

**REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 20, 2018**

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: Councilwoman Fech-Caccamo
SALUTE TO THE FLAG
ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Mirabelli, Councilwoman Andre, Councilman Dierkes, Councilwoman Fech-Caccamo, Councilman Messler, Councilman Mortimer, Council President Turner, Administrator Debbie and Attorney Post. Also present were Police Chief Allan Attanasio and Recreation Director Frank Masella.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon motion by Councilman Mortimer and a second by Councilman Turner, the minutes of the Regular & Executive Session Meetings held on February 20, 2018 were approved. Roll Call: Ayes: Andre, Dierkes, Fech-Caccamo, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0.

Upon motion by Councilman Turner a second by Councilman Mortimer, the minutes of the Work & Executive Session Meetings held on March 6, 2018 were approved. Roll Call: Ayes: Fech-Caccamo, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0. Abstained: Andre, Dierkes.

PROCLAMATIONS:

WHEREAS, the VFW Patriot's Pen Essay competition gives students an opportunity to write essays expressing their views on an annual patriotic theme; and

WHEREAS, the essay contest encourages young minds to examine America's history, along with their own experiences in modern American society; and

WHEREAS, each year the theme of the competition changes and is always based on patriotism; and

WHEREAS, the VFW's Commander-in-Chief chose the 2017-2018 theme to be "America's Gift to My Generation"; and

WHEREAS, all entries commence at the local VFW Post level where the essays for Union County District 5 are judged and chosen; and

WHEREAS, six VFW Posts in Union County District 5 participated in the essay contest including: VFW Posts 335, 2230, 6259, 7474, 10122 and 10136; and

WHEREAS, for the first time three Deerfield students were selected as VFW Union County District 5 Patriot's Pen Essay Winners all coming from VFW Post 10136; and

WHEREAS, Hannah Tao won first place, Rachel Bataille won second place and Sarah Luckenbach won third place.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that Hannah Tao, Rachel Bataille and Sarah Luckenbach are hereby commended for their achievements.

Mayor Mirabelli read the Police and DPW reports regarding the March 7th Nor'easter.

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2018, New Jersey was hit with Winter Storm Quinn leaving toppled trees, downed power lines and blocked roadways; and

WHEREAS, the Mountainside Volunteer Fire Department fearlessly answered the calls of help through hazardous road conditions; and

WHEREAS, the hard work and dedication of the Mountainside Volunteer Fire Department helped ensure the safety and care of citizens in need, particularly Mountainside resident Curts Fetzko who was hit by a tree limb while he was using a snow blower that evening; and

WHEREAS, special thanks should be given to the brave firefighters who were the first responders to the accident; and

WHEREAS, through their actions and deeds, Thomas Triolo, Alex Polce, Matthew Pristasch, TJ McGowan, Casey Olohan, Kevin Pereira, Victor Pereira and John Browne have proven themselves to be selfless individuals who have brought pride and honor to the community; and

WHEREAS, firefighters Edwin Lima, Troy Jalbert and Austin Senkarik were stationed at the Fire House and able to respond to other calls; and

WHEREAS, the following day volunteers Anthony Pecorelli, Gary Cantagallo, Matthew Watson, Casey Olohan, Chris Sileo and Austin Shekarik helped to clear various roadways.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside extends its heartfelt gratitude and thanks to the members of the Mountainside Volunteer Fire Department for all of their hard work during Winter Storm Quinn.

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2018, New Jersey was hit with another nor'easter leaving toppled trees, downed power lines and blocked roadways; and

WHEREAS, the Mountainside Volunteer Rescue Squad fearlessly answered the calls for assistance during the storm; and

WHEREAS, the hard work and dedication of the Mountainside Volunteer Rescue Squad helped ensure the safety and care of citizens in need, particularly Mountainside resident Curts Fetzko who was hit by a tree limb while he was using a snow blower that evening; and

WHEREAS, special thanks should be given to the brave volunteers who were able to transport the victim to University Hospital Trauma Center in Newark; and

WHEREAS, through their actions and deeds, Chay Castro, Alex Foley and Jaime Pereira have proven themselves to be compassionate individuals who take pride in assisting our community; and

WHEREAS, with the assistance of members Chris Sileo and Saverio Zipeto, the Volunteer Rescue Squad was able to respond to numerous calls.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside extends its heartfelt gratitude and thanks to the members of the Mountainside Volunteer Rescue Squad for all of their hard work during the nor'easter.

