

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE WORKSHOP MEETING – February 12, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.

Mayor York calls the workshop meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and asks the Clerk to call the roll:

Township Committee	Present/ Absent	Professionals	Present/ Absent
Keith Cafferty	<u>Present</u>	Gina LaPlaca, Business Administrator	<u> </u>
Kevin McMillan	<u>Present</u>	Gabriella Siboni, Township Clerk	<u> </u>
Robert Lane, Jr.	<u>Present</u>	Gene Anthony, Township Attorney	<u> </u>
Tassie D. York	<u>Present</u>		

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ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION IN OPEN SESSION

1. Liquor License Fee Increase

Ms. Siboni summarized the increases proposed to the liquor license fees.

2. Installation of Town Hall Streams at Senior Center

Mr. Lane stated there were meetings last year that had to be moved to the Senior center due to elevator issues or increased attendance that could not be accommodated. Mr. Lane asked Ms. LaPlaca to review the possibility of including Town Hall Streams at the Senior Center.

Ms. LaPlaca stated an estimate based on the photos only, the cost for installation would be approximately \$1,200 plus the annual hosting cost.

Some concerns were raised about the installation including no permanent dais because it is an all-purpose room, there is no permanent connection for the switches. There are also concerns about the internet capability at the senior center which may lead to interruptions in the service and streaming. The quote is dependent on the physical inspection of the building.

Mr. Cafferty expressed concerns that the quote is priced too low. Mr. Cafferty also expressed concern that the need for the expenditure is not necessary for the amount of usage that may be needed.

Mr. Lane asked about a time frame for the inspection of the senior center and provide a more detailed explanation of the costs. Ms. LaPlaca stated the company will already be present at the Township in April for already scheduled work and will be reviewing the property and confirming their quote.

Ms. York indicated she believed the equipment would be used by the Senior Center as well as for meetings.

3. GPS

Ms. York stated she has spoken to Mr. Bascom and Mr. Milmoie and researched the idea. The intention of the installation of the GPS is not for employee tracking, but to be able to confirm information on complaints or monitoring during snowstorms. Ms. York stated the price per vehicle would be \$80 per vehicle to install GPS. Ms. York stated there are a number of local municipalities install GPS on the vehicles. Mr. McMillan stated he believed Public Works already have vehicles that have GPS. Mr. Lane stated there are 25 vehicles do not have GPS in the vehicles. Mr. Cafferty asked for the list of vehicles that do or do not have GPS. Mr. Cafferty supported the installation of GPS in snowplow trucks and garbage trucks, but not necessarily all vehicles. Ms. York stated the suggestion is also to include supervisors.

Mr. McMillan stated there are additional enhancements that can be included in the GPS that include speed tracking to ensure coverage to prove information in certain incidents.

Mr. Cafferty asked if the GPS tracking is OPRA-able. Mr. Anthony indicated they would be subject to OPRA.

4. Committee Calendars

Cafferty No Report

Lane PBA Steak Bake is March 9. April 20 is the Hometown Hero Dance at Post 366.

McMillan February 24 is the Black History Month Celebration

York No Report

Res #24 - 091 Authorize An Executive Session As Authorized By The Open Public Meetings Act.

Offered by: Lane Seconded by: McMillan
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes York Yes

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE– February 12, 2024 – 6:30 P.M.

Mayor York calls the meeting to order at 6:53 p.m. and asks the Clerk to call the roll:

Township Committee	Present/ Absent	Professionals	Present/ Absent
Keith Cafferty	<u>Present</u>	Gina LaPlaca, Business Administrator	<u> </u>
Kevin McMillan	<u>Present</u>	Gabriella Siboni, Township Clerk	<u> </u>
Robert Lane, Jr.	<u>Present</u>	Gene Anthony, Township Attorney	<u> </u>
Tassie D. York	<u>Present</u>	Michael Celli, Assistant Township Attorney	<u> </u>
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Items for Public Consideration

Appeal of Decision of Rent Leveling Board regarding Tenant Complaint, Maria Kapetanovich

Mr. Celli summarized the complaint that was presented to the Rent Leveling Board by Maria Kapetanovich. Mr. Celli asked the Township Committee members to confirm they have reviewed the transcripts provided regarding this matter. Mr. Celli stated there will be no new testimony or evidence regarding this matter. Mr. Celli stated the Township Committee can choose to uphold the decision of the board or deny the

Res#24- 092 A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Addressing The Appeal Of Decision Of Rent Leveling Board Regarding Tenant Complaint From Maria Kapetanovich

Offered by:	<u>Cafferty to uphold</u>	Seconded by:	<u>Lane</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	Cafferty <u>Yes</u> Lane <u>Yes</u> McMillan <u>Yes</u>		York <u>Yes</u>

Mr. Celli stated the Rent Leveling Board has been upheld.

