

The Public Meeting of the Mount Olive Township Council was called to order at 7:10pm by Vice President Roman.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT

Vice President Roman: 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. Amianda, Mr. Ferrante, Mrs. Labow, Mr. Mania, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Roman

Absent: Mr. Nicastro

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

Vice President Roman: We’re on to approval of previous Minutes. Mr. Ferrante.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

August 9, 2022 WS & PM

Mr. Ferrante: Sure, I make a motion to approve the August 9, 2022, Workshop and Public Meeting Minutes.

Mr. Mania: Second.

Vice President Roman: It’s been seconded. Any comments/questions? Okay. Seeing none. Roll Call.

ROLL CALL: Passed unanimously

CORRESPONDENCE

LETTERS FROM RESIDENTS/ORGANIZATIONS/OTHER TOWNS

- 1. Email received August 8, 2022, from Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of NJ regarding Hola! Planning the Week Ahead? Add these events!
- 2. Notice received August 8, 2022, from Netcong Borough regarding Notice Concerning Adoption, Revision, or Amendment of the Netcong Borough Municipal Master Plan.
- 3. Email received August 8, 2022, from NOFA NJ Weekly Email: August 8, 2022.
- 4. Email received August 17, 2022, from NOFA NJ regarding NOFA NJ Weekly Email: August 16, 2022.

STATE AGENCIES/DEP/LOI/HIGHLANDS

- 5. Letter received August 8, 2022, from NJDEP, Division of Sustainable Waste Management Bureau of Recycling & Hazardous Waste Management regarding Draft Permit – Renewal of the Hazardous & Solid Waste Facility Part B Permit VEOLIA ES TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS LLC (Veolia) Flanders, Morris County EPA ID No.: NJD980536593, Permit No. HWP210001.
- 6. Letter of Interpretation received August 8, 2022, from Eastern States Environmental Associates, Inc. regarding Legal Notification Applicant: Ken Kaplan, 20 Continental Page 3 of 197 Drive, Mount Olive,

New Jersey 07874. Property: 20 and 30 Continental Drive, Block 106 – Lot 1 and 1.02, Mount Olive Township, Morris County, New Jersey.

7. Letter received August 11, 2022, from Paul Sakson Environmental regarding Response Action Outcome Withdrawal. Case Name: International Childrens Academy. Address: 150 Clark Drive. Municipality: Township of Mount Olive. County: Morris. Block: 103 Lot: 2.01. Preferred ID: 446294. Child Care License #190200014.
8. Email received August 12, 2022, from NJDEP regarding NJDEP Weekly Update.
9. Letter received August 17, 2022, from ETI Environmental Technology Inc. regarding Application for Freshwater Wetlands. General Permit 6 - Non-Tributary Wetlands. Applicant: Rigo Ponce. Subject Property: 152 - 156 N.J.S.H. Route 206. Block 3207, Lot 7. Mount Olive Township, Morris County.
10. Email received August 17, 2022, from NJDCA regarding Hurricane Ida Recovery Action Plan - Public Hearings and Comment Period.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES OTHER TOWNS

11. Email received August 17, 2022, from Netcong Borough regarding Introduction Ordinance 2022-13-Netcong.

LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES

12. Email received August 5, 2022, from NJLM regarding Outdoor Dining Expansion, DEP Grants, Portal Bridge Groundbreaking.
13. Email received August 15, 2022, from NJLM regarding SHBP Rate Overview, Municipal Insurance Registry, Grant Bootcamp.

MORRIS COUNTY

14. Email received August 11, 2022, from Morris County regarding Morris Parks Skating Program Rates No. 1 in New Jersey.
15. Email received August 15, 2022, from Morris County regarding New Morris County Small Business App Launched/Creator Receives \$15,000 Morris Small Business Grant.
16. Email received August 15, 2022, from Morris County regarding This Week in Morris County.

