MOUNT OLIVE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MINUTES

April 30, 2019

The Public Meeting of the Mount Olive Township Council was called to order at 7:09pm 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, Mr. Mania, Mr. Roman, and Mr. Nicastro (left at 7:26pm)

Absent: Mrs. Labow & Mr. Stewart

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

President Nicastro: Thank you. Mr. Amianda, would you approve the Minutes and . . . from the Workshop and Public Meeting from April 16, 2019?

April 16, 2019 WS & PM

Mr. Amianda: Yes, Mr. President. I make a motion for approval of Minutes of previous meetings on April 16, 2019, Work Session and Public Meeting.

Mr. Roman: Second.

President Nicastro: Any discussion? Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed with the exception of Mr. Nicastro, who abstained on the April 16, 2019 WS & PM Minutes

CORRESPONDENCE

LETTERS FROM RESIDENTS/ORGANIZATIONS/ OTHER TOWNS

1. Flyer received April 15, 2019 from Musconetcong Watershed Association regarding Save These Dates.

2. Legal Notice received April 17, 2019 from Lavery, Selvaggi Abromitis & Cohen, P.C. regarding Heritage Senior Living, Inc. will be heard before the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Township of Washington on May 1, 2019, regarding the property known as Block 8, Lot 8 (67 Drakestown Road), Washington Township, Morris County, New Jersey, located in the O-R zone.

3. Email received April 24, 2019 from Whippany River Watershed Action Committee regarding WRWAC Meeting – Emerald Ash Borer film.

4. Email received April 25, 2019 from Sustainable Jersey regarding Summit Session Spotlight: Harness the Power.

5. Email received April 25, 2019 from Joshua Bocian, McDonald’s Regional Government Relations Manager regarding McDonald’s Announces additional 4480 new hires this summer!

RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES OTHER TOWNS

6. Email received April 17, 2019 from Chester Township regarding Notice of Pending Land Use Ordinance.

STATE AGENCIES
7. Email received April 17, 2019 from FEMA regarding FEMA Region II Preparedness and Resilience Bulletin: Empowering People and Communities.

8. Email received April 18, 2019 from NJDEP regarding NJDEP Weekly Update.

9. Email received April 26, 2019 from NJDEP regarding NJDEP Weekly Update.

MORRIS COUNTY

10. Email received April 18, 2019 from Morris County regarding This Week in Morris County: Howard Blvd. Black Bears.

11. Email received April 21, 2019 from Morris County regarding Reminder: This Week in Morris County: Howard Blvd. Black Bears.

12. Email received April 22, 2019 from Morris County regarding Morris County Planning Board Minutes 3.21.2019.

13. Email received April 25, 2019 from Morris County regarding This Week in Morris County: Stigma-Free Morris at 3 Yrs!

UTILITIES

14. Email received April 23, 2019 from New Jersey American Water regarding New Jersey American Water’s NEWS DROP.

President Nicastro: We have 14 pieces of Correspondence. Does anyone have any questions on those? Seeing none. We have no Ordinances for first or second reading. Mr. Ferrante, would you move Consent Resolutions one through . . . oh, does anyone wish to move any Consent Resolutions to Non-Consent? Seeing none. Mr. Ferrante, would you move Resolutions one through thirteen?

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING: None

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 Authorizing the Transfer of Funds From Lincoln Financial to the Township for Nonvested Members.


5. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of Contract to Motion Kia For Three Vehicles Leases for 36 Months.


12. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Approving a Vendor Service Contract on a “Non-Fair and Open” Basis Pursuant to the “Pay-to-Play” Law. (Kronos Inc.)

13. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Approving a Vendor Service Contract on a “Non-Fair and Open” Basis Pursuant to the “Pay-to-Play” Law. (Northeast Communications)

Mr. Ferrante: Sure, I make a motion to move Resolutions one through thirteen.

Mr. Mania: Second.

President Nicastro: Does anyone from the public have any questions or concerns? Seeing none. Closed to the . . . anyone from Council? Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed with the exception of Mr. Roman, who abstained on Consent Resolution number one

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

MOTIONS
1. Bill List.

Mr. Roman: I move for adoption, the Bill List.

Mr. Mania: Second.

President Nicastro: Any discussion? Anyone from the public? Closed to the public. Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

Council Appointments

Ethics Committee
Lewis Candura, 5-year unexpired term expires 12/31/2023

President Nicastro: We have one appointment from Council for Ethics Committee, Lew Candura, a five-year unexpired term which expires on 12/31/2023. Do we have a motion to accept?

Mr. Mania: So moved.

Mr. Roman: Second.
Mayor Greenbaum: He still lives in Town?

President Nicastro: Oh, I was going to say . . .

Mayor Greenbaum: Does he? I didn’t know.

President Nicastro: Do we have a second?

Miss Masser: All right, who . . .?

President Nicastro: Any discussion?

Miss Masser: Who made the motion?

President Nicastro: Alex . . . John and Alex.

Mr. Roman: John . . . John moved it; I seconded.

President Nicastro: Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

President Nicastro: Administrative Reports.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mayor Greenbaum: Real quick, yesterday, Baseball had their opening night on the brand-new fields.

President Nicastro: It was beautiful.

Mayor Greenbaum: It was really a tremendous evening. The fields looked great. If you haven’t been up there, I suggest you go and take a look at them because you’re going to be absolutely shocked. My understanding is that it has completely resolved the drainage issue that we were having on those three fields.

