

The Public Meeting of the Mount Olive Township Council was called to order at 7:14pm by President Nicastro.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT

President Nicastro: In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act and the Emergency Remote Meeting Protocol for Local Public Bodies, adequate and electronic notice of this remote meeting has been provided by sending notice to the Daily Record and Mount Olive Chronicle, posting notice on the Township website and Facebook page, posting notice on the outside front door & bulletin board of the Municipal Building, 204 Flanders-Drakestown Road, Budd Lake, NJ, and sending notice to those individuals requesting same.

Members of the public will be kept on mute during the meeting. If you would like to speak during the designated public comment portion, press 9 on your telephone or the “raise hand” icon on the Zoom app and wait to be recognized by the host, who will unmute you to speak. When you are done commenting, you will be muted again. There is a 5-minute limit on all public comments.

Present: Mr. Ferrante, Mrs. Labow, Mr. Mania, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Roman, and Mr. Nicastro

Absent: None

Also Present: Michelle Masser, Township Clerk; Jon Testa, Township Attorney; Robert Greenbaum, Mayor; Andrew Tatarenko, Business Administrator; Claudia Quinn, Assistant Business Administrator, and Sherry Kolody, CFO

President Nicastro: Okay. Mr. Ferrante, would you please move the Minutes from December 6, 2022, Workshop and Public Session?

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- 1. December 6, 2022, WS & PM (Absent: C. Labow & J. Mania)

Mr. Ferrante: Sure, Council President. I’d like to make a motion to approve the December 6, 2022, Workshop and Public Meeting Minutes.

Mr. Stewart: Second.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Any discussion? Seeing none. Roll Call, please.

ROLL CALL: Passed with the exception of Mrs. Labow and Mr. Mania, who abstained on the December 6, 2022, WS & PM Minutes

CORRESPONDENCE

LETTERS FROM RESIDENTS/ORGANIZATIONS/OTHER TOWNS

- 1. Letter received December 5, 2022, from Washington Township Planning Board regarding Hearing for an Application of Target Corp. for Major Site Plan Amendment for 68 Route 46 W, Block 4, Lot 7.05.
- 2. Email received December 6, 2022, from NOFA NJ regarding NOFA NJ Weekly Email: December 5, 2022.
- 3. Email received December 8, 2022, from Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of NJ regarding Verizon Small Business Digital Ready added Spanish Language resources! Check it out now!
- 4. Email received December 8, 2022, from Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of NJ regarding Get Updates: Weekly Community Calendar.
- 5. Email received December 9, 2022, from Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of NJ regarding ChamberNews - December 9, 2022.
- 6. Email received December 9, 2022, from NOFA NJ regarding NOFA NJ Winter Conference Keynote: Jeff Moyer of Rodale Institute.

7. Email received December 12, 2022, from NOFA NJ regarding NOFA NJ Weekly Email: December 12, 2022.
8. Email received December 14, 2022, from NOFA NJ regarding NOFA NJ Needs Your Support!
9. Email received December 15, 2022, from Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of NJ regarding Find the right Horizon health plan for you!
10. Email received December 16, 2022, from NOFA NJ regarding NOFA NJ Winter Conference Speaker: Richard McCoy of McCoy Horticultural Services.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES OTHER TOWNS – NONE

LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES

11. Email received December 5, 2022, from NJLM Weekly Round-Up regarding SHBP Update, MS4 Permit, 3rd Party Insp. Leg. Advances, Grant Opportunities.

STATE AGENCIES/LOI/HIGHLANDS

12. Email received December 5, 2022, from NJDEP regarding NJDEP Weekly Update.
13. Email received December 12, 2022, from NJDEP regarding NJDEP Weekly Update.
14. Email received December 15, 2022, from NJDOL regarding DRAFT TEST Latest news from The Office of Public Employees Safety and Health (PEOSH).

MSA/MUA – NONE

MORRIS COUNTY

15. Email received December 5, 2022, from Morris County regarding This Week in Morris County.
16. Email received December 8, 2022, from Morris County regarding New Trail Projects Recommended for 2022 Morris County Funding.
17. Email received December 8, 2022, from Morris County regarding UPDATED: New Trail Projects Recommended for 2022 Morris County Funding.
18. Email received December 8, 2022, from Morris County regarding Rockin' Send Off for Retiring Commissioner DeFillippo.
19. Email received December 9, 2022, from Morris County regarding This Week in Morris County.
20. Email received December 16, 2022, from Morris County regarding This Week in Morris County.

