

**REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 18, 2015**

In compliance with Chapter 231, OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice has been given to all members of the Governing Body, the "Local Source" and the "Westfield Leader" the two newspapers designated to receive such notice. The notice is posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board.

Mayor Paul N. Mirabelli called the meeting to order at 7:32 P.M.

**INVOCATION: Mayor Paul N. Mirabelli
SALUTE TO THE FLAG
ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Paul N. Mirabelli, Councilman Dierkes, Councilman Lane, Councilman Messler, Councilman Mortimer, Council President Turner, Administrator Debbie and Attorney Post. Also present were Police Chief Allan Attanasio, Recreation Director Frank Masella and Public Works Manager Ronald Romak. Councilwoman Andre was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon motion by Councilman Mortimer and a second by Councilman Turner, the minutes of the Regular & Executive Session Meetings held on July 21, 2015 was approved. Roll Call: Ayes: Dierkes, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0. Abstained: Lane.

Upon motion by Councilman Lane and a second by Councilman Turner, the minutes of the Work Session Meeting held on August 4, 2015 were approved. Roll Call: Ayes: Dierkes, Lane, Messler, Turner. Nays: 0. Abstained: Mortimer.

PROCLAMATION:

WHEREAS, scouting is a movement that challenges, inspires, and guides young people toward high achievements and high values as expressed in the Scout oath, law, motto, and slogan, and;

WHEREAS, Eagle is the highest rank in the Boy Scouting, and requires mastery of difficult challenges in diverse areas, and;

WHEREAS, to become an Eagle Scout requires demonstration of good character and community service, and;

WHEREAS, only a minority of scouts ever achieves this distinguished accomplishment, and;

WHEREAS, Jeffrey Whyte has demonstrated a special commitment to the Boy Scouts, and has worked with great diligence to successfully complete the requirements for the rank of Eagle, and;

WHEREAS, for his Eagle community service project, Jeffrey Whyte constructed a directional sign that provides information to historical sites in the Borough of Mountainside, and;

WHEREAS, Jeffrey Whyte creatively planned, designed and installed a 4' x 6' sign on New Providence Road by the Hetfield House, and:

WHEREAS, with the support of several volunteers, Jeffrey Whyte cleared a track of land to accommodate the directional sign that stands on a planter base surrounded by beautiful shrubbery; and

WHEREAS, his service project was assisted and funded by donations from local committees, organizations, businesses, government agencies, and volunteers.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside, that they do hereby congratulate Jeffrey Whyte on attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

The Historical Restoration Committee and Mountainside Elks expressed their gratitude and appreciation.

RESOLUTIONS:

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Turner and seconded by Councilman Dierkes.

RESOLUTION 82-2015

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that authorization is granted for the Finance Officer to issue a check in the amount of \$500 to the Deerfield School PTA as a donation in support of the PTA Fall Festival to be held on October 17, 2015 at Deerfield School.

Roll Call: Dierkes, Lane, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Lane and seconded by Councilman Turner.

RESOLUTION 83-2015

WHEREAS, the following applicants for Plenary Retail Consumption, Plenary Retail Distribution and Club License have complied with the provisions of R.S. Title 33, Intoxicating Liquors, c.1 Alcoholic Beverage Law; and

WHEREAS, these applications have been inspected and approved by the Board of Health and Fire Prevention Official.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided that the following Plenary Retail, Plenary Distribution and Club Licenses for the period of * July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 be and the same are hereby granted:

2010-31-011-001	Mountainside Lodge BPO ELKS #1585 1193 Route 22	\$188
2010-32-002-002	Breezy Point Inc., t/a Chrones Tavern 896 Mountain Ave	2,500
2010-33-004-004	Spanish Tavern III Inc., t/a Spanish Tavern 1239 Route 22	2,500
2010-33-005-005	L’Affaire 22 Inc. 1099 Route 22	2,500
2010-33-007-004	1230 Rt 22 Restaurant, LLC t/a Arirang Hibachi Steakhouse and Sushi Bar, 1230 Route 22	2,500
2010-33-008-004	Mosaico Café Inc. 1072 Route 22	2,500
2010-33-009-006	Famous Daves Ribs Inc. 1443 Route 22	2,500
2010-33-010-006	Ciro 56 Inc. t/a Publick House 899 Mountain Ave	2,500
2010-33-012-007	Echo Park Food, LLC t/a Echo Tap & Grille 1079 Route 22	2,500
2010-44-001-004	Bliwise Inc. t/a Vine Republic 1267 Route 22	2,500

* The ABC Director extended the license term renewal from July 1, 2015 to September 18, 2015 due to implementing a new electronic licensing system (POSSE)

Roll Call: Dierkes, Lane, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Dierkes and seconded by Councilman Mortimer.

RESOLUTION 84-2015

WHEREAS, the Recreation Director Frank Masella has requested a refund to the following participant due to class withdrawal; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer be authorized to issue the following refund:

<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Margaret Jaqua 249 Oak Tree Road	U12 Soccer	\$128.00

Roll Call: Dierkes, Lane, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Mortimer and seconded by Councilman Turner.

RESOLUTION 85-2015

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mountainside has received numerous County Board Judgments which resulted in an overpayment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue the following refund for Year 2015:

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>OWNER</u>
7.C 10	\$ 5,891.32	Metz, W Peter & Ruth 1009 Mary Allen Lane Mountainside, NJ 07092

Roll Call: Dierkes, Lane, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Turner and seconded by Councilman Mortimer.

RESOLUTION 86-2015

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, State of New Jersey that the revised Personnel Manual dated August 2015 be, and is hereby adopted.

