

The Public Meeting of the Mount Olive Township Council was called to order at 7:28pm by President Nicaastro.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT

President Nicaastro: According to the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting date and conversion of the in-person meeting to a Zoom meeting has been given to the Daily Record, posted on the Mount Olive Township website, posted on the outside front door of the Municipal Building, 204 Flanders-Drakestown Road, Mount Olive Township, New Jersey and sent to those requesting the same.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Mr. Amianda

Also Present: Michelle Masser, Township Clerk; Susan Gouveia, Deputy Township Clerk; Fred Semrau, Township Attorney; 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 Nicaastro: Mr. Ferrante, would you approve the Minutes from the previous meetings, March 31, 2020 and April 14, 2020, please?

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

March 31, 2020 WS (Absent: D. Amianda)

April 14, 2020 WS & PM (Absent: D. Amianda)

Mr. Ferrante: Sure. I make a motion to approve the March 31, 2020 Workshop and the April 14, 2020 Workshop and Public Meeting Minutes.

Mr. Stewart: Second.

Mr. Roman: Second.

President Nicaastro: Any discussion? Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

CORRESPONDENCE

LETTERS FROM RESIDENTS/ORGANIZATIONS/ OTHER TOWNS

1. Email received April 8, 2020 from NOFA-NJ regarding Upcoming NFA NJ Events as of April 8, 2020.
2. Email received April 13, 2020 from NOFA-NJ regarding Upcoming NOFA NJ Events as of April 13, 2020.
3. Email received April 14, 2020 from Downtown New Jersey regarding Upcoming Downtown Management Forums.
4. Email received April 17, 2020 from Raritan Headwaters regarding Community Resources during COVID-19.
5. Email received April 21, 2020 from NOFA-NJ regarding NOFA NJ Events as of April 21, 2020.

RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES OTHER TOWNS

6. Land Use Ordinance received April 21, 2020 from Washington Township regarding Adopted Ordinance RO-03-20.

STATE AGENCIES

7. Email received April 13, 2020 from NJDEP regarding NJDEP Weekly Update.
8. Email received April 17, 2020 from NJDEP regarding NJDEP Weekly Update.
9. Email received April 22, 2020 from NJDEP regarding Happy Earth Day and DEP 50!

MORRIS COUNTY

10. Email received April 8, 2020 from Morris County regarding This Week in Morris County: Parks Closed and other COVID-19 Updates.
11. Email received April 15, 2020 from Morris County regarding This Week in Morris County: Available Jobs and Small Biz Assistance and other COVID-19 Updates.
12. Email received April 22, 2020 from Morris County regarding This Week in Morris County: COVID-19 Updates, and The Arts are Online!

President Nicastro: We have 12 pieces of Correspondence. Does anyone have any questions on those? Seeing none. I open the hearing to the public on Ordinance #11-2020,

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

Ord.#11-2020 An Ordinance of the Township of Mount Olive, County of Morris, and State of New Jersey Authorizing the Acquisition of Block 7600, Lots 3-11 and 13-19, Consisting of Approximately 17.93 Acres in the Township of Mount Olive from Charles and Frances Zoccoli.

President Nicastro: Mrs. Labow.

Mrs. Labow: Thank you, Mr. President. I move for adoption and final passage of Ordinance #11-2020.

Mr. Mania: Second.

President Nicastro: Does anyone from the public wish to be heard?

Mr. Tatarenko: No one from the public.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Closed to the public. Anyone from Council have any comments? None. Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

President Nicastro: Ordinance #11-2020 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. I open the hearing to the public on Ordinance #12-2020,

Ord.#12-2020 An Ordinance of the Township of Mount Olive Amending Ordinance #3-20 Which Establishes 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 #12-2020.

Mrs. Labow: Second.

Mr. Ferrante: Second.

President Nicastro: Anyone from the public wish to be heard?

Mr. Tatarenko: No one from the public.

President Nicastro: Closed to the public. Anyone from Council have anything? Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

President Nicastro: Ordinance #12-2020 is hereby 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. We have nine Consent Resolutions, correct? We had eight here and we're adding one on here?