UTILITIES – NONE

President Nicastro: Let me see. We have 20 pieces of Correspondence. Does anyone have anything on the Correspondence they'd like to see? Seeing none. I'm going to just open this one thing. Okay. I open the hearing to the public on Ordinance #31-2022,

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

Ord.#31-2022 An Ordinance Amending Ordinance #25-2021 of the Township of Mount Olive Entitled Salaries of Certain Non-Union Personnel.

President Nicastro: Mrs. Labow.

Mrs. Labow: Thank you, Mr. President. I move for adoption and final passage of Ordinance #31-2022.

Mr. Roman: Second.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Anyone from the public wish to be heard on this, raise your hand. Seeing none. Closed to the public. Roll Call, please.

ROLL CALL: **Passed unanimously**

President Nicastro: Ordinance #31-2022 is passed on second reading and I hereby direct the Clerk to forward a copy of the same to the Mayor and publish notice of adoption as required by law. I open up the hearing to the public on Ordinance #32-2022,

Ord.#32-2022 An Ordinance of the Township of Mount Olive Amending Ordinance #24-21 Which Established Salaries for the Mayor, Council, Department Heads and Other Exempt Employees.

President Nicastro: Mr. Mania.

Mr. Mania: Thank you, Mr. President. I move for adoption and final passage of Ordinance #32-2022.

Mr. Roman: Second.

President Nicastro: Anyone from the public wish to be heard on this Ordinance? Raise your hand. Seeing none. Closed to the public. Roll Call, please.

ROLL CALL: **Passed unanimously**

President Nicastro: Ordinance #32-2022 is passed on second reading and I hereby direct the Clerk to forward a copy of the same to the Mayor and publish notice of adoption as required by law. We have no Ordinances for first reading, but we have 22 Consent Resolutions. Does anyone wish to move any to Non-Consent? Seeing none. Does anyone have any . . . I'm sorry. Mr. Stewart, would you please move Consent Resolutions one through twenty-two, please?

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS AGENDA:

1. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Establishing the Annual Reorganization Meeting for January 3, 2023
2. Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Extending the Pilot Program for DPW Snow Removal from Smithtown Road Sidewalks Behind Block 910, Lots 17-25
3. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive authorizing the execution of a grant agreement with the Morris County Open Space and Farmland Trust regarding the Budd Lake dock extension
4. Resolution Authorizing the Correction of a Holiday Between the Township of Mount Olive and the Mount Olive Township Public Employee Association
5. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Approving a "Non-Fair and Open" Vendor Service Contract Pursuant to "Pay-to-Play" Law (Morris Security Group)
6. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Approving a "Non-Fair and Open" Vendor Service Contract Pursuant to the "Pay-to-Play" Law (Cintas Corp.)
7. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Approving a "Non-Fair and Open" Vendor Service Contract Pursuant to "Pay-to-Play" Law (Rapid Pump & Meter Service Co.)
8. Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Cancellation of 2022 Appropriation Balances in the Current Fund
9. Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Cancellation of 2022 Appropriations in the Water Utility Fund
10. Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Cancellation of 2022 Appropriations in the Sewer Utility Fund

11. Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Cancellation of 2022 Appropriations in the Sanitation Utility Fund
12. Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Cancellation of 2022 Appropriations in the Recreation Utility Fund
13. Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Cancellation of a General Capital Ordinance
14. Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Cancellation of a Grant Receivable Balance
15. 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 2022 Municipal Budget (\$7,000 for Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over - Y/E Holiday Crackdown)
16. Resolution of the Council of Mount Olive Township Authorizing the Use of the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over, 2022 Year End Holiday Crackdown Grant
17. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive authorizing the award of a one-year contract extension (year 2/final) to Peterson and Sons Tree Service for Bid #15-2019 Tree Removal, Tree Trimming & Stump Grinding (October 30, 2022 - October 29, 2023) *Revised
18. Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive, County of Morris State of New Jersey, Authorizing Execution of an Estoppel Certificate and Agreement for Bank OZK related to Development of the Property Designated as Block 4100, Lot 85 (89 Route 46)
19. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing a Person to Person and Place to Place Transfer of Alcoholic Beverage License No. 1427-33-016-003 Owned by Clover May Corporation t/a Village Bar & Liquors to King & Bail LLC t/a Kingston Liquors.
20. Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing a Chapter 159 Budget Amendment in the 2022 Budget for the Body Armor Replacement Fund for \$3,239.58.
21. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Service Agreement for Ethics Board Attorney to Robert D. Correale, Esq. (REVISED - Increasing Contract Amount)
22. Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive Providing for the Transfer of 2022 Budget Appropriations for the Current Fund.

