The Public Meeting of the Mount Olive Township Council was called to order at 7:23 pm by Council President Nicastro.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT

Miss Gouveia: According to the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been given to the Daily Record. Notice has been posted in the Municipal Building, 204 Flanders-Drakestown Road, Mount Olive Township, New Jersey and notices were sent to those requesting the same.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Amianda, Mrs. Labow, Mr. Mania, Mr. Roman and Mr. Nicastro

Absent: Mr. Ferrante and Mr. Stewart

Also Present: Susan Gouveia, Deputy Township Clerk; Sue Sharpe, Township Attorney; Robert Greenbaum, Mayor; Laura Harris, Business Administrator and Sherry Kolody, CFO

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

September 20, 2016 WS & PM (Absent: C. Labow and J. Ferrante (WS))

President Nicastro: Mr. Amianda, would you approve the Minutes from the September 20, 2016 Workshop and Public Meeting?

Mr. Amianda: Yes Mr. President. I make a motion for approval of the Minutes of the previous meetings on September 20, 2016, Work Session and Public Meeting.

Mr. Mania: Second.

President Nicastro: Any discussion? Roll Call please.

Roll Call: Passed with the exception of Mrs. Labow abstained

Discussion:

• Best Practices for 2016/2017 – S. Kolody, CFO

President Nicastro: Discussion item, Best Practices for 2016 and 2017, Sherry.

Mrs. Kolody: Before I get to that real quick, I just want to remind everybody we’ve had two great pieces of news of late. One is that our debt rating went up. We’re one step below AAA right now.

President Nicastro: I saw that.

Mrs. Kolody: Second thing is we had our Bond Sale today. Amazed, Matt Jessup was out with me today from the Firm of McManimon and Scotland and while they recently had AAA Towns go out to sale last week, that were at 1.8, we actually got the 1.54 I believe it was. Again, I’m really excited about that, that was a pretty significant difference for only a week time frame.

Mrs. Labow: Yes.

Mrs. Kolody: Onto the Best Practices inventory. For those of you who’ve been around for a while, you know that we’ve been doing this for a few years. Basically, the State requires that we file this in order to get our
final allotment of State Aid and they require that you answer so many questions correctly. The reason that I am bringing it up publicly is because they also require that it’s discussed with the Governing Body at a Public Meeting and its part of the Minutes. We have to actually certify that, that’s what the deal is. Again, just some background. There are some changes to this year’s inventory, last year we had to answer 50 questions, this year we actually only have to answer 30, so I was happy about that.

Mrs. Labow: Wow.

Mrs. Kolody: The areas that we have to answer in are General Management, Finance and Audit, Procurement, Budget Preparation and Presentation, Health Insurance and Personnel. We have met the requirement to answer so many questions right; we’re actually a few over that. As I’ve said to you, I think almost every year, I can go through some of the questions that we have no’s on if you want to. There is a few that I think we can make some changes to some things that we’re doing next year to bump us up, but there’s a few things like…you know…they want us to cap vacation time after a certain date. We cap vacation time based on number of days not after a certain date. There’s a few things that I don’t know that we can really change without having to go through a whole negotiation process. Of the few things that we answered no on I’m not really greatly concerned about the fact that we’re not doing these particular things. Does anybody have any questions? Alex.

Mr. Roman: On the first page for the National Flood Insurance Program. Is there a reason why it’s not beneficial for us to be a part of that?

Mrs. Kolody: That one we’ve always had no to. Honestly, that’s not my forte in terms of why we don’t do it. It’s probably a question maybe directed towards Fred who handles OEM. I just know that we don’t, as to why Alex I can’t really answer that piece of it.

Mr. Roman: Is it possible, Laura, if we could find out…you know…at least get it in a memo as to why we don’t need to.

Miss Harris: Sure.

Mr. Roman: That is…I think…that’s all I have.

Mrs. Kolody: Anybody else? No, we’re good.

President Nicastro: I think so.

Mr. Roman: Actually, how does it…how does our score this year rank with previous years?

Mrs. Kolody: We’re around the same number Alex, we’re within one.

Mr. Roman: Okay.