Miss Masser: I think . . .

President Nicastro: Or we do it separately.

Miss Masser: . . . the new one under Non-Consent and do it separately.

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

1. Resolution Authorizing a Grant Agreement Between Mount Olive Township and the State of New Jersey By and For The Department of Environmental Protection for \$365,000 for Budd Lake Aquatic Herbicide, Weed Harvesting, and Algae Control Program.
2. Revised Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Rescinding the Waiving of Delinquent Interest on Tax, Water or Sewer Payments Due During the Time That the Building is Closed to the Public During the COVID-19 Pandemic.
3. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing Change Order No. 3to the Contract with Ray Palmer Associates for Bid #27-2018 WWTP Effluent Filter Replacement Project.
4. 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.)
5. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing Purchases Off New Jersey State Contracts Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 For Calendar Year 2020. (Firefighter One)
6. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing Purchases Off New Jersey State Contracts Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 for Calendar Year 2020. (Imperial Copy Products)
7. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing Purchases Off New Jersey State Contracts Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 for Calendar Year 2020. (Municipal Equipment Enterprise)
8. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing Purchases Off New Jersey State Contracts Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 for Calendar Year 2020. (Service Tire Truck Center)

President Nicastro: Okay. So, someone move Resolution nine to Non-Consent.

Mr. Roman: I move for approval, Consent Resolutions one through eight.

Mr. Ferrante: Second.

President Nicastro: Anyone from the public wish to be heard on these?

Mr. Tatarenko: No one from the public.

President Nicastro: Closed to the public. Any Council?

Mrs. Labow: I have a comment.

President Nicastro: Yes, Mrs. Labow.

Mrs. Labow: Or a question. Resolution number one, for the algae blooms. Are they going to be able to start treating, Andrew?

Mr. Tatarenko: Yes. Our consultant has already started surveying the Lake, so, along . . . as part of the agreement, DEP has said, you know, “You could start doing what you want to do.” The agreement could come afterward, so, we’re starting as scheduled.

Mrs. Labow: Okay, so the COVID stuff isn’t going to interfere with the treatment . . .

Mr. Tatarenko: No.

Mrs. Labow: . . . all that.

Mr. Tatarenko: No.

Mrs. Labow: Okay, good. Thank you.

President Nicastro: Okay. Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

President Nicastro: We have . . . we need to move . . . Mr. Stewart, would you move Non-Consent Resolution number nine?

RESOLUTIONS NON-CONSENT

9. Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Instituting a Grace Period Through May 15, 2020 for the Payment of Second Quarter Property Taxes Due May 1, 2020, Pursuant to Executive Order 130. **ADDED 4/28/2020**

Mr. Stewart: Yes. Thank you, Mr. President. I’d like to move Non-Consent number nine for adoption and final passage.

President Nicastro: Fred or Sue, you have the reading of that? Or . . .

Mrs. Sharpe: Council President, I’ll just . . . I’ll read the title . . .

President Nicastro: Thank you.

Mrs. Sharpe: . . . and then, there’s one addition. “Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Instituting a Grace Period through May 15, 2020”, is that correct?

Mr. Semrau: Correct.

Mrs. Sharpe: “May 15, 2020, for the Payment of Second Quarter Property Taxes Due on May 1, 2020, Pursuant to Executive Order 130.” Then, under “Now, Therefore Be It Resolved”, I would add a number three to state that “Notice shall be posted on the Township website and to the paper of general circulation.”

President Nicastro: Thank you, very much. Do we have a second?

Mr. Mania: Second.

Mrs. Labow: Second.

President Nicastro: Anyone from public wish to be heard on that?

Mr. Tatarenko: No one from the public.

President Nicastro: Seeing none. Closed to the public. Anyone from Council? Mr. Roman.

Mr. Roman: Andrew, could we also send a notice to that email list of residents regarding the change?

Mr. Tatarenko: Yeah, I'll send it first thing tomorrow morning.

