

**The Public Meeting of the Mount Olive Township Council was called to order at 8:32 p.m. by Council President Nicastro.**

**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:** Mrs. Labow, Mr. Mania, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Nicastro

**Absent:** Mr. Amianda and Mr. Ferrante

**Also Present:** Michelle Masser, Deputy Township Clerk; Jeff Pasek, Township Attorney; Sherry Kolody, CFO; Sean Canning, Business Administrator and Robert Greenbaum, Mayor

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**July 21, 2015 WS & PM (Mr. Amianda absent)**

**President Nicastro:** Mrs. Labow, would you approve the Minutes from the previous July 21, 2015 Workshop and Public Meeting?

**Mrs. Labow:** Yes. Thank you, Mr. President. I move for approval of the Minutes of the July 21, 2015 Workshop and Public Meeting. Mr. Amianda was absent.

**Mr. Mania:** I'll second it.

**President Nicastro:** Any discussion? None. Roll Call, please.

**Roll Call:** **Passed unanimously**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**LETTERS FROM RESIDENTS/ORGANIZATIONS/ OTHER TOWNS**

1. Email received July 27, 2015 from National League of Cities regarding "If Mayors Ruled the World" author to speak in Nashville. PDF Correspondence
2. Email received July 30, 2015, from National League of Cities regarding Reminder: Nashville early bird rate expires tomorrow. PDF Correspondence

**RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES OTHER TOWNS**

3. Letter received July 31, 2015, from Township of Roxbury regarding Ordinance No. 08-15, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter XIII Land Development. PDF Correspondence

**STATE AGENCIES**

4. Email received July 21, 2015, from State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding NJDEP Press Release – Forrest Resource Program. PDF Correspondence
5. Email received July 17, 2015, from State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding NJDEP Press Release – Christie Administration Files First Eminent Domain Actions. PDF Correspondence
6. Email received July 24, 2015, from Musconetcong Sewerage Authority regarding MSA June 25, 2015 Approved Minutes. PDF Correspondence
7. Letter received July 27, 2015, from Groundwater and Environmental Services, Inc. regarding Public Notice – Classification Exception Area, Shell Service Station #13853 (285 Route 206, Flanders). PDF Correspondence

- 8. Letter received July 27, 2015, from State of New Jersey Department of Agriculture regarding defoliation caused by the gypsy moth has been detected in your municipality. PDF Correspondence
- 9. Letter received July 29, 2015, from State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program. PDF Correspondence
- 10. Email received July 29, 2015, from State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding Applications for the 2015 GEEA Program. PDF Correspondence

**MORRIS COUNTY**

- 11. Email received July 23, 2015, from County of Morris regarding Enjoy the latest Morris County Connections! PDF Correspondence
- 12. Email received July 30, 2015, from County of Morris regarding Enjoy the latest Morris County Connections! PDF Correspondence

**UTILITIES**

- 13. Letter received July 22, 2015, from Jersey Central Power and Light regarding Annual Universal Service Fund Compliance Filing. PDF Correspondence

**President Nicastro:** We have 13 pieces of Correspondence. Any discussion on those? Seeing none. The next item on the Agenda for First Reading is Ordinance #19-2015,

**ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING - None**

**ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING – 2<sup>nd</sup> reading August 18, 2015**

**Ord.#19-2015** An Ordinance of the Township of Mount Olive Amending Ordinance#15-2015 Which Established Salaries for the Mayor, Council, Department Heads, Supervisory Personnel and Employees of the Township Clerk’s Office. PDF Ord

**President Nicastro:** Mr. Mania.

**Mr. Mania:** Thank you, Mr. President. I move that Ordinance #19-2015 be introduced by title and passed on first reading and that a meeting be held on August 18, 2015 at 7:00 pm 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:** Any discussion? Roll Call, please.

