

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING – DECEMBER 10, 2012

Mayor Bishop called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and requested the Clerk to call the roll. The following members were present: Eric J. Houghtaling, Mary Beth Jahn, and Mayor J. Randy Bishop. Absent: Dr. Michael Brantley. (Kevin B. McMillan arrived during the open workshop session)

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

Mayor Bishop announced that the notice requirements of R.S. 10:4-18 have been satisfied by the publication of the required advertisement in the Asbury Park Press and The Coaster on January 5, 2012, 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:

The Township reviewed information on the Propertytaxcard.com incentive program for patronizing local businesses. Nick Campanella presented information on the program. He stated that Fincredit started the program in Marlboro Township. The idea is to keep money within the municipality and promote local shopping. Businesses offer discounts through a loyalty reward program. The discount offsets local property taxes through a loyalty card. In Marlboro, 1600 people have already signed up for the card. He stated that there are about 20 municipalities in the process of participating and Camden County wants to do the program as a complete county.

Mr. McMillan arrived.

Mr. Anthony asked why it was necessary for Township approval. Mr. Campanella responded that they want the municipal government as a partner and that some towns are allowing their Economic Development Corporations to review and approve the program. Mr. Bascom stated that they are meeting with Neptune Township EDC at their next meeting. Mr. McMillan asked how Propertytaxcard.com makes money. Mr. Campanella responded that 2.5% of the 10% discount is retained by his company.

Wayne Rode, Director of Public Works, provided a status on clean-up efforts from Hurricane Sandy. He stated that the bulk pick-up will return to the normal schedule on December 15<sup>th</sup>. 1300 tons of debris was removed from the flood zones and the final haul from the Township Yard will be done by December 21<sup>st</sup>. The Department is still spotting dumpsters near flooded out homes. 50,000 cubic yards of brush was collected and ground down but there is still a large amount to be disposed of from the Yard. This will be hauled from the Yard to Reliable Wood in the coming week. There will be a hazardous waste collection in the flood zone on December 11<sup>th</sup> and collection of sand bags will be done thereafter with the sand being used on roads this winter.

Leanne Hoffman stated that she is working with Mr. Rode on a 2013 road resurfacing program. They put together a priority list of roads that need resurfacing and photo documented about 25 streets. She will have a cost estimate shortly after the new year. Both South Riverside Drive and the north end of Beach Avenue will be looked at more closely to determine if there has been any damage or undermining as a result of Sandy.

Mr. Cuttrell stated that two resolutions on the regular meeting regarding agreements with Interfaith Neighbors should be tabled during the regular meeting because a revised single agreement is being finalized.

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

Ms. Jahn 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 – 2013 appointments

Potential Litigation – Demolition of property on North Riverside Drive

Personnel – Harbor Master

Personnel – Compensatory time

Potential Litigation – RV/boat ordinance

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: Houghtaling, aye; Jahn, aye; McMillan, aye; and Bishop, aye.

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

Mr. Anthony stated that the Municipal Court case involving the Granelli's and the RV/boat ordinance was resolved on December 6<sup>th</sup> with the filing of a guilty plea and a \$500 fine. He asked that the Committee review and change the procedure for the placement of RV's/boats on property. The Committee indicated that they are not willing to consider amending the ordinance at this time.

Mr. Anthony stated that the Carroll case involving a request for public records has been settled for \$1750 and a resolution will be needed to authorize the settlement. The case involved access to a police report.

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

Mayor Bishop called the meeting to order and requested the Clerk to call the roll. The following members were present: Eric J. Houghtaling, Mary Beth Jahn, Kevin B. McMillan, and Mayor J. Randy Bishop. Absent: Dr. Michael Brantley.

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

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

The Clerk stated, "Fire exits are located in the direction I am indicating, in case of fire you will be notified by bell and or public address system. If you are alerted of fire, please move in a calm, orderly manner to the nearest smoke-free exit or the next nearest exit as directed over the public address system.

Mayor Bishop announced that the notice requirements of R.S. 10:4-18 for an "Annual Notice" have been satisfied by the publication of the required advertisement in the Asbury Park Press and The Coaster on January 5, 2012, posting the notice on the Board in the Municipal Complex, and filing a copy of said notice with the Municipal Clerk. In addition, the meeting agenda, resolutions and ordinances are available online at [www.neptunetownship.org](http://www.neptunetownship.org) for public viewing before each Township Committee meeting.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. McMillan offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Houghtaling, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on September 24<sup>th</sup> and October 22<sup>nd</sup>. All were in favor.

