

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING – APRIL 10, 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., Kevin B. McMillan, Carol Rizzo, Nicholas Williams and Mayor Michael Brantley.

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 on January 5, 2017 and The Coaster on January 12, 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 updated the Committee on the Jersey Shore University Medical Center project. The parking garage is 95% complete and is being used by staff only at the present time. Construction workers are using the temporary parking lot on the south side of Route 33. The HOPE Tower is scheduled for completion in January, 2018. The 2nd through 5th floors are nearing completion and the finishing work starts in July. Roadway improvements will begin in September and the sanitary sewer main construction has started. A new sewer main will be installed on Taylor, Washington and Union Avenues. Work to connect the main across Route 33 will require that entire roadway to be closed on May 5th and 6th between Route 35 and Neptune Boulevard.

Mr. McMillan stated that the NJ Redevelopment Authority is conducting two seminars on financing and other redevelopment issues.

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

Ms. Rizzo offered the following resolution, moved and seconded by Mr. McMillan, 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 disciplinary matter
Contract negotiations – Redevelopment Attorney RFP
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. Gadaleta distributed a draft Request for Qualifications for Redevelopment Attorney. The Committee indicated that an hourly rate should be left off the RFQ. This can be discussed when interviewing the applicants. Mr. Gadaleta will advertise the RFQ on April 11th.

Mr. Anthony discussed the use of municipal facilities. Public facilities cannot be used by private organizations unless permitted by state statute. This is limited to non-profit organizations that serve a public purpose. Political purposes are strictly prohibited. He recommended that the

Committee consider an ordinance to codify its building use policy.

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

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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"

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Lane offered a motion, seconded by Ms. Rizzo, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on March 27th. All were in favor, except Mr. McMillan and Mr. Williams abstained because of their absence at that meeting.

2017 MUNICIPAL BUDGET PRESENTATION

Mr. Bascom presented the 2017 municipal budget. His slide presentation will be available on the Township web site along with the User Friendly Budget. The budget will reflect no change in the tax rate versus 2016. Budget appropriations are up 0.38%. The Township receives 34.8% of the local property tax collected. The budget is \$1,548,000 under the appropriations cap and \$14,119 under the tax levy cap. Mr. Bascom reviewed budget projections moving forward as well as the sewer and marina utilities which are both self-liquidating. The Committee offered thanks to Mr. Bascom for preparing a good budget.

PUBLIC HEARING – 2017 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Dorothy Argyros, 2100 Rutherford Avenue, stated that the tax rate is same, but if your assessment goes up, taxes go up. She stated that Avon turned down the Assessment Demonstration Program and the Avon Municipal Attorney indicated that the lack of tax appeals is due to the decision not to participate in the Program. She then expressed her concern regarding the potential cost of litigation involving police officers.

Nancy Clarke, 47 Embury Avenue, asked if the new federal budget has any effect of the Township's budget. Mr. Bascom stated the federal budget does not have an effect on the Township's operating budget.

AUTHORIZE AN AMENDMENT TO APPROVED 2017 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

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

WHEREAS, the local municipal budget for the year 2017 was approved on the 13th day of March, 2017; and,

WHEREAS, the public hearing on said budget has been held as advertised on April 10, 2017, and,

WHEREAS, it is desired to amend said approved budget as described below,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune, of the County of Monmouth, that the following amendments to the approved budget of

2017 be made:

	<u>Approved Budget</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>
GENERAL REVENUES		
1. Surplus Anticipated	\$2,150,000.00	\$2,205,727.92
Total Surplus Anticipated	\$2,150,000.00	\$2,205,727.92
3. Miscellaneous Revenues – Section F: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services –Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:		
Interfaith Neighbors – Senior Meal Program	\$ 24,780.00	\$ 22,308.00
2017 Distracted Driving Crackdown	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,500.00
Total Section F: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services–Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations	\$ 228,699.84	\$ 231,727.84
3. Miscellaneous Revenues – Section G: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services – Other Special Items		
CDBG-DR Grant Non-Federal Cost Share	\$ 540,059.00	\$ 490,340.08
Total Section G: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services– Other Special Items	\$2,520,766.60	\$2,471,047.68
SUMMARY OF REVENUES		
1. Surplus Anticipated	\$2,150,000.00	\$2,205,727.92
3. Miscellaneous Revenues:		
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Total Section G: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services– Other Special Items	\$ 2,520,766.60	\$ 2,471,047.68
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	\$10,696,123.12	\$10,649,432.20
5. Subtotal General Revenues	\$13,867,507.14	\$13,876,544.14
6. Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget	\$28,490,083.85	\$28,488,546.85
7. Total General Revenues	\$43,611,051.22	\$43,618,551.22
(A) Operations- Excluded from “CAPS” Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues		
Distracted Driving Crackdown Grant	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,500.00
Total Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenue	\$ 527,291.59	\$ 532,791.59
Total Operations – Excluded from “CAPS” Detail:	\$2,795,513.82	\$2,801,013.82
Other Expenses	\$2,390,626.82	\$2,396,126.82
(E) Deferred Charges – Municipal – Excluded from “CAPS”		
(1) Deferred Charges Special emergency Authorizations – 5 Years	\$ 743,372.00	\$ 745,372.00
(H-2) Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes Excluded from “CAPS”	\$ 7,356,858.22	\$ 7,364,358.22