The Township Committee recessed at 6:57PM

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING – February 12, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.

Mayor York calls the meeting to order at 7:00PM and asks the Clerk to call the roll:

Township Committee	Present/ Absent	Professionals	Present/ Absent
Keith Cafferty	<u>Present</u>	Gina LaPlaca, Business Administrator	<u>Present</u>
Kevin McMillan	<u>Present</u>	Gabriella Siboni, Township Clerk	<u>Present</u>
Robert Lane, Jr.	<u>Present</u>	Gene Anthony, Township Attorney	<u>Present</u>
Tassie D. York	<u>Present</u>		
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MOMENT OF SILENCE AND FLAG SALUTE

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

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion offered by Committeeman Lane, seconded by, Committeeman Cafferty , to approve the minutes of meetings of January 22, 2024. All presents were in favor.

VACANCY ON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Res#24- 093 Appointing A Successor To Fill The Vacancy Of An Incumbent Committeeperson On The Neptune Township Committee Pursuant To N.J.S.A. 40A:16-11

<u>Name and Address</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Dr. Jim Brown 107 Lakewood Rd.	Dr. Brown expressed support of Mr. Derel Stroud filling the vacancy of Mr. Williams. Dr. Brown stated that Mr. Williams will be very missed, but he has every confidence that Mr. Stroud will serve Neptune well.

Name of Nomination: Derel Stroud

Offered by:	<u>Cafferty</u>	Seconded by:	<u>McMillan</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	Cafferty <u>Yes</u> Lane <u>Yes</u> McMillan <u>Yes</u>	York <u>Yes</u>	

Mayor York will swear in the appointed candidate.

PRESENTATION

Proclaiming February Black History Month

COMMENTS FROM THE DAIS

Comments from the Dais regarding business on this agenda or any reports on recent events in their respective departments.

Cafferty	Mr. Cafferty welcomed Mr. Stroud to the Committee. Mr. Cafferty stated he met with Recreation about the upcoming programs and contracts for Recreation. Recreation is seeking to start a food truck festival and would like to bring back the winter solstice fire again. Mr. Cafferty is meeting with the engineering department to address issues at Lake Alberta.
Lane	Mr. Lane stated he was present at the homeowners meeting where the Chief of Police presented his plans for the department moving forward. Mr. Lane stated he has also heard complaints about Neptune Blvd. and there is progress on graveling and repaving of the road moving forward. Mr. Lane stated there was a meeting on Friday that included municipal, county and state officials to address flooding in the area. Mr. Lane stated there will be engineers who will be reviewing the area to alleviate issues with flooding. February 24 is the celebration of Black History Month at the Jersey Shore PAC and the theme is 50 years of Hip Hop. March 9 is the steak bake for the PBA. Mr. Lane announced the second year of the banner program for Hometown Heroes. If there is a resident who served and would like to be recognized with the banners, they can complete the application and submit \$100 to have a banner hung in their honor. Senior Center programs are cancelled on February 13 due to the expected inclement weather.
McMillan	Mr. McMillan stated that Mr. Stroud is a hardworking and he is grateful for his presence on the committee. Mr. McMillan stated he received a call about Neptune Blvd. having potholes. Mr. McMillan thanked Gina for prompt response to the issue as it was rectified in. Mr. McMillan stated he also reached out to Ms. Siboni for a matter on West Bangs Ave. and this was corrected by the time he arrived home from work. Mr. McMillan expressed contentment with the competency of the administration staff.
Stroud	Mr. Stroud expressed gratitude to the Township Committee for their support to fill this position. Mr. Stroud stated he believed this is a position to serve Neptune Township and he would like the residents to know he is approachable and encouraged all to reach out to him.
York	Mayor York congratulated Mr. Stroud on his appointment to the vacancy on Township Committee. Mayor York stated she knows each of the three candidates on a personal level and she is very happy to have Derel on the committee. Mayor York stated there was a strategic planning meeting on February 7 for the Board of Education. This is open to the public and the meeting schedules are announced on the website. Mayor York recognized the students who were given awards for the month. Mayor York was honored with a proclamation for being the first black female mayor of Neptune Township at the Governor’s celebration of Black History Month. Mayor York read a thank you note from Ms. Jackie Brantley regarding the response of the Township Committee to the loss of Dr. Michael Brantley.