#### RECOGNITION OF RETIRING TOWNSHIP EMPLOYEE

The Mayor and Committee recognized Lt. Darrell Furman from the Police Department who is retiring after 24 years of service to the Township.

#### REPORT OF THE CLERK

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

Senior Center monthly statistics for October and Senior Beacon for December.

Thank you notes from G4S employees, Peggy Heery, Ruth Howland and Tom & Alice Moran to the Senior Center staff for their efforts in providing a hurricane shelter and warming center

#### COMMENTS FROM THE DAIS

Mr. McMillan stated he had the opportunity to attend the MURC tree lighting ceremony and it was short and sweet. He stated he had the opportunity to attend Mr. Huhn's retirement party and stated he did a good job and would be missed. He went on to state that he attended the Asbury Park Wall Elks this past weekend.

Mr. Houghtaling stated he attended the Shark River Hill's Homeowner's meeting which was well attended and very informative. He stated Mike Bascom, EMS and members from FEMA were all in attendance and they all did a great job. He went on to state that he attended the MURC tree lighting and he was a little disappointed that they had electrical problems. He stated it was very well attended. He commended Dianna Harris and the members of MURC for doing a great job in setting things up. He also stated he attended the Ocean Grove Volunteer Citizen Patrol dinner in Shark River Hills and he really enjoyed it.

Mayor Randy Bishop stated he attended the retirement dinner of Rose Havey who was involved in many of our boards. He also attended the retirement part of Phil Huhn who was a strong leader and confident. He attended the MURC and Ocean Grove tree lighting and the Pearl Harbor ceremony. He participated in the Ocean Grove Chamber house tour and attended the Ocean Grove Citizen Patrol Dinner in Shark River Hills. The Senior Center open house craft show began today. The MURC Jeans and Jewels has been rescheduled to December 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### RESOLUTIONS TABLED

Mr. McMillan offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Houghtaling, to table two resolutions to "Authorize the execution of a Lease Agreement with Interfaith Neighbors, Inc. for use of the Neptune Senior Center facility" and "Authorize the execution of an Agreement with Interfaith Neighbors, Inc. to provide congregate meals at the Neptune Senior Center facility". All were in favor

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS

The Mayor requested public comments regarding resolutions presented on this agenda.

Dorothy Argyros, 2100 Rutherford Avenue, asked who is paying for the individuals hired to retrieve boats that were left on roads and lawns after the hurricane. Mr. Bascom stated that the cost will be borne by the Township but will be reimbursed by FEMA. Ms. Argyros asked about the resolution to oppose state legislation. The Mayor stated that the legislation penalizes municipalities for a lack of shared services. Neptune Township has entered into many shared service agreements over the years, but under the legislation the Township will not receive credit for some of the existing agreements. Ms. Argyros stated that that need for the part-time Electrical Inspector is stated in the resolution. She added that a needs analysis should always be provided in all resolutions.

Denis McCarthy, 79 Broadway, asked if the purchase of a wheel loader is replacing an older wheel loader. Mr. Bascom responded in the affirmative. Mr. McCarthy asked about the options included. Mr. Gadaleta stated that the options are attachments to the equipment.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 12-31 - APPROVED

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

#### ORDINANCE NO. 12-31

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND VOLUME I, CHAPTER VII OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE BY ADDING HANDICAPPED PARKING ZONES ON CLARK AVENUE, BEACH AVENUE AND ABBOTT AVENUE, DELETING A HANDICAPPED

PARKING ZONE ON ANELVE AVENUE AND ADDING A NO  
PARKING ZONE ON OAK TERRACE

The ordinance was approved on the following vote: Houghtaling, aye; Jahn, aye; McMillan, aye; and Bishop, aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 12-32 - APPROVED

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

ORDINANCE NO. 12-32

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 11-48 ENTITLED "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" BY AMENDING THE SALARY RANGE OF CERTAIN JOB TITLES AND ELIMINATING CERTAIN JOB TITLES NO LONGER IN USE

The ordinance was approved on the following vote: Houghtaling, aye; Jahn, aye; McMillan, aye; and Bishop, aye.