Mrs. Kolody: Even though they’ve reduced the questions…most of these things are things that I control, so I know that they’re going to be right…

Mr. Roman: Okay.

Mrs. Kolody: …you know…the finance audit piece, a lot of the personnel stuff as well has to do with contracts and numbers. Again, the few areas where we’ve had a no, it’s things like…you know…capping of time and what not that…again we’d have to go through a whole process as part of negotiations to be able to do that. It’s not like we don’t cap time, we do, it’s just number of days as opposed to like a specific date.

Mr. Roman: That increase in score, does that have any weight or affect our State Aid?

Mrs. Kolody: No.

Mr. Roman: No.

Mrs. Kolody: They just want to make sure that you answer a minimum number of questions correctly. It doesn’t change…you know…like let’s say if you have to answer 22 correctly and you answered 26, it’s not going to change.

Mr. Mania: Wishful thinking.
Mrs. Kolody: You’re not going to get more State Aid as a result. You’re just going to get your final allotment.

Mr. Roman: Okay.

Mrs. Kolody: Yes.

Mrs. Labow: What if you answer less?

Mrs. Kolody: If you answer less then you won’t get it Colleen. Yes. My goal is always to make sure we’re at the minimum and hopefully a few above that. If I could change things that are within my control then obviously I’m going to do that. Like one of the Resolutions that’s on for tonight is Jack making sure that he files a report with everybody regarding tax appeals. That was one of the questions that came up on the Best Practices Checklist that I knew I could kern, so I did.

President Nicastro: Thank you and good job as always.

Mrs. Labow: Yes, very good.

Mrs. Kolody: Thank you.

President Nicastro: Appreciate that.

Mrs. Labow: Excellent.

CORRESPONDENCE

LETTERS FROM RESIDENTS/ORGANIZATIONS/ OTHER TOWNS

1. Email received September 27, 2016, from Jim McGreevey regarding Gov. Christie to Speak About Addiction, Treatment for National Recovery Month This Morning, 9/27.

2. Email received September 27, 2016, from ANJEC regarding Don’t Miss It: Environmental Congress, September 30.

RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES OTHER TOWNS

3. Email received September 16, 2016, from Borough of Morris Plains regarding Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Morris Plains Joining the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders Banning the Sale of Dogs and Cats from Large-Scale Commercial Breeding Facilities.

4. Letter received September 19, 2016, from Borough of Madison regarding R 267-2016 Resolution of the Borough of Madison Endorsing and Supporting the Passage of Assembly Bill No. 3686, Designated as “Ralph and David’s Law.”

5. Email received September 22, 2016, from Township of Roxbury regarding Resolution No. 2016-287 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Roxbury Joining the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders Banning the Sale of Dogs and Cats from Large-Scale Commercial Breeding Facilities.

6. Email received September 26, 2016, from Borough of Butler regarding Resolution No. R2016-96, Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Butler Expressing their Condemnation of Publications and Distribution of any and all images that Purport to Glorify or Justify Violence Against Law Enforcement Officers and Call on the New Jersey Legislature to Join the Freeholders in Condemning such Publications.

7. Letter received September 28, 2016, from Borough of Netcong regarding Ordinance No. 2016-14 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 194, Land Development Procedures, of the Code of the Borough of Netcong, and Regulating the Number of Parking Spaces Required.

9. Email received September 28, 2016, from Township of Washington regarding Resolution No. R-155-16, Resolution Supporting the Morris County Fire Mutual Aid in the Township of Washington, County of Morris, State of New Jersey and Authorizing the Execution of a Mutual Aid Agreement.

10. Email received September 28, 2016, from Township of Pequannock regarding Resolution No. R2016-159, Resolution of the Township Council supporting the Morris County Fire Mutual Aid Plan in the Township of Pequannock, County of Morris, State of New Jersey.

STATE AGENCIES

11. Email received September 16, 2016, from FEMA regarding FEMA Region II Hurricane Tip #9.

12. Email received September 18, 2016, from FEMA regarding FEMA Region II September Preparedness Month Tip #4.


15. Letter received September 21, 2016, from State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding One – 550 gallon #2 Heating Oil Underground Storage Tank System, Block 7101 Lot 25, 40 Kevin Dr., Mount Olive.