**Roll Call:** **Passed unanimously**

**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.**

**CONSENT RESOLUTIONS**

- 1. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Award of the Contract for the Installation of the Splash Pad at Turkey Brook. PDF Res
- 2. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Van Cleef Engineering Associates for Engineering and Inspection Services in Connection with the Splash Pad at Turkey Brook Park. PDF Res

3. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Approving a Vendor Service Contract on a 'Fair and Open' Basis Pursuant to the 'Pay-to-Play' Law (Koester Associates, Inc.). PDF Res
4. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Requesting Approval from the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for Insertion of Specific item of revenue into 2015 municipal budget (\$162,260 for the Baptist Church – Phase III Restoration)
5. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive to Cancel Taxes on Block 5002, Lot 33 for Disabled Veteran Declared 100% Totally and Permanently Disabled by the Tax Assessor. PDF Res
6. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive to Cancel Taxes on Block 6000 Lot 6, 90 Pleasant Hill Road. PD Res
7. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive to Cancel Taxes on Block 6000 Lot 5, 70 Pleasant Hill Road. PDF Res
8. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive to Cancel Taxes on Block 3309, Lot 12, 11 Anderson Place. PDF Res
9. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Return of 25 EDU's Assigned to Block 106 Lot 1, 20 Continental Drive and Removing Sewer Quarterly User Fees. PDF Res
10. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Use of a Purchasing Contract (GE Capital/Kyocera). PDF Res
11. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Certifying Nicole Shields and/or Her Minor Children as Eligible for a Volunteer Emergency-Worker's Survivors Pension. PDF Res
12. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing a Change Order to the Contract for the Baptist Church 2014 Historic Preservation Grant. PDF Res
13. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Awarding a Professional Services Agreement Under the 'Non-Fair and Open' Contracts in Accordance with Pay-to-Play for the Year 2015 (Van Cleef Engineering Associates – Consulting Water Engineer). PDF Res
14. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Van Cleef Engineering Associates for Engineering and Architectural Services in Connection with the Maintenance Building at Turkey Brook Park. PDF Res
15. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Connolly & Hickey Historical Architects for Project Authorization and Archaeology in Connection with the Maintenance Building at Turkey Brook Park. PDF Res
16. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Canceling Balance of Contract with Aurora Environmental. PDF Res
17. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing a One Year Contract Extension with Family Ford, Inc. and Padik Auto Parts, Inc. for Auto Parts for the Township Fleet of Vehicles. PDF Res
18. Resolution authorizing the township to abate certain nuisance properties located at: Block 3309 Lot 13 (14 Orchard Street), Block 3203 Lot 21 (30 Stonewald Court), Block 8800 Lot 17 (141 Stephens Park Road), Block 8111 Lot 49 (455 Route 46). PDF Res
19. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Procurement of Fingerprint/Photo Identification Technology for Mount Olive Police Department. PDF Res
20. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Use of Contract Previously Awarded for Single Axle Cab and Chassis for DPW to Robert H. Hoover & Sons, Inc. \*Revised PDF Res

21. Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Authorizing the Renewal of Alcoholic Beverage Licenses for the 2015-2016 Licensing Period. PDF Res

**President Nicaastro:** We have a total of 21 Resolutions...or 20 Resolutions, number 12 will be removed.

**Miss Masser:** That's correct. Correct Sean?

**President Nicaastro:** Correct Sean? We're moving off number 12...

**Miss Masser:** Number 12 will be removed?

**Mr. Canning:** Yes, please.

**President Nicaastro:** ...the contract. We have 20 Resolutions in total. Do we have anybody wishing to move any to Non-Consent? Mr. Roman.

**Mr. Roman:** I wish to remove Consent Resolutions one and two to the Non-Consent list.

**President Nicaastro:** Do we have a second?

**Mr. Mania:** I'll second it.

**President Nicaastro:** Do we have a Roll Call, please...any discussion, rather. No. Roll Call, please.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** For what? What do you need a Roll Call for?

