Discussion: Councilman Cangiano stated this would be a great purchase for the Borough; it was a long time coming. Ms. Rinaldi reminded everyone there was \$37,000 grant associated with this purchase as well.

Roll Call:

Aye: Galate, Cangiano, Fostle, BaRoss, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

Ordinance – Second Reading – None

Resolutions – All Vote by Consent

2023-126 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 August 1, 2023

2023-127 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Approving the Corrective Action Plan Recommended in the Annual Report of Audit for 2022

2023-128 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Approving Appointment for Dog and Cat Census

2023-129 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# 22-00006 for Property Known as Block 111 Lot 5

2023-130 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

2023-131 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Receipt of Rebids for a Dial-a-Ride Bus

2023-132 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Execution of the Amended and Restated Agreement for Potable Water Supply and Service Between the Borough of Mount Arlington and the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority

Motion to Approve: Galate

Second: Cangiano

Council Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Aye: Galate, Cangiano, Fostle, BaRoss, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

Motion – None

Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Cangiano

Second: BaRoss

Roll Call:

All in Favor: Aye

Opposed: None

Motion Approved

The meeting adjourned at 7:24PM.



Matthew N. Bansch, Borough Clerk

CC: Website

Minutes Approved at Council Meeting of September 5, 2023