

The Public Meeting of the Mount Olive Township Council was called to order at 7:02pm by President Nicaastro.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT

Miss Masser: According to the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been given to the Daily Record. Notice has been posted in the Municipal Building, 204 Flanders-Drakestown Road, Mount Olive Township, New Jersey and notices were sent to those requesting the same.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Mr. Mania

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

President Nicaastro: Mr. Amianda, would you approve the Minutes from the previous meeting, December 17, 2019 Workshop and Public Meeting, please?

December 17, 2019 WS & PM (Absent: None)

Mr. Amianda: Yes, Mr. President. I make a motion for approval of Minutes of previous meetings on December 17, 2019 Work Session and Public Meeting; absent: none.

President Nicaastro: Do we have a second?

Mr. Stewart: Second.

President Nicaastro: Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: **Passed unanimously**

Mr. Roman: Yes.

Miss Masser: Mr. Roman, yes.

CORRESPONDENCE

LETTERS FROM RESIDENTS/ORGANIZATIONS/ OTHER TOWNS

1. Publication received December 13, 2019 from The Land Conservancy of New Jersey regarding Outdoor Issues, Fall 2019.
2. Email received December 18, 2019 from NOFA-NJ regarding Upcoming NOFA-NJ Events 12182019.
3. Letter received December 23, 2019 from County College of Morris regarding Center for Workforce Development Open House on Saturday, January 11, 2020 from 9:00am to 11:30am.
4. Email received January 2, 2020 from NOFA-NJ regarding Upcoming NOFA-NJ Events.

LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES

5. Email received January 2, 2020 from NJLM regarding Daily Update, January 2.

STATE AGENCIES

6. Email received December 13, 2019 from NJDEP regarding NJDEP Weekly Update.

7. Email received December 17, 2019 from Commitment to Communities, DOT regarding C2C Volume 12 Newsletter.
8. Email received December 20, 2019 from Department of Community Affairs regarding Preparing your Community for Census 2020.
9. Email received December 20, 2019 from NJDEP regarding Recycling Tonnage Grants and NJDEP Weekly Update.
10. Email received December 23, 2019 from FEMA regarding FEMA Region II Preparedness and Resilience Bulletin: Empowering People and Communities.
11. Letter received December 31, 2019 from Kleinfelder regarding New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Land Use Regulation Permit Applications, Big Box and Village Green Properties, Mount Olive, New Jersey.
12. Email received January 2, 2020 from Commitment to Communities, DOT regarding C2C Volume 13 Newsletter.

UTILITIES

13. Notice of Application received December 16, 2019 from PS&S regarding Vegetative Maintenance, Utility Infrastructure Maintenance, Repair and Replacement Activities.

President Nicastro: He's here too. We have 13 pieces of Correspondence. Does anyone have anything on those? If not, next item on the Agenda for first reading is Ordinance #1-2020 . . .

Mrs. Labow: Not the Resolutions?

President Nicastro: Oh, I'm . . . they have it here. I don't know, she's got this . . . I'm going off the sheet, here.

Mrs. Labow: Oh.

Miss Masser: No.

President Nicastro: Ordinance.

Miss Masser: Ordinance first.

Mrs. Labow: Oh, I'm sorry.

President Nicastro: Ordinance . . . Yeah, I was going to say . . . I'm just reading off this . . .

Mrs. Labow: I'm missing a page.

President Nicastro: Oh, maybe that's why.

Miss Masser: Oh, okay.

President Nicastro: Well, Ordinance #1-2020,

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING: (2nd reading January 21, 2020)

Ord. #1-2020 An Ordinance of the Township of Mount Olive, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter 318, Sewer and Water, of the Township Code to Permit Installation of Irrigation Systems in Developments in the Morris Chase Water System Service Area.

President Nicastro: Mr. Ferrante.

Mr. Ferrante: I move that Ordinance #1-2020 be introduced by title and passed on first reading and that a meeting be held on January 21, 2020 at 7:00pm at the Municipal Building, 204 Flanders-Drakestown Road, Budd Lake, New Jersey for a public hearing, consideration of second reading, and passage of said Ordinance,

and that the Clerk be directed to publish, post and make available said Ordinance in accordance with the requirements of the law.

Mrs. Labow: Second.

President Nicastro: Anyone from the public wish to be heard? Seeing none. Closed to the public. Anyone from Council? Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

Miss Masser: Excuse me, does Colleen need a . . .

