The Public Meeting of the Mount Olive Township Council was called to order at 7:34 pm by Council Vice President Roman.

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, Mr. Ferrante, Mrs. Labow, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Roman

Absent: Mr. Mania and Mr. Nicastro

Also Present: Susan Gouveia, Deputy Township Clerk; Fred Semrau, Township Attorney (arrived at 7:34 pm); Sue Sharpe, Township Attorney; Robert Greenbaum, Mayor; Laura Harris, Business Administrator and Sherry Kolody, CFO, Tyler Chmiel, Boy Scout

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

November 22, 2016 WS & PM

Vice President Roman: Mr. Amianda, can I get a motion to approve previous Minutes?

Mr. Amianda: Yes Mr. President. I make a motion for approval of the Minutes of the previous meetings on November 22, 2016, Work Session and Public Meeting.

Vice President Roman: Can I get a second?

Mr. Stewart: Second.

Vice President Roman: Roll Call.

Roll Call: Passed unanimously

CORRESPONDENCE

LETTERS FROM RESIDENTS/ORGANIZATIONS/ OTHER TOWNS

1. Email received November 21, 2016, from Sustainable Jersey regarding Celebrate a Moment of Thanksgiving.

2. Email received November 24, 2016, from Smart & Resilient Cities regarding The State of P3s in the U.S.

3. Email received November 28, 2016, from Great Swamp Watershed Association regarding Municipal Alliance Meeting.

4. Email received November 29, 2016, from Raritan Headwaters regarding Let’s build a Lab house together.

5. Email received November 29, 2016, from ANJEC regarding Giving Tuesday 2016.

6. Email received November 29, 2016, from Voorhees Transportation Center @ Rutgers Bloustein regarding Paint the Day Scarlet!

7. Email received November 29, 2016, from TransOptions regarding Today Is The Day!

8. Email received November 29, 2016, from Smart & Resilient Cities regarding Webinar: Reinventing Smart Cities with Public Kiosks.
9. Email received November 29, 2016, from TransOptions regarding There’s Still Time!

10. Email received November 30, 2016, from Raritan Headwaters regarding State of Our Watershed Conference.

11. Email received November 30, 2016, from Laddey, Clark, & Ryan, LLP regarding Client Alert: Economic Hardship Is Insufficient To Unilaterally Alter Union Contract.

12. Email received November 30, 2016, from NOFA-NJ regarding Register Now to Return to Nature at the Winter Conference.

13. Email received December 1, 2016, from Raritan Headwaters Newsletter regarding December: A Look at What’s Ahead.

RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES OTHER TOWNS

14. Email received November 18, 2016, from Township of Long Hill regarding Resolution #16-299, Resolution of the the Township Committee Supporting the Morris County Fire Mutual Aid Plan.

15. Email received November 18, 2016, from Borough of Wharton regarding Resolution #143-16, Resolution Supporting the Morris County Fire Mutual Aid Plan in the Borough of Wharton, County of Morris, State of New Jersey.

16. Email received November 22, 2016, from Borough of Chester regarding Resolution #R2016-122, Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chester in Support of Senate Bill S-2254 and Assembly Bill A-3821 which Affirms the Language and Legislative Intent of the Fair Housing Act.

17. Email received November 30, 2016, from Montville Township regarding Commercial Breeding Resolution – Montville Township.

STATE AGENCIES

18. Email received November 18, 2016, from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding DEP Mobile App for Reporting Non-Emergency Environmental Incidents.

19. Email received November 21, 2016, from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding NJDEP Green Acres Funding.

20. Email received November 22, 2016, from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding NJDEP Drought Awareness Toolkit.

21. Email received November 23, 2016, from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding Radon Action Month.

22. Email received November 23, 2016, from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding Meeting: Protecting Back Bay Areas from Storms.

23. Email received November 25, 2016, from FEMA regarding FEMA Region II Individual and Community Preparedness Bulletin November 25.

MSA/MUA

24. Email received November 23, 2016, from Musconetcong Sewerage Authority regarding MSA October 27, 2016 Approved Meeting Minutes.

MORRIS COUNTY

UTILITIES


27. Letter received November 28, 2016, from JCP&L regarding Notice of Proposed Increase in Storm Recovery Charge and Notice of Public Hearings Thereon.


