The Public Meeting of the Mount Olive Township Council was called to order at 7:07pm by President Nicastro.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT

Miss Masser: 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, Mr. Ferrante, Mrs. Labow, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Roman and Mr. Nicastro

Absent: Mr. Mania

Also Present: Michelle Masser, Township Clerk; Sue Sharpe, Township Attorney; Robert Greenbaum, Mayor; Andrew Tatarenko, Business Administrator; Claudia Tomasello, Assistant Business Administrator; and Sherry Kolody, CFO

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Mayor Greenbaum: Joe, can I . . . can I quickly just explain to the audience, since we have people who don’t usually come. What we do here are two meetings per session. So, we meet twice a month and we have a Workshop Meeting and then we go into a Council Meeting. When we adjourned, we went from the Workshop meeting now into the Public Meeting. Official action can only be taken by the governing body at the Public Meetings. The Workshop Meetings generally are to discuss issues that may be coming up; discuss issues which are on the Public Meeting Agenda. Generally, this time of year, everything is pretty rogue because we just started the year. There isn’t anything of real significance on. There are two major types of actions that are taken by the governing body: one is the adoption of an Ordinance, which in many instances is like a law that’s passed for the municipality, or it’s something which is required by law to be done in a more formal fashion. Resolutions, generally are passed as a group unless there’s something specific that one of the Councilmembers wants to discuss by way of Resolution and a lot of times that’s action which is taken, such as they agree we should enter into a contract, so on and so forth on behalf of the municipality. It’s not as formal and it’s not required by way of Ordinance. So, those are the two main functions that we do. We also discuss the mail, the Bill List, and other things and generally, this time of year the meetings go 15 to 30 minutes. We get through two meetings unless there’s something on that people really want to discuss. So, that’s the focus of what’s going on here, sorry. Thanks, Joe.

President Nicastro: That’s fine, thank you for the explanation. Thank you. We have 25 pieces of Correspondence, does anyone have any questions on those? Oh, I didn’t. Mr. Amianda, yes, thank you. I was going . . .

Miss Masser: I was going to say approval of Minutes.

President Nicastro: Mr. Amianda, would you approve the Minutes from the December 18, 2018 Workshop and Public Meeting, please?

December 18, 2018 WS & PM

Mr. Amianda: Yes, Mr. President. I make a motion for approval of Minutes of previous meetings, December 18, 2018, Work Session and Public Meeting.

Mr. Roman: Second.

President Nicastro: Does anyone . . . does the . . . any questions or comments, anything on them? Seeing none. Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

CORRESPONDENCE

LETTERS FROM RESIDENTS/ORGANIZATIONS/ OTHER TOWNS
1. Publication received December 17, 2018 from The Land Conservancy of New Jersey regarding Outdoor Issues Fall 2018.

2. Email received December 21, 2018 from Jim McGreevey, NJ Reentry Corporation, regarding Medicated Assisted Treatment at our NJRC sites will save lives.

3. Email received December 28, 2018 from Raritan Headwaters regarding A Message from George Schaberg, RHA Land Projects Manager.

4. Email received December 29, 2018 from Raritan Headwaters regarding A Message from Mara Tippett, RHA Watershed Scientist.

5. Email received December 31, 2018 from The Land Conservancy of New Jersey regarding Last chance to make a tax-deductible gift for 2018.

6. Email received December 31, 2018 from Raritan Headwaters regarding Double Your Impact!

7. Publication received December 31, 2018 from Advancing Opportunities regarding Newsletter of Advancing Opportunities – September 2018.

8. Email received January 3, 2019 from NOFA-NJ regarding NOFA-NJ Upcoming Events.

9. Email received January 4, 2019 from Great Swamp Watershed Association regarding Happy New Year.

LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES

10. Email received December 14, 2018 from NJLM regarding Weekly Round-Up.

11. Publication received December 17, 2018 from NJLM regarding November 2018 Legislative Bulletin.

12. Email received December 18, 2018 from NJLM regarding Daily Update.


STATE AGENCIES

15. Email received December 14, 2018 from FEMA regarding Holiday Gift Giving.

16. Email received December 14, 2018 from NJDEP regarding NJDEP Weekly Update.

17. Email received December 17, 2018 from Department of Community Affairs, Bureau of Homeowner Protection regarding Protected Tenancy Figures and Qualifying County Protected Tenancy Figures for 2019.