16. Email received September 21, 2016, from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding DEP Release: Nominations For Governor’s Environmental Excellences Awards Due September 28.

17. Email received September 22, 2016, from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding NJDEP Press Release – Historic Soldiers Weekend Returns to Fort Mott to Honor Sacrifices of US Troops.

18. Email received September 22, 2016, from FEMA regarding If you see something, say something.

19. Email received September 22, 2016, from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding NJDEP Press Release – Two More Vessels Sunk As Part of the Revitalized Artificial Reef Program.

20. Email received September 23, 2016, from FEMA regarding Hurricane Tip #10.

21. Local Finance Notice received September 26, 2016, from Department of Community Affairs regarding Transitional Aid Application Process (Municipalities Operating on State Fiscal Year Only) Mandatory Notification of Intent to Apply and Mandatory Orientation for New Applicants.

22. Email received September 27, 2016, from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding DEP Release: DEP Receives $850,000 Endangered Species Act Grant.

23. Email received September 29, 2016, from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding NJDEP Press Release – 22nd Annual Fall Festival – Saturday October 1st.


25. Email received September 29, 2016, from FEMA regarding First Care: You Are The Help Until Help Arrives.

26. Email received September 29, 2016, from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding NJDEP Press Release – Christie Administration Announce Bid Opening for Construction of Northern Ocean County Beaches and Dunes.
27. Email received September 30, 2016, from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding NJDEP Press Release – Long Pond Ironworks in Passaic County to Host Civil War Living History Weekend – October 1-2.

MSA/MUA

28. Email received September 23, 2016, from Musconetcong Sewerage Authority regarding MSA August 25, 2016 Approved Minutes.

MORRIS COUNTY

29. Email received September 22, 2016, from County of Morris regarding Veteran Services Information.

30. Email received September 22, 2016, from County of Morris regarding DWI. Schooleys. CCM. Trout. Trains. Chenowith, too!

31. Email received September 29, 2016, from County of Morris regarding Triple A. Opiates. Farms. Arts. Bottle Hill. Graham Nash, too!

UTILITIES

32. Email received September 23, 2016, from New Jersey American Water regarding Information on Chromium 6.


34. Notice received September 29, 2016, from Pivotal Utility Holdings, Inc. D/B/A Elizabethtown Gas regarding Proposed Energy Efficiency Program Rider Rate Increases and Other Tariff Changes.

President Nicastro: We have 34 pieces of Correspondence. Does anyone have anything on Correspondence? If not, I open the hearing to the public on Ordinance #22-2016.

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Ord.#22-2016 Ordinance Amending Section 3(h), 3(n)(1), 3(n)(2) and 6(b) of Bond Ordinance #5-2016 of the Township of Mount Olive, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, Finally Adopted March 18, 2016 in Order to Amend the Description of the Project, Decrease Certain Appropriation and Authorization Amounts, Increase Certain Appropriation and Authorization Amounts and Amend the Average Useful Life.

President Nicastro: Mr. Roman.

Mr. Roman: I move for adoption and final passage of Ordinance #22-2016.

Mr. Mania: Second.

President Nicastro: I’m sorry. Anyone from the public wish to be heard? Seeing none. Closed to the public. Anyone on Council have any comments or questions? Seeing none. Roll Call please.

Roll Call: Passed unanimously

President Nicastro: Ordinance #22-2016 is passed on second reading and I hereby direct the Clerk to forward a copy of the same to the Mayor and publish the notice of adoption as required by law. Ordinance #23-2016 is being carried to the next meeting on October 18, 2016.

Ord.#23-2016 An Ordinance of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive to Amend Chapter 550, “Land Use” to Rezone Certain Lands From the LI-Light Industrial Zone District to the General Industrial Zone District and to Rezone a Single Parcel From the FTZ-4 Zone to the GI-General Industrial Zone in Accordance with the Amendment to the Land Use Element of the Township Master Plan Adopted by the Mount Olive Planning Board on December 17, 2015. CARRIED to 10/18/2016
ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING – 2nd reading October 18, 2016

President Nicastro: Next item on the Agenda for first reading is Ordinance #24-2016, with a second reading on October 18, 2016, Ordinance #24-2016,

Ord.#24-2016 Ordinance Appropriating $175,150, $140,000 of Which is from a Grant from the County of Morris and $35,150 of Which is from the Open Space Trust Fund for the Former Baptist Church Phase IIIB Project in and by the Township of Mount Olive, in the County of Morris, New Jersey.

