

**PUBLIC MEETING  
MINUTES**

The Public Meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council Chambers and called to order at 7:34 PM. Adequate notification was published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Montvale. Mayor Fyfe led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and roll call was taken.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT**

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to The Bergen Record and/or The Ridgewood News, informing the public of the time and place according to the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975).

Also present: Mayor Roger Fyfe; Borough Attorney, Phil Boggia; Borough Engineer, Andy Hipolit; Administrator/Clerk, Maureen Iarossi-Alwan and Deputy Municipal Clerk, Fran Scordo;

**ROLL CALL:**

Vacant	Councilmember LaMonica
Councilmember Curry	Councilmember Lane
Councilmember Ghassali	Councilmember Talarico

**ORDINANCES:**

None

**MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC:**

Agenda Items Only

Motion to open meeting to the public by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Talarico  
- All ayes

**NO PUBLIC COMMENT**

Motion to close meeting to the public by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Talarico  
- All ayes

**MEETING CLOSED TO PUBLIC:**

Agenda Items Only

**MINUTES:**

**January 31, 2015**

A motion to accept minutes by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Curry  
- all ayes -

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**39-2015 Authorize Submission Of An Application For Municipal Alliance Grant Fiscal Cycle July 2014-June 2019**

**WHEREAS**, the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

**WHEREAS**, The Council of the Borough of Montvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and **WHEREAS**, the Borough Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Bergen.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough of Montvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

The Borough Council does hereby authorize submission of an application for the Borough of Montvale Municipal Alliance grant for calendar year 2015 in the amount of \$9,876.00 DEDR; \$2,469 Cash Match; \$7,407 In-Kind  
The Borough Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

Introduced by: Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Curry - All ayes

**40-2015 Authorize Release of Escrow/Block 2509/Lot 13/J. Sulzer**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Treasurer, recommends the release and takes no exception to the release of the escrow funds posted for Block 2509/Lot 13 as all inspections have been conducted; and **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale hereby release the remaining escrow funds in the amount of \$756.75 to Jennifer Sulzer, 98 East Grand Avenue, Montvale NJ 07645; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Borough Treasurer hereby receives a copy of this resolution for processing.

Introduced by: Councilmember Ghassali; seconded by Councilmember Curry - All ayes

**41-2015 Resolution to Contract for Appraisal Services for Preparing an Appraisal Report for Tax Appeal/Block 1102/Lot 2/ 110 Summit Avenue**

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for the services of an Appraiser to prepare appraisal report for a tax appeals for the following property;

Block 1102/Lot 2- Montvale, KSL, LLC – 110 Summit Avenue

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Administrator has determined and certified in writing that the value of total service will not exceed \$7,500.00 and under such circumstances complies with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:111 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the Contract itself must be available for public inspection;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough of Montvale as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk of the Borough of Montvale are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Contract with MCNERNEY & ASSOCIATES, INC., 226 Harristown Rd, Glen Rock NJ 07452; and
2. This Contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services are to be performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.
3. The Contract amount does not exceed the statutory bid threshold.
4. A Notice of this action shall be printed once in the local newspaper.

Introduced by: Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Curry - All ayes

**42-2015 Recycling Tonnage Grant Submission**

The Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L.1987, c.102, has established a recycling fund from which tonnage grant may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the intent and the spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs and to continue and to expand existing programs; and

**WHEREAS,** The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has promulgated recycling regulations to Implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and

**WHEREAS,** The recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

**WHEREAS,** A resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for such tonnage grants for 2015 will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and to indicate the assent of the Mayor & Council to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulations; and

**WHEREAS,** Such a resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure the application is properly completed and timely filed.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Montvale that the Borough of Montvale hereby endorses the submission of the recycling tonnage grant application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and designates Richard Campanelli, Pascack Valley Department of Public Works Superintendent to ensure that the application is properly filed; an

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the monies received from the recycling tonnage grant be deposited in a dedicated recycling trust fund to be used solely for the purposes of recycling.

Introduced by: Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Talarico - All ayes

**BILLS:** Municipal Clerk read the Bill Report.

Motion to pay bills by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Talarico - All ayes

**REPORT OF REVENUE:** Municipal Clerk read the Report of Revenue

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Councilmember Ghassali**

Planning Board

Meeting of February 3<sup>rd</sup> was cancelled, next meeting will be February 17<sup>th</sup>

Regional High School Board

Taste of Pascack Valley is on March 4<sup>th</sup> at the River Vale Country Club;

Environmental Commission

February meeting has been cancelled;

TVAccess

Would like to present some ideas about air time uses.

**Councilmember Curry**

No Report

**Councilmember LaMonica**

Chamber of Commerce

Street Fair will be June 7<sup>th</sup>; town clean up day is scheduled for Saturday, April 18

**Councilmember Talarico**

Police

Monthly report included in original minutes

Tri-Boro

Montvale logged: 43 calls; 625 miles; 42 hours; 21 crew hours

**Councilmember Lane**

Fire Dept

Major fire on January 30<sup>th</sup> ; firehouse committee met , the next step will be to discuss financial options

**MAYOR**

Library

Circulation 11,275; 5,395 patron visits; 20 library cards issued;

If you have a fire hydrant on or near you property, please clear away the snow.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

Andrew Hipolit

Report/Update

a. Vacate Short Ave / Discussion

After a brief discussion, a motion to vacate with conditions by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Ghassali - all ayes

b. NJDOT Magnolia Grant Section 2

Maser was notified that the NJDOT is freezing monies for grants; Maser will reach out and request Confirmation regarding the grant before moving forward with design plans.

c. Safe Route to School Grant

Sidewalks for Spring Valley Road; need a decision to proceed; cost to the borough would be approximately \$40,000; grant monies totaled \$450,000; a motion to proceed by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Ghassali – all ayes

**ATTORNEY REPORT:**

Philip Boggia, Esq.

Report/Update

No Report

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a. Appointment Of Councilmember To Fill The Vacancy
  - 1) Draft Resolution Appointment Councilmember To Fill Vacancy

Councilmember Ghassali made a motion to nominate Dieter Koelling; seconded by Councilmember LaMonica – a roll call was taken – all ayes

**COMMUNICATION CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:**

**HEARING OF CITIZENS WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:**

Upon recognition by the Mayor, the person shall proceed to the floor and give his/her name and address in an audible tone of voice for the records. Unless further time is granted by the Council, he/she shall limit his/her statement to five (5) minutes. Statements shall be addressed to the Council as a body and not to any member thereof. No person, other than the person having the floor, shall be permitted to enter into any discussion, without recognition by the Mayor.

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- all ayes

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

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- all ayes

**MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC:**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn Public Meeting by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Talarico  
- all ayes

Meeting was adjourned at 8:27pm

The next Meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held February 24, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

Budget Meeting is scheduled for February 24 at 6PM

**Respectfully submitted, Fran Scordo, Deputy Municipal Clerk**