RESOLUTIONS:

The following resolution was introduced by Councilwoman Fech-Caccamo and seconded by Councilman Turner.

RESOLUTION 47-2018

WHEREAS, receivable balance exist in the records of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the balance is as follows:

UC Kids Recreation Grant (2014) \$ 4,977.74

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Finance Officer cancel this balance from the records of the Borough.

Roll Call: Andre, Dierkes, Fech-Caccamo, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

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

RESOLUTION 48-2018

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-19 of the Local Budget Act provides that temporary appropriations shall be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following additional temporary appropriations shall be made for the year 2018:

<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Rahway Valley Sewerage Auth	-0-	465,000.00
Contribution to PERS	-0-	214,900.00
Contribution to PFRS	-0-	731,200.00
Other Insurance	80,000.00	160,000.00
Dispatch, O/E	2,000.00	30,000.00
Sr. Citizen, O/E	1,500.00	5,000.00

Roll Call: Andre, Dierkes, Fech-Caccamo, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Messler and seconded by Councilwoman Andre.

RESOLUTION 49-2018

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mountainside needs to refund monies to interested parties for the excess of the taxes levied of current year taxes,

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

Refund of the Excess of the Taxes Levied

Glenn Mortimer, Jr.
1152 Corrinne Terrace
Mountainside, NJ 07092

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Amount</u>
5.19	1	\$ 4,000.00

Roll Call: Andre, Dierkes, Fech-Caccamo, Messler, Turner. Nays: 0. Abstained: Mortimer.

The following resolution was introduced by Councilwoman Andre and seconded by Councilman Mortimer.

RESOLUTION 50-2018

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mountainside desires to constitute the 2018 Temporary Capital Budget of said municipality by inserting therein various infrastructure improvements consisting of bank stabilization at various locations, sanitary and storm sewer improvements at various locations and reconstruction or resurfacing of various roads, including drainage improvements and curb construction or reconstruction.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the 2018 Temporary Capital Budget of the Borough of Mountainside is hereby constituted by the adoption of a schedule to read as follows:

PROJECT

Various Infrastructure improvements consisting of bank stabilization at various locations, sanitary and storm sewer improvements at various locations and reconstruction or resurfacing of various roads, including drainage improvements and curb construction or reconstruction

METHOD OF FINANCING

Estimated Costs: \$900,000
Capital Improvement Fund: \$45,000
Bond Anticipation Note: \$855,000

The clerk be and is authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Division of Local Government Services within three days after the adoption of these projects for the 2018 temporary capital budget , to be included in the 2018 permanent capital budget as adopted.

Roll Call: Andre, Dierkes, Fech-Caccamo, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

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

RESOLUTION 51-2018

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mountainside has determined that the items listed herein are property no longer needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Local Unit Technology Pilot Program and Study Act (P.L. 2001, c. 30) authorizes the sale of surplus personal property no longer needed for public use through the use of an online auction service; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mountainside intends to utilize the online auction services of Muncibid located at www.Muncibid.com; and

WHEREAS, the sales are being conducted pursuant to the Division of Local Government Services' Local Finance Notice 2008-9; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mountainside desires to sell the following surplus property:

2000 FORD F-350
VIN# 1FDWF37L8YEE06791
MILEAGE: 83,477

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the Borough is hereby authorized to sell the surplus property as indicated above on an online auction website entitled www.Muncibid.com; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the terms and conditions of the agreement entered into between Muncibid and the Borough of Mountainside are available at www.Muncibid.com and in the Borough Clerk's office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of the within resolution be forwarded to the Division of Local Government Services.

Roll Call: Andre, Dierkes, Fech-Caccamo, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

The following resolution was introduced by Councilwoman Andre and seconded by Councilman Turner.

RESOLUTION 52-2018

WHEREAS, there exists a need for a Pool Manager and Assistant Managers at the Community Pool for the 2018 season; and

WHEREAS, Recreation Director Frank Masella and the Recreation Committee has recommended that the following individuals be appointed to said positions:

John Tosato, Manager	\$11,834.49
Scott Laudati, Assistant Manager	\$ 7,690.46
Pat Mamrak, Assistant Manager	\$ 7,320.06

WHEREAS, each of the above individuals shall be appointed as temporary employees for the 2018 season; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that the recommendation of Recreation Director Frank Masella and the Recreation Committee be and hereby is accepted and approved pending completion of background checks.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the salaries for the above positions shall be set forth in the boroughs annual salary resolution.