Mr. Stewart: Thank you, Mr. President. I move for adoption and acceptance of Resolutions one through twenty-two.

Mrs. Labow: Second.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Anyone from the public wish to be heard on any of these Resolutions? Please raise your hand now on the app. Seeing none. Any other Council discussion? Seeing none. Roll Call, please.

ROLL CALL: **Passed unanimously**

President Nicastro: Okay. Now we're up to the part of our nomination to fill the vacancy of Daniel Amianda and at this point, I'm going to ask for a motion for someone to nominate someone for the position. Mr. Roman.

RESOLUTIONS NON-CONSENT - Nomination to Fill Vacancy

1. Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive, County of Morris, State of New Jersey Filling the Unexpired Term of the Late Daniel Amianda, Councilman.

Mr. Roman: I make a motion that we nominate Chuck Aaron.

Mr. Mania: I'll second it.

President Nicastro: Do we have any other nominations? Seeing none. Nominations are closed. We will take a Roll Call.

Mr. Roman: Before I vote, I'd like to thank all the candidates that put their hat in the ring. It was a very difficult decision and I'm sure that Chuck Aaron will fill the seat perfectly.

ROLL CALL: **Passed unanimously**

President Nicastro: Again, yes, it is a difficult decision. It really is. It's not that easy but we do thank, as I said, all the candidates and it's good to know that there's other ones out there that are interested in being on Council because things do happen, and things do come up and they're . . . it's good to know those people are interested in joining us. So, thank you all for doing that. Congratulations Chuck and thank you, again. There's a Non-Consent Resolution, which I'm going to read and ask . . . let me ask Mr. Roman. Would you move Non-Consent Resolution number one?

Mr. Roman: I move for approval, Non-Consent Resolution number one.

Mr. Mania: Second.

President Nicastro: I'm going to read the Resolution. This way it's in the record.

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY FILLING THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THE LATE DANIEL AMIANDA, COUNCILMAN

WHEREAS, Daniel Amianda was elected to serve as a member of the Township Council for the Township of Mount Olive with a term commencing January 1, 2022 and expiring December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, sadly, Councilman Amianda passed away on or about November 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the New Jersey Vacancy Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:16-11, the Republican County Committee, which was the party of the elected office for Councilman Amianda, has submitted three names to the Township Clerk for consideration of the Township Council to fill said vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has considered the three names submitted by the Republican County Committee and hereby nominates Charles Aaron to fill the vacancy and serve as a member of the Township Council until the results of the 2023 General Election are certified for a candidate to fill the unexpired term of Councilman Amianda.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Charles Aaron is hereby appointed by the Township Council to fill the vacancy of the late Daniel Amianda, Councilman, until the results of the 2023 General Election, wherein the unexpired term of Councilman Amianda's office will be filled for the unexpired term through December 31, 2025, are certified.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

President Nicastro: So, with that, we have a first and a second. We need a Roll Call, I would imagine.

Mr. Testa: That's correct.

ROLL CALL: **Passed unanimously**

President Nicastro: Okay. Congratulations, Chuck. Michelle, are you going to do the Oath of Office immediately, right now?

Miss Masser: Yes.

President Nicastro: Okay.

Miss Masser: Whenever he's ready.

President Nicastro: You ready, Chuck? They’re going to . . . okay, he’s . . .

Mr. Aaron: I am here.

President Nicastro: Thank you.

OATH OF OFFICE

Miss Masser: Okay. Repeat after me. I, Charles Aaron, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of New Jersey, that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same and to the governments established in the United States and in this State under the authority of the people, and that I will faithfully, impartially, and justly perform all the duties of the office of Mount Olive Township Councilman to the best of my ability.