President Nicastro: Do you need a . . .

Miss Masser: . . . a correct Agenda?

President Nicastro: Do you need a correct sheet or are you good?

Mrs. Labow: No, no, no . . .

President Nicastro: You got John's?

Mrs. Labow: . . . no, I . . . it was actually my fault.

President Nicastro: Okay.

Mrs. Labow: I turned the page over.

President Nicastro: Okay.

Miss Masser: Okay.

President Nicastro: Thank you.

Mrs. Labow: Thank you.

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, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Authorizing an Agreement Between the Township and Verizon to Resolve Billing Discrepancies Related to Police Radio Lines.
2. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing a Grant Application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to Address Harmful Algal Blooms at Budd Lake.
4. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Appointing Robert Delpizzo to the Musconetcong River Management Council for 2020.
5. A Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Mount Olive Police Department to Participate in the Defense Logistics Agency, Law Enforcement Support Office "1033 Program" to Procure Excess Department of Defense Equipment.

6. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive to Cancel Taxes on Block 5000, Lot 46 for Disabled Veteran Declared 100% Totally & Permanently Disabled by the Tax Assessor.
7. 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 (FCR Morris, LLC).
8. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Awarding a Contract to Elvada Supply LLC for Bid #26-2018 Woodchip & Vegetative Debris Pick-Up Service (2018-2020).
REVISING CONTRACT AMOUNT
9. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Awarding a Contract to Harrington Construction Co. Inc. for Rebid #20-2018 Snowplowing Services (2018-2020). REVISING CONTRACT AMOUNT
10. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Awarding a Contract to DFFLM, LLC FBO Motor Right Auto Parts and Padik Auto Parts for Bid #23-2018 Auto Parts for Fleet Vehicles (2018-2020). REVISING CONTRACT AMOUNT
11. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Awarding a Contract to Garden State Labs for Bid #04-2018 Water Testing Services (2018-2020). REVISING CONTRACT AMOUNT
12. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for Health Benefits Consultant to P.I.A. Security Programs.
13. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for Township Auditor to Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP.
14. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for Bond Counsel to McManimon, Scotland & Bauman, LLC.
15. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for Historic Preservation Services to Connolly & Hickey Historical Architects, LLC.
16. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for Impound and Veterinary Services to the Animal Hospital of Roxbury.
17. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for Special Litigation Counsel to Methfessel & Werbel.
18. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for Health Education Services to Samantha Bunsu.
19. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for Labor Attorney to Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs.
20. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for the Township Appraiser to Barry Krauser, LLC.
21. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for Property and Casualty Risk Management Services to Skylands Risk Management, Inc.
22. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for Ethics Board Attorney to Robert D. Correale, Esq.
23. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement Municipal Court Public Defender to Anthony M. Arbore, Esq of Forster Arbore Velez.

- 24. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for Board Attorney to the Board of Health to Peter J. King, LLC.
- 25. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for Municipal Prosecutor to Mason Thompson, LLC.
- 26. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for Township Engineer to Michael G. Vreeland of Van Cleef Engineering Associates.
- 27. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for Township Attorney to Dorsey & Semrau.
- 28. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement for Realty Appraisal Services to Matt Krauser of Newmark Knight Frank.

President Nicastro: We have 28 Consent Resolutions. Does anyone wish to move any to Non-Consent?

Mrs. Labow: I do. Number three.

President Nicastro: Okay, number three we move to Non-Consent. Any others? Seeing none. Mrs. Labow, would you move Consent Resolutions one, two, and four through twenty-eight?

Mrs. Labow: Yes, I want to apologize. First of all, it was my fault. I turned the page too soon.

Miss Masser: No, that's okay. I just want to make sure you have what you need.

President Nicastro: That's all right. As long as you got it.

Mrs. Labow: I have it. Yup, I do. It was all my fault. So, I'd like to move Consent Resolutions one through twenty-eight, is it?

Mr. Ferrante: No. I don't think so.

Mr. Roman: No . . .

President Nicastro: Well, one to two . . .

Mrs. Labow: One and two and four through twenty-eight.

President Nicastro: Correct.

Mr. Roman: Second.

President Nicastro: Anyone from the public wish to be heard? Seeing none. Closed to the public. Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: **Passed unanimously**

RESOLUTIONS NON-CONSENT

- 3. A Resolution of the Township of Mount Olive Creating a Sesquicentennial Ad Hoc Committee.