Roll Call: Dierkes, Lane, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Dierkes and seconded by Councilman Mortimer.

RESOLUTION 87-2015

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, State of New Jersey that the revised Purchasing Manual dated August 2015 be, and is hereby adopted.

Roll Call: Dierkes, Lane, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Messler and seconded by Councilman Turner.

RESOLUTION 88-2015

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mountainside, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.21 may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under Cooperative Contract Purchasing; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mountainside Police Department has established a regular schedule for updating its police vehicles and that schedule requires two and 1/3 new squad cars each year and by utilizing the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council (MCCPC) the Borough can receive competitive pricing, on a timely basis, without the expense and time involved in undertaking independent competitive bidding; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mountainside intends to enter into a purchase contract with Beyer-Ford, Morristown, NJ pursuant to MCCPC Contract #15-A for the acquisition of a police vehicle; and

WHEREAS, the cost for one (1) 2016 Police Interceptor SUV under Contract #15-A is \$25,112.00; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's Financial Officer has certified that the funds are available for this purchase.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union State of New Jersey that the purchase of one (1) 2016 Police Interceptor SUV under terms and provisions of MCCPC Contract #15-A Item #5 be and hereby is approved.

Roll Call: Dierkes, Lane, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Turner and seconded by Councilman Dierkes.

RESOLUTION 89-2015

WHEREAS, approximately one-third of all fatal traffic crashes in the United States involve drunk drivers; and

WHEREAS, impaired driving crashes cost the United States almost \$50 Billion a year; and

WHEREAS, 27% of motor vehicle fatalities in New Jersey in 2013 were alcohol-related; and

WHEREAS, an enforcement crackdown is planned to combat impaired driving; and

WHEREAS, the summer season and the Labor Day holiday in particular are traditionally times of social gatherings which include alcohol; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, Division of Highway Traffic Safety, has asked law enforcement agencies throughout the state to participate in the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2015 Statewide Crackdown; and

WHEREAS, the project will involve increased impaired driving enforcement from August 21 through September 7, 2015; and

WHEREAS, an increase in impaired driving enforcement and a reduction in impaired driving will save lives on our roadways;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Borough of Mountainside declares its support for the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2015 Statewide Crackdown from August 21 through September 7, 2015 and pledges to increase awareness of the dangers of drinking and driving.

Roll Call: Dierkes, Lane, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

ORDINANCE: Second Reading (Public Hearing)

ORDINANCE 1239-2015

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF VARIOUS INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$550,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Mountainside, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Borough of Mountainside, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey (the "Borough") is hereby authorized to undertake various infrastructure improvements in, by and for the Borough consisting of: (A) bank stabilization at various locations; (B) sanitary and storm sewer improvements at various locations; and (C) reconstruction or resurfacing of various roads, including drainage improvements and curb construction or reconstruction, where necessary, as set forth on a list prepared by the Borough Engineer on file or to be placed on file with the Borough Clerk, and hereby approved as if set forth herein in full. Depending upon the contract price and other exigent circumstances, and upon approval by the Borough Council, there may be additions to or deletions from the list referred to in clause (C) of the preceding sentence.

Said improvements shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor. It is hereby determined and stated that said roads to be improved are or will be of "Class A" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Section 2. The sum of \$550,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the down payment appropriated by this ordinance. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said purpose is not a current expense of said Borough, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of said Borough pursuant to the Local Bond Law, and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$550,000, and (4) \$27,500 of said sum is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose, and (5) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$522,500, and (6) the cost of such purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$50,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purpose, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$27,500, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said Borough, are now available to finance said purpose. The sum of \$27,500 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 5. To finance said purpose, bonds of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$522,500 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 6. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$522,500 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 7. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk or Deputy Borough Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of twenty years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 9. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk of said Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$522,500 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 10. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Union, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purpose, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 11. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 12. The Borough intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Section 1 of this bond ordinance. If the Borough incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the Borough hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 13. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the

Borough, and the Borough shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 14. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final adoption and publication and in the manner provided by law.

Mayor Mirabelli opened the meeting to the public for anyone wishing to speak on this ordinance and this ordinance only.

Hearing no one wishing to speak, Councilman Turner closed the meeting to the public.

It was moved by Councilman Mortimer and seconded by Councilman Dierkes that this ordinance be passed on first reading and advertised in full for a public hearing on August 18, 2015.

Roll Call: Dierkes, Lane, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

MOTIONS:

The following motions were unanimously approved:

1. Approve raffle application from OL of Lourdes for a 50/50 off premise draw raffle
2. Approve raffle application from Mountainside PTA for an on premise draw raffle

BILLS & CLAIMS:

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Mortimer and seconded by Councilman Turner:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that the following bills of the persons named and for the amounts stated below, having been duly audited and found to be correct this 18th day of August, 2015, the same be paid after Council's review, if and when funds are available and that the Mayor, Council President, Administrator and Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed to sign and deliver warrants for same in the amount of \$267,482.81 (Copy of bill list attached).

Roll Call: Dierkes, Lane, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mayor Mirabelli discussed the status of the traffic issues on Route 22 and New Providence Road. Borough officials have expressed to NJDOT their concerns regarding the retimed traffic lights that have caused significant backups. The Mayor assured residents that the NJDOT is investigating the situation and possible solutions. The situation is expected to be resolved before the school year commences.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Hearing no one desiring to speak, Mayor Mirabelli closed the meeting to the public.

Upon a motion by Councilman Lane and a second by Councilman Mortimer, the meeting was unanimously adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Lopez, Borough Clerk