

BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
August 6, 2024
7:00 PM

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington was held on Tuesday, August 6, 2024. 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 7:03 PM.

Ms. Todd read the "Adequate Notice" into record.

Mayor Stanzilis led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance, and a Moment of Silence.

Roll Call

Present- Councilman BaRoss, Councilman Cangiano, Council President Delaney, and Mayor Stanzilis

Absent- Councilman Loughridge, Councilwoman Fostle, Councilwoman Galate

Present from Administration- Borough Administrator & CFO Carolyn Rinaldi, Fire Assistant Chief Marcano, Police Chief Green, Borough Attorney Matthew Jessup, and Acting Borough Clerk Ashley Todd

Presentations

- Melissa Eckert, Board of Education Liaison Monthly Report
 - o New Student Orientation is on August 28, 2024
 - o Kindergarten orientation is on August 29, 2024
 - o BOE meeting is on August 28, 2024 at 7:00pm at the MAPS Media Center
 - o The start of the school year for teachers is September 3, 2024 and for students on September 6, 2024

Appointments- None

Approval of Minutes

- July 9, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Motion to Approve: Councilman Cangiano

Second: Councilman BaRoss

Council Discussion- None

Roll Call:

Aye: Councilman BaRoss, Councilman Cangiano, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

Mayor's Report

- Mayor Stanzilis, Borough Administrator Carolyn Rinaldi, and additional female staff had attended the Morris County Chamber of Commerce Women in Government luncheon. The luncheon was honoring Women in Government in all levels.
- The Fire Department held their family bbq.
- Borough Administrator, Carolyn Rinaldi, submitted a grant for security upgrades in the Borough which was awarded to Mount Arlington from Congress. Mayor Stanzilis thanked Congressman Kean for presenting Mount Arlington with the check in an event in July at Memorial Park.

Borough Administrator's Report

- No Report

Police Chief's Report

- Chief Green also thanked Congressman Kean for the presentation of the funds needed for security upgrades.
- The Police Department had a large-scale missing person rescue incident where the missing person was recovered safely. The Chief thanked the County and State partners who assisted in the effort.
- Attended a Meet and Greet at a local business to discuss training of employees through the Police Department.

Fire Chief's Report

- The Fire Department attended a drill for basement fires at the County Fire Academy.
 - Assistant Chief Marcano praised Captain Martin for setting up the trainings.
- The meeting with the Borough and the Canning Group was successful.
- Assistant Chief Marcano thanked the Mayor for attending the Fire Department family bbq.
- The Fire Department also attended a New Jersey Natural Gas training. This training proved useful as two days later there was an incident on McGregor where New Jersey Natural Gas hit a gas line. Due to the training the Fire Department just had, they were able to act swiftly and secure the scene.

Council Committee Reports

- Councilman BaRoss
 - Councilman BaRoss read Melissa Eckert's Board of Education report into the record.
 - Lake Hopatcong Foundation
 - The Councilman and volunteers planted vegetative plants to combat erosion leading into the lake from Memorial Park.
 - The Councilman attended the Lake Hopatcong Foundation Gala and the Hopatcong State Park Fountain opening.
 - Recreation

- Kayaking is the first Saturday of every month until October. August had 10 participants. The next program will be on September 7th at 7:30am at the municipal beach.
- Fall sports registrations has begun, and will continue until August 16th.
- Councilman BaRoss encourages residents to take the Sports Interest Survey.
- The next concert is August 15th from 6-8pm at the municipal beach featuring Country Comfort.
- The Halloween Bash will be on October 19th at Fireman's Field. The Recreation Commission is looking for vendors to set up tables. Anyone interested should contact Ashley Todd at atodd@mtlarlingtonboro.com.
- Mayor's Wellness
 - Beach Yoga is every Sunday at 9am at the Municipal Beach.
 - Chair Yoga is every Friday at 10am at the Civic Center
 - The Healthy Bones Initiative is scheduled to begin in September. Anyone interested of signing up should contact Ashley Todd at atodd@mtarlingtonboro.com
- Councilman Cangiano
 - Councilman Cangiano praised the Fire Department for their work and for continuing to grow their membership. The Councilman also congratulated and welcomed the new volunteer firefighters being sworn in.
 - The Borough and the Fire Department met with the Canning Group regarding the Borough's fire apparatus needs. When the final report is sent it will be distributed to the Borough Council.
 - Councilman had the monthly meeting of the Musconetcong Watershed Association. The Association is actively looking for entry level plant operators.
- Council President Delaney
 - Council President Delaney also thanked Congressman Kean for the presentation of the grant monies. He also thanked Borough Administrator Carolyn Rinaldi on her work on the grant application.

Public Comment- None

Ordinance – Introduction- None

Ordinance – Second Reading

Ord 04-24 An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter 175, Water, of the Code of the Borough of Mount Arlington, By Adding Section 175-5.2, to Permit Installment Payments of Water Connection Fees

Public Comment- None

Motion to Approve: Councilman Cangiano

Second: Council President Delaney

Council Discussion- None

Roll Call:

Aye: Councilman BaRoss, Councilman Cangiano, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

Resolutions

- 2024-83 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 6, 2024
- 2024-84 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 2023
- 2024-85 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Requesting Approval of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to Establish a Dedicated Trust by Rider for Uniform Fire Safety Act Penalty Moneys Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39
- 2024-86 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Temporary Parking Restrictions and Road Closures During the Rotary Club of Lake Hopatcong 5k Run/Walk

Motion to Approve Res 2024-83 through Res 2024-86 by consent: Councilman BaRoss

Second: Councilman Cangino

Council Discussion- Councilman Cangiano asked for clarification of Resolution 2024-85. Borough Administrator Carolyn Rinaldi explained that a dedicated rider is a dedicated trust to use so that the monies collected can be utilized for the Fire Department.

Roll Call:

Aye: Councilman BaRoss, Councilman Cangiano, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

- 2024-87 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Recognizing Appointments of Volunteer Firefighters

Motion to Approve: Councilman Cangiano

Second: Councilman BaRoss

Council Discussion- None

Roll Call:

Aye: Councilman BaRoss, Councilman Cangiano, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

Volunteer Firefighter Swearing-In

- Arthur Scofield
- Femi Adebola
- Nicholas Farischon

Motion

- Solicitor Permits- Aptive Environmental
 - Liban Abdul Aziz
 - Payton Ferrell
 - Taylor Sutherburg

Motion to Approve: Councilman Cangiano

Second: Councilman BaRoss

Council Discussion- None

Roll Call:

Aye: Councilman BaRoss, Councilman Cangiano, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Council President Delaney


Second: Councilman Cangiano

Roll Call:

All in Favor: Aye

Opposed: None

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.



Ashley N. Todd, Acting Municipal Clerk

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