Mr. Roman: Thank you. I appreciate it.

Mayor Greenbaum: Can I jump in here for a second?

President Nicastro: Go ahead.

Mayor Greenbaum: I think that the Resolution needs to be further amended to deal with Sherry Kolody's concern that anyone who's already paid property taxes is not entitled to a refund of those taxes for second quarter.

President Nicastro: Correct. I . . . we forgot that part. Yeah, Sue, we have to add that in there. So, we'll make the amendment?

Mrs. Sharpe: Yeah, Council President, I'll make the written amendments and forward those to Michelle Masser.

President Nicastro: Okay, so, we need a . . . we have to revote on that, I guess, to make sure everyone's okay with the amendment?

Mr. Semrau: Yes.

Mayor Greenbaum: Correct.

President Nicastro: Mr. Stewart, you made a motion to accept it.

Mr. Stewart: Yes, I move that we accept the modifications to Resolution nine.

President Nicastro: And who's?

Mrs. Labow: Second.

Mr. Mania: I seconded it.

President Nicastro: Any other discussion?

Miss Masser: All right. Wait, wait, wait, wait, wait.

President Nicastro: Yup.

Miss Masser: So, I'm going to put down Greg Stewart as making the motion and Colleen as second because this is a new motion.

President Nicastro: It's the new one. Correct.

Miss Masser: Okay.

President Nicastro: John did the first one, right?

Miss Masser: So, it'll be Greg Stewart and Colleen Labow.

President Nicastro: Correct, on this one.

Miss Masser: Okay. All right.

President Nicastro: Any other discussion? Any . . . Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: **Passed unanimously**

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

MOTIONS

1. Bill List.

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

Mr. Mania: Second.

President Nicastro: Anyone from the public have any questions?

Mr. Tatarenko: No one from the public.

President Nicastro: Seeing none. Council? Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

President Nicastro: Administrative Reports. Who's going first? Mayor?

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mayor Greenbaum: I'll start, yes. I have a couple of issues I want to address. First, I want to address the Resolution which was adopted this evening by the governing body as it relates to taxes. I want the record to be clear that, and I'm sure that everyone on the governing body knows, but the municipality in collecting taxes, only keeps 20 percent of the taxes that are collected. Approximately 70 percent go to the schools; 10 percent go to the County. To the extent that we extend the grace period and don't collect the taxes, that doesn't preclude our obligation to continue to pay the school their 70 percent, and the County their 10 percent that we collect on their behalf of the property taxes. In essence, in the event that we had a shortfall in terms of the tax collection and our obligations, it would've left us in a situation where we would have had to have made drastic decisions with respect to the services that the municipality provides to the extent that we're unable to find money elsewhere. Those would have included layoffs of essential services, most of the municipal budget goes towards paying our employees. The vast majority of the employees are either in one, the Police Department, or two, DPW. Those services have remained consistent, for the most part, throughout this crisis. I know that those are services which are essential to the residents of Mount Olive. So, I applaud the efforts of the governing body weighing the impact that COVID has had on the residents of the State and looking at ultimately what a deficiency in the tax collection would have resulted in. So, I think that this was a fair compromise in terms of what we needed to do and what we can do to benefit the taxpayers, the individual taxpayers who pay their taxes directly and not through mortgage companies, because that's the only people that I was concerned about in terms of that Resolution. It's not the corporations, it's not the banks, it's the individual taxpayers who are having difficulty making ends meet. That's number one. Number two: I recognize that the COVID crisis has an impact much greater than just the people who have tested positive and their families. Most of those people either have recovered or are in the process of recovering. Unfortunately, we do have a handful of people who are no longer with us and who those families have certainly, and I know I speak on behalf of everybody, we pass along our graces and our prayers for those families and their losses, but, beyond that, there is an impact to the community, both financially and mentally. As part of what's left in terms of the powers which have not been taken from the local municipality in dealing with this crisis, I'm in the process now of working on arrangements to start opening up the parks, Turkey Brook and Flanders to the extent . . . and some of our other facilities where I can guarantee, or at least hope to guarantee, that social distancing and the use of face coverings will occur. So, I have directed Andrew Tatarenko, at this point, to number one: open up the dog park in a limited fashion under supervision, to allow those people who use the dog park because it's an outside activity that doesn't require people to gather in a way that will benefit most people and take some of the stress also off of our park which is being utilized not by people who are just walking dogs, but ultimately the entire community who is looking for some type of outdoor activity. I'm also looking, at this point, at opening up one of the tennis courts, both at Turkey Brook Park and down at the Glendale Dan Jordan facility for one on one tennis play right now. We'll continue to look at . . . we'll continue to look at the use of our parks as we go down the road and you know, hopefully at some point we'll be able to open up some more of the facilities. But right now, it doesn't seem to make sense to open up the fields or the basketball court or the volleyball court, which generally are used by groups until we get some more direction from the Governor in terms of how he is planning to open up the State, I'm mindful of his direction. Finally, this week I initiated, and I know Joe Nicastro has initiated something similar, the ability to try and feed some of the families who are having difficulty making ends meet and it's been a wonderful experience, not because . . . not because that . . . I've been able to feed some of the people, but the outpouring from the community was so substantial, we've had probably tenfold people who want to participate in funding this exercise, over the people who actually have asked to participate by way of