Roll Call: Andre, Dierkes, Fech-Caccamo, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

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

RESOLUTION 53-2018

WHEREAS, the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders established the “2018 Infrastructure & Municipal Aid” Grant Program designed to stimulate the development of public projects to local municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mountainside wishes to apply to Union County for the 2018 Infrastructure & Municipal Aid Grant Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the proper Borough officials are hereby authorized to file an application with the County of Union for the 2018 “Infrastructure & Municipal Aid” Grant Program for the following project:

ROAD WORK ON MEETING HOUSE LANE

Roll Call: Andre, Dierkes, Fech-Caccamo, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

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

RESOLUTION 54-2018

WHEREAS the Borough of Mountainside is the owner of a 130 foot self-supporting wireless telecommunications tower; and

WHEREAS the Borough leases space on the aforesaid wireless telecommunications tower with an accompanying ground lease to companies engaged in the wireless telecommunications business; and

WHEREAS two of such leases are approaching expiration and it is necessary to solicit bids for the renewal of such leases.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Mountainside that the Borough Clerk be and she hereby is authorized to publish a Notice of Request For Bid For Lease of Public Property for two leases on the aforesaid wireless telecommunications tower in a form approved by the Borough Attorney.

Roll Call: Andre, Dierkes, Fech-Caccamo, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

ORDINANCES:

Second Reading (Public Hearing)

ORDINANCE 1264-2018

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 \$900,000 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 \$900,000 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 \$900,000, and (4) \$45,000 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 \$855,000, and (6) the cost of such purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$90,000 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 \$45,000, 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 \$45,000 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 \$855,000 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 \$855,000 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 \$855,000 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.

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 second and final reading and advertised by title only.

Roll Call: Andre, Dierkes, Fech-Caccamo, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

First Reading (Introduction)

ORDINANCE 1265-2018

BOND ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 4.B OF THE BOND ORDINANCE (ORD. NO. 1250-2016) ENTITLED: "BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT AND NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$975,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT OR PARTIALLY FUND AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND, TO APPROPRIATE CAPITAL SURPLUS, 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," ADOPTED JULY 19, 2016.

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. Section 4.B of Ordinance No. 1250-2016 entitled:

"BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT AND NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$975,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT OR PARTIALLY FUND AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND, TO APPROPRIATE CAPITAL SURPLUS, 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"

adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Mountainside, in the County of Union, New Jersey (the "Borough") on July 19, 2016 is hereby amended to change the purpose authorized from reconstruction of the softball field at Beechwood School to refurbishment of the tennis courts at Deerfield School and Borough Hall, and shall hereafter read as follows:

"[Section 4.]B. Refurbishment of the tennis courts at Deerfield School and Borough Hall.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 90,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 4,300
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 85,700
Period of Usefulness	15 years."

Section 2. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this amendatory bond 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 3. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

It was moved by Councilman Turner and seconded by Councilman Mortimer that this ordinance be passed on first reading and advertised in full for a public hearing on April 17, 2018.

Roll Call: Andre, Dierkes, Fech-Caccamo, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

BILLS & CLAIMS:

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Mortimer and seconded by Councilwoman Andre:

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 20th day of March 2018, 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 \$636,172.42 (Copy of bill list attached).

Roll Call: Andre, Dierkes, Fech-Caccamo, Messler, Mortimer, Turner. Nays: 0

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilman Mortimer highlighted upcoming community events.

Councilman Messler invited residents and hot rod owners to attend the baseball opening day parade.

Councilman Turner asked residents to clear snow covered fire hydrants and explained the dangers of downed wires.

Mayor Mirabelli asked the Police Chief to review the policy and procedures for the emergency management plan for all school districts. The review was completed and some recommendations were made.

Councilman Messler commended the Police and DPW for their response to Storm Quinn.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Scott Kline, South Fork Road, questioned who was responsible for trimming tree branches along the power lines, whether Mountainside was designated a “Tree City USA” community and how much revenue was collected for the cellular tower leases in 2017.

The utility companies are responsible for trimming branches along the power lines. Mountainside is in the process of renewing the “Tree City USA” designation and the cellular tower revenue for 2017 was approximately \$250,000.

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

Upon a motion by Councilman Mortimer and a second by Councilman Turner, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:16 P.M.

Martha Lopez, RMC
Borough Clerk