18. Email received December 18, 2018 from NJDEP regarding DEP – Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Rule Proposals.

19. Letter received December 28, 2018 from State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding Solid Waste Facility Application Form, KDS Aggregates.

20. Email received January 2, 2019 from NJDEP regarding DEP Workshop: Stormwater Toolkit.

MSA / MUA

21. Email received December 21, 2018 from MSA regarding MSA Approved November 20, 2018 Meeting Minutes.

MORRIS COUNTY

22. Email received December 20, 2018 from Morris County regarding This Week in Morris County: Passing of John Dorsey.

24. Email received January 3, 2019 from County of Morris regarding This Week in Morris County: Freeholders’ Annual Mtg.

UTILITIES

25. Email received December 20, 2018 from Comcast regarding Comcast Connections.

President Nicastro: There’s not much on there, but I’m more confused than normal. We have 25 pieces of Correspondence, does anyone have any questions on those?

Mr. Roman: Nope.

President Nicastro: Seeing none. Next item on the Agenda for first reading is Ordinance #1-2019,

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING (2nd reading January 22, 2019)

Ord #1-2019   An Ordinance of the Township of Mount Olive Amending Ordinance #34-18 Which Established Salaries for the Mayor, Council, Department Heads, Supervisory Personnel and Employees of the Township Clerk’s Office.

President Nicastro: Mr. Ferrante.

Mr. Ferrante: Sure, I move that Ordinance #1-2019 be introduced by title and passed on first reading and that a meeting be held on January 22, 2019 at 7:00pm 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.

Mrs. Labow: Second.

President Nicastro: Any Council discussion? Anyone from the public wish to be heard? Seeing none. Closed to the public. Roll Call please.

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.

PUBLIC PORTION ON CONSENT RESOLUTIONS


3. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Appointing Timothy Quinn, DPW Director, as the Certified Recycling Coordinator for 2019.

4. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Expenditure of Certain Funds From the Township’s Tree Bank Fund for the Beautification of Mount Playmore, All Veterans Memorial and Other Municipal Sites.

5. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Requesting NJDOT to Consider Safety Improvements at the Intersection of Old Wolfe Road and Route 46.
6. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Requesting NJDOT to Consider Safety Improvements at the Intersection of Oakwood Village and Route 206.

President Nicastro: We have six Consent Resolutions. Does anyone wish to move any to Non-Consent?

Mrs. Labow: Two, please.

President Nicastro: Number two? Okay, Mrs. Labow, would you move Consent Resolutions one and three through six, please.

Mrs. Labow: Yes, thank you, Mr. President. I move Resolutions one, three, four, five, and six.

Mr. Roman: Second.

President Nicastro: Anyone from the public wish to be heard? Seeing none. Closed to the public. Any Council; questions, comments? Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

President Nicastro: Mrs. Labow, Would you move Consent Resolution number two?

RESOLUTIONS NON-CONSENT


Miss Masser: Non-Consent.

Mr. Roman: Non-Consent.

President Nicastro: Non-Consent . . .

Mrs. Labow: Non-Consent.

President Nicastro: . . . Resolution number two.

Mrs. Labow: Thank you, Mr. President. I move Non-Consent Resolution number two . . .

Mr. Roman: Second.

Mrs. Labow: . . . for approval. Second. The reason why I asked for that to be on Non-Consent, I just had a couple of questions I wanted to have on this portion instead of the Workshop. We talked about this several times as far as the training goes, it’s a lengthy training. Is that resolved yet? Is that . . .

Mr. Tatarenko: No, the training has still not been . . .

Mrs. Labow: It’s still, oh really?

Mr. Tatarenko: . . . determined. There is a waiver for police officers who are appointed to HLEO but for civilian animal control officers, the training is still in the works.

Mrs. Labow: Okay. My concern with that is because it’s . . . what was it, three weeks? Full-time, 40 hours . . . every, for three . . .

Mr. Tatarenko: I don’t know the specifics, offhand, the specifics but it was a lengthy training.

Mrs. Labow: It was a very lengthy time, so we’re going to need to make arrangements to cover, especially in light of the fact that we have five towns now.

Mr. Tatarenko: We’ll make sure we’re covered.
Mrs. Labow: That’s . . . yeah. I know, I know you will. I just wanted to ask the question and have it on record. Thank you.

