

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING – JANUARY 9, 2017

Mayor Brantley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and requested the Clerk to call the roll. The following members were present: Robert Lane, Jr., Carol Rizzo, Nicholas Williams and Mayor Michael Brantley. (Kevin B. McMillan arrived at the start of the workshop meeting)

Also present at the dais were Richard J. Cuttrell, Municipal Clerk; Vito D. Gadaleta, Business Administrator; Michael J. Bascom, Chief Financial Officer; and Gene Anthony, Township Attorney.

Mayor Brantley announced that the notice requirements of R.S. 10:4-18 have been satisfied by the publication of the required advertisement in the Asbury Park Press and The Coaster on January 5, 2017, posting the notice on the Board in the Municipal Complex, and filing a copy of said notice with the Municipal Clerk.

The following items were discussed in open session:

Mr. Gadaleta stated that the NJDOT is finalizing safety improvements on Route 33 from the Garden State Parkway to Fortunato Place including intersection upgrades, pedestrian crossings and signal upgrades. A concern in the intersection with Wayside Road where there is no signal. One thought is to prohibit left turns from Wayside Road on to Route 33 but that would put additional traffic Donald Place. (Mr. McMillan arrived) Fortunato Place and Wayside Road are too close for both to have signals, but the NJDOT can look at it as a special circumstance. If NJDOT agrees to place a signal at Wayside Road and Route 33, the Township would be responsible for 25% of the cost which would be between \$200,000 and \$400,000. Mr. Bascom stated that if the NJDOT denies the light at Wayside Road, another option is to eliminate the light at Fortunato, extend the concrete median past Old Corlies Avenue and install a light at Wayside Road. Ms. Rizzo stated the need for public input. Mr. Bascom stated that NJDOT does information sessions for every project and the Township is invited to participate as well. The Committee agreed that they would agree to the local share of the cost of the installation of a traffic signal at Wayside and Route 33, or if required by NJDOT to remove the light at Fortunato Place, extend the concrete median westward, and install the signal at Wayside Road.

Mr. Bascom reviewed proposed amendments to the ordinance requiring certain employees of liquor establishments to obtain a license. The amendments include making the license require applicable only to those actually serving or selling liquor, making all the annual renewals due on December 31st, and clarifying other language.

The Mayor asked that a Redevelopment Sub-Committee to added to the list of Township Committee Sub-Committees. The Sub-Committee will include the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and various department heads in land use and engineering.

Ms. Rizzo stated that the County Tax Advisory Board is meeting this month and the Assessment Demonstration Program is going statewide. She asked that the Tax Assessor be invited to the next workshop meeting for an update on the ADP in the Township.

AUTHORIZE AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Mr. McMillan offered the following resolution, moved and seconded by Ms. Rizzo, that it be adopted:

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and,

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune, County of Monmouth, as follows:

1. The Public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matters.

2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

- Personnel – Employee grievance
- Potential Litigation – Transfer fees and ground rents

3. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matters will be made public when matters are resolved.

4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The resolution was adopted on the following vote: Lane, aye; McMillan, aye; Rizzo, aye; Williams, aye; and Brantley, aye.

The Committee entered executive session for discussion on closed session matters.

Mr. Anthony stated that letters will be going put to property owners on the Concourse regarding right-of-way encroachments.

The Committee returned to the Meeting Room for the regular portion of the meeting.

Mayor Brantley called the meeting to order and requested the Clerk to call the roll. The following members were present: Robert Lane, Jr., Kevin B. McMillan, Carol Rizzo, Nicholas Williams and Mayor Michael Brantley.

Also present at the dais were Richard J. Cuttrel, Municipal Clerk; Vito D. Gadaleta, Business Administrator; Michael J. Bascom, Chief Financial Officer; and Gene Anthony, Township Attorney.

After a moment of Silent Prayer and the Flag Salute, the Mayor asked the Clerk to indicate the fire exits.

The Clerk stated, "Fire exits are located in the rear of the room and to my right. In case of fire you will be notified by bell and or public address system, then proceed to the nearest smoke-free exit"

Mayor Brantley announced that the notice requirements of R.S. 10:4-18 have been satisfied by the publication of the required advertisement in the Asbury Park Press and The Coaster on January 5, 2017, posting the notice on the Board in the Municipal Complex, and filing a copy of said notice with the Municipal Clerk. In addition, the meeting agenda, resolutions and ordinances are posted online at www.neptunetownship.org.