President Nicastro: Mrs. Labow.

Mrs. Labow: Thank you Mr. President. I move that Ordinance #24-2016 be introduced by title and passed on first reading and that a meeting be held on October 18, 2016 at 7:00 pm at the Municipal Building, 204 Flanders-Drakestown Road, Budd Lake, New Jersey for a public hearing, consideration of second reading, and passage of said Ordinance and that the Clerk be directed to publish, post and make available said Ordinance in accordance with the requirements of the law.

Mr. Amianda: Second.

Mr. Mania: Second it.


Roll Call: Passed unanimously

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS AGENDA:

Resolutions on the Consent Agenda List are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Township Council and will be approved by one motion (one vote). There will be no separate discussion or debate on each of these resolutions except for the possibility of brief clarifying statements that may be offered. If one or more Council member requests, any individual resolution on the Consent Agenda may be removed from the Consent Agenda List and acted on separately.

1. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Requesting Approval from the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for Insertion of a Specific Item of Revenue into the 2016 Municipal Budget ($1,075 for Donation – Benjamin Moore).

2. Resolution Authorizing a 2016 Capital Budget Amendment for Baptist Church Phase IIIB.

3. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Requiring the Tax Assessor to Provide Notice of Tax Appeals to the Mayor, Administrator, CFO and Township Council.

4. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Filing of a 2016 Grant Application to Sustainable New Jersey Program.

5. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Filing of a 2016 Grant Application to NJDOT Transportation Alternatives Program.


President Nicastro: We have seven Resolutions. Does anyone wish to move any to Non-Consent? Seeing none. Mr. Mania, would you move Resolutions one through seven?

Mr. Mania: Thank you Mr. President. I move for the approval of Consent Resolutions one through seven.

Mrs. Labow: Second.

President Nicastro: Any discussion? Roll Call please.
Roll Call: Passed unanimously

MOTIONS
1. Bill List.

President Nicastro: Mr. Amianda, would you move the Bill List please?

Mr. Amianda: I make a motion for approval of the Bill List.

Mrs. Labow: Second.

Mr. Mania: Second.

President Nicastro: Any discussion? Roll Call please.

Roll Call: Passed unanimously

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

President Nicastro: Next up, Administrative Reports. Mayor, Laura?

Mayor Greenbaum: Yes, I’ll start. First of all, if any of you want to attend at 8:30 am on Thursday, we’re going to have a department head meeting with regard to preparedness for Hurricane Matthew. I’m not…not particularly worried about it right now, but we need to take precautions in the event that it takes a westerly turn and be ready to go in case we have another catastrophic storm like we did with Sandy. Leaving that aside, Thursday, October 6, 2016 at the High School, there’ll be a presentation of Hidden in Plain Sight, it’s a parent awareness program. Only parents are allowed. MOMAC is one of the sponsors. It’s really teaching parents to spot the first signs of drug use. It’s mandatory for all parents of High School children to attend. Saturday, October 8, 2016, is the performance of the Rock Opera Tommy and that’s at the Mount Olive Performing Arts Center. Saturday, October 15, 2016, I will have the honor to attend the bridging ceremony for many of the Girl Scouts in Town. I think that’s being done at the Library this year. It’s in the afternoon. That’s all I have.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Anything Laura?

Miss Harris: I don’t have anything.

President Nicastro: Thank you.

OLD BUSINESS

Mrs. Labow: Yes thank you. I just want to ask a question. When we used to have the plantings over there at the ITC South section on the island and now that they’re not doing that anymore…and we’re talking about, finding a way to…I don’t…what were you saying Laura, go out to bid or…

Miss Harris: Yes, I believe in the past Sean Canning had developed an RFP process for the Adopt-A-Spot Program, so we’re in the process of developing the RFP and sending it out again for next year.