Vice President Roman: We have 28 pieces of Correspondence. Does anyone have any questions, comments or concerns? Seeing none. We’re onto Ordinances for public hearing. I open the hearing to the public on Ordinance #30-2016 entitled,

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING


Vice President Roman: Does anyone from the public wish to be heard? Seeing none. Mr. Ferrante.

Mr. Ferrante: Sure, I move for adoption and final passage Ordinance #30-2016.

Mrs. Labow: Second.

Vice President Roman: Any Council discussion? Seeing none. Roll Call.

Roll Call: Passed unanimously

Vice President Roman: Ordinance #30-2016 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. The next Ordinance for public hearing is Ordinance #31-2016. I open the hearing to the public on Ordinance #31-2016 entitled,


Vice President Roman: Does anyone from the public wish to be heard? Seeing none. I close the public hearing. Mr…Mrs. Labow.

Mrs. Labow: Thank you Mr. Vice President. I move for adoption and final passage of Ordinance #31-2016.

Vice President Roman: Can I get a second?

Mr. Stewart: Second.

Mr. Ferrante: Second.

Vice President Roman: Any Council discussion? Roll Call please.

Roll Call: Passed unanimously

Vice President Roman: Ordinance #31-2016 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. Next item up on Agenda is Ordinances for first reading and we have none.

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING (None) – 2nd reading December 20, 2016
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.

2. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing an Increase in the Fixed Asset Threshold from $500 to $2,000.
3. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Requesting Morris County Approve Delayed Green Traffic Lights at the Intersection of Flanders-Netcong Road/Main Street and Route 206.
6. A Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing Purchases with Triad as a Proprietary Vendor in Accordance with NJSA 40A:11-2
7. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Rejection of all Bids for a Platform Truck & Chassis with Lift Bucket System.
8. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Rejection of all Bids for Snowplowing Services for Morris Chase.
11. A Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Authorizing Release of a Performance Bond and Cash Bond for Site Improvements in Connection with Modification at Clover Hill Treatment Plant Subject to the Posting of a Two-Year Maintenance Bond and Other Conditions.
13. A Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Execution of the Developer’s Agreement with Waterloo Road Development Company, LLC.

Vice President Roman: Next item is Consent Resolutions, we have 14. Does anybody wish to move any to Non-Consent? Seeing none. Mr. Stewart please.

Mr. Stewart: Thank you Mr. Vice President. I move for adoption and final passage Ordinance…
Vice President Roman: Consent…Consent…

Mr. Stewart: …Consent Resolutions…14 Consent Resolutions.

Vice President Roman: Is there a second?

Mr. Stewart: I can’t speak today.

Mrs. Labow: Second.

Vice President Roman: Moved at second. Any Council discussion? Anyone from the public? Seeing none. Roll Call please.

Roll Call: Passed unanimously

MOTIONS

1. Bill List.

Vice President Roman: Next item is Motions, we have the Bill List. Mr. Stewart, could you move that also?

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

Mrs. Labow: Second.

Vice President Roman: Roll Call.

Roll Call: Passed unanimously

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Vice President Roman: We’re…Administrative Reports. Mr. Mayor, Miss Harris?

Mayor Greenbaum: I’m sorry. Real quick. Sunday, December 11, 2016, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, the Recreation Department will be hosting a Winter Wonderland event. We generally get really good attendance at our winter activities. Monday, December 26, 2016 at 7:00 pm, will be the Festival of the Lights, which is our Hanukkah Menorah lighting. It’s interesting that Hanukkah actually starts on Christmas Eve this year, which is a little bizarre. I know a lot of you were at the…the Christmas tree lighting, it was a wonderfully attended event this year. I think we had more people than in past years. I’d like to recognize the hard work of our Buildings and Grounds Department that made sure that the tree lighting celebration was a huge success. The sponsors and our clergy helped bring the community together. I was given ample opportunity to participate in the service and welcome everyone that was there. Interesting this year was the Elf on the Shelf and the Mensch on the Bench, which are now going to local businesses. I saw that Lowe’s actually had them in the front entrance, it looked really…pretty cool, I was going to go take a picture of myself with the two of them and put it up, but didn’t have an opportunity yesterday.

Vice President Roman: Wouldn’t that make it two Mensch’s on the Bench?

Miss Harris: He just complimented you.