Mr. Aaron: I, Charles Aaron, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of New Jersey, that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same and to the governments established in the United States and in this State under the authority of the people, and that I will faithfully, impartially, and justly perform all the duties of the office of Mount Olive Township Councilman to the best of my ability.

Miss Masser: Thank you. Congratulations.

President Nicastro: Congratulations, Chuck.

Mrs. Labow: Congratulations.

Mr. Mania: Congratulations, Chuck.

Mr. Aaron: Thank you, all. Thank you.

President Nicastro: Okay. We’re going to move on to the Bill List. Mr. Ferrante, would you please move the Bill List?

MOTIONS

- 1. Bill List

Mr. Ferrante: Sure. I make a motion to move the Bill List.

Mr. Mania: Second.

President Nicastro: Anyone from the public wish to be heard on the Bill List, raise your hand. Seeing none. Closed to the public. Roll Call, please.

ROLL CALL: **Passed with the exception of Mr. Nicastro, who abstained on check #93962**

Miss Masser: Nine-three-nine-six-two?

President Nicastro: Correct. Thank you. Administrative Reports.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mayor Greenbaum: I’ll start. First, let me congratulate Chuck. It’s an honor. Well deserved. You’ve certainly put in your time. You’ve done what needed to be done on behalf of the community before being appointed to this position. I wish you the best of luck. It takes a while to become a good councilman. You need to listen to what’s going on, understand and not come to any decisions without actually having a full record of what’s being decided and understanding why things are being decided. I’m sure that you will do a fantastic job and I think that you will be in the leadership of Mount Olive Township for many years to come. Congratulations. Congratulations also to the other two individuals. As I sat here and listened to each of you speak about what you’ve done for the Township and your thought process, I think that you two, before long, will be in the leadership of the Township and I encourage you to stay involved. I’m most encouraged by the people who have stepped up to the plate, as I’m sure all of the other Council people are and we look forward to great things from every one of you. So, we appreciate you stepping forward and we look forward to working with you guys too.

Leaving that aside, I was advised by both Congressman Malinowski's office today and by Andrew Tatarenko that we have been awarded a \$2,000,000.00 grant from the federal government for the development of the Health and Wellness Center adjacent to the existing Senior Center and we're going to be looking into developing that for the benefit of the residents of Mount Olive Township. I wanted to wish everyone a merry Christmas and a happy holiday season and a happy New Year, healthy and happy. God bless us all.

President Nicastro: Thank you, very much, Mayor. Andrew.

Mr. Tatarenko: Thank you, Mayor. Thank you, Council President Nicastro. Handful of items. I could officially say, I know we've spoken in the past about the Sutton Plaza Water Tank Rehabilitation Project, but I can officially say that it's now 100 percent complete. I'm sure you probably notice that even though our project was done, the temporary tower was still remaining for almost about a year after we were complete. T-Mobile and Sprint had some issues with upgrading their equipment, so, the tower remained. We entered into somewhat of a legal battle with the property owner, but we were able to resolve that, and T-Mobile made everybody whole, and that project is now complete. Also, there are two significant development projects currently being reviewed by our planner and engineer. Matrix Development has submitted two applications for warehouses in ITC. One is a 600,000 square foot warehouse at the former BASF site and there's another smaller 200 square foot warehouse on a property on Continental Drive and International Drive, so, those are currently under review and will be discussed by the Planning Board early next year. Also, we made some small improvements to the football concession stand. It needed a new roof. So, we had some funding available, and we took care of that for them. I'm also happy to announce . . . you know, we're always looking for shared services opportunities. We were made aware that Washington Township was in need of a plumbing inspector. So, I negotiated with the Administrator, a new agreement for them to use our plumbing inspector starting in the new year. That's going to generate an additional \$30,000.00 in revenue at no cost to the Township. So, there will be an official Resolution at a meeting in January. So, that's all good news, and also, just as a reminder to the Council and to the public, this is our last remote meeting. Starting January 3, 2022, with the reorg meeting we'll be in person and then every Council Meeting after that will also be in person. So, that is all that I have to report.

President Nicastro: Thank you very much, Andrew. Any Legal Matters, Jon?