**Miss Masser:** There's no Roll Call, we just needed a second.

**President Nicaastro:** We don't need a Roll Call?

**Mayor Greenbaum:** Not to remove it.

**President Nicaastro:** I'm sorry. We have to move it.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** You need a motion to approve three through eleven and thirteen through twenty-one.

**President Nicaastro:** Right. Mr. Stewart, would you make a motion for Resolutions three through eleven and thirteen through twenty-one.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** All you need to do is "so moved."

**Mr. Mania:** That's all.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** He's new though.

**Mr. Mania:** So moved.

**Mr. Stewart:** So moved.

**Mrs. Labow:** Second.

**President Nicaastro:** Any discussion? Roll Call, please.

**Roll Call:** **Passed unanimously**

**President Nicaastro:** Do we have a motion...no we...

**Miss Masser:** Now we're onto Non-Consent public part.

**Mr. Roman:** Now we vote on Non-Consent.

**President Nicaastro:** Let me go back to the public.

**Miss Masser:** You have to do Non-Consent, we have a couple...anybody from the public wish to be heard on Non-Consent.

**President Nicastro:** Move the Non-Consent. Someone move the Non-Consent...we have to move the Non-Consent.

**Mr. Roman:** I moved them to Non-Consent and now we vote on them.

**President Nicastro:** We vote on them.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** You have to have someone make a motion with respect to number one on the Non-Consent and then you do the same for number two.

**President Nicastro:** Mr. Roman.

**Mr. Roman:** I move for approval of Resolution one.

**President Nicastro:** Do we have a second?

**Mrs. Labow:** Second.

**President Nicastro:** Roll Call, please.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** You need to actually open it up...

**President Nicastro:** I'm sorry.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** ...to..

**President Nicastro:** To the public.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** ...to everybody.

**President Nicastro:** To the public.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** Yes, to the public and to Council on each of the Resolutions.

**President Nicastro:** Does anyone wish to be heard on any of ...on Resolution...

**Mayor Greenbaum:** On Resolution one.

**President Nicastro:** ...Resolution one from the public?

**Mr. Roman:** The splash pad.

**President Nicastro:** The splash pad at Turkey Brook, the award of the contract.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** This is the discussion we just had...

**President Nicastro:** Yes, we had.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** ...now we're voting on it, so if you have anything additional that you want to say that wasn't already said, this is your opportunity. To say the same thing again, it really serves no purpose.

**President Nicastro:** Right.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** If you're going to get up and talk, you need to get up and identify yourself.

**President Nicastro:** We just open to the public in case there are any additional comments that weren't made the first time, you have an option.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** Normally...may I?

**President Nicasro:** Yes, you may.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** Normally what happens is that the Resolutions are presented as a group of actions taken by the Town Council. Ultimately, any Council member has the right to remove any particular Resolution and move it for separate discussion. Councilman Roman has moved one and two off of the group Resolutions, which were just approved and now the Council is going to vote on number one and number two separately. The first one that is going to come up is number one. The Chair has the obligation to open it up to the public and to the Town Council for comment on each number one and number two, the whole discussion that we just had with respect to the splash pad. I just wanted to explain the process to you.

**President Nicasro:** Does anyone from the public wish to be heard? Seeing none. Close to the public. Anyone from Council, any comments? Roll Call, please.

**Roll Call:** **Passed with the exception Mr. Mania and Mr. Roman**

**Miss Masser:** Two no's.

**President Nicasro:** Someone make a motion for Resolution two.

**Mr. Roman:** I make a motion to approve Non-Consent Resolution two.

**Mrs. Labow:** Second.

**President Nicasro:** Anyone from the public wish to be heard? Seeing none. Close to the public. Roll Call, please.

**Miss Masser:** No, anyone from the Council.

**President Nicasro:** Anyone from the Council? Any other discussion? Seeing none. Roll Call, please.

**Roll Call:** **Passed with the exception Mr. Mania and Mr. Roman**

**MOTIONS**

1. Bill List. PDF Bill List
2. Appointment of Diane Lapsley to the Library Board for a 5 year unexpired term to expire December 31, 2018.