President Nicastro: It was beautiful.

Mayor Greenbaum: It was also very moving because Gene Buczynski was recognized . . . and the loss of Gene Buczynski. We are contemplating right now, a manner in which we are going to recognize Gene’s contributions on behalf of the Township. It’s likely going to be some kind of dedication up at Turkey Brook Park, whether it’s just a monument or a field naming after Gene. He certainly will always be in our hearts and our memories for just being a great guy and an honorary citizen of the Township of Mount Olive. Besides that, this weekend, Saturday, we had the Bubble Palooza, which I understand was a huge success. Friday, May 3, 2019 at 11:00am, Firestone will have their official grand opening. It’s on Route 46 close to the Netcong border. There will be a few check presentations for the Boys and Girls Club and the Unity Tour and Mount Olive Recreation. If you’re able to attend, it’s Friday, May 3, 2019 at 11:00am. Lastly, Coffee with a Cop is Saturday, May 11, 2019 from 9:00am to 11:00am at Mount Olive Bagels. That’s all I have.


OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS – none

LEGAL MATTERS – none

Mrs. Sharpe: Nothing tonight. Thank you, Mr. President.

President Nicastro: Council Reports. Anything from Board of Education or Seniors, Mr. Amianda?

COUNCIL REPORTS

Board of Education Liaison Report
Senior Citizen Liaison

Mr. Amianda: Yes, Mr. President. Board of Education held its regular meeting on April 29th, which was yesterday, 2019 at the Administration Building at 6:30pm. After opening activities and the mission statement, the floor was open for reports and discussion. Members of the community were allowed to make comments on any action prior to Board discussion. The Board approved the April Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying Reports. Mount Olive High School is one of the best high schools in the Nation and earned a silver medal. Dr. Robert Zywicki, Superintendent of Schools, introduced new staff and administrators. The Board took actions on personnel, curriculum and instruction, and business action items. The Board praised first aid responders for the remarkable job they render to Mount Olive residents during emergencies. The Board then adjourned to a Closed Session until 8:00pm. Mount Olive Senior Citizens did not meet.

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

Environmental Committee
Lake Issues - none
Library Board Liaison

Mr. Ferrante: Yeah, just the Township well testing will take place on May 18, 2019 and a couple of notes from the Library Board meeting from April 9, 2019. April 6, 2019, they held a donation day and they accepted over 1,000 books. The Library also, along with your library card, can . . . you could participate in movie streaming via the Kanopy app.

President Nicastro: Interesting. Thank you. Mr. Mania, anything on Legislative or Planning?

Legislative Committee Report – none
Planning Board Report – none

Mr. Mania: No.

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

Recreation Liaison Report - none
Pride Committee - none

Mr. Roman: Nothing to report.

Economic Development Committee Report - none
Community Action Panel Report - none

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

President Nicastro: Does anyone from the public wish to be heard at this time? Seeing none. Mr. Mania, would you take us . . . we have to go into an Executive Session. We don’t expect to take any action on anything. It’s just Executive Session, so we’ll go into Executive Session now and then when we come back, we’ll adjourn.

Executive Session:
- Land Acquisition

Mr. Mania: According to sections 7 and 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, I make a motion we move into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters noting that the minutes will be available.

Mr. Roman: Second.

President Nicastro: All in favor?

Mayor Greenbaum: Did you say personnel matters?

Mr. Ferrante: Not personnel matters.
Mr. Mania: I’m sorry.

Mrs. Sharpe: It’s for land acquisition.

Mayor Greenbaum: It’s land acquisition.

President Nicastro: Land acquisition.

Mr. Mania: Land acquisition.

President Nicastro: Yes, we’ll correct that.

Motion made and seconded. All in favor, none opposed.

President Nicastro: Do we have a motion to come out of Executive . . .?

Motion made and seconded. All in favor, none opposed. Executive Session began at 7:17pm and the Public Meeting resumed at 7:26pm.

President Nicastro: I will reopen the Mount Olive Township Council Meeting for April 30, 2019. Do we have a motion to adjourn?

Miss Masser: Council Comments.

President Nicastro: Oh, Council Comments, Mr. Amianda.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Amianda: Yes, I have something to say, if I can find it.

Vice President Roman: Tell you what, we’ll move on. Mr. Ferrante, do you have any Council Comments?

Mr. Ferrante: Nothing tonight.

Vice President Roman: Mr. Mania, do you have any Council Comments?

Mr. Mania: Nothing.

Vice President Roman: Okay. Mr. Amianda, we’re back to you.

Mr. Amianda: Yes, I have two comments or three comments. Okay. My sympathy goes to the victims of the shooting in San Diego, California on Saturday, April 27, 2019 that left one person dead and three . . . and two people wounded. I think that the shooting of innocent people must stop. That’s my comment on that. Also, Mr. Eugene Buczynski, Town Engineer, passing away on April 17, 2019 was a big loss. Those are my comments. Thank you.

Vice Pesident Roman: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Amianda. I, too, want to share the . . . sentiment of the passing of Mr. Buczynski. He’s definitely a huge loss to the Township. Also, I, too, share your same sentiment that these hateful acts that occur . . . attacks just based on another person’s religion . . . needs to stop and we all need to make sure that we recognize that we all are one race, one human race and we’re all here for the advancement of our families and our community. With that, can I get a motion to adjourn?

ADJOURNMENT - Motion made and seconded. All in favor, none opposed, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28pm.

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 May 14, 2019.