

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING – FEBRUARY 24, 2020

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

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

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The following items were discussed in open session:

Discussion on the occupancy tax was held until next workshop meeting.

Mr. Gadaleta stated that Dawn Thompson, Recreation Director, has received requests for before and after care during the time which the Summer Recreation Program is operating. She recommends before care for one hour at a cost of \$100 and two hours for after care at \$200. The total charge for both would be \$300 and there would be no option for partial dates or weekly plans. Mr. Williams stated that he looked at the numbers and the proposed charge amounts to only \$3.57 per hour for care. The Committee asked that a resolution be prepared to approve the proposed fees.

Mr. Gadaleta asked the Committee members to advise Mayor Lane if they will be marching in the Belmar St. Patrick's Day parade.

AUTHORIZE AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT – NOT CONSIDERED/NO ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

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After a moment of Silent Prayer and the Flag Salute, the Deputy 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

Ms. Rizzo offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams, to approve the minutes of the meetings held on February 10, 2020. All were in favor.

COMMENTS FROM THE DAIS

Ms. Rizzo stated that the departmental budget meetings are complete. The budget will be presented at an upcoming workshop meeting. She attended the American Legion Black History Month celebration. She was asked to participate in the Hackensack Meridian Family Advisory Board. She had the opportunity to run into Freeholder Lillian Burry at the Starving Artist restaurant and thanked her for her support with the Township's open space grant. She attended the Township's Black History Month celebration where Connie Holmes was recognized. Ms. Holmes asked Ms. Rizzo to convey thanks to the Committee for the proclamation.

Mr. Williams stated that the marina is starting to see some activity with people working on their boats when the weather is warm. Boats will start going back into the water on April 1st. The marina has acquired a new travel lift which will be ready to go this Spring. This winter has brought no snow, so there has been very little overtime in the Public Works Department.

Dr. Brantley stated that he has been attending to family matters as his wife's uncle and mother both recently passed away.

Mr. McMillan attended the American Legion Post 266 Black History Month celebration. He participated in the McDonalds Black History Month Read In. He attended an Expungement Workshop at St. Stephens Church in Asbury Park. He presented a proclamation to the family of Carl Bowles who recently passed away. He also attended the service for Dr. Brantley's mother in-law. He participated in the Township's Black History Month celebration where his fraternity contributed \$500 to essay contest participants. He also attended a fundraiser for the Neptune Jazz Band and the 100th birthday celebration of Rosetta Stewart.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Gadaleta provided the following report:

Schoolhouse Square Redevelopment: The new redeveloper has submitted the required grading plans for review by the Engineering department. Approval of the grading plans is forthcoming. Once approved, building permits will be issued upon submission of construction plans and specifications.

West Lake Avenue Redevelopment: Township is in process of closing on the acquisition of two additional parcels of land, 1614 and 1718 West Lake Avenue, Those closings should take place in early March. Ordinances are up for consideration this evening. On Wednesday last week, Mr. Gadaleta met with a small development company to discuss their interest in the area. The may submit a Redeveloper Pre-Submission Form in the near future.

Ocean Grove Boardwalk Replacement: The OGCMA has begun reconstruction of the decking on the south boardwalk from the Bradley Beach border to the fishing pier. Township DPW has placed barricades along Ocean Avenue, eastside, to provide for the construction activities. A completion date has not been provided but it is expected to be complete before the summer months.

Redevelopment Activities: Demolition activities will soon be taking place at the corner of West Lake Avenue and Route 35, where a new 7-11 store will be built, and at the former Coca Cola facility on Route 35 at the Asbury Park Traffic Circle.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS

There were no public comments on resolutions.

ORDINANCE NO. 20-02 - ADOPTED

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

ORDINANCE NO. 20-02

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND VOLUME I, CHAPTER II OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE BY AMENDING THE FEE FOR THE SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

The Deputy Mayor requested comments on the above ordinance. There being no comments, he closed the public hearing.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 20-03 - ADOPTED

Dr. Brantley offered the following ordinance, moved and seconded by Ms. Rizzo, that it be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 20-03

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING TRANSFER AND ACCEPTANCE
OF TITLE TO BLOCK 605, LOT 45; 1614 WEST LAKE AVENUE,
NEPTUNE TOWNSHIP TO THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE

The Deputy Mayor requested comments on the above ordinance. There being no comments, he closed the public hearing.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 20-04 - ADOPTED

Ms. Rizzo offered the following ordinance, moved and seconded by Dr. Brantley, that it be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 20-04