**President Nicasro:** Mr. Roman, would you move the Bill List and the...

**Mr. Roman:** I move for approval of the Bill List and the Appointment of Diane Lapsley to the Library Board for a 4 year unexpired term...

**Miss Masser:** Five year.

**President Nicasro:** Five year.

**Mr. Mania:** Five years.

**Mr. Roman:** I need glasses, I forgot about that.

**Mr. Mania:** Here.

**Mr. Roman:** Oh no, those are way too strong...for a 5 year unexpired term to expire December 31, 2018.

**Mrs. Labow:** Second.

**Mr. Mania:** I'll second it.

**President Nicasro:** Any discussion? Roll Call, please.

**Roll Call:** **Passed unanimously**

## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

**President Nicastro:** Administrative Reports.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** Yes. I wanted to bring to Councils attention that we've been having an issue down at the Clover Hill Sewer Treatment Plant. We've had one resident who lives in proximity to the plant that has indicated on numerous occasions that there have been odors emanating from the facility significant enough to contact the municipality. We put Water and Sewer on it, Sean has been involved in terms of taking a look at the complaints, investigating, we thought it a little odd that we only had one complaint, but one complaint is too many. Ultimately, in speaking to Mr. Canning, Mr. Jepson was brought in, the same individual that we're looking to bring in to oversee in part the water and sewer issues and he's been very good and we're looking at whether or not there is in fact an issue and if there is, the potential fixes which may just require us bringing in some kind of cleansing device in terms of any emission that are being let out of the facility. I thought that was a good example to explain how this particular engineer would be extremely useful to the Township on a number of different levels. Let me see what else we have. We had the Wet and Wild this weekend, which was a huge success. I had been told by Jill in Recreation that there was over 2,000 people who attended the event, which, once again an outstanding effort by your staff. I personally have been to the first two Movie Nights in the Park, which were well attended, I believe the attendance was somewhere over 600 the first night, about 800 the second night and I know this Friday is the third night of that program. I think it's been very well received and attended, so, great job and great job to our Buildings and Grounds Department as well, in terms of all of the efforts that they give to all of the Recreation events that are run in the park. There is a Food Truck and Fireworks Day again rescheduled from May for Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am, which should be a great event at Turkey Brook Park.

**Mrs. Labow:** Touch a Truck is the same day.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** Touch a Truck is the same day. I heard that in my ear, it's like I have a little... Touch a Truck is a very popular event for kids who come in and everybody loves... the little kids love trucks. That'll be in the park. The one thing I would tell you if there are fire trucks, don't have them doing their sirens because it was during the Mud Run and as much as I appreciated the fact that the Fire Department was there, I think that it was too much, whoever it was. I'm giving direction to the Recreation Department, I thought it was an inconvenience which was unnecessary to the residents who live surrounding Turkey Brook Park.

