

The Public Meeting of the Mount Olive Township Council was called to order at 7:17pm by President Nicastro.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT

President Nicastro: 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. Nicastro

Absent: Mr. Amianda

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

President Nicastro: Mr. Ferrante, would you please approve the Minutes . . .

Mrs. Labow: I'm also here.

President Nicastro: Who's that? Oh wait . . . we heard somebody.

Miss Masser: I got it.

President Nicastro: You got it? Okay.

Miss Masser: Yeah.

President Nicastro: Mr. Ferrante, would you approve the Minutes from the previous meeting, the April 28, 2020 and May 12, 2020?

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

April 28, 2020 WS (Absent: D. Amianda)

May 12, 2020 WS & PM (Absent: D. Amianda)

Mr. Ferrante: Sure. I make a motion to approve the April 28, 2020 Workshop and the May 12, 2020 Workshop and Public Meeting Minutes.

Mr. Mania: Second.

President Nicastro: Any discussion? Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

CORRESPONDENCE

LETTERS FROM RESIDENTS/ORGANIZATIONS/ OTHER TOWNS

1. Email received May 9, 2020 from NOFA-NJ regarding Events as of May 9, 2020.
2. Email received May 11, 2020 from NOFA-NJ regarding Events 05112020.
3. Email received May 19, 2020 from NOFA-NJ regarding NOFA NJ Coming Events as of 05192020.

RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES OTHER TOWNS

4. Email received May 8, 2020 from Township of Long Hill regarding Long Hill Township Resolution 20-144 Urging the State of NJ to provide stabilization funds to Morris County from the Coronavirus Relief Fund.
5. Email received May 15, 2020 from Morris Plains Borough regarding Morris Plains Borough Resolution #2020-64 Urging NJ to Provide Direct Stabilization Funding to Morris County from the Coronavirus Relief Fund.
6. Resolution #R2020-51 received May 18, 2020 from Borough of Chester regarding The Request to the State of New Jersey to Allocate Funds from the Coronavirus Relief Fund to Counties with Populations of Less Than 500,000.
7. Email received May 18, 2020 from Township of Hanover regarding Resolution Petitioning State of New Jersey to Provide Funds to Morris County.
8. Email received May 21, 2020 from Township of Washington regarding Resolution Urging the State of New Jersey to Provide Direct Stabilization Funding to Morris County from the Coronavirus Relief Fund.
9. Email received May 21, 2020 from Netcong Borough regarding Resolution Urging the State of New Jersey to Provide Direct Stabilization Funding to Morris County from the Coronavirus Relief Fund.
10. Email received May 21, 2020 from Morris Township regarding Township of Morris Stabilization funding and Coronavirus Relief Fund, Resolutions 105-20 and 108-20.

STATE AGENCIES

11. Email received May 8, 2020 from NJDEP regarding NJDEP Weekly Update.
12. Email received May 11, 2020 from NJ Transit regarding NJ Transit COVID-19 Update: South Jersey Employee Testing Location Added.
13. No Further Action letter received May 14, 2020 from NJDEP regarding Area of Concern: One 550-gallon #2 Heating Oil Underground Storage Tank System, Unrestricted Use – No Further Action Letter and Covenant Not to Sue, Block 2512, Lot 2. 34 Dogwood Drive, Mount Olive Township, Morris County. Program Interest #:846672, Activity Number: CSP200001. Communications Center Number: 20-03-12-1042-00.
14. Email received May 15, 2020 from NJ Transit regarding NJ Transit COVID-19 Update: 2nd Federal Funding Request, Support for Private Bus Carriers & Ferry.
15. Email received May 15, 2020 from NJDEP regarding NJDEP Weekly Update.
16. Letter received May 18, 2020 from State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Climate and Flood Resilience, Division of Dam Safety & Flood Engineering regarding Hackettstown Reservoir Dam (Dam File No. 24-67) Mount Olive Township, Morris County.
17. Email received May 20, 2020 from NJDEP regarding DEP “Mask Up!” Campaign.

MORRIS COUNTY

18. Letter received May 13, 2020 the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders regarding the CARES Act and the adoption of Resolution 2020-298 at the April 22, 2020 meeting.
19. Email received May 13, 2020 from Morris County regarding This Week in Morris County: Vote by mail. Donate blood plasma. No proms or grads.
20. Email received May 14, 2020 from the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders regarding Resolution 2020-345, Urging the State to Begin a Safe, Phased Reopening.

21. Email received May 20, 2020 from Morris County regarding This Week in Morris County: The Road to Reopening. County 4-H Fair Cancelled!

President Nicastro: We have 21 pieces of Correspondence. Does anyone have anything on those? Seeing none. We have five Consent Resolutions. Mr. Roman, would you move Consent Resolutions one through five, please?