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND VOLUME I, CHAPTER VII OF THE
CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE BY CONVERTING AN
EXISTING HANDICAPPED PARKING ZONE TO A RESIDENT
ONLY HANDICAPPED PARKING ZONE ON CENTRAL AVENUE
AND REMOVING A HANDICAPPED PARKING ZONE ON CLARK
AVENUE

The Deputy Mayor requested comments on the above ordinance. There being no comments, he closed the public hearing.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 20-05 - APPROVED

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

ORDINANCE NO. 20-05

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING TRANSFER AND ACCEPTANCE
OF TITLE TO BLOCK 611, LOT 38; 1718 WEST LAKE AVENUE,
NEPTUNE TOWNSHIP TO THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE

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

ORDINANCE NO. 20-06 - APPROVED

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

ORDINANCE NO. 20-06

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 OCEAN
PATHWAY

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

ORDINANCE NO. 20-07 - APPROVED

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

ORDINANCE NO. 20-07

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING DEED OF DEDICATION AND
PERPETUAL PUBLIC ACCESS EASEMENT FOR TOWNSHIP
OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 820 MAPLE AVENUE

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

Mr. Cuttrell stated that the Public Hearings on Ordinances No. 20-05, 20-06, and 20-07 will be held on Monday, March 9, 2020.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE
BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY TO PROVIDE A TELEPHONIC COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION
SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the Township of Neptune possesses a Telephonic Community Notification System ("System") to alert its residents in the event of anticipated or on-going emergency within the Township of Neptune; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Neptune and the Borough of Neptune City desire to enter into an Interlocal Service Agreement pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1 et seq. to allow the Borough to utilize the System to provide emergency information to its residents; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough will agree to pay the Township an annual fee of \$2,800.00 plus billings by the community notification system vendor for any mass calls; and,

WHEREAS, this Interlocal Service Agreement shall be automatically renewed on an annual basis on the anniversary date of the signing of said Agreement for a term of three (3) years effective January 1, 2020,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby authorizes the execution of an Interlocal Services Agreement with the Borough of Neptune City, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk, which authorizes the Borough to utilize the Township's Telephonic Community Notification System to provide emergency notifications to Borough residents; and,

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

EMPLOY TEMPORARY SEASONAL PERSONNEL FOR THE NEPTUNE SUMMER RECREATION
PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Township of Neptune Recreation Department will be sponsoring a Summer Recreation Program; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need for a part-time seasonal Camp Director to assist in planning and coordinating the program; and,

WHEREAS, the Recreation Director has recommended that the individual who served in this capacity last year be employed for the 2020 season; and,

WHEREAS, funds will be provided for the first three months of 2020 in the 2020 Temporary Budget and funds for the balance of 2020 will be provided in the Budget for the year 2020, when finally adopted, in the appropriation entitled Recreation 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 Kaitlyn Oates be and is hereby employed as a part-time seasonal Camp Director in the Neptune Summer Recreation Program from March 1, 2020 through August 14, 2020, at an hourly rate of \$20.00 not to exceed a total of 285 hours; and,

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

ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF JUSTIN JAWOROWSKI AS AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN IN THE EMS DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the EMS Director has received a letter from Justin Jaworowski resigning as an Emergency Medical Technician in the EMS Department effective March 1, 2020,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the resignation of Justin Jaworowski as an Emergency Medical Technician in the EMS Department is hereby accepted effective March 1, 2020; and,

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

AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY FOR DISPOSAL OF LEAVES

WHEREAS, the Township of Neptune and Borough of Neptune City desire to enter into an agreement for disposal of leaves collected by the Borough at the Neptune Township Public Works Yard for ultimate disposal and recycling by the Township through a contracted third party; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Neptune and the Borough of Neptune City desire to enter into an Interlocal Service Agreement pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1 et seq. to serve the best interests of residents in both municipalities by enjoying the benefits of economies of scale through this arrangement; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough will agree to transport leaves collected from Borough residents to the Township Public Works Yard and pay the Township at a specified rate per per cubic yard; and,

WHEREAS, this Interlocal Service Agreement shall be effective for three (3) years beginning on January 1, 2020,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby authorizes the execution of an Interlocal Services Agreement with the Borough of Neptune City, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk, providing for the disposal of the Borough's leaves at the Township Public Works Yard for three (3) years beginning January 1, 2020 at a rate of \$5.75 per cubic yard in 2020 and \$5.85 per cubic yard in 2021 and 2022 payable to the Township; and,

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

WAIVE MUNICIPAL PORTION OF CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FEES AND DUMPSTER FEES FOR WORLD CHANGERS REHABILITATION PROJECTS

WHEREAS, this summer, World Changers will again be performing roof rehabilitation projects that require construction permits and dumpsters; and,

WHEREAS, World Changers is a non-profit volunteer organization providing home improvement projects at various locations throughout the Township; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee desires to authorize a waiver of the construction permit and dumpster fees associated with these projects,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby waives the municipal portion of the construction fee permits and all dumpster fees for repairs being performed by World Changers for the reasons as stated herein; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution does not waive the requirement to obtain applicable construction permits and the performance of construction inspections; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Construction Official.