**President Nicastro:** Mr. Canning, anything else?

**Mr. Canning:** Yes, just two items. One, the Houdaille Bridge, which has been long in coming, Kathy Murphy, when she was still here as the Grants Coordinator was able to get the National Recreational Trails Grant. If Council will recall, the Houdaille Bridge goes over the Musconetcong and connects Stanhope with Mount Olive and it's adjacent to the Morris Canal Greenway. If nobody has been up there, it's a beautiful trail, it's a one mile trail and it goes from Plane Street in Stanhope down to Continental Drive. The Houdaille Bridge is going to be delivered to the contractor tomorrow. We anticipate construction through this grant starting on Monday. We're hoping by the end of next week we'll have a bridge in place. The Stanhope Environmental Commission is part of the grant and the match is supposed to blaze the trail on the Stanhope side, as well as... it's rather a steep slope there, but to get up to the Givaudan Braille Trail and it's just part of the system up there that we're really trying to move along. Eventually, the vision is to get that trail attached to the Sussex Branch of the... in Allamuchy at Allamuchy State Park, as well as down to Waterloo and the grand vision is a white trail that goes from Turkey Brook, currently up to Gold Mine Road, it's been partially blazed out to Old Budd Lake Road and eventually, we're hoping, the grand trails plan is to have signage where you can conceivably go from Flanders up through the mountain and up to the Sussex branch or up to the Givaudan Trails. It's a nice job and this grant has been long and coming, again dealing with DEP is never easy, but they have cooperated and the bridge is going in real soon. The only other item was the long overdue senior bus, it's definitely a welcome compared to what our poor seniors were driving in before that and Council had a firsthand look at it today. It was a great job by Frank Wilpert, Jr. and Jim Lynch, they helped me develop the specifications for that and it was one of those examples of why we bid, why we take a little bit longer to try to get good prices, but in that case we had a very good buy and the seniors are going to enjoy that for a long time to come.

**President Nicastro:** Thank you.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** One other issue, I've been bugging Sean about it, he's working on it with the County, is my desire to have that stretch of railroad track that runs through Old Flanders turned into Rails to Trails. We're looking to get the County to either allow us to turn it into Rails to Trails or to give us space next to it so we can then connect Old Flanders into the Columbia Trail. Every time I drive down Main Street I look to the right, it is

absolutely beautiful and I think it would be a great addition to our trail system in Mount Olive. Sean is working on that currently.

**President Nicastro:** Thank you. That's it? Any Old Business? Mrs. Labow.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Mrs. Labow:** I just want to say one thing really quick to gentlemen, your comments about the roads. One of the things we are working on with Mr. Canning and our DPW Supervisor, Mr. Quinn, they're going to do a comprehensive evaluation of the roads throughout the town and we want to start having a schedule on which roads are going to be resurfaced at what time and so on and so forth, so that is something we are working on, it's a huge pet peeve of mine, as well as everybody else's, but we don't have something to really look at to say what's going to get done next or what needs to be done, so thankfully Mr. Canning is working on that and in a couple of weeks we should start to...

**Mr. Canning:** Mr. Quinn has been told to have it ready in September.

**Mrs. Labow:** September we'll start. The whole thing is I want to make sure we have it for the next budget cycle as well, so we know what's going to happen and where and start working on our roads overall. The other thing is Flanders, is Flanders a County road or is that our road?

**Mr. Canning:** It's County.

**Mrs. Labow:** That's the other problem, I just wanted to double check because I think Flanders Road being that is it a County Road, as far as regulating speed and all that that would be the County who would take care of it, not us. I don't know how we can change the...

**President Nicastro:** You can't, you have to be up here if you're saying anything.

**Mr. Canning:** Absolutely.

**Mrs. Labow:** Yes, our Police Department can enforce the speed on there absolutely, but in terms of changing the speed limit or anything else...but we do have...we just received these...

**Mayor Greenbaum:** We just purchased the variable speed boards...

**Mrs. Labow:** Yes.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** ...that shows you the speed, although it's not anything other than a reminder that you're going too fast. I can tell you as the Mayor, one of the major complaints that I get constantly is speeding through neighborhoods whether it's Tinc Road, Clover Hill Road, Connelly, Kevin and most of the time it's the residents who live in the neighborhoods who are speeding down the roads and so occasionally we contact or when I get a complaint, I contact the Police Department, we get out there and we do some selective enforcement in those areas. A lot of times people want speed bumps put in, speed bumps really...they're really only good in very limited places, they cause all kinds of other issues and they become a major pain in terms of snow clearing, in terms of everybody who...maintenance, people who use the roads on a daily basis, and they're expensive to put in. We don't generally put in speed bumps throughout the town, otherwise there'd be speed bumps on every single road in town because everybody complains about speeding, we recognize that it's a problem and we deal with it as best we can. I know in Flanders Crossing and I can only speak anecdotally that they ended up giving out about 30 tickets and about 250 warnings and it was all to residents who lived in the neighborhood, the same people who were complaining about it. I recognize that Flanders Road is a busy road, it's just...it's a busy road in town.