President Nicastro: Mrs. Labow, you want to move Consent Resolution number three?

Mrs. Labow: Yes, I would like to move Consent Resolution number three for the Sesquicentennial . . . however you say that.

President Nicastro: Yeah, Sesquicen . . .

Mr. Stewart: Ad Hoc.

Mrs. Labow: Ad Hoc.

President Nicastro: Whatever it is.

Mr. Stewart: Second.

President Nicastro: Anyone . . . oh, anyone from the public? Seeing none. Closed to the public. Any Council Discussion?

Mrs. Labow: I just wanted to say . . .

Mr. Ferrante: Ses-qui-centennial.

President Nicastro: Sesquicentennial.

Mrs. Labow: How do you know?

Mr. Stewart: That's what it is.

Mrs. Labow: Yeah, I know.

Mr. Roman: English.

Mrs. Labow: I can't . . . I keep looking at it thinking "I don't know if I could pronounce it." Anyway, how are we going to work this? Are we going to form the committee and get moving on it and anybody . . .?

President Nicastro: Yeah, Andrew . . .

Mrs. Labow: I just want to have a little discussion on it.

Mr. Tatarenko: My recommendation was going to be after this meeting, I was going to put something out to the public that the Ad Hoc Committee was formed. We'll accept some names from residents, business owners, and then once we have a list of names, then we could discuss who we want on there.

Mrs. Labow: And what we want to do?

Mr. Tatarenko: Yeah.

Mrs. Labow: Kind of a deal . . . okay.

Mr. Tatarenko: Yeah, the Recreation Department already has . . . they've been working on some plans. They're kind of going to be the lead on it.

Mrs. Labow: Okay, that was my next question.

Mr. Tatarenko: Yeah, they'll . . . then they'll all meet together and we'll brainstorm and . . .

Mrs. Labow: Mhm.

Mr. Tatarenko: . . . there'll be already funding in the 2020 Budget to kind of do some preliminary work so that when 2021 comes around, we're already ready to go.

Mrs. Labow: Great.

Mr. Tatarenko: Yeah, we'll get some names first, then we'll bring it back to the table and . . .

Mr. Stewart: Good.

Mr. Tatarenko: . . .take it from there.

Mrs. Labow: Perfect, thank you.

President Nicastro: And I want to thank Mr. Roman because I know you brought this up as forming a committee, so . . .

Mrs. Labow: Yes.

President Nicastro: . . . thank you for bringing that to our attention as well.

Mrs. Labow: Excellent.

President Nicastro: Anyone else have anything on that? Seeing none. 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 of the Bill List.

Mr. Stewart: Second.

Mrs. Labow: Second.

President Nicastro: Anyone from the public wish to be heard? Seeing none. Closed to the public. Any Council discussion? Roll Call please.

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

President Nicastro: Administrative Reports.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mr. Tatarenko: Yeah, a couple things from the Mayor. On Thursday, January 9, 2020, the Mayor will be congratulating Doctor Lefand from Flanders for being in chiropractic business for 50 years. Lakeview Tavern is officially open and the Mount Olive Chamber of Commerce will have their kickoff on Wednesday, January 15, 2020 in the Council Chambers from 7:00am to 9:00am. Also, just an update on the sewer project in Old Flanders; they're about 80 percent complete. They took a two-week break over the holiday but they'll be starting up again on Monday, January 13, 2020 and once construction is complete, then we'll move forward with the next part which is the special assessment.

Mr. Roman: Do you have a timeframe?

Mr. Tatarenko: I would think, weather permitting, three weeks max.

Mr. Roman: Thank you.

President Nicastro: Thank you and Andrew, you said, I know we went over it, I just want to make sure I had it right, you said February or so when the gas . . . they said they're working on the gas lines too, once they're . . .

Mr. Tatarenko: Yeah, and then February . . .

President Nicastro: That'll be in as well . . .

Mr. Tatarenko: . . .yes, mhm.

President Nicastro: . . . by the spring, so that'll be good as well. Thank you.

Mrs. Labow: Joe.

President Nicastro: Yes.

Mrs. Labow: I have an administrative question. Should I ask now or wait for . . .?

President Nicastro: Sure. Yeah, why not?