receiving food. So, once again, the Mount Olive Community has come together in a time of crisis. I'm very proud to be a Mount Olive citizen and may God bless the entire community. That's all I have. I'll turn it over to Andrew.

President Nicastro: Thank you, Mayor.

Mr. Tatarenko: Yup. Just two quick things. New Jersey Gas is moving forward with the project down in the Old Flanders section of Town. We were able to move up their schedule to put down some gas pipes on Park Avenue and Main Street. Initially, it was planned for some time in July after school was out but because obviously, with the shutdown... (Inaudible)

Miss Masser: Hold on one second.

President Nicastro: There's a lot of static.

Miss Masser: Andrew . . .

President Nicastro: Yup.

Miss Masser: . . . there's a lot of static, like what you said, no one could hear.

President Nicastro: No one heard, so you've got to say that again.

Miss Masser: So, say it over. I mean static to the point where you were like totally blanked out.

Mayor Greenbaum: It was actually the best that I've ever heard Andrew speak.

President Nicastro: Now, we can't hear you. Are you there, Andrew?

Mr. Tatarenko: I'm here, can you hear me?

Miss Masser: Yup. It's still bad.

President Nicastro: It's all still . . .

Mr. Tatarenko: Okay . . .

President Nicastro: Oh, there you go.

Miss Masser: There you go.

Mr. Tatarenko: Is it better?

Miss Masser: Yes.

President Nicastro: Yeah.

Mr. Tatarenko: All right. I didn't do anything.

Miss Masser: Okay.

Mr. Tatarenko: New Jersey Gas is moving forward with a project down at the Old Flanders section of Town. They're installing gas lines on Park Avenue and Main Street. Initially, this was scheduled for some time in the summer, but because of the shutdown, we were able to bump them up. That started yesterday and should go on for the next 12 weeks, weather dependent. Also . . . Alex.

Mr. Roman: On the . . . I've received several complaints about residents in the area, about the equipment being parked. Were those issues addressed? Did you receive any?

Mr. Tatarenko: I have not seen those complaints, so . . .

Mr. Roman: Okay.

Mr. Tatarenko: . . . I'm not sure where they're parked. If you want to forward them to me, I'll take a look.

Mr. Roman: Will do. Thank you.

Mr. Tatarenko: Also, one of the major Capital items that we are moving forward with this year is still the repaving project. So, Tim Quinn is working on a list or does have a list and we are hoping to, you know, continue with repaving starting in June. So, we're still moving forward with that. That's all.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Do we have any Old Business? Do we have any New Business? Alex.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Roman: Andrew, could you ask the Police Department to send Council a report on the nature of service calls since the lockdown? I think we'd be curious to see what . . . how things have changed during this time, this pandemic. So, when the Chief is able, if we can get a report on that.