Mr. Cuttrell stated that the Public Hearings on Ordinances 12-31 and 12-32 will be held on Thursday, December 20, 2012.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

AUTHORIZE EMPLOYMENT OF A TEMPORARY PART-TIME ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

WHEREAS, as a result of structural damage and necessary repairs due to Hurricane Sandy, the Township Construction Department has experienced an increase in the number of applications for electrical permits; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need for a temporary part-time Electrical Inspector to perform electrical inspections in the Construction Department; and,

WHEREAS, funds will be provided through a Special Emergency Appropriation as a result of Hurricane Sandy and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby authorizes the employment of Nick Fabiano as a temporary part-time temporary Electrical Inspector for the period December 11, 2012 through March 11, 2013 not to exceed an average of fifteen hours per week at an hourly rate of \$35.00; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Construction Official, Business Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, Assistant C.F.O., and Mandy To.

TERMINATE EMPLOYEE

WHEREAS, Tracey Schanck has been on an unpaid leave of absence for over three months and is unable to return to work; and,,

WHEREAS, Section 9-7.15 of the Code of the Township of Neptune states that at the conclusion of a three (3) month non-paid leave of absence, if an employee is not able to resume his/her normal duties, he/she shall be terminated by resolution as an employee of the Township,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that Tracey Schanck be and is hereby terminated from employment with the Township in accordance with Section 9-7.15 of the Code of the Township of Neptune as stated herein; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Business Administrator, Construction Department, Chief Financial Officer, Assistant C.F.O., AFSCME Local #1844, and Mandy To.

**AUTHORIZE THE REFUND OF TAXES AS A RESULT OF AN OVERPAYMENT**

WHEREAS, the properties listed below reflect overpayments; and,

WHEREAS, they have furnished the necessary documentation and have requested a refund; and,

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 is hereby authorized to refund the taxes as stated herein; and,

<b>BLOCK</b>	<b>LOT</b>	<b>ASSESSED TO</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>	<b>YEAR</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
1309	9	ROCKEL	215 HEMLOCK DR	2012	1,548.63
3017	32	PHILLIPS	107 NEWGATE LN	2012	1,180.88
530	41	BRANIN	428 MAPLE AVE	2012	124.97
65	134	KLEIN	86 MT ZION WY	2012	1,740.13
201.01	45	SHOWELL	1312 CORLIES AVE	2012	760.32

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

**AUTHORIZE TEMPORARY USE AND OCCUPANCY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE AND TOTAL MARINE AT SEAVIEW, INC.**

WHEREAS, as a result of significant damage to its docks and marina infrastructure, Total Marine at Seaview, Inc. has requested to temporarily move and place up to twenty (20) boats and associated trailers on vacant property located on Seaview Island owned by Neptune Township, more particularly Block 563, Lot 1, to allow for repairs to all docks and marina infrastructure by the Total Marine at Seaview, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, such a use would be a temporary use under a Temporary Use and Occupancy Agreement, a true copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A," that would allow up to twenty (20) boats and associated trailers to be placed until, and no later than, May 1, 2013 on vacant Township property for storage purposes only,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the governing body hereby authorizes the execution of the attached Use and Occupancy Agreement as Exhibit "A" between Neptune Township and Total Marine at Seaview, Inc, to allow for the temporary use of Township property at Block 563, Lot 1 for storing boards and associated trailers while Total Marine at Seaview, Inc. undertakes repairs to its docks and marina infrastructure for a period commencing upon execution of said Agreement and ending no later than May 1, 2013; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Committee hereby authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute the Temporary Use and Occupancy Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and authorizes the Township Attorney to pursue all terms of the Use and Occupancy Agreement with Total Marine at Seaview, Inc.

**EXTEND DEADLINE FOR WAIVER OF CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FEES FOR CONSTRUCTION WORK MADE NECESSARY BY HURRICANE DAMAGE**

WHEREAS, the Township of Neptune, along with many other communities along the New Jersey coast, experienced a storm of unprecedented fury when Hurricane Sandy struck New Jersey on October 29, 2012; and,

WHEREAS, many property owners in the Township of Neptune suffered damage to their homes and businesses as a result of Hurricane Sandy; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee is cognizant and supportive of the will and desire of our residents and businesses to rebuild a stronger Neptune Township and is at the ready to assist in this process; and,

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has indicated that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.19(b)5

the State will waive the State permit surcharge fee for construction permits if the municipality waives the local fee; and,

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2012, the Township Committee adopted Resolution #12-405 which waived the municipal fee for construction permits as a result of Hurricane Sandy through December 13, 2012; and,

WHEREAS, the Committee desires to extend this deadline through January 15, 2013,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that municipal construction permit fees for construction work made necessary by Hurricane Sandy be and are hereby waived for construction permit applications received by the Neptune Township Construction Department on or before January 15, 2013; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Business Administrator, Assistant Business Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, and Construction Official.

