

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE WORKSHOP MEETING – January 23, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Cafferty calls the workshop meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and asks the Clerk to call the roll:

Roll Call	Present/ Absent
Dr. Michael Brantley	<u>Absent</u>
Robert Lane, Jr.	<u>Present</u>
Tassie D. York	<u>Present</u>
Nicholas Williams	<u>Present</u>
Keith Cafferty	<u>Present</u>

Also present: Gina M. LaPlaca, Business Administrator; Gene Anthony, Township Attorney; Gabriella Siboni, Municipal Clerk.

Mayor Cafferty announces that the notice requirements of R.S. 10:4-18 have been satisfied by the publication of the required advertisement in The Coaster and the Asbury Park Press on January 5, 2023, posting the notice on the Board in the Municipal Complex, and filing a copy of said notice with the Municipal Clerk. In addition, the meeting agenda is posted on the Township web site (www.neptunetownship.org) and the meeting is being streamed live via townhallstreams.com.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION IN OPEN SESSION

1. Ordinance 23-05 Parking Restriction on Main Ave. Ocean Grove
Ms. Siboni stated she met with the Chamber of Commerce and Sergeant MacConchie to review the proposed parking spaces that would have a time limit.:

19 Spaces Total are proposed to have a parking restriction:

- Parking enforcement between May 15 and September 15
- 9:00AM to 6:00PM
- Three (3) Hours parking limit

The spaces chosen and measured are in front of businesses on Main Ave. Consideration was made so the spots were not picked in places where there are residences. A map is included with the packet for a general view of spot location.

2. Committee Calendars

Mr. Lane stated that the first meeting for the Memorial Day Parade committee is upcoming to discuss scholarships and the parade.

Res #23 - 081 Authorize An Executive Session As Authorized By The Open Public Meetings Act.

Offered by: Lane _____ Seconded by: York _____
Vote: Brantley Absent Lane Yes York Yes Williams Yes Cafferty Yes

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING – January 23, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Cafferty calls the meeting to order and asks the Clerk to call the roll:

Roll Call	Present/ Absent
Dr. Michael Brantley	<u>Absent</u>
Robert Lane, Jr.	<u>Present</u>
Tassie D. York	<u>Present</u>
Nicholas Williams	<u>Present</u>
Keith Cafferty	<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 Committeewoman York, seconded by, Committeeman Lane, to approve the minutes of meetings of January 1, 2023. All present were in favor.

Motion offered by Committeeman Lane, seconded by, Committeewoman York, to approve the minutes of meetings of January 9, 2023. All present were in favor.

COMMENTS FROM THE DAIS

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

Mr. Lane stated that DPW is picking up leaves and Christmas trees. Hopefully everyone has received the DPW calendars. We received equipment that will allow for some services to be completed in house.

Mr. Lane provided an update on the Fletcher Lake Bulkhead project.

Ms. York stated the weekend of February 20-21 Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the girls getaway.

Mayor Cafferty stated this is budget season and today was the first round of budget meetings and we are working through it.

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

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

Ms. LaPlaca stated that all the sand has been trucked to the site for the Living Shore Line Project. The fences will be installed weather pending within the week. Then we will have the planting of dune grass. There will be another public information session about the living shoreline project hopefully before the end of February.

Ms. LaPlaca thanked Chief Fisher for inviting her to the Police Department Meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS

The Clerk will announce additional information in regards to Separated Resolutions if necessary.

For Resolution 23-090

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
Kenneth A. Fahnholz	Public Works	CDL Class A Driver	\$44,500.00	1/30/2023

Public comments regarding resolutions presented on this agenda only.

The public comment portion of our meeting is to allow the public to bring to the Committee's attention their concerns or comments. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 10: 4-12(a) and the Neptune Rules of Committee, the Committee asks the public to limit their comments to five minutes or less. The Committee will respect the public's time by refraining any comment until the speaker has finished with their allotted time. It should be further noted that public comment portion of our meeting is not structured as a question and answer session. If a member of the public has questions they seek answers to, an appointment can be made with the appropriate office, Business Administrator or Township Committee Liaison during regular business hours. The Township Clerk will regulate the time during the comment portion of our meeting. The Committee reserves the right to respond to comments or questions at the conclusion of the speakers time.

There were no public comments.

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 23-01 An Ordinance To Amend Volume I, Chapter VII, Section 7-11 Of The Code Of The Township Of Neptune By Establishing A Stop Intersection At Yale Road And Harvard Avenue

Explanatory Statement: The purpose of this ordinance is to add a stop intersection on Yale Road at the intersection of Yale Road and Harvard Avenue.

There were no public comments.

Offered by: York Seconded by: Lane
Vote: Brantley Absent Lane Yes York Yes Williams Yes Cafferty Yes

Ordinance 23-02 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

Explanatory Statement: This ordinance is increasing the fees for the Summer Recreation Program.

There were no public comments.

Offered by: Williams Seconded by: Lane
Vote: Brantley Absent Lane Yes York Yes Williams Yes Cafferty Yes

Ordinance 23-03 An Ordinance Creating And Setting The Salary Range For New Job Titles And Amending The Salary Ranges For All Other Existing Job Titles Of The Township Of Neptune And Repealing All Parts Of Previous Ordinances Inconsistent Herewith

Explanatory Statement: The purpose of this ordinance is to include the position of Laborer and Assistant Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator and establish the salary range for same.

There were no public comments.