Mrs. Labow: I drove by the old . . . the Cobblestone Building . . .

Mr. Tatarenko: Mhm.

Mrs. Labow: . . . earlier today. The last time we were talking, we weren't sure. Was it down? Was it not? It's not down. Clearly, it's not down but the gate . . . it was a locked gate, and that's been knocked down and because of the fact that the Township now owns that property, I think we probably would be . . .

Mr. Tatarenko: We'll get it fixed.

Mrs. Labow: Yeah, get it fixed and secure it a little bit more because it looks like somebody rammed it down.

Mr. Tatarenko: Okay.

Mrs. Labow: It wasn't just opened, it was down, okay. The lock and everything and the chain was just laying there. So, I just don't want anybody to go in there and get hurt.

Mr. Tatarenko: Sure.

Mrs. Labow: Thank you.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Mr. Roman, did you have anything or . . .? Okay. Sorry. All right. Thank you. Do we have any Old Business? Seeing none. Do we have any New Business? Seeing none. Do we have any Legal Matters?

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS - none

LEGAL MATTERS - none

Mrs. Sharpe: No report tonight. Thank you.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Mr. Amianda, anything from Board of Education?

COUNCIL REPORTS

Board of Education Liaison Report

Mr. Amianda: Yes, Mr. President. Mount Olive Board of Education held its Work Session meeting on January 6, 2020, 6:30pm at Mount Olive Middle School. Board of Education held its Reorganization Meeting. Mr. Anthony Giordano was elected President and John Petrie was elected Vice President. Mount Olive Board of Education also held its Mount Olive 2019 Fall Sports Board of Education Award Ceremony. That's the end of my report.

President Nicastro: Thank you, Mr. Amianda. Mrs. Labow, anything on Senior Citizens, Open Space, Board of Health or Stigma?

Senior Citizen Liaison

Open Space Committee Report – none

Board of Health Report – none

Stigma Committee – none

Mrs. Labow: Senior Citizens met today and they had a presentation from Richard Frantz . . . I think his last name is, from Edward Jones Financial Services, and it was very well received. A lot of the seniors were very interested. He did a great presentation, so, that was very nice. Sandi Masklee is still the President and basically, they're . . . it's just business as usual and the other boards that . . .

President Nicastro: Not yet.

Mrs. Labow: . . . I belong to haven't met yet.

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

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

Mr. Ferrante: No, nothing until later in the month.

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

Economic Development Committee Report
Community Action Panel Report

Mr. Stewart: Economic Development and Community Action Panel both meet next week.

President Nicastro: Okay. Mr. Roman, anything on Recreation?

Recreation Liaison Report

Mr. Roman: No, we meet next week.

Legislative Committee Report – none
Planning Board Report – none

President Nicastro: Thank you, very much. Does anyone from the public wish to be heard at this time? Yes. You know the routine. Name and address please.

PUBLIC PORTION

Mrs. Sergonis: Irene Sergonis, Mount Olive Road, Budd Lake. I was also at the Board of Education meeting last night and there was a young woman in the high school that was very concerned about the lack of recycling in the high school and there seems to be . . . that the kids there don't know to recycle and I just remembered that when my children go into school, there was a recycling coordinator who taught the kids what to recycle and they were more on board with things. Do we have a recycling coordinator in Town?

President Nicastro: Andrew.

Mr. Tatarenko: Yes, we do. It's . . .

Mrs. Labow: Yes.

Mr. Tatarenko: . . . Tim Quinn.

Mrs. Sergonis: Oh, okay.

President Nicastro: Tim Quinn.

Mrs. Sergonis: So, do they go out to the schools and educate at all? Or . . .

President Nicastro: Tim will come up.

Mrs. Sergonis: Oh, Tim.

President Nicastro: He's here.

Mrs. Sergonis: You can answer me.

President Nicastro: He's always here.

Mrs. Sergonis: You do a lot of things, though.

Mr. Quinn: I do. I have many hats. You can stay up here. No, stay up here in case you have questions. What we do is we offer programs for professional entertainers to come in and do programs for the schools. Now, the majority of the schools we do are more of the grade schools. You know, up at Tinc School, Sandshore . . . and we do probably a dozen or so shows a year. It seems that when we get to the high school level, it just kind of drops out; that there's just no . . . they don't request any . . . anything at the high school. Now, we do pick up the recycling but what I understand in the cafeterias and other places, that there are not separate receptacles to put the recyclables in from kind of what I understand. I'll reach out to the Board of Education and we'll have discussions and if it's cans they need . . .