AUTHORIZE APPROPRIATION FOR ANNUAL WORLD CHANGERS INITIATIVE

WHEREAS, World Changers will again be visiting the Township to undertake an urban development program by making minor repairs to various residential homes and assisting our residents in cleaning their properties; and,

WHEREAS, there is the need to purchase building supplies and materials to utilize in this program; and,

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose in the U.D.A.G. Trust Fund and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby authorizes up to \$30,000.00 from the U.D.A.G. Trust Fund for the purchase of building materials and supplies in connection with the 2020 World Changers urban development initiative to repair various residential homes in the Township; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer, Assistant Chief Financial Officer and Community Programs Coordinator.

AUTHORIZE THE CANCELLATION OF SEWER RENT (704 HIGHWAY 35)

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has requested the cancellation of sewer rent to the property listed below,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector be and hereby is authorized to cancel Sewer Rent as stated herein; and,

BLOCK/LOT	ASSESSED TO	ADDRESS	YEAR	AMOUNT
701/1	M&M at Neptune, LLC	704 Highway 35	2 nd half 2020	690.00

REASON: Building disconnected 2/12/2020

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

AUTHORIZE THE CANCELLATION OF SEWER RENT (3514 HIGHWAY 33)

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has requested the cancellation of sewer rent to the property listed below,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector be and hereby is authorized to cancel Sewer Rent as stated herein; and,

BLOCK/LOT	ASSESSED TO	ADDRESS	YEAR	AMOUNT
3102/4	Highway 33 Court, LLC	3514 Highway 33	2 nd half 2020	920.00

REASON: Building disconnected 2/12/2020

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

AUTHORIZE CHANGE ORDER #1 (FINAL) IN CONNECTION WITH THE 2019 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, on March 25, 2019, the Township Committee adopted Resolution #19-158 which awarded a bid to P&A Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$943,770.35 in connection with the 2019 Road Improvement Program; and,

WHEREAS, a change to the contract has been experienced as a result of final as-built quantities at project close-out; and,

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

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose will be provided in Ordinance No. 17-21 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 Mayor and Clerk be and are hereby authorized to execute Change Order #1 (final) in the contract with P&A Construction, Inc. in connection with the 2019 Road Improvement Program resulting in a net increase of \$162.35 revising the total contract amount to \$943,932.70; and,

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

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

AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF BILLS

Mr. 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	7,308,892.07
GRANT FUND	4,260.88
TRUST FUND	27,936.18
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	17,332.13
SEWER OPERATING FUND	18,336.96
SEWER CAPITAL FUND	487,224.10
MARINA OPERATING FUND	4,548.23
DOG TRUST	700.60
LIBRARY TRUST	2,886.46
BILL LIST TOTAL	\$7,872,117.61

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: Brantley, aye; McMillan, aye; Rizzo, aye; and Williams, aye.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gail Richardson, 405 Forrest Avenue, stated that she assumed that a very well-liked Committee member, Kevin McMillan, would have the county line in the upcoming primary election but has heard that he does not. She asked to know the mechanics of how this selection is made. Mr. McMillan stated that each of the Township's 20 voting districts has two individuals who vote. They selected someone else to have the county line. Ms. Richardson asked if she should approach her district leader to discuss this. Dr. Brantley suggested that she contact the Democratic Party Chairman, James Mowzcan, and he will give you the contact information for her district leader. Ms. Richardson asked if the Township Committee communicates with the district leaders. Dr. Brantley replied yes, all the member have contact. Ms. Richardson stated that she would contact Mr. Mowzcan.

Dr. James Chenitz, South Riverside Drive, stated that Mr. McMillan does his research and does not always follow orders and for that, the other Committee members are taking retribution. Mr. McMillan does his job, he is a straight shooter and does what is best for Neptune. Members of the Township Committee pursued the County Committee to vote him out. This decision is breaking the Neptune democrats in two and helping to achieve in getting a republican elected. Mr. McMillan

always gets votes and this action moves him to an obscure position on the ballot because he is not a lap dog. Integrity no longer matters and this is "Trumpian" retribution. Dr. Chenitz concluded that Mr. McMillan will win the primary because everyone here tonight will work to get him elected.