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS - none

LEGAL MATTERS

Mr. Testa: Yes, I just wanted to report to the Council that we did finally reach a conclusion in one of the ongoing litigations involving the Township. The Schier matter. That has been officially dismissed by the Federal District Court as of yesterday. I appreciate all of the patience and cooperation from the governing body, the Mayor, and the Planning Board on that matter. I wanted to also congratulate Mr. Aaron on the position and the appointment, as well as all the other nominations. As it has been said many times over today and I don't think I need to reiterate it but it's always a positive sign to see the number of people that are interested in local government. I do appreciate their participation.

President Nicastro: Thank you, Jon.

Mr. Testa: That's all I have. Thank you and everyone obviously enjoy the holiday season.

President Nicastro: Yup. Thank you, Jon. You too. Okay.

Miss Masser: Joe, did you . . . Joe . . .

President Nicastro: Yup.

Miss Masser: . . . did you want to go back to Old Business and New Business?

President Nicastro: Oh, I'm sorry . . . I'm sorry, Michelle. I was going to say Michelle. Old Business. Does anyone have any Old Business? I skipped that. Any New Business? Okay. None on both. Thank you. Council Reports. I believe Mr. Aaron's going to be taking over the Board of Education, but I know he doesn't have a report this evening and Colleen Labow, Mrs. Labow, will be taking over the Seniors as well in January. Mr. Ferrante, anything on Environmental, Lake, or Library?

COUNCIL REPORTS

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

Mr. Ferrante: Nothing tonight.

President Nicastro: Okay. Mrs. Labow, anything on Open Space, Board of Health, and I know Stigma . . .

Open Space Committee Report
Board of Health Report – none
Senior Citizen Liaison

Mrs. Labow: Finished. Right. Well, Senior Citizens, I went to the meeting today and it was a fantastic meeting. Well attended. The room was packed. Sandra Masklee, I have to say, does a phenomenal job and it was nice to go and see a whole bunch of my old friends that I haven't seen for a while. I think I'm going to really enjoy being . . . well, I know I'm going to really enjoy being the Council liaison and I am certainly old enough to be a member at this point. So, you guys can all join me at some point.

President Nicastro: I'm sure.

Mrs. Labow: Then, with the Open Space Committee, we had an issue that we've been trying to resolve for a while and I brought it to our legal team, as well as to Andrew. What it is . . . basically, part of our Open Space property had been used and started being used for hunting and there are several deer stands throughout the property and that is not allowed. You know, so, we have a plan. We're going to take care of it and then our Open Space Committee can resume their trailblazing activities in that area, which they're very busy doing that all the time, which is great. I'll have to get mileage on how many miles of trails we have. Then, for the Board of Health, we meet tomorrow night. That's it.

President Nicastro: Thank you very much, Mrs. Labow. Mr. Mania, anything on Legislative or Planning?

Legislative Committee Report – none
Planning Board Report

Mr. Mania: Planning, we had a Planning Board Meeting last week. I was with you . . . and others. Sorry.

President Nicastro: That's okay. No problem. Greg Stewart, Mr. Stewart, anything on Economic Development?

Economic Development Committee Report
Community Action Panel Report – none

Mr. Stewart: Yeah, a special recognition to our two new co-chairs, John Batsch and John Cavanaugh. Mr. Cavanaugh's been working with Heidi Caruso with the Mount Olive Key Club and also Patrick Fahy with Mount Olive High School for combining the FBLA, the Key Club, and the high school to start to do some stuff, projects with the Economic Development Committee as well as our newest Councilmember, Mr. Aaron, with the Mount Olive Area Chamber of Commerce and the small business retail section we're also going to add. Then, I've been working through the Executive Council of the larger business ones to also get them to do a segment each throughout the year with the EDC, so we linked all of those components together for 2023. It should be a pretty exciting year for the EDC.

President Nicastro: Thank you, Mr. Stewart. Mr. Roman, anything on Recreation?

Recreation Liaison Report

Mr. Roman: Nothing to report.

Board of Education Liaison Report – none

President Nicastro: Thank you. At this time, I open it to the public, if anyone from the public would like to raise their hand, they can do so now. Seeing nobody from the public. I will close it to the public and I'll go

around for Council Comments. I'll start with our newest Councilmember, Mr. Aaron. Do you have any comments?