Mrs. Sergonis: Well, they said they were going to be following up . . .

President Nicaastro: Yeah, up by the microphone.

Mrs. Sergonis: They said they were going to be following up themselves.

Mr. Quinn: Okay, good.

Mrs. Sergonis: I just, you know, I just didn't know whether we had a recycling coordinator. There seemed . . . seemed to be a disconnect, so.

Mr. Quinn: Yeah, we've always focused on the . . .

Mrs. Sergonis: Between the . . .

Mr. Quinn: . . . on the younger kids because they take it home with them. You know, the high school kids they . . . at that point, they . . .

President Nicaastro: Leave it in the car.

Mr. Quinn: . . . should already be trained. Well, anyway, that's kind of how it works. But yeah, so, anything they need. I'm more than happy to help them if they need items or receptacles. I have funding available to help them with these things. We do pick up all the recyclables at all the schools that they are putting out for us to collect, so it's not all going in the waste stream, but I'm quite sure there's a fair amount that still is. So, whatever they need, we'll help them out.

Mrs. Sergonis: Well, I think they were going to be following up also.

Mr. Quinn: Okay. Well, I'll beat them to it.

Mrs. Sergonis: Okay.

President Nicaastro: Mr. Roman.

Mr. Roman: Tim.

Mr. Quinn: Yes.

Mr. Roman: Do we have any statistics on the amount of recycling that is picked up by the high school and is there any Ordinance that we currently have on the book that requires them to recycle and have the appropriate number of receptacles in the building?

Mr. Quinn: There's nothing that specifies the appropriate amount of receptacles that they have to have in the building. It's basically, depending on the building, the classroom, what it's used for, the biggest area for it would be the cafeteria by the vending machines. Recycling is state-mandated. It's not a municipal thing. This is . . . it's state-mandated and they have to recycle. We do supply them with dumpsters and we do pick up recyclables from these schools, so, there is a certain level of recycling going on. The biggest complaints I've gotten in the past, is more in the cafeteria area that they don't have or don't have enough recycling cans for the many bottles of soda and water and things that are being consumed at this point. That's about the biggest part of the problem that I'm finding. We have helped the elementary schools with cans; with programs every year. We're doing, like I said, many programs with the grade schools because we feel that is the age that we're really trying to focus on to drill through their heads about recycling, clean earth, things along those lines and as I said, when it gets to the high school level, it just seems to drop off.

Mr. Roman: Okay.

Mr. Quinn: You know, there just is never any request or no interest.

Mr. Roman: All right. Thank you.

President Nicastro: Thank you. Mrs. Labow.

Mrs. Labow: Tim, I would think if there's a garbage can, there should be a recycling can . . .

Mr. Quinn: Absolutely.

Mrs. Labow: . . . right next to it.

Mr. Quinn: They usually have it side by side. Yes.

Mrs. Labow: So, it seems like, well, how come? . . . You know.

Mr. Quinn: Yeah.

Mrs. Labow: I understand what it's like when you get older, they seem to forget but I guess if their excuse is there's not enough receptacles, then . . .

Mr. Quinn: I just think there's something that has to be looked at. We can help them out. I do have funding available if they want to get specific cans or something that's going to suit their custodial needs . . .

Mrs. Labow: Right.

Mr. Quinn: . . . for the specific areas that they need. There's millions of things out there. It's not a huge deal. We just need to get together and decide exactly what they need, how much do they need, and when do they want it.

Mrs. Labow: Even like with Sandshore School, they're doing the fundraiser thing for the single use plastic as we're collecting, . . .

Mr. Tatarenko: Mhm.

Mr. Quinn: Yes.

Mrs. Labow: . . . here . . .

Mr. Tatarenko: Yup.

Mrs. Labow: . . . I mean, that adds up fast. I mean, if people . . . I don't think people realize the single use plastic that your crackers are wrapped in, your cereal comes in, the plastic wrap for your water bottles, all that stuff is recyclable. Not through our mainstream . . .

Mr. Quinn: Right.

Mrs. Labow: . . . because it's a different process and it's a tremendous amount. I mean, we're having less and less garbage. It's like . . . because I bring up a great big bag of single use plastic for here like at least once a month and it's huge.