Barbara Burns, 4 Ocean Avenue, asked the purpose of denying Mr. McMillan the county line in the election. He has been a thoughtful, smart, professional member of this Committee. He does his homework and his breadth of experience is unsurpassed by any of the other Committee members. He is well educated and has taken several training courses on governmental services, planning and policies. Mr. Williams asked why he was being signaled out stating he does not have a vote on the County Committee. Ms. Burns stated that this action is divisive and unproductive and there will be long-term unintended consequences.

Nancy Clarke, Embury Avenue, stated that several months ago, Mr. Gadaleta was threatened with firing and she suspects there was a push to move him out because he presents other options for consideration. She sees a pattern here. Rumors are that members of the Township Committee decided that Mr. McMillan would not have the County line. Mr. McMillan treats all people with respect and asked why doesn't the democratic party have the same respect for him. She stated that she has nothing against Mr. Cafferty, but next year is the year he should be running. It is important that our democracy be transparent from the bottom to the top. This is disheartening that different voices cannot be heard.

Shanae McMillan, stated that her father, Kevin McMillan, has been in politics for over 18 years. Her success is the result of the community projects and service programs for youth that her father created. She has learned through his example and his purpose is much bigger than any title. This is disheartening because he has been at every birthday, celebration, retirement or funeral representing Neptune. He is approachable to those who do not know which way to go. He is an example for black men and he got here because of his honesty and integrity. No matter what happens in the election, the McMillans will always be here for the citizens of Neptune.

Mr. McMillan thanked everyone for the support. He stated that they came for Michael Bascom, then Mr. Gadaleta, then Ms. Rizzo, and now they are coming for him. Last year he received a phone call that Mr. Williams was working to taking Ms. Rizzo out. This year, over the Christmas break, he received a call from a republican that Mr. Williams and Dr. Brantley were going to have a candidate run against him. Mr. McMillan stated that he has been threatened to vote a certain way or there would be punitive damages. Before he was a Democrat, he was a Christian and you have to do what is right and treat people with respect. He is doing this because he loves it, is passionate about, and for the right reasons. He stated that he always asks the questions and always serves impartially.

Mr. Williams stated that last year, a person approached him to say they wanted to run against Ms. Rizzo. This is a democracy. Mr. Williams stated that in 2012, he won the County Committee vote against Mary Beth Jahn but was denied the county line by the County Chairperson. He accepted it and supported Ms. Jahn. He ran three years later and won with Dr. Brantley and was on the County line. The current County Chairperson was at the meeting last Saturday when the vote was taken and said that out of all of the other towns, Neptune Township does it the fairest way. 31 County Committee members voted and Keith Cafferty won. Mr. Williams added that when Tassie York lost last year against Ms. Rizzo, she told him that she was going to run again this year, but if someone else wanted to run against Mr. McMillan that she would back out and not run. There were no back door deals or meetings.

Susan Chenitz, South Riverside Drive, stated the process for determining the County line is the most undemocratic process because the voters do not get a say as to who goes on the ballot. We don't always have to agree on issues but we need the ability to listen to each other and that ability is embodied in Mr. McMillan. Members of the Township Committee don't always need to agree, but that is no reason to do an end run around Mr. McMillan. He has a history of loyalty and service to the community.

Frank Luthe, 66 Whitefield Avenue, stated that 2020 election is very important and we need to have a strong ticket. Mr. McMillan is the best candidate and he has the most name recognition. The Democrats are fighting at the top of the ballot and we do not need fighting at the bottom of the ballot. The Committee needs to show more sense and do this to win the election.

Dr. Brantley stated that 31 district leaders voted. Three of those leaders contacted him before the vote. He did not tell anyone who to support and has never supported or not supported a candidate at the district leader level. There are a lot of rumors going around going back to Mr. Bascom and Mr. Gadaleta, but people don't know the entire story. He did not know that Keith Cafferty was running until after Mr. Cafferty announced it.

Pamela Whisnant, 16 Colleen Way, stated she supports Mr. McMillan. She does not know why we would be against each other. Everyone is here tonight to speak about the mistreatment of Mr. McMillan. She witnessed him comfort and stay with a woman who had just lost a child the drowning. Mr. McMillan is always present when he is needed. She asked the Committee to rethink this decision and give Mr. McMillan a fair chance.

Mary Jane Dodd, 624 South Riverside Drive, stated that she supports Mr. McMillan for his service and integrity and the people here tonight will be showing up for Mr. McMillan.

Ray Dodd, 424 Woodmere Avenue, stated that he has spoken to Mr. McMillan a few times and he is thoughtful and respectful. He is disappointed that Mr. McMillan is not on the County ballot line. Mr. McMillan has his vote.

Mr. McMillan thanked everyone for their support and for attending this evening.

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

Richard J. Cuttrell,
Municipal Clerk