(O) Total general Appropriations – Excluded From “CAPS”	\$ 7,356,858.22	\$ 7,364,358.22
(L) Subtotal General Appropriations	\$41,491,051.22	\$41,498,551.22
9. Total General Appropriations	\$43,611,051.22	\$43,618,551.22

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS

(A) Total Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues	\$ 527,291.59	\$ 532,791.59
Total Operations – Excluded from “CAPS”	\$ 2,795,513.82	\$ 2,801,013.82
Total General Appropriations	\$43,611,051.22	\$43,618,551.22

DEDICATED SEWER UTILITY BUDGET

Dedicated Revenue From Sewer Utility		
Sewer Operating Surplus Anticipated	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 217,312.08
CDBG-DR Non-Federal Cost Share	\$ 0.00	\$ 33,687.92
Total Sewer Utility Revenue	\$6,815,160.70	\$6,816,160.70
Appropriations for Sewer Utility		
Debt Service:		
Interest on Notes	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,000.00
Total Sewer Utility Appropriations	\$6,815,160.70	\$6,816,160.70

DEDICATED MARINA UTILITY BUDGET

Dedicated Revenue From Marina Utility		
Marina Fees and Costs	\$ 420,000.00	\$ 403,969.00
CDBG-DR Non-Federal Cost Share	\$ 0.00	\$ 16,031.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be filed forthwith in the Office of the Director of Local Government Services for her certification of the local municipal budget so amended and that a copy be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer and the Township Auditor.

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

ADOPT 2017 TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE MUNICIPAL BUDGET

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

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune, County of Monmouth, that the budget hereinbefore set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of \$28,488,546.85 for municipal purposes; and, \$1,253,460.23 for the minimum library levy:

General Revenues

Surplus Anticipated	2,205,727.92
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated	10,649,432.20
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	1,021,384.02
Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	28,488,546.85
Local Tax for Minimum Library Levy	1,253,460.23
Total Revenues	43,618,551.22

General Appropriations

Within "CAPS"	
Operations including contingent	30,369,200.00
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures	3,764,993.00
Excluded from "CAPS"	
Operations	2,801,013.82
Capital Improvements	150,000.00
Municipal Debt Service	3,667,972.40
Deferred Charges	745,372.00
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	2,120,000.00
Total General Appropriations	43,618,551.22

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

COMMENTS FROM THE DAIS

Mr. Millan stated that attended the Monmouth County Improvement Authority breakfast, the Midtown Community Garden clean-up, and the Mt. Olivet community breakfast. He announced a several new Police Department initiatives, including a Fishing Tournament on June 10th at the pond near Hamilton Fire House, and a Public Safety Career Day on May 3rd. Finally, through the Community Outreach Field Contact Initiative, each police officer will be required to self-initiate at least one new citizen contact each week. The officer will introduce themselves, engage the resident in conversation and provide them with a Community Outreach Card.

Mr. McMillan left the meeting to attend a ceremony at his son's college.

Mr. Lane stated that he attended the Grand Opening ceremony of Indian Motorcycle on Route 33. He attended the groundbreaking for the West Lake Avenue Streetscape on April 3rd, the Easter Egg Hunt on April 8th, and the MURC Community Garden clean-up. He announced that the annual Pancreatic Cancer 5km run in the fall is being moved to the Headliner instead of Veterans Memorial Park. He reminded everyone that the USO Dinner Dance is April 29th at the American Legion on Gully Road.

Ms. Rizzo, stated that she attended the Shark River Hills Homeowners Association meeting on March 28th where some of the Board of Education candidates were heard. She attended a Community Economic Development seminar on March 30th and the West Lake Avenue Streetscape groundbreaking on April 3rd. She also stated that she is continuing to meet with the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association once a month.