UTILITIES

17. Letter received August 12, 2022, from JCP&L regarding In the Matter of the 2022/2023 Annual Compliance Filings for the Universal Service Fund Program Factor within the Societal Benefits Charge Rate Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-21 and N.J.S.A. 49:2-21.1. BPU Docket No. ER22060374.
18. Letter received August 12, 2022, from JCP&L regarding In the Matter of the Provision of Basic Generation Service (“BGS”) for the Period Beginning June 1, 2023. BPU Docket No. ER22030127.
19. Letter received August 12, 2022, from JCP&L regarding In the Matter of the Verified Petition of Jersey Central Power & Light Company Seeking Adjustment of Rider RRCRGGI Recovery Charge (“Rider RRC”), Including: (1) Approval of Its Deferred Balances Relating to, and an Adjustment of, the Solar Renewable Energy Certificate Financing Program Component (“SREC Component”) of Rider RRC; (2) Approval of Deferred Balances Relating to, and an Adjustment of, the Transition Renewable Incentive Program Component (“TREC Component”) of Rider RRC; (3) Establishment and Implementation of a New Rate Component (“SuSI Component”) of Rider RRC for Costs Incurred Pursuant to the Solar Successor Incentive Program; (4) Approval of Its Deferred Balances Relating to, and an Adjustment of, the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Program Component (“EE&C Component”) of Rider RRC; (5) Approval of Its Administrative Fee for the SREC II Program Effective as of January 1, 2023; and (6) Approving the SREC II Program administration Fee Deferred Balance from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021. BPU Docket No. ER22020039.

20. Letter received August 12, 2022, from JCP&L regarding In the Matter of the Verified Petition of Jersey Central Power & Light Company Seeking Review and Approval of Its Deferred balances Relating to, and an Adjustment of, the Societal Benefits Charge Clause of Its Filed Tariff. BPU Docket No. ER21121257.

21. Email received August 17, 2022, from New Jersey American Water regarding New Jersey American Water Granted New Rates by New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

Vice President Roman: Okay. We're on to Correspondence. There are 21 pieces of Correspondence. Does anyone have any comments or questions? Okay. Seeing none. There are no Ordinances for public reading or first reading, so we're on to Consent Resolutions. Does anyone wish to move any to Non-Consent? Okay. Seeing none. Mrs. Labow, would you move that please?

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING: NONE

ORDINANCE FOR FIRST READING: NONE (2nd reading September 6, 2022)

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS AGENDA:

PUBLIC PORTION ON CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive closing West Grover Street from Bent Street due East September 17, 2022 between 1 PM and 6 PM for the purpose of holding a block party (rain date - none)
2. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing Andrew Tatarenko, Business Administrator to execute a TWA Application for Aqua New Jersey's Overlook at Flanders Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements
3. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive requesting approval from the Director of Local Government Services for insertion of a specific item of revenue into the 2022 Municipal Budget (\$1,000 for Donation – Hunkele Equities - Rescue Boat)
4. 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 2022 (Lowe's Home Centers)
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.40:11-12 for calendar year 2022 (Witmer Public Safety Group, Inc.)
6. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive authorizing the use of the ESCNJ Cooperative Pricing Council Contract for 2022 (BIS Digital)
7. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive authorizing the use of ESCNJ Cooperative Pricing Council Contract for 2022 (CDW Government)
8. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive authorizing the use of Bergen County Cooperative Pricing System Contract for 2022 (SHI)
9. 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 *REVISED - increasing contract amount
10. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive authorizing the purchase of two (2) automated garbage trucks off Sourcewell National Cooperative (Sanitation Equipment Corp.)
*REVISED - increasing contract amount

Mrs. Labow: Thank you, Mr. Vice President. I'd like to move Consent Resolutions one through ten for approval.

Mr. Mania: Second.

Vice President Roman: Okay. It’s been moved and seconded. Any comments from Council? Anyone from the public? I don’t see anyone. Roll Call, please.

ROLL CALL: **Passed unanimously**

Vice President Roman: Okay. Mr. Mania, could you move the Bill List?

MOTIONS

- 1. Bill List

Mr. Mania: Thank you, Mr. Vice President. I make a motion to approve the Bill List.

Mr. Amianda: Second.

Vice President Roman: Okay. It’s been moved and seconded. Any questions? Seeing none. Roll Call, please.