Offered by: York Seconded by: Lane
Vote: Brantley Absent Lane Yes York Yes Williams Yes Cafferty Yes

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

Ordinance 23-04 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.

Offered by: Lane Seconded by: York
Vote: Brantley Absent Lane Yes York Yes Williams Yes Cafferty Yes

The Clerk announces the public hearing on ordinances listed will be held on February , 2023

CONSENT AGENDA

- Res #23- 082** Authorizing The Application For Recreation Improvement Grant From The New Jersey Department Of Community Affairs
- Res #23- 083** Place Lien On Various Properties
- Res #23- 084** Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing Shared Service Agreement With The City Of Asbury Park For Geese Management Of Wesley Lake
- Res #23- 085** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune To Authorize The Cancellation Of UDAG Mortgages
- Res #23- 086** Authorizing Settlement In The Matter Of James M. Hunt, Jr. V. Neptune Of Neptune, Under Docket No. MON-L-3834-20
- Res #23- 087** Resolution Authorizing Execution Of The Side Bar Agreement With Neptune Township Department/Division Head Association
- Res #23- 088** Resolution Authorizing Execution Of The Side Bar Agreement With Employees With Individual Employment Contracts
- Res #23- 089** Authorize Payment of Bills

CONSENT AGENDA

Offered by: Lane Seconded by: York
Vote: Brantley Absent Lane Yes York Yes Williams Yes Cafferty Yes

SEPARATED RESOLUTIONS

- Res #23- 090** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing Certain Personnel Actions- Public Works

Offered by: York Seconded by: Lane
Vote: Brantley Absent Lane Yes York Yes Williams Yes Cafferty Yes

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may address any concern relating to the Township.

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office, Business Administrator or Township Committee Liaison during regular business hours. The Township Clerk will regulate the time during the comment portion of our meeting. The Committee reserves the right to respond to comments or questions at the conclusion of the speakers time.

Barbara Burns, 4 Ocean Ave.

Ms. Burns stated she has had a chance to read the lawsuit regarding OGNED and the motion submitted by Neptune Township. Ms. Burns stated that she was pleased with the response from the Township, but is inquiring why there have been five adjournments on this matter. Mr. Anthony indicated that the Courts have adjourned the matter. Ms. Burns stated it was at the request of the parties. Ms. Burns stated she believes it is very curious.

Ms. Burns stated that the Township Code regarding the Section Code regarding Certificate of Inspections. Ms. Burns asked if there are any certificate of Inspections for the tents in Ocean Grove and through an OPRA request, it was indicated that there were no such records. Ms. Burns stated she believes this is inaccurate and the tents should be included for the tents.

Gary Brown, 102 Cardinal Rd.

Mr. Brown stated that Zen Leaf would have their guards there for security during the business hours. They were responsive to this initially, but there are no guards currently monitoring the location. Mr. Brown asked if the Township can inquire where is the security that was indicated and promised. The parking lot is a stone throws away from the properties on Cardinal Rd. Mr. Brown asked if there can be a conversation regarding the security in the parking lot.

Mr. Brown asked if the Township can speak to Shop Rite about the excessive trash and Debris around the area and is hoping the Township can enforce.

Joy Norton, 48 Main Ave.

Ms. Norton asked a question regarding the spaces that are proposed for parking restriction. Ms. Norton asked how this parking restriction would be enforced.

Ms. Norton stated that the Public Comment on the agenda. Ms. Norton stated the public comment should retain an open discussion.

Nancy Clarke, 47 Embury Ave.

Ms. Clarke stated there is a significant amount of confusion regarding the yard waste and asked if there can be clarification about how to put out the Yard Waste.

Ms. Clarke thanked Mr. Lane and Mr. Cafferty about a program where there is a grant to reimburse residents. Some residents do not have access to internet, or smart phones. How would these residents be informed on these matters?

Ms. Clarke is in favor of the proposed parking restriction on Main Ave.

Ms. Clarke stated that the public comment it is important that the answer is on the record to the comment or question. Ms. Clarke stated she is not seeking a back and forth with the Committee, but is hoping that the Committee will be able to respond and is hoping for a relaxed policy.

Mr. Cafferty stated he would seek ways to inform residents about the Anchor program.

James Coakley, 2100 Rt. 66 Circle Holdings

Mr. Coakley stated he will reach out to Zen Leaf about the security and as the landlord of the property they are seeking ways to include more security. Mr. Coakley stated there is a growing concern about the homeless population behind the ShopRite. Mr. Coakley stated this can extend the issues of trash and items left behind.

Rich Williams, 1 Abbott Ave.

Mr. Williams asked what time Black History Event starts. Ms. York stated 2:00-4:00PM

Joyce Klein, 105 Mt.

Ms. Klein stated the Yard Waste Issue. There may be some clarification that

Hermon Way

Ocean Grove can use the Green containers, but there has not been a confirmation or notice that this can occur. Ms. Klein has indicated that loose waste may make flooding in the area worse as well. Ms. Klein stated it will exacerbate the issues in Ocean Grove if the Green Containers in Ocean Grove.

Ms. Klein stated that in regards to Public Comment Policy, she would like to see the Committee still able to respond.

Ms. Klein is happy to see the ordinance for Main Ave. Parking.

ADJOURNMENT

Offered by: Williams

Seconded by: York

Time adjourned: 7:33PM

Respectfully Submitted,



Gabriella Siboni
Township Clerk