REPORT OF THE CLERK

The Clerk stated that the following reports and communications are on file in his office:

Tax Collectors' monthly statements for October, November, and December.

COMMENTS FROM THE DAIS

Mr. McMillan wished everyone a happy new year. He extended congratulations to the new Mayor and Deputy Mayor as well as Mr. Lane and Ms. Rizzo on their election to the Township Committee.

Mr. Lane wished all a happy new year and thanked Assemblyman Houghtaling for administering the Oath of Office to him at the Reorganization meeting. He extended congratulations to the Mayor and Deputy Mayor and stated that he and the Committee are committed to serving the residents well. He attended the Ocean Grove United New Year's Eve dinner/benefit with Ms. Rizzo, Randy Bishop and Assemblyman Houghtaling. The event benefitted the St. Paul's Food Pantry. He also attended the Seaview Island holiday celebration on January 7th.

Ms. Rizzo wished everyone a happy new year, thanked Mr. McMillan for his guidance in 2016 and Mayor Brantley for his mentorship. She attended the Ocean Grove United party which was a great time that also benefitted the Trinity Church Food Pantry. She attended the Economic Development Corporation Reorganization meeting and visioning work will be on-going to develop an Economic Development Plan. She announced that World Changers will be back this summer to perform home repairs and applications are due by March 1st. She added that the deadline for contesting your tax assessment is January 15th.

Mr. Williams thanked Mr. McMillan for a great job as Mayor in 2016. He thanked the Mayor for selecting him as Deputy Mayor. He attended the Black History Committee meeting and plans are being finalized for an event on February 11th. The event will include a Dance Troupe and he will provide information when the schedule of events is finalized.

Mayor Brantley stated that he and Mr. McMillan met with a potential Development at the West Lake Avenue site. He stated that the Township now has a fully elected Township Committee and Mr. McMillan did a great job in 2016 to operate with the changes that occurred. The Committee is ready to move forward in 2017 with great things. The Mayor also stated that the Mayor's Youth Cabinet held a successful bake sale at the Reorganization Meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS

Kennedy Buckley, 65 Broadway, thanked Mr. McMillan for his work as Mayor in 2016. In regards to the resolution hiring an on-call snowplow driver, he stated that he trusts that summonses will be issued to people parking in the snow emergency zones and for failure to clear snow from sidewalks. Mr. Gadaleta replied that Code Enforcement and Public Works staff were out on this day issuing violations.

Dorothy Argyros, 2100 Rutherford Avenue, stated that in regards the change order for the marina, this is something that everyone has to pay for that benefits only a few. She asked for the duties of a School Resource Officer and a Special Law Enforcement Officer - Class I (SLEO). She also asked how the electronic tax sale works. Mr. Bascom stated that a School Resource Officer is assigned to the Middle School or High School to provide safety and a SLEO – Class I mainly does traffic enforcement. The electronic tax sale is cheaper than the old method and allows bidders to bid and purchase liens on line. The Township has been using this method for the last five years. He added that the marina operation is a utility so any costs of the marina are borne by the marina users, not the Township General Fund.

ORDINANCE NO. 17-01- APPROVED

Mr. McMillan offered the following ordinance, moved and seconded by Mr. Williams, that it be approved:

ORDINANCE NO. 17-01

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 16-34 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A DECLARATION OF DEED RESTRICTION FOR RECREATION/CONSERVATION FOR BLOCK 615, LOT 5, ALSO KNOWN AS 1825 WEST LAKE AVENUE, TO THE NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY"

The ordinance was approved on the following vote: Lane, aye; McMillan, aye; Rizzo, aye; Williams, aye; and Brantley, aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 17-02- APPROVED

Mr. Lane offered the following ordinance, moved and seconded by Ms. Rizzo, that it be approved:

ORDINANCE NO. 17-02

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF DEED OF DEDICATION WITH REGARD TO BLOCK 4302, LOT 4 (FORMERLY BLOCK 1301, LOT 1) OLD CORLIES AVENUE, A/K/A GREENVILLE CEMETERY TO THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE

The ordinance was approved on the following vote: Lane, aye; McMillan, aye; Rizzo, aye; Williams, aye; and Brantley, aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 17-03- APPROVED

Mr. Williams offered the following ordinance, moved and seconded by Mr. McMillan, that it be approved:

ORDINANCE NO. 17-03

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND VOLUME I, CHAPTER VII, SECTION 7-7 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE BY ADDING NO PARKING ZONES ON PORTIONS OF DAVIS AVENUE AND WASHINGTON AVENUE

The ordinance was approved on the following vote: Lane, aye; McMillan, aye; Rizzo, aye; Williams, aye; and Brantley, aye.