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

The Business Administrator will report on capital projects and matters of general interest.

- **Marina Dredging:** As of last week the dredging of the Shark River Municipal Marina has officially been

completed, with a few remaining cleanup and repair items to be addressed. The Township Engineer informs me that repairs to the bulkhead will be completed this week, while the removal and replacement of damaged portions of the sidewalk will be conducted next week after all of the heavy equipment has been demobilized.

- Flood Meeting:** On Friday February 9th, I along with representatives of our Township Committee, Office of Emergency Management, Department of Public Works and Engineering Department attended a meeting with various stakeholders from Neptune City, Monmouth County, our State legislative representatives, Congressman Pallone’s office and the Army Corps of Engineers to develop a comprehensive approach to the persistent and growing flooding issues that our communities face. Primary areas of concern that were discussed include the East End Avenue Bridge, Concourse and S. Riverside, Lake Alberta, Fletcher Lake and Wesley Lake. A follow-up meeting will be scheduled in the near future to include the OEM’s and Engineers from all affected entities and with the purpose of developing a multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan that will hopefully qualify us for the appropriate funding and other assistance from our County, State and Federal governments.
- OGCMA Sign at Broadway and NJ-71:** In response to various inquiries the Township has received regarding the OGCMA’s installation and usage of an electronic sign at the Broadway entrance to Ocean Grove, the Township was able to determine that in April of 2010, a Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee noting the OGCMA’s plans to build and install a new decorative sign to replace one that was “rendered useless by the realignment of Route 33.” The purpose of the resolution was to waive the municipal portion of the construction fee permits with the understanding that “the sign will be available to the Township for displaying informational and emergency messages.” Importantly, the resolution also notes that the sign is actually “located within the Township park,” and *not* on OGCMA property. As the sign is on Township property, it was therefore not required to receive a waiver from HPC guidelines with respect to electronic/digital signage, but that also means that scripture and other religious iconography are not permitted to be displayed on the sign. We have communicated as such to the OGCMA who assured me that religious verses would no longer appear on the sign.
- Homeless Encampment Issues:** The Monmouth County Continuum of Care will hold its next monthly case conference this Wednesday February 14th. At that time I expect to receive additional updates on the status of the official population of the camp which, as of our last meeting, was down to 14 residents. In the meantime, our Code and Zoning Departments continue to issue summonses to the property owner as appropriate, and Code Enforcement has also stepped up their engagement with the manager of the Shop Rite property to ensure that they are continuing to address the build up of trash and other debris, some of which is related to the encampment and some of which is not.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS

The Clerk will announce additional information regarding Separated Resolutions if necessary.

Resolution 24-123

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
Courtney Drake	Code and Construction	Full Time Customer Service Representative	\$30,139.38	2/21/2024
Kaitlyn Magnin	Code and Construction	Part Time Customer Service Representative	\$18.01/hour	2/21/2024

Resolution 24-124

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
Subsola Young	Environmental Shade Tree Commission	Secretary to the Board	\$2,225 Stipend	2/13/2024

Resolution 24-125

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
David Shotwell	EMS	Paramedic Supervisor	\$67,500.00	2/26/2024

Joseph Scarpinito EMS Paramedic \$65,000.00 2/26/2024

Resolution 24-126

Board	Position	Term	Appointment	Expiration	Name
Zoning Board of Adjustment	Member	4 Year	2/12/2024	12/31/2025	Shawn Weston
Zoning Board of Adjustment	Alternate #2	2 Year	2/12/2024	12/31/2025	Brittany Dremluk
Zoning Board of Adjustment	Alternate #3	2 Year	2/12/2024	12/31/2024	Shawn Mazur

Public comments regarding resolutions presented on this agenda only. The public will be permitted one visit to the microphone with a limit of five minutes.

Name and Address

Diana Harris, 17 Willow Dr.

Comment

Ms. Harris thanked the explanation of the Board of Education strategic planning Ms. Harris asked about resolution 24-105 asked what the grant application entails. Ms. Harris asked if Midtown commons park considered for the improvements.