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. A Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive Supporting the Enactment of Assembly Bill No. 3971 and Senate Bill No. 2475 to Authorize the Issuance of Coronavirus Relief Bonds By Municipalities.
2. Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Request to the State of New Jersey to Allocate Funds From the Coronavirus Relief Fund to Counties with Populations of Less Than 500,000.
3. Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Cancellation of a Feneral Capital ordinance Balance.
4. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Use of ESCNJ Cooperative Pricing Council Contract for 2020. (Robert H. Hoover & Sons, Inc.)
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. (Elite Emergency Lights / dba Elite Vehicle Solutions)

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

Mr. Mania: Second.

President Nicastro: And I apologize, did anybody want any to Non-Consent? I went backwards again. But seeing none, we have a first . . .

Mr. Mania: Second.

President Nicastro: . . . to move them, thank you. Any discussion on those? Does anyone from public wish to be heard at this time? Andrew will let me know.

Mr. Tatarenko: No one has raised their hand.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Then, closed to the public. Do we have a Roll Call please?

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

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

MOTIONS

1. Bill List.

Mr. Mania: Thank you, Mr. President. I move for approval of the Bill List.

Mr. Roman: Second.

President Nicastro: Any discussion? Anyone from the public wish to be heard on the Bill List?

Mr. Tatarenko: No one from the public.

President Nicastro: Closed to the public. Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed with the exception of Mr. Nicastro, who abstained on check #87016

Miss Masser: 87016?

President Nicastro: Correct. Thank you. Administrative Reports.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mr. Tatarenko: Thank you, Council President. I have several items. Last week, we met onsite at Budd Lake to review the plans and to make sure that we were setting everything up in compliance with the executive orders. We are reopening Budd Lake Beach for passive recreation as we did years ago. The tentative date for that reopening is June 20, 2020 weekend. We also had a Zoom meeting with Centercourt to discuss what some of our options are. Again, we're waiting on the Governor to lift some of the restrictions on swimming. So, a lot of what this . . . what we decide will be dependent on that, but the pool is ready to reopen. The motors are running, so, in the event that there is enough time to put a program together, the pool will be ready. We're just kind of having those discussions about what type of a membership . . . should it just be daily passes? So, there's a lot to consider but we're having those discussions now. Last week, I also sent the . . . copied you guys on a memo about our reopening plan. The tentative date for that is June 15, 2020 for employees to return back to a more normal work schedule and opening to the public shortly thereafter with some type of a modified, you know, appointment only schedule for them to call, you know, call in and visit the departments. So, that's also in the works and that's all that I have.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Do we have any Old Business? Seeing none. Do we have any New Business? Seeing none. Any Legal Matters?

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS - none

LEGAL MATTERS

Mr. Semrau: The only thing I would mention to the Council is this morning we had an oral argument and a challenge to the action of the governing body...Stephen State Park is the plaintiff and it relates to KDS and the Consent Order that was reached by the governing body, so we should have a decision probably in about a week or two on that. Second of all, with respect to Mint-X, and that's the property across from the ShopRite over by Flanders Road. We continue to . . . we're in court recording that matter and I would hope by the next meeting, we may be in a position where we'll have some . . . hopefully, a conclusion to this matter. So, we're hopeful we will have some more information on that, so, things continue to move along in the courts, notwithstanding . . . they're operating remote, just like we are. Thank you, Council President.

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

COUNCIL REPORTS

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

Mr. Ferrante: No, I don't have anything.

President Nicastro: Nothing? Thank you. Mrs. Labow, anything on Senior Citizens, Open Space . . .

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

Mrs. Labow: No.

President Nicastro: . . . Board of Health or Stigma? Thank you, very much.

Mrs. Labow: Nope, nothing to report.

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

Legislative Committee Report – none
Planning Board Report

Mr. Mania: Planning Board, we had a meeting last Thursday. There were use variances that I can't vote on. We have a meeting this coming Thursday.

President Nicastro: Okay. Thank you, very much. Mr. Stewart, anything on Economic Development or Community Action Panel?

Economic Development Committee Report
Community Action Panel Report – none

Mr. Stewart: As Andrew gave the highlight, I just want to thank Andrew, Chuck, and the entire team for . . . together to support the businesses reopening when we get the green light.

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

Recreation Liaison Report – none

Mr. Roman: Nothing to report.

Board of Education Liaison Report – none

President Nicastro: Thank you. Does anyone from the public wish to be heard at this time?

Mr. Tatarenko: Anyone from the public, there's a raise . . . raise your hand button if you'd like an opportunity to speak on any matter, please push that button. No one from the public.

PUBLIC PORTION – none

President Nicastro: Okay. Closed to the public. Any Council Comments? I'm going to go around the top because of what I see here. Mr. Roman.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Roman: I have nothing.

President Nicastro: Mr. Ferrante.

Mr. Ferrante: I don't have anything either.

President Nicastro: Mr. Stewart.

Mr. Stewart: Nothing, thank you.

President Nicastro: Mr. Mania.

Mr. Mania: Stay healthy.

President Nicastro: Mrs. Labow. I have nothing either. Just a thank you to everyone that's continuing to work and keep us moving in the right direction. Do we have a motion to adjourn?

ADJOURNMENT - Motion made and seconded. All in favor, none opposed, the meeting was adjourned at 7:26pm.

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 June 9, 2020.

Michelle Masser, Township Clerk

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