Mr. Cuttrell stated that the public hearings on Ordinances 17-01, 17-02, and 17-03 will be held on Monday, January 23rd.

MOTION ON EMPLOYEE GRIEVANCE

Mr. McMillan offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams, to deny an employee grievance filed by Officer Kyheem Davis regarding payment of clothing allowance. All were in favor.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. McMillan offered the following resolutions of the Consent Agenda, moved and seconded by Mr. Lane, that they be adopted:

ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF MICHAEL WHITE AS A SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – CLASS II

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has received a letter from Michael White resigning as a Special Law Enforcement Officer – Class II effective December 30, 2016,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the resignation of Michael White as a Special Law Enforcement Officer – Class II is hereby accepted effective December 30, 2016; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer, Assistant C.F.O., Human Resources Director, and Chief of Police.

AUTHORIZE CHANGE ORDER #4 (FINAL) IN CONNECTION WITH THE SHARK RIVER MUNICIPAL MARINA BUILDING

WHEREAS, a contract was awarded to Santorini Construction in the amount of \$2,622,001.00 in connection with the Shark River Municipal Marina Building; and,

WHEREAS, on June 22, 2015, the Township Committee adopted Resolution #15-280 which authorized Change Order #1 resulting in a net increase of \$36,800.00; and,

WHEREAS, on August 10, 2015, the Township Committee adopted Resolution #15-339 which authorized Change Order #2 resulting in a net increase of \$27,603.02; and,

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2015, the Township Committee adopted Resolution #15-381 which authorized Change Order #3 resulting in a net increase of \$170,317.42; and,

WHEREAS, changes to the contract have been experienced as a result of final as-built quantities; and,

WHEREAS, this change has been approved by the Township Engineer; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the Mayor and Clerk be and are hereby authorized to execute Change Order #4 in the contract with Santorini Construction in connection with the Shark River Municipal Marina Building resulting in a net decrease of \$28,276.96 revising the total contract amount to \$2,828,444.48; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Contractor, Chief Financial Officer; Business Administrator and Township Engineer.

EMPLOY SEASONAL/ON-CALL SNOW PLOW DRIVER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, by adoption of Resolution #16-428, the Township Committee created a pool of individuals with commercial drivers license who will be called upon during major snowfalls to operate snow plows as a supplement to the full-time Public Works staff; and,

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has forwarded a recommendation to employ an additional worker for this purpose; and,

WHEREAS, funds will be provided for the first three months of 2017 in the 2017 Temporary Budget and funds for the balance of 2017 will be provided in the Budget for the year 2017, when finally adopted, and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that John Matthews be and is hereby employed in the Department of Public Works as a Casual Employee on an on-call basis only for snow plowing during major snow/ice events during the 2016-2017 winter season at an hourly rate of \$25.00; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer, Assistant C.F.O., Human Resources, and the Director of Public Works.

AUTHORIZE APPLICATION TO THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ELECTRONIC TAX SALE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, NJSA 54:5-19.1 authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations to be promulgated by the Director of the Division of Government Services, and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has promulgated rules and regulations for pilot programs, and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has approved NJ Tax Lien Investors/RealAuction.com to conduct pilot programs, and

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations authorize a municipality to submit an application for participation in the pilot program for an electronic tax sale, and

WHEREAS, an electronic tax sale is innovative and provides a greater pool of potential lien buyers, thus creating the environment for a more complete tax sale process, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Neptune wishes to participate in the pilot program for an electronic tax sale,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune, County of Monmouth, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to complete an application to participate in the electronic tax sale program and submit same to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Tax Collector, Deputy Tax Collector, and Auditor.

EMPLOY SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – CLASS II (SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER) IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ON A PART-TIME BASIS

WHEREAS, there is a need for a Special Law Enforcement Officer – Class II (School Resource Officer) in the Police Department on a part-time hourly basis; and,

WHEREAS, the position was duly posted and applicants have been interviewed; and,

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police and Police Director have made their recommendation; and,

WHEREAS, funds will be provided for the first three months of 2017 in the 2017 Temporary Budget and funds for the balance of 2017 will be provided in the Budget for the year 2017, when finally adopted, and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that Louis M. Esposito be and is hereby employed as a part-time Special Law Enforcement Officer - Class II (School Resource Officer), and to perform such other duties as prescribed by the Chief of Police, contingent upon successful completion of a background investigation and medical evaluation, at an hourly rate as established by Resolution #17-53 of the Township Committee; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief of Police, Chief Financial Officer, Assistant C.F.O., and Human Resources.