Mr. Tatarenko: Mhm.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Any other New Business? Seeing none. Any Legal Matters?

LEGAL MATTERS

Mr. Semrau: Council President, I just want to mention that we continue to try to keep up with all the changes with respect to the State of Emergency. Last Friday we had an information session, which Andrew attended and we're going to keep putting those types of programs together just for municipalities and our clients to have an exchange of information as we try to get through all this. I just want to credit the Administration because they keep working and through this whole State of Emergency, keep generating and addressing the issues of the Township, notwithstanding all the additional responsibilities and as a resident, I'm also, you know, just very proud to live here. Thanks.

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

COUNCIL REPORTS

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

Mr. Ferrante: No, nothing.

President Nicastro: Mrs. Labow, anything on Seniors, Open Space, Board of Health, or Stigma?

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

Mrs. Labow: For the Board of Health, we had our Zoom meeting last week. It went really well, and as you all know, we have a lot of shared services with other Towns. We have six Towns all total, right Andrew? That our Health Department is responsible for and with this whole COVID thing, if somebody's positive for COVID-19, they have to be quarantined and that's directed through the Health Department and anybody else who they've been in contact with. So, there's a lot of questions that go on, interviews and so on and so forth, so, it's a lot of work. Like for instance, I think Dover has like 400 or might be over 500 now cases, and that's one of our Towns that we do. So, our department was really, it was very hard to keep up with all of the follow up that they had to do and Trevor Weigle had this idea or it might've been Derek Webb or Trevor or combined, to ask the schools if the nurses could come over and help because you have to have a certain requirement of skill, certification, rather, to be able to do this. So, we have five nurses from our school district now, helping out with that and I thought "Oh, my God. That's wonderful." What a, you know, great opportunity all the way around, so everybody pitches in. So, it's really amazing how much is going on that most of us were not even aware of and our departments just keep plugging along. We've got Andrew in every day, we've got Michelle in there, Susan, all of our departments and they're keeping our Town running and as far as I'm concerned, they are all heroes.

Absolutely, 100 percent and a side . . . a little bit of a side note, it’s not really one of my reports but I did have a situation this week where I had to contact our Building Department for a permit for somebody and they were telling me their OPRA requests are out the . . . out of control, which I’m sure Michelle and Susan could say. You’ve got all these people at home. They’re filing OPRA’s and we still have to take care of those, so, kudos to all of our departments. I did check with the senior citizens, our president for the seniors, just to make sure that all the seniors are being taken care of with their doctors and their grocery shopping and so on and so forth and I was told that when they are taking them shopping, they’re asking them to please shop for two weeks instead of one. Normally, we would do it for one . . . just because we’re trying to consolidate trips a little bit more, but everybody who needs transportation is getting the transportation and I have to say Marcy Merola, who is our social worker senior citizens lady, she’s the one we had at the Council meeting a few weeks back. She had actually . . . was instrumental in saving a senior who was having a health issue. She went out and went to the dollar stores and bought all these puzzles and everything and dropped them off at everybody’s houses so they’d have, you know . . .

Mr. Mania: Colleen.

Mrs. Labow: . . . were amazing. Absolutely amazing. So, that’s all I have for my reports. We can move on.

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

Legislative Committee Report – none
Planning Board Report – none

Mr. Mania: None.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Mr. Stewart, anything on Economic Development, Community Action Panel or Recreation . . . those two. Sorry. That’s for Alex.

Economic Development Committee Report
Community Action Panel Report

Mr. Stewart: I can’t reply on the Recreation but the CAP, no, we have not met on that, just an informal call but the EDC we had a conference call on April 15, 2020 with a focus on putting together a proactive plan to start to work with all the business community on how to a: keep them alive also, and the other part is how to help them relaunch. So, that’s an ongoing program headed up by Jeff Stadelman and we’ve been getting some great feedback on that as well as some participation. Today, this morning, we had . . . I chaired the Executive Business Council, which are our largest employers in the area and Andrew, thank you very much for your participation and work. We covered the main subjects that they were interested in, which was a lot of infrastructure stuff. We had Kathy Defillippo join us from the . . . we’re talking about the transportation plans as well as TransOptions participated as well, for alternate TransOptions for that, for transportation options. So, the focus was all of those types of components for them, especially with multiple shifts going on and them really balancing things out but it was a good meeting today on that as well.