Mayor Greenbaum: No comment. We’re going to move those things around to different businesses in Town and make sure that the businesses that actually take them are appropriately advertised on the Mayor’s web page. That’s all that I have. Laura, do you have anything?

Miss Harris: I don’t.

Vice President Roman: Any Old Business? Any New Business? Legal Matters?

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS - none
LEGAL MATTERS

Mr. Semrau: Thank you Council President. There was a number of Resolutions on regarding Cobblestone and that is to gear up in the event that the matter goes to trial in Superior Court. So far we had a favorable determination, as you know, by the Commissioners…the Condemnation Commissioners, but this is an Affordable Housing Acquisition for the Township. That’s to obtain a survey to address any kind of boundary disputes and to make sure from an Environmental standpoint that we have all the bases covered, not to say there’s any major issues with respect to the property, but we still want to address it as if it were a property acquisition, because it is; and make sure that the Environmental issues are all…all resolved to protect the interest of the Town when we ultimately acquire the property. With respect to the Affordable Housing update, the Supreme Court had an argument that was heard over two days last week and that’s regarding the gap period, whether or not the court’s going to assess that retroactive charge, so to speak, on Affordable Housing from 1999 to 2016 when the rules were influx. The Supreme Court has indicated that they’ll issue an opinion before the end of the year so once that opinion comes out I’m sure there’ll be more discussion that we’ll need to have based on how the outcome is from that opinion.

Mayor Greenbaum: Fred, can I interrupt for a second?

Mr. Semrau: Yes, sure.

Mayor Greenbaum: Didn’t we make the decision to settle our Affordable Housing irrespective of the gap period?

Mr. Semrau: We have explored that issue…

Mayor Greenbaum: Yes.

Mr. Semrau: …and there’s been some discussions with essentially the Affordable Housing contingent.

Mayor Greenbaum: Yes.

Mr. Semrau: They’re not definitive right now because of this flux with the gap period.

Mayor Greenbaum: Really, so they’re hedging their bet that it’s going to be a higher number?

Mr. Semrau: It’s a little bit back and forth. It’s something we could…I think we’d be at a better position to discuss in Executive Session…

Mayor Greenbaum: Okay.

Mr. Semrau: …and we can give you an update. We could do that. We have one more discussion ready for them, a settlement conference with myself and Chuck McGroarty. I think after that we’ll know clearly where we stand with respect to that group. At one point they did come around as you mentioned Mayor, but we’re trying to hold them to it.

Mayor Greenbaum: Okay. I understand.

Mr. Semrau: Yes.

Mayor Greenbaum: It’s kind of risky on their part though, because if that decision comes down and it’s not favorable to them it actually lowers our…it would ultimately lower our number.

Mr. Semrau: Correct. Yes.

Mayor Greenbaum: Significantly.

Mr. Semrau: Right. As we’ve stated, we think that the Township has done a terrific job as far as compliance is concerned. We have a good plan to begin with, so yes. I will be able to give you an update at the next meeting once we have that last meeting with Chuck McGroarty and representatives of the Affordable Housing Coalition.

Mayor Greenbaum: Does that mean that we get to see you again at the next meeting?
Mr. Semrau: If that’s okay with you.

Mr. Stewart: Wow.

Mr. Semrau: That’s alright.

Vice President Roman: Fred, if the decision does not go our way, are we still in good position regarding obligation?

Mr. Semrau: Yes, I think that’s…that’s most notably that Chuck McGroarty has remarked this and I have too that as far as compliance goes and the effort that the Township has made, we think that that report and our position stands very strong compared to what we’ve seen that’s been submitted to courts and some of the discussions that have been out there. Just look tonight, you again supported, which is part of the plan, the Cobblestone acquisition, because that’s part of your overall Fair Share Plan and your goals and you’ve maintained that. We don’t see the need for any kind of rezoning just for Affordable Housing sites and things of that nature or anything that some Towns have had to resort to rezoning properties that would never really be developed. There’s been discussions of college properties and land to just try to comply. We’re not even going to go there because we think we have a very good plan and compliance.

Vice President Roman: Good. Excellent.

Mr. Semrau: Thanks. The only other matter is the land sale for the 57 acres is coming up, so we’ll be able to report on that as well.

Vice President Roman: Thank you.

Mr. Semrau: Thank you.

Mayor Greenbaum: Have you had other people interested contact you? I have sent people your way.