**President Nicastro:** That would answer one of the questions I was going to ask, but we have no authority to do anything there with signage or anything on the County Road?

**Mrs. Labow:** No.

**President Nicastro:** Is there any opportunities like they do, like when you go over to Randolph they have those flashing signs for crosswalks where the park is, are we allowed to do any of that on the County Road or we have to get approval from them?

**Mayor Greenbaum:** We could probably get approval from the County or we could petition the County to take certain action on the road. I know that we've looked at actually putting in sidewalks on various portions of Flanders Road. We put in for grant money and we were not awarded the grant at this point in time. We constantly look at areas of town, we have a program going into place this year where we're going to be adding additional sidewalks and we're going to start with the most...some areas around the middle school where there are a lot of walkers to the school. I could have sworn that Flanders Road, but it created some potential problems and we may have taken that off the list at this point in time. I do recognize that Flanders Road is a busy road, it's a very busy road and I recognize also that anything we do additionally in the park is going to create more traffic into the park. Having said that, the initial estimates in terms of the number of kids that are going to be using the splash pad on any given day is not an incredibly burdensome amount of additional traffic that's going to be going. We discussed it in terms of...you don't think that there's going to be about the same number of kids that use the tot lot that will be using the splash pad.

**Mrs. Labow:** Joe.

**President Nicastro:** Yes, Mrs. Labow.

**Mrs. Labow:** Can we put up the sign for crosswalk at Flanders leading to the development across the street, like at Flanders Crossing they have the sign there, or no?

**Mayor Greenbaum:** I think it's gone.

**Mrs. Labow:** It's gone again?

**Mayor Greenbaum:** The problem with those signs and Sean and I have always talked about...

**Mrs. Labow:** They get run over.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** ...Sean and I have always talked about, well first of all, if you drive to Washington Borough, they actually have lights in the road, which is pretty interesting that that's across Route 57 and I know that both Randolph and Roxbury have flashing kind of signs, stop signs and I think that is something that we could probably look at in next year's budget cycle to identify areas, crosswalks between the parks and the schools that that would be appropriate.

**President Nicastro:** I agree.

**Mrs. Labow:** Thank you.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** I think they run off of solar, too.

**Mrs. Labow:** Yes.

**President Nicastro:** Yes, most of them are. It's pretty neat.

**Mrs. Labow:** That would be a good solar spot.

**President Nicastro:** Any New Business anywhere? Seeing none. Any Legal Matters?

**NEW BUSINESS - None**

**LEGAL MATTERS**

**Mr. Pasek:** Just one item tonight, Council President. I just wanted to say a few words about the Resolution that was passed by Council tonight certifying Nicole Shields and/or her minor child as eligible for Volunteer Emergency Workers Survivors Pension. We wanted to thank the volunteers for their patience and Mrs. Shield's for working with us and Administration for assisting us in coordinating this as this was a very unique matter and one which we worked outside the box to find a way for this to happen. We also want to thank the Council for of course showing support for the Township's volunteers, but also for understanding the importance for us to set forth the appropriate standard so that all aspects of this case would be respected and everyone right's, including Mrs. Shields would be served. We want to thank everyone for bringing this to a conclusion and the format and policy that we used here will be utilized in the future so there will be no delays or concerns if a similar situation arises again. Thank you.

**President Nicaastro:** Thank you. Mrs. Labow.

**Mrs. Labow:** I'm sorry, I need to interject. For our volunteers, for their by-laws, are we going to provide something for them so that new groups coming in will always know that VESP is available, we talked about that.