AUTHORIZE THE CLOSING OF STREETS AND TEMPORARY NO PARKING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OCEAN GROVE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVALS

WHEREAS, the Ocean Grove Chamber of Commerce has scheduled a Spring Fling Arts & Crafts Festival on May 6, 2017 and a Fall Harvest Festival and Craft Show on October 7, 2017; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to close portions of Main Avenue and Pilgrim Pathway and designate no parking during the event; and,

WHEREAS, the Police Department has reviewed and approved this closure,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby designates temporary street closures and no parking on the following streets:

Saturday, May 6, 2017 & Saturday October 7, 2017 - 7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

1) Main Avenue from New York Avenue to Central Avenue

2) Pilgrim Pathway from Heck Avenue to Pitman Avenue

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Public Works shall provide barricades at the intersections of Main and New York; Main and Central and Pitman Avenue and Pilgrim Pathway; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief of Police, Lt. Zarro, Director of Public Works, Ocean Grove Fire Inspector, and Ocean Grove Chamber of Commerce.

AUTHORIZE THE CLOSING OF STREETS IN CONNECTION WITH THE OCEAN GROVE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE VINTAGE AUTO DISPLAYS

WHEREAS, the Ocean Grove Chamber of Commerce has scheduled two vintage auto displays for Saturday, May 20, 2017 and Saturday, September 16, 2017, on Main Avenue in Ocean Grove; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to designate temporary no parking and close two blocks of Main Avenue and two blocks of Pilgrim Pathway prior to and during the events; and,

WHEREAS, the Police Department has reviewed and approved these closures,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby designates temporary closure and posting of temporary no parking on Main Avenue between New York Avenue and Central Avenue and Pilgrim Pathway between Heck Avenue and Olin Street from 7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. on Saturday, May 20, 2017 and Saturday, September 16, 2017; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief of Police, Lt. Zarro, Director of Public Works, Ocean Grove Fire Inspector, and Ocean Grove Chamber of Commerce.

AUTHORIZE THE CLOSING OF STREETS IN CONNECTION WITH THE OCEAN GROVE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FLEA MARKETS

WHEREAS, the Ocean Grove Chamber of Commerce has scheduled two annual flea markets for Saturday, June 3, 2017 and Saturday, September 9, 2017, on Ocean Pathway in Ocean Grove; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to designate no parking areas and close certain streets prior to and during the events; and,

WHEREAS, the Police Department has reviewed and approved these closures,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby designates temporary no parking on the following streets:

1) Both sides of west bound and east bound Ocean Pathway from 9:00 P.M. on Friday, June 2, 2017 until 6:00 P.M. on Saturday, June 3, 2017 and from 9:00 P.M. on Friday, September 8, 2017 until 6:00 P.M. on Saturday, September 9, 2017.

2) Both sides of Beach Avenue between east bound and west bound Ocean Pathway from 9:00 P.M. on Friday, June 2, 2017 until 6:00 P.M. on Saturday, June 3,

2017 and from 9:00 P.M. on Friday, September 8, 2017 until 6:00 P.M. on Saturday, September 9, 2017.

3) Both sides of Central Avenue between McClintock Avenue and the west bound side of Ocean Pathway from 9:00 P.M. on Friday, June 2, 2017 until 6:00 P.M. on Saturday, June 3, 2017 and from 9:00 P.M. on Friday, September 8, 2017 until 6:00 P.M. on Saturday, September 9, 2017.

4) South bound side of Ocean Avenue between west bound Ocean Pathway and east bound Ocean Pathway from 9:00 P.M. on Friday, June 2, 2017 until 6:00 P.M. on Saturday, June 3, 2017 and from 9:00 P.M. on Friday, September 8, 2017 until 6:00 P.M. on Saturday, September 9, 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that both sides of Ocean Pathway as stated in Section 1 and Beach Avenue as stated in Section 2 will also be closed to vehicular traffic from 5:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. on Saturday, June 3, 2017 and Saturday, September 9, 2017; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief of Police, Lt. Zarro, Director of Public Works, Ocean Grove Fire Official and Ocean Grove Chamber of Commerce.