Mrs. Labow: I really miss not seeing the decorative plantings through there. It’s just always so nice it…just, you know…they always say in real estate, you always want…your front door has to be nice and perfect and…you know…so it gives a good impression and that’s just such a main corridor for shoppers coming in and out of Town that it was just really nice having it all…

Miss Harris: Yes, it’s a very visible spot and I would imagine…

Mrs. Labow: Very.

Miss Harris: …people who are going to submit proposals would probably have that one on the top of their list.

Mrs. Labow: I hope so. Thank you.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Any other Old Business? Any New Business? Any Legal Matters?
NEW BUSINESS - none

LEGAL MATTERS - none

Ms. Sharpe: Other than what we’ve already discussed, no.

COUNCIL REPORTS

President Nicastro: Thank you. Council Reports. Mr. Amianda, anything on Seniors and Board of Education?

Board of Education Liaison Report - none
Senior Citizen Liaison
Mr. Amianda: Board of Education did not meet. The next Board Meeting is on October 10, 2016.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Sorry.

Mr. Amianda: The Mount Olive Senior Citizen Association Club met today, October 4, 2016 at 11:30 am. It was a business meeting. The next Club Meeting will be on October 18, 2016 at 11:30 am.

Environmental Committee - none
Lake Issues - none
Library Board Liaison – none

President Nicastro: Thank you. Mrs. Labow, anything on Economic Development or TNR?

Economic Development Committee Report - none
TNR Program - none
Mrs. Labow: No.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Mr. Mania, anything on Planning Board or…

Legislative Committee Report - none
Planning Board Report - none
Mr. Mania: No.

President Nicastro: …Legislative?

Board of Health Report

President Nicastro: I do have an update on Health. The Board of Health will be forwarding the Council Resolutions recommending and renewing shared service contracts with Netcong and Mount Arlington. Dover is still pending, that’ll be after our October meeting. We’re doing some after hour’s enforcement with education in the dog park as well. The staff is continuing to work on creating a strategic plan and work force development plan which they started earlier this year. On October 18, 2016, the Health Department will be holding its second special handlers training, October 18, 2016, at 6:00 pm in the court room for Mount Olive non-profit entities. This is a result of the department sitting down with non-profits for some of their expressed concerns about the extra burden they had to do by getting licenses. The training is being offered free of charge during normal business and after normal business hours. Last, the Senior Transportation program is seeing a monthly increase in ridership comparing to each month last year, this is due to improvements to the program and staff changes. Mr. Roman, anything on Open Space or Recreation?

Open Space Committee Report
Recreation Liaison Report - none

Mr. Roman: The only thing I have for Open Space is on Saturday, October 15, 2016 at 9:00 am, a trail work day is being organized. For more information you can see the Open Space’s website for location where they’re going to meet. That’s all I have.

MOTV Committee Liaison - none
Community Action Panel Report - none

PUBLIC PORTION – none
COUNCIL COMMENTS

President Nicastro: Thank you very much. Anyone from the public wish to be heard? Seeing none. Closed to the public. Any Council Comments? Mr. Amianda?

Mr. Amianda: No. None.

President Nicastro: Mrs. Labow?

Mrs. Labow: None.

President Nicastro: Mr. Mania?

Mr. Mania: Yes. I just want to…accolades for Sherry on the Bond Sale.

Mrs. Labow: Yes.

Mrs. Kolody: Thanks John, I really appreciate it.

Mr. Mania: Tremendous job.

Mrs. Kolody: Thank you.

Mr. Mania: Thank you.

Mrs. Kolody: Thanks.

Mrs. Labow: I meant to say that too.

President Nicastro: Mr. Roman?

Mr. Roman: I have nothing.

President Nicastro: Do we have a motion to adjourn?

ADJOURNMENT - Motion made and seconded. All in favor, none opposed, the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Joe Nicastro, Council President

I, Michelle Masser, Township Clerk of Mount Olive do hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true and correct copy of the Minutes approved at a legally convened meeting of the Mount Olive Township Council duly held on October 18, 2016.

Michelle Masser, Township Clerk