**Mr. Canning:** Didn't we just pass a model Resolution several weeks ago...

**Mr. Pasek:** Yes, we did.

**President Nicaastro:** We did.

**Mr. Canning:** ...that's incorporated into the Township?

**Mr. Pasek:** Absolutely.

**Mrs. Labow:** If we could just send a letter asking the First Aid and Fire Department's if they would please incorporate that in there by-laws if they haven't already. I don't know if anybody has. No?

**Mayor Greenbaum:** I don't know if it's particularly necessary.

**Mrs. Labow:** I was talking to a couple of the volunteers one day and they said the problem is when you have another group go on they might not even know anything about it. I just think it's a good idea to do it.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** Okay. I just don't...

**Mrs. Labow:** Just to cross a "t" and dot an "i".

**Mayor Greenbaum:** Yes, okay.

**Mrs. Labow:** Because nobody knew about it prior to what happened with Tom, so that's why I just mention it. It could be nothing, it could be something.

**President Nicaastro:** Thank you. That's it on that. We're onto Council Reports. Just for the record, the MOTV Liaison is now Mr. Stewart when we get there. Mrs. Labow, do you have anything on Senior Citizens, Economic or TNR?

## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

Board of Education Liaison Report - none

Environmental Committee - none

Lake Issues - none

Library Board Liaison - none

Senior Citizen Liaison

Economic Development Committee - none

TNR Program - none

**Mrs. Labow:** Nothing on Economic, TNR is moving right along doing really a great job. I wanted to thank Mr. Mania for going to the Seniors Picnic on Thursday, I wasn't able to attend. As I understand, he had a really good time and the seniors had a great time and I'll let you tell the story about the bocce tournament.

**Mr. Mania:** In fact, we challenged the seniors to a bocce game, so you need to give me some dates.

**President Nicaastro:** There you go.

**Mr. Roman:** Contact bocce.

**Mrs. Dorothy Tull:** We're very happy to accept. I hope things work out to play.

**Mr. Roman:** You got called out.

**President Nicaastro:** That's right. Thank you.

**Mrs. Labow:** It'll be a lot of fun. We had a great time when we did a couple of years ago. This time the Mayor wants to make sure we do it on a day when he's available because he missed it.

**Mr. Roman:** Don't let him bring his own ball.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** I'm bringing my balls. The whole set.

**President Nicastro:** Mrs....where are we up to? Mr. Stewart, anything on MOTV?

MOTV

**Mr. Stewart:** No. We have a meeting set up next Tuesday.

**President Nicastro:** Not this Tuesday.

**Mr. Stewart:** I'll have to try and get something kicked off with a couple of Chamber members, as well as a couple of members from here.

**President Nicastro:** Thank you. Mr. Roman, anything on Open Space or Recreation?

Open Space Committee Report - none

Recreation Liaison Report

**Mr. Roman:** Nothing to report on Open Space. On Recreation, I am proud to break news that the Mount Olive 12U softball team has just won their game in the World Series and they are now in the Championship game, so later on tonight we should find out if we once again have a World Series winner in town.

Board of Health Report

**President Nicastro:** Congratulations to them. Board of Health, August 16<sup>th</sup> is our meeting, that'll be held here in the Council Chambers at 6:30 pm. Mr. Mania, anything on Legislative or Planning?

Legislative Committee Report - none

Planning Board Report - none

**Mr. Mania:** Yes, I have a letter here from Senator Oroho in regards to New Jersey Water Company petition for an increase for rates for water service. It's a two page letter, I don't know if you want me to read. I'll pass it.

**President Nicastro:** Pass it around would probably be better.

**Mr. Mania:** I'll pass it around so they can read it at their leisure.

**Mrs. Labow:** What does he say?

**Mr. Mania:** Again, I went to the senior picnic it was a great time. I believe it's the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Picnic, am I correct? I believe so. Thanks to Frank Wilpert for starting that many, many years ago and all the Township workers who worked so hard to make it a success. I thank everybody. It was a great time.

