



**MEETING MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNTAIN LAKES  
 JANUARY 31, 2024  
 HELD AT ML HIGH SCHOOL, 96 POWERVILLE ROAD, 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 has been reported to The Citizen and the Morris County Daily Record and The Star Ledger on January 4, 2024 and posted in the municipal building.

Mayor Sheikh called the meeting to order at 7p.m.

**ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE**

Roll Call	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>		<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Cannon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Richter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Korman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Barnett	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Menard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sheikh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Muilenburg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

**FLAG SALUTE**

Mayor Sheikh led the salute to the flag.

**BUDGET DISCUSSION**

The following department operating budget proposals were discussed with Borough Manager Mitchell Stern and Borough Financial Officer Moncia Goscicki: Library, Historic Preservation, Recreation, Police, Traffic & Safety, Dispatch, Municipal Court, Office of Emergency Management, Fire Department, Code Enforcement, Construction, Planning and Zoning. Also discussed was the Fire Department capital budget proposal.

Recreation Director Laurie Stepper, Fire Chief / Code Enforcement Officer Joe Mullaney, Deputy Fire Chief Matt DeSantis, Construction Official Steve Gluck, Mountain Lakes Library Representatives Jennifer Lynch (Director), Ian Matty (Makerspace Director) and Mark Hoffmann (Treasurer) were present at the meeting and answered questions regarding their budget proposals.

The Council requested additional information from the library regarding their 9.72% budget increase.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Sheikh opened the meeting to the public.

There was no one from the public wishing to speak.

**ADJOURNMENT at 10:02P.M.**

Motion made by Councilmember Muilenburg, second by Councilmember Richter to adjourn the meeting at 10:02p.m., with all members in favor signifying by "Aye".

Respectfully Submitted,

Cara Fox  
 Cara Fox, Borough Clerk