Mr. Williams stated that he attended the Grand Opening ceremony of Indian Motorcycle, the Recreation Department's Easter Egg Hunt on April 8th and the Midtown Beautification Program. He attended the West Lake Avenue Streetscape groundbreaking and is continuing to work on finding a developer. He apologized for missing the last Township Committee meeting due to illness.

The Mayor stated that he attended the Grand Opening ceremony of Indian Motorcycle on Route 33 and the groundbreaking for the West Lake Avenue Streetscape. The Township has been trying to get this project going for a while by trying to fit in the most work for the available money and he is glad that it has started. He announced that the Mayor's Ball will be held on June 23rd and the beneficiary is Recreation. The theme of the Ball is "Education and Recreation – A Perfect Fit".

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS

Michael Fornino, 120 Fulham Place, thanked the Committee for finally getting his road paved.

Dorothy Argyros, 2100 Rutherford Avenue, stated that once again the Township is placing a lien on a property for tall grass. While everyone is overly concerned about tall grass, a fire trap known as the Warrington stood vacant in Ocean Grove for 8 years and nothing was done. She is reviewing the inspection file and others who lost their homes are also looking into it. The Township is prone to more lawsuits and the insurance carrier may drop coverage because the Township is such a great risk. She stated that Bill Doolittle is not doing his job.

ORDINANCE NO. 17-11 - APPROVED

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

ORDINANCE NO. 17-11

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND VOLUME I, CHAPTER VII, SECTION 7-7.9 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE BY AUTHORIZING NEW AND CLARIFYING EXISTING ANGLE PARKING ZONES

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

Mr. Cuttrell stated that the public hearing on Ordinance 17-11 will be held on Monday, April 24th.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

PLACE LIEN ON 235 FISHER AVENUE

WHEREAS, Ordinance #843 of the Township of Neptune states that where a violation or condition exists on any property in the Township of Neptune that is of such a nature as to constitute an immediate threat to life, health, safety and the well being of residents in this township unless abated without delay, the Code Enforcement Supervisor may abate the violation or condition immediately or order the owner, operator or occupant to correct the violation or condition within a three-day period; and

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Supervisor determined that the condition of the properties listed below constituted such a threat; and,

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Supervisor has notified the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the owners of said property have failed to correct the condition/violation as ordered; and

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Supervisor has had the condition corrected in accordance with Article IV, Section 6.2 (a) of Ordinance #843 at a total cost as indicated below,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the Tax Collector be and is hereby authorized to place the following costs as a lien against the following properties; and,

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
611/9	235 Fisher Avenue	207.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution along with the Code Enforcement Supervisor's report be forwarded to the Tax Collector.

AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A RECIPROCAL MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Township of Neptune desires to enter into a reciprocal Mutual Aid Agreement between Neptune Township Emergency Medical Services and Wall Township Emergency Medical Services; and,

WHEREAS, mutual aid assistance agreements between municipalities for police, fire and emergency medical services are permitted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:14-26; and,

WHEREAS, it is deemed to be in the best interest of the residents of the Township of Neptune to enter into a reciprocal mutual aid and assistance agreement with the Township of Wall to provide emergency medical services in the event of a large incident requiring additional resources or if the resources in the respective jurisdiction are unavailable; and,

WHEREAS, this Mutual Aid Agreement may be renewed on an annual basis and shall remain in effect for an unlimited timeframe unless cancelled by either entity in accordance with the notification requirements contained in the Agreement,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby authorizes the execution of a reciprocal Mutual Aid Agreement with the Township of Wall, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk, for emergency medical services; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the EMS Manager and the Township of Wall.

AMEND CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2017, the Township Committee adopted Resolution #17-60 which adopted the Township Cash Management Plan for 2015; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has requested the addition of a section establishing procedure for the use and authorization of Trust Funds; and,

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has prepared an amendment and recommends adoption,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby authorizes an amendment to the 2017 Cash Management Plan to add Section XVII entitled "Trust Funds" effective immediately (existing Section XVII – "Term of Plan" is hereby renumbered as Section XVIII); and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the remainder of the 2017 Cash Management Plan as adopted on January 1, 2017 remains in full force and effect; and,

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

APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE FLETCHER LAKE COMMISSION

WHEREAS, due to the resignation of William Mockridge, a vacancy exists on the Fletcher Lake Commission; and,

WHEREAS, a vacancy in the alternate member also exists,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the following individuals be and are hereby appointed to the Fletcher Lake Commission for the year 2017:

Lauren Rizzo as the Business Administrator Representative
Linda Maxwell as the Alternate Member

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Fletcher Lake Commission.

AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF SECURITY AND SAFETY EQUIPMENT FOR THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT THROUGH THE STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Director of the Office of Emergency Management has recommended the purchase of security and safety equipment for the Office of Emergency Management through an authorized vendor under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program 1-NJCP; and,

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Public Contracts Laws, N.J.S. 40A:11-12; and,

WHEREAS, Firefighter One has been awarded New Jersey State Contracts No. 80961 and No. 81328 for this equipment; and,

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent recommends the utilization of this contract on the grounds that the price reflects a substantial savings; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of the equipment shall not exceed \$23,227.31; and,

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose are available from Ordinance No. 15-33 and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the purchase of security and safety equipment for the Office of Emergency Management through New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program Contracts No. 80961 and No. 81328 be and is hereby authorized at an amount not to exceed \$23,227.31; and,

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

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 in the 2017 municipal budget in the appropriation entitled Police S&W and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that Matthew Simpson and Syessence Davis 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.

AUTHORIZE THE REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT OF WINTER STORAGE FEE

WHEREAS, Piotr Walkowski made a payment for winter storage at the Municipal Marina which was in excess of the required amount; and,

WHEREAS, he has furnished the necessary documentation and has requested a refund of the overpayment; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the Harbor Master be and is hereby authorized to refund an overpayment of winter storage fees in the amount of \$290.00 to Piotr Walkowski; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Harbor Master, Deputy Tax Collector, Assistant Purchasing Agent and Auditor.

AUTHORIZE THE REFUND OF A SUMMER DOCKAGE FEE

WHEREAS, Thomas Larson made a payment in the amount of \$2,244.00 to the Municipal Marina for 2017 summer dockage; and,

WHEREAS, based on the current dock configuration and physical limitations, Mr. Larson would not be able to access his boat; and,

WHEREAS, the Harbor Master recommends that a refund be authorized,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune, that the Harbor Master be and hereby is authorized to refund a summer dockage fee in the amount of \$2,244.00 as stated herein; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Harbor Master, Deputy Tax Collector, Assistant Purchasing Agent and Auditor.

ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF MONIQUE BURGER AS COMMUNITY PROJECTS COORDINATOR

WHEREAS, the Business Administrator has received a letter from Monique Burger resigning as Community Projects Coordinator effective April 19, 2017,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the resignation of Monique Burger as Community Projects Coordinator is hereby accepted effective April 19, 2017; 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 AFSCME Local #1844.

AUTHORIZE DONATION OF TWO SURPLUS VEHICLES TO THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE HOUSING AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the Township of Neptune is the owner of a 2001 Chevrolet pick-up truck and a 2004 Ford utility truck that are no longer needed by the Township and are therefore surplus equipment; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Neptune Housing Authority, a governmental agency performing a governmental function in the Township of Neptune, is in need of said vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Neptune desires to authorize the donation of the vehicles to the Township of Neptune Housing Authority at no cost,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby authorizes the donation of the following surplus vehicles to the Township of Neptune Housing Authority:

2001 Chevrolet pick-up	VIN# 1GCDT19W918201484
2004 Ford utility truck	VIN# 1FDXF47P14EB65812

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

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

AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the following bills be paid if properly certified:

CURRENT FUND	\$4,013,627.88
GRANT FUND	14,042.75
TRUST FUND	53,488.20
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	205,861.41
SEWER OPERATING FUND	24,124.94
SEWER CAPITAL FUND	31,850.00
MARINA OPERATING FUND	6,599.32
LIBRARY TRUST	1,209.00
BILL LIST TOTAL	\$4,350,803.50

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Assistant C.F.O.

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

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jack Bredin, 94 ½ Heck Avenue, stated that he purchased his home in Ocean Grove in 2001 and has noticed that the noise level gets higher every year because of landscaping companies doing lawn maintenance with large and noisy equipment. Some town have banned the commercial use of gas powered blowers in the summer months. He urged the Committee to enact a ban to protect the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens. The Mayor asked that the matter be discussed at the next workshop meeting.