Mr. Semrau: I think we’ve had at least I know of two interested parties.

Mayor Greenbaum: Okay.

Mr. Semrau: With…being that it’s a significant price I think that in itself is good. I think they’re serious.

Mayor Greenbaum: Okay, good.

Vice President Roman: I don’t think they’re going to take my bid though.

Mayor Greenbaum: Well you could sit on the bench then next to me.

Vice President Roman: Any other Legal Matters?

Mr. Semrau: No, thank you Council President.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Vice President Roman: We’re onto Council Reports. Mr. Amianda, anything on Board of Education or Senior Citizen?

Board of Education Liaison Report

Mr. Amianda: Yes Mr. President or acting President. I have two reports related to Education. Board of Education report number one. On November 28, 2016, I attended the Board of Education regular meeting held at the Board Administration building in Flanders. Dr. Larrie Reynolds, Superintendent of Schools, informed the Board that the Police Department provided adequate Police coverage of the Election polling districts and to all of the schools on Election Day, November 8, 2016. There were no security incidents on that day. The Board is to send a thank you letter to Mount Olive Police Chief and Mount Olive Township Council for their cooperation in providing safety and security for our children and citizens of Mount Olive Township. Board of Education Report number two. On November 29, 2016, I attended Mount Olive High School Open House. There were many people. New Jersey Commissioner of Education was one of the people who attended the Open House. The renovation of the Science laboratory and other classrooms were beautifully done and the money was well spent. That makes Mount Olive High School to be the best and to be the first High School in the national 2016
survey conducted by the Newsweek. The good reputation of Mount Olive Township has gone up nationwide and worldwide. Mount Olive Township has the best schools because of the money we invest in them. Many parents would like to live in Mount Olive Township so that their children can attend our schools. That’s the end of my report.

**Vice President Roman:** Thank you. Mr. Ferrante, anything on Environmental or Lake?

Environmental Committee - none  
Lake Issues - none  
Library Board Liaison - none  
**Mr. Ferrante:** Nothing. Nothing for Library either.

**Vice President Roman:** Mrs. Labow?

Economic Development Committee Report - none  
TNR Program – none  
**Mrs. Labow:** Nothing.

Legislative Committee Report - none  
Planning Board Report  
**Vice President Roman:** Mr. Mania’s not here. I just want to remind also that this Thursday Planning Board will be meeting and one of the items on the Agenda will be Jersey Girl Brewery.

Board of Health Report – none  
Open Space Committee Report - none  
Recreation Liaison Report – none  
**Vice President Roman:** Mr. Nicastro’s not here. Nothing on Board of Health. I have nothing for Open Space or Recreation. Mr. Stewart, do you have anything?

MOTV Committee Liaison - none  
Community Action Panel Report  
**Mr. Stewart:** Yes, Community Action Panel Committee got together last week and the focus will be on a Cyber Security Workshop for the business community for 2017.

**Mr. Amianda:** Mr. President I forgot to make a notation of the Senior Citizen…

**Vice President Roman:** Please.

Senior Citizen Liaison  
**Mr. Amianda:** …Report. It’s short. On December 6, 2016, which was today, Senior Citizens Club met at 11:30 am to conduct their business meeting. There was no New Business except to remind members that the Christmas Party is on Thursday, December 15, 2016.

**PUBLIC PORTION**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Vice President Roman:** Thank you. We’re onto our last Public Portion. Does anyone from the public wish to be heard? Seeing none. Closed to the public. We’re onto Council Comments. Mr. Amianda?

**Mr. Amianda:** No.

**Vice President Roman:** Mr. Ferrante?

**Mr. Ferrante:** Nothing.

**Vice President Roman:** Mrs. Labow?

**Mrs. Labow:** Nothing.

**Vice President Roman:** Mr. Stewart?
Mr. Stewart: Yes. Big shout out to the Mount Olive Police Department for their community outreach effort yesterday for the Coffee with a Cop. It was well received from the folks that got in. Problem they had was the snow delay with the school, so it did delay some of the folks from seeing, but for initial kick off, they did a great job.

Vice President Roman: Excellent, excellent. I’m glad to hear it. I have nothing.

ADJOURNMENT - Motion made and seconded. All in favor, none opposed, the meeting was adjourned at 7:51 pm.

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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 December 20, 2016.

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Michelle Masser, Township Clerk

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