ROLL CALL: **Passed unanimously**

Vice President Roman: All right. We’re on to Administrative Reports.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mayor Greenbaum: I’ll start.

Mr. Roman: Who’d like to start?

Mayor Greenbaum: I’ll start. This Friday, August 26, 2022, Music & Movie in the Park, starts at 7:00pm. Bring chairs and blankets. Food truck on site. Also, this weekend on Saturday is the Food Truck and Fireworks Festival. Always a very popular event in Mount Olive. Upwards of 10,000 people attending the event usually. That’s from 4:00pm to 10:00pm also at Turkey Brook. Andrew, anything?

Mr. Tatarenko: Yep. Thank you, Mayor. I do have a handful. Several weeks ago, we met with the DOT in regards to our Budd Lake Beach Redevelopment Project. That was just one of . . . another preliminary step that we need to start to develop this beach. They did go over some permitting needs that we need to facilitate. We’re going to need to conduct a traffic study and apply for a major access permit, so, nothing that we can’t overcome, just, you know, we have to apply for our permits just like anybody else in that regard. Also, this is the first meeting that we’re using our new Civic Clerk agenda management software. If you received a hard copy, it should look just the same as your old one but if you’re using it from the website or your board portal, there’s a couple more features and it should be easier to navigate for the public to find Resolutions, Ordinances, things of that nature. So, we were able to roll that out on time. An update on the Clover Hill Sidewalk and Tree Project. All the trees have been removed. I think we ended up removing about 19 shade trees. So, within the next two weeks, the contractor . . . the concrete contractor will be going in and replacing all the slabs and then I have to follow up with all the homeowners who had private trees that were causing damage to make sure that they do their end of the bargain as well. Also, last week, we officially closed on 5 Pond View. I had a little meeting there with the Public Works and our Police Department just to make sure that the site is secure. So, there’s a couple items that we want to take care of as far as making it more accessible and just doing some general cleanup and yard maintenance. Once the site is a little bit more secure and accessible, I’ll invite members of the Council, various boards, committees, and we’ll do a complete walkthrough and really start to brainstorm and come up with some ideas. We also had an updated visit from our EV charging station vendor. They brought their engineer to map out all the utilities. So, they’re hoping by October to start construction and to have all the units in by the end of the year. And also, there was a preconstruction meeting for the HVAC upgrades in our Fleet Garage. Scheduling might be a little bit difficult just due to the availability of parts, but they’re going to start at the end of September/beginning of October and that should be done by next spring. And that’s it.

Vice President Roman: All right. Thank you, very much. I look forward to taking that tour of 5 Pond View. Okay. We’re on to Old Business. Anyone on Council? None? New Business. Seeing none. Legal Matters.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS - none

LEGAL MATTERS - none

Mrs. Sharpe: Nothing tonight. Thank you.

Vice President Roman: All right and, so, we’re on to Council Reports. Mr. Amianda. Anything on Board of Education or Senior Citizens?

COUNCIL REPORTS

Board of Education Liaison Report
Senior Citizen Liaison

Mr. Amianda: Yes, Mr. President. First of all, I would like to apologize to the President and the Council for missing Board of Education meeting on July 25, 2022, and reason being that nobody told me that the meeting was rescheduled or was sent to another location. In the future, I would like someone in the Town Clerk Office to put a copy of Board of Education meeting change in my mailbox to avoid blame and excuses. Coming to . . . then after that, this week, yesterday, for Board of Education met yesterday, July 25th . . . the Board of Education met yesterday and the . . . the Board of Education held its regular business meeting on Monday, August 22, 2022, at the Administration Building at 6:30pm. After opening activities, the Board of Education approved minutes. The Board of Education discussed communication and petitions. Board of Education discussed reports and personnel action items. The Superintendent of Schools gave his report on the status of the school. He discussed his new view on what . . . is looking forward to school growth and students’ goals in the next year. Board of Education discussed also the superintendent’s action on HIB incidents. Board of Education also discussed approved curriculum and technology action items. The president . . . of the future of the school district and also that he thinks that the students should have also a say in deciding what is going to happen with the dispute. The Board, the meeting of the Board of Education was well attended. There were a lot of people. The room was filled up. It seems that many people had problems which they wanted to bring before everybody. There were people came to criticize the Board of Education. Some employees who said they were not being paid enough and what is the Board of Education doing. So, the meeting was well attended, and it seemed that a lot of people had a lot of things to say. Then the meeting went on up to about 10:00pm or 11:00pm last night. It was worth it.