Ann Horan, 69 Clark Avenue, stated that she agrees with Mr. Bredin and this type of equipment should be banned from use in Ocean Grove. Ms. Horan stated that when utility companies perform work in the roads, they are required to only pave half of the width of the roadway. She asked the Committee to petition the state to require that utilities to pave the entire road after excavation. Mr. Gadaleta stated that the Township changed its ordinance to require at least half of the road if the disturbance exceeds a certain square footage. Also, the Township has paved the other half of the road in instances where we receive grant funding or include it as part of a road repaving program. Mr. Gadaleta stated that he will explore options.

Reverend Lee, 296 Drummond Avenue, stated he happened to drive by and see the streetscaping ground breaking on Lake Avenue and he was sorry that he missed it. He stated he had to read the annual police report online so that he could get a better idea as to what is going on. he shared some of his thoughts with the Committee. He felt a healthy police presence was needed and they could not be everywhere. As far as gun violence he wanted to get rid of the root of the problem.

Mayor Brantley stated he agreed with his statements and assured him that they were approaching those things by addressing them.

Ms. Rizzo stated she's had short conversations with Reverend Lee and one of the things that have started to become very clear is that she start to look at the economical development and what it will take. She talked to some businesses and questioned why they did not come to this area and one of the first questions were "What were our schools like". She also stated they should not be training people to get low income job. We must improve the schools as well. She stated they had to change with the times.

Mr. Lee stated they needed training that would train more than just two people and just in the summer.

Richard Williams, 1 Abbott Avenue, stated MURC has a meeting on April 20th to discuss the situation of guns in town. He urged everyone to come out to it. He asked if they knew the count as far as the parking spaces because he heard that it was drastically lower than what it was suppose to be.

Mr. Gadaleta stated there were 18 additional parking spaces and explained how the angle parking would work.

Committeeman Nick Williams read a letter from Leanne Hoffman, Township Engineer.

Nancy Clarke, 47 Embury Avenue, questioned where were they on the process of the Certified Local Government application.

Mr. Gadaleta stated they were working on it and will be meeting with the state and they will be submitting the application.

Ms. Clarke stated as far as the HPC guidelines she understood that the current guidelines were not owned by the Township itself but they were created as a work for hire.

Mr. Gadaleta stated that was correct and when that contract was signed with Mr. Pavliv there was a provision that he had copyrights to the guidelines and they could not be used by anyone without his permission. He stated this would be the opportunity to improve the process and the

guidelines.

Ms. Clarke stated it would be nice if positive input could be added and she also requested that the members from HPC give their input.

Mayor Brantley stated they were not looking at the positive and negatives they are just going to look at it.

Mr. Anthony stated in the status report he received from Gannon a couple of weeks ago he stated he was close to closing and he will be sending him his financials shortly. He was informed that they are also working close with the Camp Meeting.

Michael Fornino, 120 Fulham Place, questioned what type of equipment they were getting for emergency management.

Mr. Gadalta stated it mentions safety and security equipment in the resolution but he did not have it in front of him.

Mr. Fornino suggested that the Committee see the movie Hidden Figures because he cannot deal with a can't deal with a can't do attitude. He stated Catherine Johnson was wonderful. He stated he also filled out an OPRA request today and there was phone number, fax number or email address on it so that he could fax it or email it back. He stated it was an embarrassment and he wouldn't pay the consultant firm either. He stated the Township needs to run itself like a business.

Jen Coombs, stated she's been reading a lot about the bail reform and it seems like they are having a lot of problems with it.

Mr. Gadaleta stated for most communities it's very early in the process and it's going to take some time. He stated he's even taking the time to speak to a superior court judge about this. It will be a learning curve. He stated this is stated mandated and everyone is dealing with it.

Barbara Burns, 4 Ocean Avenue stated she was complaining about the proposed revisions of the HPC Guidelines and that he was steadfastly refusing in the face of many comments and that he should involve the HPC in their process. She urged them to involve the HPC and get actual input as to what happens in the field.

Dorothy Argyros, 2100 Rutherford Avenue, stated that the Township needs a deterrent for police violence and reiterated her call that police officers be required to carry their own liability insurance.

Kennedy Buckley, 65 Broadway, stated that there is an ordinance requirement that applications to the Historic Preservation Commission be heard within 45 days or the application is automatically deemed approved. Given this fact, he does not understand how there are complaints about delays in hearing applications by the Commission.

John DiGiamberardino, Executive Director, Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association, reviewed the summer programming scheduled for 2017 including the Sunday worship speakers and Saturday night programs.

Mr. Lane offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams to adjourn. All were in favor.

Richard J. Cuttrell,
Municipal Clerk