24-120 and 24-121 asked who is being appointed. Ms. Siboni stated the professionals being appointed are James Connor for EDC Architect and Lennox Consulting for marketing and Public Relations.

ORDINANCES - For each ordinance with a public hearing, the public is permitted one visit to the microphone with a limit of five minutes.

PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL ADOPTION ORDINANCES

Ordinance 24-02 Ordinance To Exceed The Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits And To Establish A Cap Bank (N.J.S.A. 40a: 4-45.14)

Explanatory Statement: This ordinance permits the introduction of the annual municipal budget with a maximum increase in total appropriations of 3.5%. This ordinance does not change or negate the 2% tax levy cap.

Name and Address

No Public Comment

Comment

Offered by: Lane Seconded by: McMillan
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Abstain York Yes

Ordinance 24-03 An Ordinance To Amend Volume I, Chapter VII Of The Code Of The Township Of Neptune By Adding A Resident Only Handicapped Parking Zone On Heck Ave. And Ocean Pathway

Explanatory Statement: This ordinance adds a resident handicapped parking space at 30 Ocean Pathway and 131 Heck Ave.

Name and Address

No Public Comment

Comment

Offered by: Cafferty Seconded by: McMillan
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Abstain York Yes

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

Ordinance 24-04 An Ordinance To Amend Volume I, Chapter Vii Of The Code Of The Township Of Neptune By Removing A Resident Only Handicapped Parking Zone On Pilgrim Pathway And Embury Ave.

Explanatory Statement: This ordinance removes resident handicapped parking spaces at 79 Embury Ave. and 15 Pilgrim Pathway.

Offered by: Lane Seconded by: McMillan
 Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Yes York Yes

Ordinance 24-05 Capital Ordinance Amending And Restating In Its Entirety Capital Ordinance Number 21-52 Finally Adopted By The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune, In The County Of Monmouth, State Of New Jersey On December 6, 2021 To Increase The Total Appropriation Therein From \$360,000 To \$560,000 From The Township’s Receipt Of Funds From The Coronavirus State And Local Fiscal Recovery Fund

Explanatory Statement: Amend and restate in its entirety Capital Ordinance Number 21-52 (the “Original Ordinance”), which provides for the construction and installation of improvements to the Township’s Municipal Complex to enhance the safety of the general public and Township employees, including, but not limited to, the construction of a second drive-up window for customer transactions at the municipal building, and construction within the municipal offices intended to accommodate social distancing and reduce the potential of disease transmission among Township employees and the general public) to increase the total appropriation therein by \$200,000, from \$360,000 to \$560,000 due to a \$200,000 increase in the amount received or expected to be received from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund

Offered by: Cafferty Seconded by: Lane
 Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Abstain York Yes

Ordinance 24-06 Capital Ordinance Providing For Improvements To Atkins Avenue, By And In The Township Of Neptune, In The County Of Monmouth, State Of New Jersey; Appropriating \$570,000 To Pay For The Cost Thereof, Which Amount Will Be Funded By A \$541,000 Grant Received Or Expected To Be Received From The NJDOT Transportation Trust Fund And By \$29,000 From The Township’s General Capital Surplus Fund

Explanatory Statement: The Capital Ordinance appropriates and authorizes the amount of \$570,000 to finance road improvements to Atkins Avenue within the Township under the 2024 New Jersey Department of Transportation (“NJDOT”) Safe Routes to Transit Program, which includes, but is not limited to, roadway reconstruction, drainage improvements, crosswalk improvements, curb replacements and other related improvements, as further described in the NJDOT Transportation Trust Fund application related to this project on file with the Township Engineer.

Offered by: Cafferty Seconded by: Lane
 Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Yes York Yes

Ordinance 24-07 Capital Ordinance Providing For Improvements To Myrtle Avenue, By And In The Township Of Neptune, In The County Of Monmouth, State Of New Jersey; Appropriating \$400,000 To Pay For The Cost Thereof, Which Amount Will Be Funded By A \$356,754 Grant Received Or Expected To Be Received From The NJDOT Transportation Trust Fund And By \$43,246 From The Township’s General Capital Surplus Fund

Explanatory Statement: The Capital Ordinance appropriates and authorizes the amount of \$400,000 to finance road improvements to Myrtle Avenue within the Township under the 2024 New Jersey Department of Transportation (“NJDOT”) Municipal Aid Program, which includes, but is not limited to, roadway reconstruction, drainage improvements, crosswalk improvements, curb replacements and other related improvements, as further described in the NJDOT Transportation Trust Fund application related to this project on file with the Township Engineer.