President Nicastro: Thank you.

Mrs. Labow: I’m all set.

President Nicastro: Do we have a second?

Miss Masser: Alex was second.

Mr. Ferrante: Second.

Mr. Roman: Second.

President Nicastro: Alex was second, I’m sorry. Anyone from the public wish to be heard? Seeing none. Closed to the public. Anyone else from Council? Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

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

MOTIONS

1. Bill List.

Mr. Stewart: Thank you, Mr. President. I move for adoption and final passage, the Bill List.

Mr. Roman: Second.

President Nicastro: Anyone from the public wish to be heard? Seeing none. Closed to the public. Anyone from Council? Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

President Nicastro: Administrative Reports.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mayor Greenbaum: I had the pleasure this afternoon of going to Istanbul Restaurant in Flanders for a re-grand opening.

Mrs. Labow: Oh, nice.

Mayor Greenbaum: The owners have taken more space and they . . . if you haven’t been in there in a while, it’s really, pretty impressive. It’s in that shopping center where best . . . Good Year and Bottle King . . . Bottle King?

Mr. Stewart: Yup.

President Nicastro: Yeah . . . Bottle King . . .

Mr. Stewart: Bottle King.

President Nicastro: . . . Bottle King, Taste of India . . .

Mayor Greenbaum: Right . . .

President Nicastro: . . . all of those.

Mayor Greenbaum: . . . Taste of India, the Chinese restaurant.

President Nicastro: Yup.
Mayor Greenbaum: Later in the afternoon, I had the good pleasure of finalizing next year’s Budget, which I will be presenting by January 15th.

Mrs. Kolody: It’s going to . . . you’ll actually get it by the end of the week and we’re going to present it at the January 22nd meeting, in time for the January 26th Saturday Budget Hearing.

Mayor Greenbaum: I am very pleased that for the seventh year in a row, the Municipal Budget contains no tax increase and financially, we look to be in good shape for years to come, hopefully, which is a testament to the job that we all have done up here and to the continued growth that we’ve had in Mount Olive, which has led us to be able to present such budgets year after year after year. Thereafter, I had the even greater pleasure of attending Victor Farina’s 100th birthday party at Paragon Village. I could tell you that he looked no older than 99. Then to top it off, to have, you know, this group of fine, young individuals was . . . just made it a super day. Do you have anything?

President Nicastro: Anything Andrew?

Mr. Tatarenko: No.


OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS – none

LEGAL MATTERS - none

Mrs. Sharpe: Nothing to report tonight, thank you.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Council Reports. Mr. Amianda, anything on Board of Education or Senior Citizens?

COUNCIL REPORTS

Board of Education Liaison Report
Senior Citizen Liaison

Mr. Amianda: Yes, Mr. President. Mount Olive Board of Education held its January 7, 2019 reorganization at 5:30pm, Board of Education Office in Flanders, New Jersey. At this meeting, the Board elected Ms. Elizabeth Ouimet, President and Dr. Antoine Gayles, Vice President. Next, the Board elected officers, committees, and confirmed the professional services staff. The Board confirmed Lynn Jones, Board Secretary, Mr. Marc Zitomer as Attorney for Mount Olive Board of Education and Mr. Thomas Fary as the Auditor. Next, on the Agenda, was the annual review of School Ethics Act and Code of Ethics by Board Attorney. Mr. Robert Zywicki, Superintendent of Schools, held a public discussion of future goals and development of Mount Olive District. Students, parents, employees, and community members were given opportunity to comment or ask questions. Board of Education members are thankful to the Mayor and the community for your continued trust and support. That’s the end of the Board of Education Liaison Report. For Mount Olive Senior Citizen’s Report, Mount Olive Senior Citizens Club held its business meeting 11:30am, January 8, 2019, which was today. Next meeting will be January 22, 2019 at 11:30am. Seniors had a guest speaker, Charles Howard, from Morristown Urban League. He spoke of their services to the community and to seniors. That’s the end of my report.

President Nicastro: Thank you, Mr. Amianda. Mr. Ferrante, anything on Lake, Environmental, or Library?

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

Mr. Ferrante: Nothing to report this week.

President Nicastro: Mr. Stewart, anything on Economic or Community Action Panel?

Economic Development Committee Report
Community Action Panel Report
Mr. Stewart: Yeah, Economic Development, in conjunction with the Mount Olive Area Chamber is hosting a job fair tomorrow up at the Holiday Inn.