**President Nicastro:** Thank you. Any Council Comments? I'm sorry. Anyone from the public?

## **PUBLIC PORTION**

**Mr. Roman:** You have to come up.

**Mr. Mania:** Come on up. Come on up, you can come up.

**President Nicastro:** You have to go up. State your name for the record.

**Mr. Roman:** She looks tough, but...

**Mrs. Shields:** Who me?

**Mr. Mania:** She's the President of the seniors.

**Mr. Roman:** Yes.

**Mrs. Shields:** Not me. Hi, my name is Nicole Shields. I live at 13 Brewster. As the attorney said, I'm glad that finally the Resolution has gone through. I also am glad that we have something in place for the future. I do want to address Colleen's comment. I hope that, God forbid there is a line of duty death in the future, that at that point in time the Town Council will also step up and help that Fire Department at the time and not just rely on the Fire Department to look through and see what options are out there to the spouses and the children. Lastly, I just wanted to say that the Resolution, the application for the VESP, it has to be in within 10 days of the Resolution, so I nicely filled out everything except for the third page which has to be signed by the Court Administrator and I've also attached all of the documentation for you guys. The only thing that I would request from you guys, that you would also attach a letter with this just asking the State once they consider it to do a retroactive back to the line of duty death of May 31, 2011, so that then any retroactive could be in effect for that period of time. That's it.

**Mrs. Labow:** I have a question.

**President Nicastro:** Yes.

**Mrs. Labow:** That sounds like it would be a little more in a form of a Resolution type thing that we'd have to vote on.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** No.

**Mrs. Labow:** No. It could just be a letter. Okay. I just want to make sure.

**Mayor Greenbaum:** A letter from the Council President.

**Mrs. Labow:** Okay.

**Mrs. Shields:** That's all they need.

**Mrs. Labow:** Very good. Excellent. I just wanted to make sure if it was something we had to vote on let's do it tonight and get it done with.

**President Nicastro:** Thank you. Anyone else from the public wish to be heard? You can go...just state your name by the microphone.

**Dorothy Tull:** My address is 21 Village Green, Apt S. I just wanted to express my gratitude to you all and say good evening to you all. I'm the new President of the Seniors Association and we're very grateful for all the help and monetary help too that we get from you. We're very appreciative of this, it's great and we have a great club. We have just under 200 members right now and we have a lot of activities going on and we have people wanting to join us lately. We've increase our membership quite a bit. I just wanted to say thank you so much everybody, we really appreciate what you do for us in this Township.

**Mr. Canning:** I wanted to congratulate you. I had a wonderful person call me today and she reached out to you and you picked up and she called right back after that and sang your praises this morning about 10:00 am. She was a new member looking to join and today they had their meeting. She called Dorothy and she called me right back and said how wonderful you are and she was really happy. Thank you.

**Mrs. Tull:** That was Rose.

**Mr. Canning:** Okay, yes that was this morning, I spoke to her this morning.

**Mrs. Tull:** Thank you.

**President Nicastro:** Thank you and thank you taking on a lot of activities. It keeps my mother-in-law busy and it keeps me very happy, so thank you. Any Council Comments. Anyone else from the public wish to be heard? I'm sorry. Seeing none. Closed to the Public. Any Council Comments?

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Mrs. Labow:** Nothing.

**President Nicastro:** Mr. Roman

**Mr. Roman:** First off I want to applaud the Mayor for the way he brings up new ideas and improvements to Mount Olive and even though I disagree with him in this late hour on proceeding forward with the splash pad, I praise him for being forward looking and that I hope that maybe the concerns that I brought up do not come to fruition. Thank you.

**President Nicastro:** Anyone else? Seeing none. Do we have a motion to adjourn?

**ADJOURNMENT** - Motion made and seconded. All in favor, none opposed, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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**Joe Nicastro, Council President**

I, Lisa Lashway, 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 August 18, 2015.

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**Lisa Lashway, Township Clerk**

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