Offered by: McMillan Seconded by: Lane
 Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Yes York Yes

Ordinance 24-08 An Ordinance Of The Township Of Neptune To Amend And Supplement Chapter 4 Business And Licensing Regulations By Adding Section 35 “Special Events”

Explanatory Statement: This ordinance amends Chapter 4 and defines “Special Events”, establishes regulations, application, fees and reimbursement, use of public building or public land, permit revocation and penalties.

Mr. Cafferty asked to clarify that there is intent to support long running events that are partnered with the Township.

Offered by: Cafferty Seconded by: Lane
 Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Abstain York Yes

CONSENT AGENDA

Res#24- 094 A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Removing Member Of The Historic Preservation Commission

- Res#24- 095** Authorize The Granting Of Veteran Deduction For Prior Tax Year
- Res#24- 096** Resolution Authorizing Municipal Service Agreement Between The Township Of Neptune And High Pointe Crossing At Neptune Condominium Association
- Res#24- 097** Resolution Supporting Monmouth County's Federal Funding Application Under The U.S. Department Of Transportation's Fy 2024 Raise Grant For Improvements Along Asbury Avenue Between State Highway 35 And Ocean Avenue North In The Townships Of Neptune And Ocean, And The City Of Asbury Park
- Res#24- 098** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing The County Of Monmouth Mosquito Control Operations Within Neptune Township
- Res#24- 099** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Accepting Resignations
- Res#24- 100** Authorize The Granting Of Veteran Deduction For Prior Tax Year
- Res#24- 101** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Granting Leave Of Absence
- Res#24- 102** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Granting Leave Of Absence
- Res#24- 103** A Resolution Requesting The Division Of Local Government Services Grant Approval Of A Dedication By Rider Of Revenues Received For Emergency Medical Services Donations
- Res#24- 104** Authorizing The Application For Spotted Lanternfly Program 2023 Chemical Control Treatment Grant From The New Jersey Department Of Agriculture
- Res#24- 105** Authorizing The Application For Recreation Improvement Grant From The New Jersey Department Of Community Affairs
- Res#24- 106** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing Certain Personnel Actions- Office Of Emergency Management
- Res#24- 107** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing Certain Personnel Actions- Police Department
- Res#24- 108** Resolution Authorizing Agreement For Rhinotab Tablets, Software, Accessories And Warranty From Elite Vehicles Solutions Under New Jersey State Contract #17-Fleet-00749 In An Amount Not To Exceed \$99,571.88
- Res#24- 109** Resolution Authorizing Agreement For Law Enforcement Firearms Equipment And Supplies From Eagle Point Gun/ Tj Morris And Son Under New Jersey State Contract #17-Fleet-00721 In An Amount Not To Exceed \$46,000.00
- Res#24- 110** Authorizing The Purchase Of Lights, Sights And Holsters From Eagle Point Gun/ TJ Morris & Son In An Amount Not To Exceed \$20,000.00
- Res#24- 111** Resolution Authorizing Agreement For Two (2) 2024 Chevrolet Suburban 4wd From Hertrich Fleet Services Under New Jersey State Contract #20-Fleet-01387 In An Amount Not To Exceed \$114,920.00
- Res#24- 112** Resolution Authorizing Agreement For Five (5) 2025 Ford Interceptor SUV From Winner Ford Under New Jersey State Contract #20-Fleet-01189 In An Amount Not To Exceed \$225,045.00
- Res#24- 113** Resolution Authorizing Agreement For Purchase Of Two (2) 2024 Ford Bronco 4x4 From Nielsen Ford Under New Jersey State Co-Op #65mcesccps, Contract # ESCNJ 23/24-11 In An Amount Not To Exceed \$64,286.82
- Res#24- 114** Resolution Authorizing Purchase Of Software Upgrades For Finance, Tax, Sewer And Revenue From Shi International, Corp Under Sourcwell National Cooperative Contract #081419-Shi, In The Amount Not To Exceed \$36,000.00
- Res#24- 115** Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing The Renewal Of Contract For Animal Control Services
- Res#24- 116** Resolution Authorizing Purchase 2024 Ford F-150 Xl 4wd Supercrew From Nielsen Ford, Corp Under

Cranford Cooperative Pricing System (Id#47-Cpcps) Contract #23-01, In The Amount Not To Exceed \$48,568.00