Mrs. Labow: Nice.

Mr. Stewart: We have 21 firms ranging in size from global size of Givaudan on through to a variety of different local organizations. Like I said, 21 in total, looking for specific jobs as well as five educational institutions. The regular EDC will meet next Wednesday, the 16th (January 2019) and then the Community Action Panel will be meeting on January 31, 2019 to start formation, which is the focus this year, on the drug overdose issues in the County and in the State.

President Nicastro: Thank you very much. Mrs. Labow, anything on Open Space, Board of Health or Stigma?

Open Space Committee Report
Board of Health Report
Stigma Committee - none

Mrs. Labow: Open Space, we haven’t met yet, that’ll be next week. Nothing to report on Stigma and for Board of Health, we meet next week, but I just want to say that in speaking with Sue who runs . . . Sue Morris who runs the food pantry is really nice. They have . . . they’re getting a new freezer from Colonial . . .

Mr. Stewart: Two.

Mrs. Labow: . . . two new freezers.

Mr. Stewart: Yeah, the Chamber is paying for one . . .

Mrs. Labow: Oh, the Chamber’s . . .

Mr. Stewart: Yup.

Mrs. Labow: . . . oh, nice. They’re really excited and I spoke with Andrew and our staff will be helping them rearrange them so they can fit them in there and it’s just really nice making the connection with them and I’ll be heading over there to volunteer this week and next week. Just checking it out and seeing . . . make sure everything . . . any . . . where you need help, we’re here.

Mr. Stewart: We also had the . . . sorry for interrupting but we also had a local electrician volunteer his time and efforts and money to . . .

Mrs. Labow: Nice.

Mr. Stewart: . . . put the electricity in for them.

Mrs. Labow: It’s interesting. One of the things she did mention, that some of the people who are . . . don’t have their permanent home and they’re in temporary housing type thing where there are no refrigeration . . . we were talking about maybe looking to see if we can start raising funds for maybe some of those places for the small, little refrigerators for them to be able to have refrigerator items but I’m going to look into that more. She’s like “That would really solve a lot of the, you know, the problems and some of the issues.” I can’t imagine not having a refrigerator for like your milk and eggs, you know, orange juice, whatever. So, that’s something to look into and see if we can have some sponsors, some . . . donations. I’ll get back to you guys on that.

President Nicastro: That’s a good idea. Thank you.

Mrs. Labow: Thank you.

President Nicastro: Mr. Roman, anything on Recreation or Pride?

Recreation Liaison Report - none
Pride Committee - none

Mr. Roman: Nothing to report.
Legislative Committee Report – none
Planning Board Report – none.

President Nicastro: Does anyone from the public wish to be heard at this time? Seeing none. Closed to the public. Council Comments, Mr. Amianda.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Amianda: None.

President Nicastro: Mr. Ferrante.

Mr. Ferrante: None.

President Nicastro: Mrs. Labow.

Mrs. Labow: I want to thank the children here for your efforts and your fundraising and your initiative. I think that’s absolutely fantastic and certainly, any time you want to do it again, let us know and I’m sure there will be a couple of us down there to help you out or even baking or whatever is needed. Thank you.

Mr. Roman: Don’t ask her to bake. Don’t ask her.

Mr. Stewart: But she will buy them.

Mrs. Labow: I’m very good. I’m very good at baking, I have to say. I even . . . we did for the Mount Olive Teen Art Program, we did a vegan bake sale and I actually made vegan cookies for the first time which was . . .

President Nicastro: Yeah, well . . .

Mrs. Labow: . . . amazing. Normally I make regular stuff.

President Nicastro: My kids ate a couple of them, they’re not that bad. They’re good.

Mrs. Labow: Thank you, very much. You guys are absolutely awesome.

President Nicastro: Mr. Stewart.

Mr. Stewart: No comment, except for again, congratulations guys, well done.

President Nicastro: Mr. Roman.

Mr. Roman: Congratulations again and I don’t know where you’re going to put that check so, good luck.

President Nicastro: Same here. Congratulations. Thank you all for coming. Do we have a motion to adjourn?

ADJOURNMENT - Motion made and seconded. All in favor, none opposed, the meeting was adjourned at 7:22pm.

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 February 5, 2018.

Michelle Masser, Township Clerk