Vice President Roman: Anything on Senior Citizens?

Mr. Amianda: Oh, no. Senior Citizens met on August 17, 2022, for social and there was not much activities there and so, that’s the end of my report.

Vice President Roman: All right. Thank you very much, Mr. Amianda. Mr. Ferrante, anything on Environmental, Lake, or Library?

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

Mr. Ferrante: Nothing for this meeting. We’ll be meeting back in September again.

Vice President Roman: Okay. Thank you. Mrs. Labow, anything on Open Space, Board of Health, or Stigma?

Open Space Committee Report – none
Board of Health Report – none
Stigma Committee – none

Mrs. Labow: No meetings till September.

Vice President Roman: Thank you. Mr. Mania, anything on Legislative or Planning?

Legislative Committee Report – none
Planning Board Report

Mr. Mania: Planning, two meetings were cancelled. Our next meeting is September 8, 2022. So, nothing on Legislative.

Vice President Roman: Mr. Stewart, anything on Economic Development or Community Action?

Economic Development Committee Report
Community Action Panel Report – none

Mr. Stewart: No meetings until September and still haven’t made the new chairman yet.

Vice President Roman: All right. Thank you and I, myself, have nothing to report on Recreation. We’re on to our last public portion. Does anyone from the public wish to be heard? I see Ms. Sergonis has her hand raised.

Recreation Liaison Report – none

PUBLIC PORTION

Mrs. Sergonis: Hello.

Vice President Roman: Hi. Name and address for the record, please.

Mrs. Sergonis: Irene Sergonis, 37 Mount Olive Road, Budd Lake. I just want to mention about the hybrid meetings. The County . . . Morris County Commissioners are meeting hybrid. It seems to be working very well. Mount Olive Democrats are also doing hybrid meetings. We have a split attendance. So, I think it’s something that you should look into. It’s more accommodating to your members, the Council people, and also to the public. I wanted to mention that the Kiwanis Club is collecting school supplies up until September 5, 2022. You can drop them off in the same drop boxes for the food pantry or you could take them to the food pantry but just keep them in a separate bag from your food donations. One last thing, I just want to give credit to Nicole Spaldo who brought this issue up with the Clover Hill trees back on June 29, 2021, and then she followed up a few months later. So, I know that government works slowly but, you know, her advocacy was part of the sparks that made that improvement for the people at Clover Hill. And I loved Salsa in the Park. We had so much fun, and I know a lot of people that were on Facebook want it to happen very soon again. So, very . . . kudos to the Rec Department. We had a blast. Okay. That’s all I have to say. Have a wonderful time.

Vice President Roman: Thank you, Ms. Sergonis and I, too, want to credit Ms. Spaldo for bringing up that issue on Clover Hill to our attention and for also making sure that it was kept in the forefront, and I’m glad that the Salsa in the Park was enjoyed by many. I saw the recordings and the pictures on Facebook, and it looks like everybody did have a great time. I felt bad that I could not attend. Unfortunately, I was out of Town, but I look forward to making the next one. Is there anyone else from the public that wish to be heard? Okay. Seeing none. I close it to the public and we’re on to Council Comments. Mr. Amianda. Anything?

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Amianda: No, nothing.

Vice President Roman: Okay. Mr. Stewart.

Mr. Stewart: Nothing, I just wish everybody a great rest of their summer.

Vice President Roman: Okay. Mrs. Labow.

Mrs. Labow: Nothing for tonight.

Vice President Roman: Okay and Mr. Ferrante.

Mr. Ferrante: Nothing from me. Thanks.

Vice President Roman: And finally, Mr. Mania.

Mr. Mania: Stay healthy and God bless.

Vice President Roman: Okay. Thank you and I have no comments for this evening. So, I’ll take 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 September 6, 2022.

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Michelle Masser, Township Clerk