



**MEETING MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAIN LAKES  
FEBRUARY 25, 2019  
HELD AT BOROUGH HALL, 400 BOULEVARD, MOUNTAIN LAKES, NJ 07046**

**CALL TO ORDER AND OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT**

This meeting is being held in compliance with Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, Sections 4 and 13, as notice of this meeting and the agenda thereof had been reported to The Citizen and the Morris County Daily Record and The Star Ledger on January 9, 2019 and posted in the municipal building.

Mayor Barnett called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. in the municipal building.

**ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE**

<b>Roll Call</b>	<b><u>Present</u></b>	<b><u>Absent</u></b>		<b><u>Present</u></b>	<b><u>Absent</u></b>
Happer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Menard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Horst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shepherd	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Korman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Barnett	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lane	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

**FLAG**

Mayor Barnett led the salute to the flag.

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Barnett stated that the Garden Club will be making a presentation at the Library. The Radon and Lead Test kits are available through Borough Hall through April. Mr. Happer commented on the number of hours that the Fire Department puts in.

Chief Bennett commented on his meeting with Trans Options. They will be reviewing the Wildwood School traffic issues. He spoke about crosswalk signs.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Barnett opened the meeting to the public

There was no one who wished to comment.

**BOROUGH COUNCIL DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Capital Budget: 2018 Year End Review and Prior Years Unspent**

Mr. Stern commented on all of the open capital items for 2018. He stated that most open capital projects will be continued and completed in 2019. Leftover funding from prior years was discussed.

**Proposed 2019 Capital Budget**

There was a discussion regarding the 2019 Capital budget. The timing of the bonding of the dam project was discussed. The components of the Public Safety, Public Works and the Sunset Dam budgets were discussed. There was a discussion regarding adding Morris Avenue road repairs to the budget. Mr. Stern was asked to put some thought into seeing where money can be saved or projects amended to add the Morris Avenue project.

There was a discussion regarding having a budget meeting on Tuesday March 5<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.

**2018 Borough Council Goals Year End Review**

The 2018 Council goals were reviewed.

**2019 Borough Council Goals**

The 2019 Council goals were discussed. There was a discussion regarding the new recycling program and how to inform the public. The Manager's goals were discussed. Mr. Stern stated that his goal is to move Borough projects to completion.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Update on Affordable Housing Litigation



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Mr. Oostdyk stated that the Borough's affordable housing plan was approved by the Court. This plan is valid through 2025. The plan needs to be implemented by June of 2020. Ordinances will need to be adopted.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Stern reviewed his report. The topics included Capital Budget, Boulevard Ash Trees, Municipal Liability Insurance and the Beach Project. Mr. Stern stated that the budget to replace trees has doubled over last year.

**ORDINANCES**

**Introduction of Ordinance 1-19, COLA**

**CALENDAR YEAR 2019 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK**

Council member	M	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Happer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Mayor Barnett stated that there will be a joint meeting of the Borough and the Board of Education to discuss shared services and the DPW Superintendent position. The meeting should take place on March 25<sup>th</sup>.

**\*CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

*Matters listed as Consent Agenda Items are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Council and one roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member requests an item be removed for consideration.*

**\*RESOLUTIONS**

*R79-19, Authorization to pay bills*

*R80-19, Authorizing a professional services agreement with Phoenix Advisors as Continuing Disclosure Agent*

*R81-19, Approving the certification list of Volunteer Members of the Mountain Lakes Fire Department*

*R82-19, Approving amendments to the Lincoln Deferred Compensation Fund*

**\*APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Regular minutes of January 28, 2019, (Korman not eligible) pulled*

*Regular minutes of February 11, 2019, (All eligible)*

*Executive minutes of February 11, 2019, (All eligible)*

**\*APPROVAL OF REPORTS FOR FILING** (reports are included only if checked)

- ☒ Construction Department
- ☒ Department of Public Works
- ☒ Fire Department
- ☒ Health Department
- ☒ Police Department
- ☒ Recreation Department
- ☒ Property maintenance report

**\*BOARD AND COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS**

*Joseph Di Pompeo to the Economic Development Advisory Committee through 12/31/2019*

*Sueanne Sylvester to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee through 12/31/19*



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**\*Approval of the Consent Agenda**

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**COUNCIL REPORTS**

Mr. Happer reported on the Finance Advisory Committee. The future impact of debt service was discussed. Ms. Korman stated that the Shade Tree Ordinance needs to be revised. They would like to come before the Council the first meeting in April. Mayor Barnett stated that the Memorial Day Committee met. There are some potential new members. Ms. Horst reported on Green Team. They will have a table with educational material at the Trout Derby. Ms. Lane reported on Environmental Commission. They are working on the Environmental Inventory and ordinances. Ms. Lane reported on the DPW committee. The Beach project, recycling and sidewalks and curbs were discussed. Mr. Shepherd stated that Historic Preservation met. Mr. Menard reported on Recreation. Summer programs were discussed. The director asked that the lights at the fields stay on until 8pm to accommodate practices.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Please state your name and address for the record.** Each speaker is limited to one (1) comment of no more than five (5) minutes and no yielding of time to another person.

Mayor Barnett opened the meeting to the public.

There was no one from the public present.

**NEXT STEPS AND PRIORITIES**

Mayor Barnett reviewed the following next steps and priorities:

Next Step	Completed by	Completion date
Notice for budget meeting	Valerie Egan	Tuesday 2/26

**ADJOURNMENT at 11:45 P.M.**

Motion made by Councilmember Happer, second by Councilmember Lane to adjourn the meeting at 11:45 p.m., with all members in favor signifying by "Aye".

Respectfully Submitted

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Valerie A Egan Borough Clerk