AUTHORIZE THE RELEASE OF A PERFORMANCE BOND FILED BY JERSEY SHORE UNIVERISTY MEDICAL CENTER FOR SITE IMPROVEMENTS AT THE TEMPORARY PARKING LOT

WHEREAS, on June 12, 2006, Jersey Shore University Medical Center filed a performance bond written by Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America in the amount of \$510,840.00 guaranteeing site improvements at a temporary parking lot to the rear (north side) of the hospital property (Block 3000, Lot 4); and,

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2007, the Township Committee authorized a reduction in said performance bond to the amount of \$266,924.63; and,

WHEREAS, on December 3, 2012 the Township Engineering Consultant certified that all site improvements have been completed in a satisfactory manner and said performance bond can be released; and,

WHEREAS, the Engineering Consultant has recommended a waiver of the two year maintenance guarantee because the work was completed over two years ago,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the Performance Bond as stated herein is authorized to be released and the posting of two year maintenance guarantee is hereby waived; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the cash portion of the performance guarantee and any remaining balance in the inspection fee escrow on deposit with the Township be and is hereby authorized to be refunded; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Developer and Township Engineer.

EMPLOY SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ON A PART-TIME BASIS

WHEREAS, there is a need for a Special Law Enforcement Officer – Class II 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 has made his recommendation; and,

WHEREAS, funds will be provided in the appropriation entitled \_\_\_\_\_, known as Account No. \_\_\_\_\_, and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that Shane Dengel be and are hereby employed as a part-time Special Law Enforcement Officer - Class II, and to perform such other duties as prescribed by the Chief of Police, contingent upon successful completion of a background investigation and medical evaluation, effective immediately, at an hourly rate as established by prior resolution of the Township Committee:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief of

Police, Business Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, Assistant C.F.O., and Mandy To.

EMPLOY ON-CALL PART-TIME YARD ATTENDANT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, due to the unavailability of two on-call/part time Yard Attendants, there is a need for an additional on-call/part-time Yard Attendant in the Public Works Department; and,

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

WHEREAS, the Public Works Director has made his recommendations; and,

WHEREAS, funds will be provided in the 2012 municipal budget in the appropriation entitled \_\_\_\_\_, known as Account No. \_\_\_\_\_, and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that Janet Palughi be and is hereby employed as an on-call/part-time Yard Attendant in the Department of Public Works effective December 11, 2012, at an hourly salary of \$13.18; and,

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

CONFIRM TEMPORARY PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT OF INDIVIDUALS TO RETRIEVE BOATS THAT WERE STRANDED ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES AND MUNICIPAL ROADWAYS BY HURRICANE STORM SURGE

WHEREAS, during Hurricane Sandy, a large number of boats from the Municipal Marina and other marinas along the Shark River were deposited and stranded on residential properties and roadways located in the area near the Municipal Marina; and,

WHEREAS, it was necessary to immediately engage individuals in temporary employment with expertise in hauling and chocking boats to remove the boats from properties and roadways and store them on Municipal Marina property; and,

WHEREAS, funds will be provided in a Special Emergency Appropriation in the Marina Utility and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the temporary part-time employment of Michael McLure (66 hours) and George Pettit (56.5 hours) in the Marina Utility for emergency boat hauling and chocking as a result of Hurricane Sandy be and is hereby confirmed at a rate of \$20.00 per hour; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Marina Supervisor, Business Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, Assistant C.F.O., and Mandy To.

The resolutions of the Consent Agenda were adopted on the following vote: Houghtaling, aye; Jahn, aye; McMillan, aye; and Bishop, aye.

