



**MEETING MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAIN LAKES
NOVEMBER 27, 2017
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 5, 2017 and posted in the municipal building.

Mayor Holmberg called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the municipal building.

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Roll Call	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>		<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Barrett	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shepherd	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Happer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Barnett	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Horst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Holmberg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Korman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

FLAG

Mayor Holmberg led the salute to the flag.

EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION

R-174-17, Resolution providing for a meeting not open to the public in accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12

Matters of Personnel, (Manager search), Possible litigation, (Kanter v. Mountain Lakes),

Motion: Barrett

Second: Shepherd

Vote: All ayes

Motion to come back to regular session: Korman

Second: Horst

Vote: All ayes

(Mr. Happer arrived at 8pm)

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Holmberg stated that the tree lighting will be held Saturday at 5pm at Kaufman Park. Santa will visit Mountain Lakes on the 16th. The Volunteer recognition night will be held after the council meeting on December 11th. Mayor Holmberg stated that there have been more recent complaints regarding the post office. All complaints should go to the Regional Post Master. The Holiday House event will be held on Friday. Ms. Korman stated that Blair Bravo has been selected to be on the incoming governor's transition team.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Sunesys LLC, (Crown Castle Fiber) presentation regarding installing fiber optic cables on poles

Mr. Sheola described the project. The project consists of 665 feet of fiber optic cable on Bloomfield Avenue on existing poles. There is a resolution on tonight's agenda approving the installation.

Mark Prusina, DPW Superintendent, town survey response comments

Mr. Prusina discussed the resident survey. He commented on street repair and issues that have occurred. He mentioned that he would like to have a cold patch storage area at the DPW yard. He is looking into sharing equipment with a neighboring town. He commented on sidewalks and the maintenance necessary. He commented on street lights and how residents can report light outages. He also commented that he has directed his staff to help in that reporting. He commented on Stormwater management. He stated that the DPW needs some guidance regarding the maintenance of pocket parks. He commented on trash day and the fact that collection of material is down. He asked the Council for funds in the budget for capital infrastructure projects. Mr. Prusina stated that some work has been done at Cove Park. He is working with Rutgers to guide in ADA compliance. He stated the Mountain Lakes DPW was honored with an award from the NJ Public Works Association for their project at Wildwood School.



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PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Holmberg opened the meeting to the public

Mr. Fred Kanter, 81 Hanover Road, asked someone from Council to make a motion to allow him to speak for 20 minutes. No one from Council made the motion. He made mention that at the last meeting the questions asked by those who spoke during the public comment section were not answered in the order they were asked. He asked why it has taken so long to replace the street signs and make changes at the Cove. He asked why his questions are not answered. Mr. Kanter was told that his 5 minutes were up. He stated that bylaws were not passed by Council so he has the right to continue to speak. Mr. Kanter continued to speak until he was removed by the Police.

BOROUGH COUNCIL DISCUSSION ITEMS

Sign ordinance

Mr. Martin Kane, Planning Board Chair and Cindy Shaw, Planning Board Secretary were present for the sign ordinance discussion. Two informational meetings were held with the public. A memo was distributed to Council regarding the comments that came out of the meetings. There was a discussion regarding real estate signs and their sizes. Some of the real estate signs for more expensive homes are now larger in size. It was the consensus of the Council not to have large real estate signs. There was a discussion regarding how many signs should be allowed on private property and the length of time allowed. The consensus of the Council was to allow one sign per property with no time limit. It was stated that legal issue of having signs in the right of way needs to be researched.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No report

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Sheola reviewed his report. He stated that he handed out the RFP for the building renovation architect services at the League Conference. The solid waste bid resolution amendment is on the agenda. The CPI increases for the Station lease that were not collected will be taken out of the lease deposit. A dam update meeting will be held December 12th. The beach project will be discussed at the upcoming DPW meeting. There was a discussion regarding the bond for the project and what happens if the funding does not get spent. Mr. Sheola will ask Bond Counsel. Ms. Horst asked for an update on the bike racks. She made mention that there is a concern that there will be extra traffic on Intervale Road when the Whole Foods opens.

ORDINANCES

Introduction of Ordinance 9-17, Amending the date for water and sewer billing

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTERS 237 AND 191 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAIN LAKES AND PROVIDING THAT WATER AND SEWER BILLING SHALL BE SET ON A SCHEDULE TO BE ESTABLISHED BY THE BOROUGH MANAGER

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Introduction of Ordinance 10-17, Fee schedule amendment

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 111 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAIN LAKES AND REVISING THE FEE SCHEDULE

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***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**

- R150-17, Return of the Security Deposit posted by the Station at Mountain Lakes
- R175-17, Authorization for the payment of bills
- R176-17, Authorization to renew membership in the North Jersey Municipal Employee Benefits Fund
- R177-17, Amendment of Resolution 171-17, Solid Waste bid
- R178-17, Approval of a Chapter 159 budget amendment for the Drunk Driving grant
- R179-17, Cancellation of outstanding checks over six months old (tabled)
- R180-17, Cancellation of overpayment of water charges (tabled)
- R181-17, Refund of overpayment for water/sewer charges
- R182-17, Cancellation of overpayment of tax charges
- R183-17, Authorization for a lien redemption Jones
- R184-17, Authorization for a lien redemption South-OFee

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Regular minutes

November 13, 2017

Executive minutes

November 13, 2017, (Happer not eligible)

November 17, 2017, (Happer not eligible)

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

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

***BOARD AND COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS**

None

Approval of the Consent Agenda

(This vote does not include approval for resolutions 179-17 or 180-17)

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COUNCIL REPORTS

Mr. Happer stated that the Historic Preservation Committee will be presenting their ideas on protecting historic properties in February. Ms. Korman stated that she would like to present some ideas for affordable housing. Ms. Horst stated that she would like to contact the Library Committee about starting a seed bank/sharing program. Mr. Shepherd asked if there was anything new regarding the maintenance for Birchwood Lake. Mr. Sheola stated that Solitude gave a 5 year program cost. Mayor Holmberg stated that the Personnel Committee met. The committee will be looking at salaries. He stated that the Kiwanis ambulance squad has a new bookkeeper. They are still looking for an Executive Director. They are still looking at a billing model.

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 Holmberg opened the meeting to the public.

There was no one from the public present who wished to speak.

NEXT STEPS AND PRIORITIES

Mayor Holmberg reviewed the following next steps and priorities:

Next Step	Completed By	Completion Date
Eblast notice regarding the need for volunteers for Kiwanis	Cara Fox	Friday
Report of beach renovation cost reductions/re-allocation of work to DPW	DPW Committee	Next meeting
Bond counsel question regarding not using all bonding funds for the beach project	Mr. Sheola	Next meeting

ADJOURNMENT at 10:21 P.M.

Motion made by Councilmember Happer second by Councilmember Barrett to adjourn the meeting at 10:21 p.m., with all members in favor signifying by "Aye".

Respectfully Submitted

Valerie A Egan Borough Clerk