- Res#24- 117** Resolution Authorizing Purchase 2024 Ford Interceptor Awd From Nielsen Ford, Corp Under Cranford Cooperative Pricing System (Id#47-Cpcps) Contract #23-01, In The Amount Not To Exceed \$48,235.00
- Res#24- 118** Authorizing The Agreement For Repair Of Sanitary Sewer Manhole To Pim Corporation In An Amount Not To Exceed \$12,235.00
- Res#24- 119** Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Awarding Dutchman Contracting, Llc Contract “Improvements To Public Works Facility Phase Ii- Pole Barn Construction” In An Amount Not To Exceed \$2,365,245.00
- Res#24- 120** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing The Appointment Of Architect For Economic Development Committee
- Res#24- 121** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing The Appointment Of Architect For Public Relations And Marketing Consultant
- Res#24- 122** Authorizing Payment of Bills

CONSENT AGENDA

Offered by: Lane Seconded by: McMillan
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Williams Yes York Yes

SEPARATED RESOLUTIONS

- Res#24- 123** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing Certain Personnel Actions- Code And Construction

Offered by: _____ Seconded by: _____
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Abstain York Yes

- Res#24- 124** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing Certain Personnel Actions- Environmental Shade Tree Commission

Offered by: Cafferty Seconded by: Lane
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Abstain York Yes

- Res#24- 125** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing Certain Personnel Actions- EMS

Offered by: McMillan Seconded by: Cafferty
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Abstain York Yes

- Res#24- 126** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Appointing Members To The Zoning Board Of Adjustment

Offered by: Stroud Seconded by: Lane
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Yes York Yes

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may address any concern relating to the Township. The public will be permitted one visit to the microphone with a limit of five minutes.

<u>Name and Address</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Bill Burge, Duran Rd. River Hill Property	Mr. Burge reached out to the Township regarding the living shoreline. From the road, the living shoreline looks fine, but when you view it from the water, there are sections that are

Owner washed out. Mr. Burge stated the engineering on the project was terrible. Mr. Burge stated the living shoreline was viewed as a trial and Mr. Burge does not believe the cost of the project could be in line with a trial project. Mr. Burge stated the nature of the river was not taken into consideration when the living shoreline was built. Mr. Burge spoke to the Township Engineer on the matter, and he stated the American Littoral Society maintains the living shoreline.

Ms. LaPlaca stated the engineer had reached out to the Littoral society and administration to remedy the issues. They are current remedies that are being reviewed such as bringing in more sand, plantings and logs. Mr. Burge suggested the placement of concrete walls.

Laura Checky
Ocean Grove Chamber
Main Ave. Ms. Checky expressed concern over the resolution for an events committee and the fees for the events in town. Ms. Checky stated the chamber struggles and would be impacted greatly if they are subject to event fees. Ms. Checky stated the chamber works hard to bring tourism to Main Ave. The Chamber has worked on projects like tree trimming on Main Ave and stated the leaf pick up and maintenance in the area is lacking. Ms. Checky stated there should be lighting addressed, street cleaning, and there are 3 globes that have GFCI available that do not work.

Ms. LaPlaca stated the GFI will be addressed with Public Works, and they have been working on the matter already

Rich Robertson, Hillside
Dr. Mr. Robertson stated he has specifically come over concerns about 401 Overlook, but the real issue is with Short Term Rentals. Mr. Roberts spoke that Asbury Park and Belmar require short term rentals to have a “primary resident” in order to qualify. There are also animal house ordinances in those towns to address nuisance properties. Mr. Robertson stated he complained at least 24 times due to noise complaints and the property has not been subject to any fines or violations. Mr. Robertson also noted that the property has a commercial mortgage. Mr. Robertson asked what the timeline for consideration of an updated ordinance will be. Mr. Roberts indicated that 401 Overlook received a tax break on the property while the remaining section of town saw increases.

Mr. Lane stated they do take these matters seriously. Mr. Lane had a meeting 2 weeks ago to review the matters and anticipates the matter coming to a workshop meeting. The Township is also reviewing a sound/ nuisance ordinance. Mr. Lane stated he hopes to have a discussion at the next workshop meeting.

Mr. Anthony stated an ordinance has been prepared to be discussed at the next Township Committee meeting and a nuisance ordinance has been reviewed by the Police Department to be brought to the Committee to be considered. Mr. Anthony stated there are violations against 401 Overlook, but at the time of court, a representative was not present, and the matter was rescheduled.