EMPLOY SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS – CLASS I IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ON A PART-TIME BASIS

WHEREAS, there is a need for Special Law Enforcement Officers – Class I in the Police Department on a part-time hourly basis; and,

WHEREAS, the position was duly posted and applicants have been interviewed; and,

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police and Police Director have made their recommendations; and,

WHEREAS, funds will be provided for the first three months of 2017 in the 2017 Temporary Budget and funds for the balance of 2017 will be provided in the Budget for the year 2017, when finally adopted, and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that Hector Bueso-Martinez, Jacob Hartranft and Andrew Todd be and are hereby employed as part-time Special Law Enforcement Officers - Class I, and to perform such other duties as prescribed by the Chief of Police, contingent upon successful completion of a background investigation and medical evaluation, at an hourly rate as established by Resolution #17-53 of the Township Committee; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief of Police, Chief Financial Officer, Assistant C.F.O., and Human Resources.

AMEND AUTHORIZATION TO TOWNSHIP ENGINEERING CONSULTANT TO PERFORM ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR SUNSHINE VILLAGE FIELDS TRACK PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Township of Neptune received a Monmouth County Open Space Grant for improvements to the track around the perimeter of Sunshine Village Fields and is desirous to undertake said project; and,

WHEREAS, on April 25, 2016, the Township Committee adopted Resolution #16-209 which authorized Maser Consulting to serve as Engineering Consultant for this project and perform professional engineering services including preparation of design, plans, specifications, permitting, and construction administration in connection with this project at an amount not to exceed \$42,850.00; and,

WHEREAS, amendments to the project specifications are required and Maser Consulting has estimated the cost of this additional service at \$1,200.00; and,

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose will be provided in Ordinance No. 15-40, and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby amends Resolution #16-209 to reflect a total authorization of not to exceed \$44,050.00 to Maser Consulting to perform additional services as stated herein as Township Engineering

Consultant for the Sunshine Village Fields Track Project; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer, Assistant C.F.O., and Township Engineer.

RECLASSIFY CUSTODIAN FROM PART-TIME TO FULL-TIME STATUS

WHEREAS, Constant Saraison is currently employed as a part-time Custodian assigned to the Senior Center; and,

WHEREAS, due to the extended absence of a full-time Custodian, it is necessary for Constant Saraison to work a full-time schedule and the Business Administrator recommends a reclassification from part-time to full-time status; and,

WHEREAS, funds will be provided for the first three months of 2017 in the 2017 Temporary Budget and funds for the balance of 2017 will be provided in the Budget for the year 2017, when finally adopted, and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that Constant Saraison be and is hereby reclassified from part-time to full-time status in the job title of Custodian at an annual salary of \$31,200.00 effective immediately; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Director of Senior Services, Chief Financial Officer, Assistant C.F.O., Human Resources Director, and AFSCME Local #1844.

The resolutions of the Consent Agenda were adopted on the following vote: Lane, aye; McMillan, aye; Rizzo, aye; Williams, aye; and Brantley, aye.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kennedy Buckley, 65 Broadway, commended the snow plowing operation. The streets were well done and he only saw three cars parked on the wrong side of the street between Main Avenue and Wesley Lake and between Central and Ocean Avenues. However, someone parked in front of his house which prevented the plow from plowing the snow all the way to the curb. Mr. Bascom stated that he rode through Ocean Grove and initially there were no cars on the snow emergency side of the street so plows were able to traverse the roads without issue.

Dorothy Argyros, 2100 Rutherford Avenue, asked which Committee member is the liaison to the hospital. Ms. Rizzo stated that she is the liaison. Ms. Argyros asked if a lawsuit has been received in the Seidle matter. Mr. Bascom responded no. Ms. Argyros asked if there is a second lawsuit from Officers Savage and Gonzales. Mr. Anthony responded yes. Ms. Argyros asked if the report has been received from the Prosecutor's office regarding the Katie Lee Thomas matter. Mr. Anthony responded a report has not been received; therefore, the Prosecutor has not completed the investigation. Ms. Argyros stated that the Committee should be calling the Prosecutor and asking for his report.

Nancy Clarke, 47 Embury Avenue, thanked the Public Works Department for a good job plowing snow. She asked for the Committee to discuss the Certified Local Government application at its January 23rd workshop meeting, or direct Township staff to move forward with the application. The Mayor responded that the Township Committee is now whole and they will be looking at this issue and finalizing their decision.

Mr. McMillan offered a motion, seconded by Ms. Rizzo to adjourn. All were in favor.

Richard J. Cuttrell,
Municipal Clerk