

BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 3, 2026

10:00 AM

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington was held on Tuesday, June 3, 2026. This meeting was held in-person at Mount Arlington Borough Hall, 419 Howard Boulevard, Mount Arlington, New Jersey.

Mayor Stanzilis called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM.

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

Mayor Stanzilis led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present- Councilman BaRoss, Councilwoman Fostle, Council President Delaney, Mayor Stanzilis

Absent- Councilman Cangiano, Councilman Fuller, Councilwoman Galate

Present from Administration- Borough Administrator & CFO Carolyn Rinaldi, Assistant Borough Administrator & Treasurer Lauren Schaeffner, DPW Supervisor Tom Quillinan, Borough Attorney, Chief Ryan Sherburne, Fire Chief Mario Marciano, Acting Borough Clerk Ashley Todd, Assistant Clerk Karen Territo

Mayor's Report –

- Mayor Stanzilis welcomed the 7th grade class from Maps and introduced the members of the Governing Body.
- Mayor Stanzilis outlined his vision for smart growth and prudent fiscal management as key to the Borough's success.
- Mayor Stanzilis asked students what they have participated in and what they would like to see for this age group.
- Mayor Stanzilis discussed working with Mr. Merker to redesign Fireman's Field to become a MLB regulation size baseball diamond to be used for Softball and Baseball.
- Mayor Stanzilis asked if any of the students have aspirations to become involved in Municipal Government.

Presentations-

- Council members described their specific responsibilities, including budget management, recreation programs, land use planning, and legal affairs. Each member described their role as Council Liaisons and each committee they are the liaison to.
- Ashley Todd, Acting Borough Clerk explained the role of the municipal clerk's office, highlighting their responsibilities including providing adequate notice for meetings, handling animal licensing, managing recreation events, and organizing community activities like the upcoming America 250th event on July 11th featuring a Voice contestant.
- Karen, the deputy clerk, introduced herself and described her assistance role in the clerk's office.
- The DPW team, including Tom and Derek, explained that DPW stands for Department of Public Works and described their shared services role across municipalities, covering

streets, roads, signs, beach maintenance, and various public area tasks, with Derek recently obtaining his commercial driver's license.

- Chief Ryan Sherburne outlined his responsibilities, including overseeing daily operations, managing the budget, and handling complaints. He described the police department's structure, which includes 15 officers divided into three divisions: control, detective, and administrative. Chief Sherburne explained the department's three-phase hiring process and demonstrated the equipment officers currently wear while on duty for comfort and practicality.
- Fire Chief Mario Marcano discussed the Fire Department in Mount Arlington, and that most members are neighbors of the students in attendance.

Resolutions

Res 2026-84 A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Appointing Lifeguards for the 2026 Season

Motion to Approve: Councilman BaRoss

Second: Councilwoman Fostle

Council Discussion- None

Roll Call:

Aye: Councilman BaRoss, Councilwoman Fostle, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

Res 2026-85 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 2026 Season

Motion to Approve: Councilwoman Fostle

Second: Council President Delaney

Council Discussion- None

Roll Call:

Aye: Councilman BaRoss, Councilwoman Fostle, Council President Delaney

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion Approved

Public Comment-

- Ishmel asked if there were employment opportunities for 15 year olds in the Borough.
 - Borough Administrator Rinaldi discussed that employee opportunities begin with beach attendants and lifeguards at 16, but younger individuals can volunteer.
- Julietta asked why the street signs were changed from green to red

- Councilwoman Fostle discussed that the decision was made to assist differentiating the different streets from Roxbury and Mount Arlington. Also, the Councilwoman discussed the branding decision the Borough has taken on.
- Jacob asked who runs the County?
 - Mayor Stanzilis discussed the County Commissioners and how the County is set up similar to Mount Arlington's government.
- Damon asked why Fireman's Field is being redone?
 - Councilwoman Fostle discussed the grants the Borough applied for and received to improve the Fireman's Field playground.
- Kelani asked when Fireman's Field playground will be completed?
 - Councilwoman Fostle discussed Phase 1 is finished, Phase 2 is coming in 4-6 week, and Phase 3 the grant has been applied for, and we are waiting for the award.
- Izzi asked how the Borough knows there won't be added pressure on the schools with the new developments in Mount Arlington.
 - Mayor Stanzilis discussed that the developments are small projects, and enrollment has been down significantly so there is room in the schools and the projects are not projecting an overabundance of students.
- Sofia asked if there will be any development at the old quick check?
 - Mayor Stanzilis discussed the plan for the development and that the stores in the strip mall will not be affected.
- Jacob asked what happens if you don't pay taxes?
 - Borough Administrator Rinaldi discussed that taxes are due quarterly and if you don't pay you get placed on the delinquent list to pay what you owe plus interest.
- Jacob asked if the Mayor and Council have any say in the Superintendent and Principal at the schools?
 - Mayor Stanzilis stated that we do not and explained the powers of the Board of Education.
- Isabelle asked what the Borough does with broken trees?
 - Derek explained the process of removing trees.
- Julietta asked what happens if students come into the schools and the classes are full.
 - Mayor Stanzilis explained that that is the purview of the Board of Education.
- Jacob asked what happens if a tree falls on power lines from Borough property?
 - Mayor Stanzilis explained that the power companies will take care of that due to the training they have for the power lines.
- Kelani asked what would happen if there were no taxes?
 - Mayor Stanzilis explained that there would be no schools, no services, no roads, etc.
- Lexi asked about the sinkhole on Route 80 if the Borough had to assist in the repair.

- Mayor Stanzilis explained Route 80 is the responsibility of the State DOT and they were responsible for the repair.
- Sofia asked about the gate by Shadow Woods.
 - Mayor Stanzilis stated that the gate is actually private property and they are responsible for the repairs of the gates.

Motion- None

Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Council President Delaney

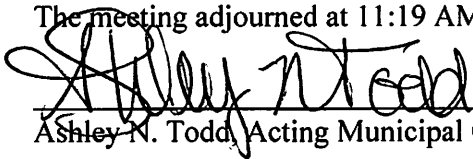
Second: Councilman Fostle

Roll Call:

All in Favor: Aye

Opposed: None

The meeting adjourned at 11:19 AM.


Ashley N. Todd, Acting Municipal Clerk

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