Joyce Klein, Mt. Hermon
Way Ms. Klein welcomed Committeeman Stroud. Ms. Klein stated there is a large, short term rental problem in Ocean Grove and the ordinance in play was a good start but was not enough. Ms. Klein urged the committee to consider the ordinance at the next meeting to address the matter as soon as possible so that it can be implemented this summer.

Eileen Michaels, Seaview
Ave. Ms. Michaels congratulated Mr. Stroud on his appointment. Ms. Michaels acknowledged Gina for her work. Ms. Michaels encouraged the Township Committee Members to offer a time to meet with residents individually to encourage a more personal relationship. Ms. Michaels stated there are a number of signs on Main Ave., but there is a lack of enforcement. Ms. Michaels expressed concern that without enforcement there is less respect and less following of the regulations. Ms. Michaels stated she is working on providing and donating sanitary products for women who have difficulty accessing.

Ms. Michaels stated there are issues with residents not clearing their sidewalks after a snowstorm.

Barbara Burns, Ocean
Ave. Ms. Burns congratulated Mr. Stroud. Ms. Burns stated the Camp Meeting Association owns the sidewalks, but the lease of Camp Meeting requires the homeowners to clear the sidewalk. Ms. Burns stated she believes it is a terrible idea to install Town Hall Streams at the Senior Center as the platform is a one-way service that does not allow the public participation. Ms. Burns stated she hopes there are other options being explored that would allow interaction.

David Skillman
29 Abbott Ave.

Mr. Skillman stated there is a drainage issue on Abbott Ave. between central and Beach Ave. Mr. Skillman has owned the house since 2016, but the last 5 years there have been a persistent drainage issue. Water being pushed out through sump pumps to the street are not being drained. The pooled water can be a mosquito pool in the heat, and it freezes in the winter. The ice has been so thick it cannot be salted or chipped away at. The excess water has extended further into the street over the last few storms. Mr. Skillman stated there are issues with access and transport for some of the neighbors. Mr. Skillman stated that in his discussions with Township officials, an engineering study would be needed to consider the changes. Mr. Skillman had photos of the drainage. Mr. Cafferty stated he will work with the departments and be in touch with Mr. Skillman.

Dr. Jim Brown
Lakewood Rd.

Dr. Brown thanked the Township for all the work being done with the homeless encampment. Dr. Brown stated the senior center is fantastic! The senior center offers amenities and environment to aid our Senior community.

Diana Harris, 17 Willow
Dr.

Ms. Harris stated the ordinance includes an option for curb replacement. Ms. Harris inquired why curbs could be addressed by this ordinance, but when she brought up the matter, she was advised it was owner responsibility. Ms. Harris encouraged the Township to consider the Hamilton Section.

Gary Brown
Cardinal Rd.

Mr. Brown welcomed Mr. Stroud. Mr. Brown stated he is a resident of 32 years. The last 10 years, the neighborhood has dealt with the homeless encampment. Mr. Brown stated there has been tremendous work by the Township with the encampment by Administration. Mr. Brown stated there have been so many steps forward, but there continue to be issues with progress on the property. There are issues with no shows to court, drug use, nuisance and debris. The neighbors are losing hope for a solution to the encampment. Those that are still at the encampment have refused placement in homes and are not interested in vacating the property. When a resident of the encampment leaves, they leave behind the tents and materials. Those are then inhabited by newcomers to the encampment. There are concerns about the human waste in the encampment that is not being properly disposed of. Mr. Brown requested to be present at a future meeting on the matter to get a better update and be more involved.

JP Thompson
Embury Ave.

Ms. Thompson stated she has been in touch with Ms. LaPlaca regarding the inspection of the pier in Ocean Grove. Mr. Anthony stated he had reviewed the regulations and the UCC does not oversee the construction of piers. Mr. Anthony stated it is not clear whether a municipal engineer would get involved. Mr. Anthony stated the exception for the municipal engineer is involved when there is a structure on the pier or a bulkhead. Mr. Anthony stated there is no jurisdiction under the UCC, but under certain circumstances, the municipal engineer can be engaged for review and inspection of the structure.

ADJOURNMENT

Offered by: Lane

Seconded by: McMillan

Time adjourned: 8:35PM

Respectfully Submitted,



Gabriella Siboni
Township Clerk