Mr. Quinn: Yeah. Yeah, I mean the biggest target for me for the schools would be the cafeterias.

Mrs. Labow: Yeah.

Mr. Quinn: You know, there would be minimal, I mean, yes, you have your office paper and stuff like that coming out of classrooms but the biggest, it would definitely be the cafeteria areas.

Mrs. Labow: Yeah.

Mr. Quinn: With the cardboard and the other items that we're pulling out of there, we're getting quite a bit. So, there is a certain level of recycling happening.

Mrs. Labow: Oh, yeah. I've seen . . .

Mr. Quinn: It's not like they're not doing any . . .

Mrs. Labow: Yeah.

Mr. Quinn: . . . but, they are doing some.

President Nicastro: Right.

Mrs. Labow: Usually your containers over there are . . .

Mr. Quinn: Overflowing.

Mrs. Labow: . . . they're full.

Mr. Quinn: We pick them up twice a week too and yes, . . .

Mrs. Labow: Yeah, I know.

Mr. Quinn: . . . they're full.

Mrs. Labow: If it's the one . . .

President Nicastro: It may be as simple as a few cans.

Mrs. Labow: . . . all over.

Mr. Quinn: Cans.

President Nicastro: Might be as simple as getting them cans and seeing if they'll put them, you know, tell them to put them . . .

Mr. Quinn: Which . . . which the Town would be more than happy to help them out with.

President Nicastro: Yup.

Mrs. Labow: Yeah, and even if it's a can like up at Turkey Brook Park, I mean, it's nice. We have the garbage receptacle and the recycling receptacle and I like having the hole in the top so I don't even have to lift the lid. Just . . .

Mr. Quinn: Everything should be side by side.

Mrs. Labow: . . . toss it in.

Mr. Quinn: If you have to go looking for something, it's not going to get used.

Mrs. Labow: They're not going to do it. Yeah.

Mr. Quinn: Yeah. Without a doubt.

Mrs. Labow: It's not going to happen.

President Nicastro: Agreed.

Mrs. Labow: Thank you.

Mr. Stewart: Well, the good news is, as Irene pointed out, they actually said it last night. So, that's good news.

President Nicastro: Yeah, so at least . . .

Mrs. Labow: Yeah.

Mr. Quinn: Yeah, that’s good.

Mr. Stewart: Yeah.

Mr. Quinn: Absolutely.

President Nicastro: That’s a good thing and thank you, Irene. That’s a good thing. Where were we? Oh, anyone else from the public wish to be heard? That’s it? Seeing none. Closed to the public. Any Council Comments? Mr. Amianda.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Amianda: None.

President Nicastro: Mr. Ferrante.

Mr. Ferrante: None.

President Nicastro: Mrs. Labow.

Mrs. Labow: None.

President Nicastro: Mr. Stewart.

Mr. Stewart: No, none.

President Nicastro: Mr. Roman.

Mr. Roman: Normally I don’t comment about articles written in the Mount Olive Chronicle, but I saw an editorial by Mr. Garber regarding our lack of attention to the Jewish attack; the anti-Semitism that happened in Mendham and in some areas. I was particularly disturbed that he would point out this Council for the lack of not commenting on it means that we are supporting it or in some way not outraged by such atrocity. I know I speak for the rest of this Council and the Mayor and the Administration that I abhor and we do not condone in any least . . . any attack on any group based on religion, race; any hate is just not called for . . .

Mrs. Labow: Mhm.

Mr. Roman: . . . and to read . . . to have our own Town newspaper attack this body as akin to condoning anti-Semitism because we did not comment about attacks . . . unfortunately, there is a lot of things that go on in this Country on a daily basis. Our meetings would be 12 hours long if we decided to comment on every atrocity that happens every day, not only in this State, in this Country, but in the world. I also was kind of disturbed that he ended his editorial by attacking the lack of diversity in this Township and I don’t know if he’s noticed, this is an extremely diverse Council and I can beg, I can almost attest that this Council is more diverse than the Mount Olive Chronicle. So, thank you.

Mrs. Labow: This is true.

President Nicastro: That is true. Thank you, Alex. I have nothing else to say as well. Do we have a motion to adjourn?

ADJOURNMENT - Motion made and seconded. All in favor, none opposed, the meeting was adjourned at 7:19pm.

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 February 4, 2020.

Michelle Masser, Township Clerk