PUBLIC PORTION – none

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Aaron: I do. First, I want to thank Courtney and Jason for participating. I think the comments this evening have been absolutely spot-on. We need more people in the community involved and to see so many people passionately step up and want to be part of this town and the Town Council is a blessing, I think. I don't think there are a lot of towns where people are clamoring to be on the Town Council and participate. So, to Courtney and Jason, I just encourage continued involvement and participation. It's unfortunate that Daniel had to pass for this opportunity to present itself to me and I hope that I live up to his contribution level and that I'm able to participate at a high enough level to respect his time and effort with the Town Council. To everyone, thank you so much for your positive comments and I am excited and looking forward to being a part of the Town Council. Thank you, very much.

President Nicastro: Thank you, Mr. Aaron. Mr. Ferrante.

Mr. Ferrante: Sure, I'd like to welcome Chuck to the Council. Looking forward to working with you and for Courtney and Jason, I know them personally. You know, the decisions were not easy, of course, but I continue to look forward to working with you both as well in the future and I just want to wish everybody a happy holiday and looking forward to seeing everyone in person in the new year. Thank you.

President Nicastro: Mr. Mania.

Mr. Mania: Mr. President, I too want to thank Courtney and Jason and congratulate Chuck and I'm sure Chuck will do a good job. I think that it's nice to see people want to become involved in our Township and I wish everybody a healthy, happy New Year and a very merry Christmas.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Mrs. Labow.

Mrs. Labow: Thank you, Mr. President. I also want to congratulate Chuck for being our newest Council member and thank Courtney and Jason for stepping up to the plate as well. I hope you guys stay involved and I also just want to say to Jason, reading your bio . . . my nephew who is also named Jason, started out with the U.S. Army right out of high school as a paratrooper, ended up the lead on his sniper team, spent many months and months and months deployed to Africa and all those places over there and it was . . . you see a lot of stuff you never want to see and it's amazing what our service people go through, what our officers go through. It's incredible and I thank you all very, very much. I also want to say that at the senior meeting today, we said goodbye to another resident, Ednamae Fulton. I probably said her name wrong, and they were sad to learn of her passing as well and I just want to wish everybody happy holidays, merry Christmas, and a very happy, healthy 2023. Thank you.

President Nicastro: Thank you, Mrs. Labow. Mr. Stewart.

Mr. Stewart: I, once again, also want to echo the other comments and congratulations to Mr. Aaron, who I have never called "Mr. Aaron" before. It's normally Chuck but congratulations and welcome to our team. Also, a special thanks to Courtney and to Jason for . . . I'm telling you, these were three outstanding candidates and it's really exciting from a Township perspective to see what was presented and really do to echo the things, so please stay involved because this town is a great town because of all the help of everybody that's on this team plus the extended teams and you guys are all part of the extended teams. Also, a big thank you to the club last night for celebrating Hanukkah. It was a great time at that event, as well as wishing everybody a merry Christmas, happy New Year, happy Hannukah and a great upcoming 2023.

President Nicastro: Thank you, Mr. Stewart. Mr. Roman.

Mr. Roman: I'd like to welcome Chuck onboard. I look forward to working with him. I have no doubt that he will, as exemplified by his previous endeavors, will be a great asset to this Council. I'd like to, once again, reiterate that I'm grateful that we had wonderful candidates to choose from. It did pain me to have to choose from friends, but I look forward to working with Courtney and Jason in the future and I hope to, you know, continue to see their involvement in the community. I'd also like to wish everyone here a happy holidays, merry Christmas, and a happy New Year. Thank you.

President Nicastro: Thank you, Mr. Roman, and I’m not going to reiterate everything again because everybody said it quite well and I’ve said it before, but I do thank all of them . . . all the candidates as well, as I said. One day you might find out what it’s like to be up here and have to make that decision. With that said, as Andrew said, I just want to remind last minute. This is the last virtual meeting that we will have after two years or so. We will be back live on January 3, 2023, at 7:00pm for our meeting, which is our reorg meeting. The Mayor will give his State of the Township Address there, but we will be live. There will be no virtual access. You can watch it, I believe, live but there will be no interaction like there is now. We’ll figure that out somewhere down the road but right now it can’t happen. So, we look forward to seeing everyone as many as possible to come to the January 3, 2023, meeting. Again, I will wish everybody a very merry Christmas, happy holidays, and a happy New Year to all and with that, I will ask for a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT - Motion made and seconded. All in favor, none opposed, the meeting was adjourned at 7:41pm.

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 January 10, 2023.

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Michelle Masser, Township Clerk