OPPOSE SENATE BILL S-2 AND ASSEMBLY BILL A-1171

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

WHEREAS, S-2/A-1171 are meant to promote the more effective operation of local government and sharing of services among local units; and

WHEREAS, initially S-2 removed or reduced many of the roadblocks that increase the costs of shared services – things like terminal leave, pay, civil service mandates, employee tenure requirements – many of the original provisions in the bill could reduce the costs and hurdles to shared services and consolidations, produce municipal savings and promote relief for our taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the recent amendments to S-2 removed many of the labor provisions that would have given municipalities tools to implement a shared service without the time consuming hurdles that diminished the savings and will now discourage shared services from a municipalities' perspective by continuing the hindrances imposed by Civil Service; and

WHEREAS, the amendments removed not only the preamble language that the bill would “supersedes existing Civil Service and tenure provisions” but also removed the suspension of Civil Service rules regarding layoff, transfer, seniority, testing, bumping rights and tenure; and

WHEREAS, the amendments would now require that any non civil service municipality who has a shared service agreement with civil service municipality serving as the Lead Agency be brought into the civil service system, thus expanding the civil service system; and

WHEREAS, the amendments would require that municipalities entering into the shared service agreement be subject to civil service rules and collective bargaining agreements for determining which employee stays, protects the seniority provisions removing management prerogative on retaining the best qualified and most efficient work force; and

WHEREAS, the amendments would require that any contractual provision dispute be settled by mediation, or if necessary, arbitration which will impede the process from moving expeditiously and will not result in cost savings, which will likely result in mediation and arbitration becoming the norm thus leading to delays and additional cost; and

WHEREAS, S-2 would, on the one hand, allow the voters to express their will; but on the other hand, inform those voters that they will lose their State Aid if their will does not comport with that of a majority of the appointed members of the Local Unit, Realignment and Consolidation Commissioner, (LUARCC); and

WHEREAS, while we appreciate the consideration and acceptance of the amendments that would clarify the process, on balance, the benefits of those amendments are outweighed by the loss of the suspension of the Civil Service rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, S-2/A-1171 is based on the misconception that municipalities do not share services when in fact shared Services are not a new concept to municipalities, dating back well before the Interlocal Services Act of 1973; and

WHEREAS, S-2/A-1171 is also based on the misconception that smaller governments are less efficient and effective than larger ones, an assumption that is not necessarily the case and contrary to lessons learned from recent events in which the municipal elected officials and professionals were very effective in pooling their resources and responding quickly; and

WHEREAS, there is no overnight cure to our property tax crisis and Shared services, consolidation or other cost saving measures are long-term actions where benefits/savings may not be seen for a number of years down the road;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune, County of Monmouth strongly opposes S-2/A-1171 not only on the issue of the voter penalty but on the lose of the Civil Service reform; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that S-2/A-1171 be reviewed by the Red Tape Review Commission, which has tirelessly worked to remove government hurdles, and the Civil Service Commission before the bill proceeds to ensure that the proposed amendments do not create additional Civil Service burdens and hurdles that further impede shared services and drive up cost; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Governor of the State of New Jersey, our State Legislators and the League of Municipalities.

The resolution was adopted on the following vote: Houghtaling, aye; Jahn, aye; McMillan, aye; and Bishop, aye.

#### AWARD BID FOR MULTI-PURPOSE WHEEL LOADER

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

WHEREAS, on August 24, 2012, the Purchasing Agent received bids for the award of a contract for a multi-purpose wheel loader; and,

WHEREAS, said bids were reviewed by the Purchasing Agent who has recommended that the bid be awarded to the lowest bid submitted by Jesco Equipment; and,

WHEREAS, said bids were advertised, received and awarded in a "fair and open" competitive bidding process in accordance with the Open Public Contracts Law; and,

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose will be provided in Ordinance No. 09-36 & Ordinance No. 11-33 and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that a contract be awarded to Jesco Equipment on their lowest responsible bid of \$157,304.00 (base bid of \$148,917.00 plus options of \$8,387.00) to supply a John Deere 524K Multi-Purpose Wheel Loader; and,

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

The resolution was adopted on the following vote: Houghtaling, aye; Jahn, aye; McMillan, aye; and Bishop, aye.

AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF TWO PRINTER/PLOTTERS UNDER THE NEW JERSEY STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM

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

WHEREAS, the Engineering Department and Office of Emergency Management desire to purchase two HP Design Jet T2300 PostScript Printers, maintenance package and associated supplies 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, Gov Connection has been awarded New Jersey State Contract No. A70262 for this equipment; and,

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer recommends the utilization of this contract on the grounds that the price reflects a substantial savings; and,

WHEREAS, the amount of this equipment shall not exceed \$23,000.00; and,

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose are available from Ordinance No. 12-15 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 two HP Design Jet T2300 PostScript Printers, four year CarePack and associated supplies through the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program for the Neptune Township Engineering Department and Office of Emergency Management be and is hereby authorized at an amount not to exceed \$23,000.00; and,

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

The resolution was adopted on the following vote: Houghtaling, aye; Jahn, aye; McMillan, aye; and Bishop, aye.

AUTHORIZE CONTRACT FOR BEACH SAND SCREENING SERVICES

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

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent solicited quotes to provide screening for debris in beach sand collected from roadways during Hurricane Sandy; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of said item is less than the bid threshold but exceeds \$17,500.00 and therefore must be awarded by Resolution of the governing body; and,

WHEREAS, said quotes were reviewed by the Director of Public Works and the Purchasing

Agent who have recommended that the low quote be accepted in accordance with the Open Public Contracts Law; and,

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose will be provided in the Special Emergency Appropriation in connection with Hurricane Sandy and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that a contract is hereby authorized to First Choice Construction & Development for beach sand screening services pursuant to their quote of \$6,400.00 per day for a maximum of four (4) days; and,

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

The resolution was adopted on the following vote: Houghtaling, aye; Jahn, aye; McMillan, aye; and Bishop, aye.

AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF BILLS

Mr. McMillan offered the following resolution, moved and seconded by Ms. Jahn, 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	992,501.57
FEDERAL & STATE GRANT FUND	32,658.23
TRUST OTHER	105,150.26
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	255,889.54
SEWER OPERATING FUND	198,922.85
MARINA OPERATING FUND	78,586.06
MARINA CAPITAL FUND	9,652.84
DOG TRUST	7,548.40
LIBRARY TRUST	231.50
BILL LIST TOTAL	\$1,681,141.25

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: Houghtaling, aye; Jahn, aye; McMillan, aye; and Bishop, aye.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Bishop stated that Dr. Brantley is not present tonight because his mother-in-law is very ill.

Michael Fornino, Fulham Place, stated that the Township Committee needs to make a recommendation to JCP&L to have a plan in the future for storms of Sandy's magnitude. He stated that after the blizzard two years ago, the Township implemented a snow plowing plan at his recommendation. Mr. McMillan asked that he head up a Committee to look into this since he worked for JCP&L in the past.

Jack Breden, 94 ½ Heck Avenue, stated that he is concerned that many of the lots in the North End Redevelopment Plan do not border streets and the Committee needs to make sure the

Developer pays for the installation of streets.

Dorothy Argyros, 2100 Rutherford Avenue, stated that Walmart wages are lower than any other retailer. There are \$3 billion in lost wages annually and the Waltons fight unions all of the time.

Karen Sims, 302 Beverly Way, asked how a street gets put on the list to be repaved. The Mayor stated it is dependent on the condition of the road and streets are recommended by the Township Engineer and the Public Works Director. Ms. Sims asked why a road was cut into the Green Acres property to remove trees behind her home. The Mayor stated that many trees were felled in this area and the trees that were removed were leaning on other trees created a hazard. The road was necessary to gain access to the area.

Jane Jarow, 214 Beverly Way, stated that the cutting of trees within the Green Acres property between Beverly and Highland has created a wide path which will invite problems with people now being able to access the area. In the past, there have been issues with teenagers going into wooded area to use drugs and alcohol.

Laura Granelli, Highland Avenue, thanked Walmart for the gift cards distributed through the School District.

Vanessa Barnes Bay, 23 Hill Drive, stated that Bernard Haney and Gene Anthony assisted her issues at her home at 23 Hill Drive. There continues to be problems at the property including mold. She was advised by Code Enforcement to contact her landlord but he has not done anything and the problems continue. The Mayor stated that he wants to talk about the situation with Mr. Gadaleta and Bill Doolittle.

Heinz Weck, Ocean Grove, stated that Neptune has the finest police department in New Jersey and they are always ready to assist when needed. He added that Point Pleasant needs people like the Neptune Township Committee and administration. He also stated that the hiring of Vito Gadaleta as Business Administrator is a good decision.

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

Richard J. Cuttrel,  
Municipal Clerk