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

Recreation Liaison Report – none

Mr. Roman: Nothing to report. Just looking forward to the outdoor recreational facilities opening up soon.

Board of Education Liaison Report – none

President Nicastro: Yes, I agree. Anyone from the public wish to be heard at this time?

Mr. Tatarenko: Nothing.

President Nicastro: Closed to the public at this time. Council Comments. Anything from Mr. Stewart? I’m going around what I see.

PUBLIC PORTION - none

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Stewart: Yes. Just from a perspective of the thank yous that everybody's been orchestrating. The outreach which Colleen was talking about from the business community, as well as the general community, on helping the . . . everything from the pantry to the hospitals and first responders have been second to none and very, very motivating in our area and everybody's been so good at it. One of the things I'd like to throw out there for consideration from the Town is maybe utilizing our two entrance message boards that we have as you come in the Town both from Route 206 as well as on the Route 46 sides of . . . where you have the . . . we have our own message. Maybe we want to consider putting up one of our thank yous up on those boards as well, to the general commuters as they drive by because it's been a phenomenal community effort. It's very inspiring.

President Nicastro: Yes, it is. Thank you very much, Mr. Stewart. Mr. Ferrante, anything?

Mr. Ferrante: Nothing tonight.

President Nicastro: Who's down the line here? Mrs. Labow, anything?

Mrs. Labow: I just, again, want to say thank you. I mean, Andrew, Rob, all of our staff, DPW, Police, Health Department, you guys are second to none. It is absolutely amazing and I know that it's not easy and it . . . it's very . . . it takes a lot out of all of us and you guys are basically on the front line all the time and I just want you to know how much I appreciate all of you, except for Rob. No, just kidding. You guys are great. Thank you.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Mr. Mania.

Mr. Stewart: You just don't like his sweatshirt, tell the truth.

President Nicastro: Mr. Mania. Any comments? I think he's muted. You're muted too, Andrew. Nothing there, so, Mr. Roman. Oh, Mr. Mania, did you have anything?

Mr. Mania: Yes. Everyone stay healthy and God bless.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Mr. Roman.

Mr. Roman: I'd just like to thank the residents of Mount Olive for cooperating with the social distancing. As I'm going around the various parts of the Township, I have not seen a single person not covering their nose and mouth as they enter retail facilities and I think our resident cooperation is one of the reasons why we have such a very low, you know, communication rate, even though we do have some deaths, but it definitely could've been . . . could be a whole lot worse. But I'd like to, once again, thank the residents of Mount Olive for cooperating. Thank you.

President Nicastro: Thank you and I agree with you, Mr. Roman. I also thank the Administration and the Mayor for the communications that go out all the time. The newsletter that we're receiving now is also very good. Every week I see the newsletter going out and the residents, I know, appreciate the communication which comes in . . . is very important. So, with that said, I will ask . . .

Miss Masser: Joe.

President Nicastro: Yes.

Miss Masser: I just want to give a shout out to our IT Department.

President Nicastro: Yes.

Miss Masser: Scott Gaskill and Dane Westdyk, because I know they have helped my office tremendously in getting myself and the girls set up so we can work remotely to be able to do these meetings, as I'm sure they've helped out all the departments, but they have been really great, on call. I know Susan just had to reach out to Scott for a question right before the meeting. He was available. So, I just want to say thank you to them.

President Nicastro: Yeah, during these times we're all learning new stuff and how to deal with everything, so, all the help is appreciated. Thank you to those guys as well. Do we have a motion to adjourn?

ADJOURNMENT - Motion made and seconded. All in favor, none opposed, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56pm.

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 12, 2020.

Michelle Masser, Township Clerk

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