

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING – JANUARY 23, 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:

The Committee received an update on the Assessment Demonstration Program from Bernard Haney, Tax Assessor. Mr. Haney stated that the Township is in its 2nd year in the program following the revaluation in 2015. He reviewed the legislation which also changed the tax appeal deadlines so that appeals will not affect the current budget. Prior to the ADP, the Township received appeals on 3% to 4% of our 12,000 parcels at a cost of \$100 to the property owner per appeal. Under the ADP, inspections are done on a regular basis and the Township files the appeal when necessary. There were a total of 158 appeals filed this year and of that amount, 54 were filed by the Township. The County is now looking at project to more accurately provide commercial assessments and there is state legislation to make the appeal calendar effective statewide. The Township will be inspecting 20% of the Township's properties in each of the next three years.

Dawn Crozier, Deputy Tax Assessor, stated that the next round of inspections will take place very shortly and will include Gables, Sunshine Village, Knox Hill, Bradley Park, portions of Midtown and Green Grove and the Summit. Inspectors will have identification and the police will be provided a list of inspectors.

Mr. Williams asked about municipalities that chose to opt out. Mr. Haney stated that municipalities must do the revised appeal calendar but can opt out of the re-inspection process. Four municipalities opted out in the County, but once they hit 85% of value, they have to do a full revaluation. Mr. Haney also noted that assessment of commercial property is based on profitability of the real estate value such as amount of rents paid by a tenant.

The Committee discussed the recommendations of the Ocean Grove Parking Task Force and the comments by the Traffic Engineer on those recommendations. Ms. Rizzo stated that the Task Force did a great job and came up with good recommendations. She indicated that she is favor of moving forward with angled parking on the north side of Main Avenue between New Jersey and Lawrence Avenues and on the west side of Central Avenue between Webb and Main Avenues. Mr. Williams also thanked the Task Force members. He also agreed with moving forward on the angled parking recommendations. Mr. Williams supported further discussion on the recommendation of time restricted parking on the Main Avenue Business District, further discussion with the Camp Meeting Association on the use of the vacant lot at Inskip and Pennsylvania Avenues for parking, and the continuation of rigorous enforcement of the current commercial vehicle and parking ordinances. Mr. Williams also concurred with the findings of the Traffic Engineer that a further restriction on the width of commercial vehicles would not be supported by current design standards.

Mr. Williams also noted that a Sub-Committee of Task Force members was created to examine parking permits. It was noted that parking permits would not increase the number of parking spots or decrease the number of cars. Concerns were raised about permit parking proposals such as increased demand for non-permit spaces, impact for families with multiple vehicles, fairness to hotels and bed-breakfast establishments, and cost of the start-up and enforcement of about \$90,000.

The Committee discussed the appropriateness of taking questions or comments from members of the Task Force who were present. The Committee indicated that the policy of no public comment at workshop meetings would apply since the discussion was on the recommendations already made by the Task Force and Engineer's input on those recommendations and the Committee is now in a position to move forward.

The Committee accepted the Engineer's Report on the Task Force's recommendations.

The Committee requested that the start time for February 13th workshop meeting be moved to 5:00 p.m. to allow for discussion on the Annual Financial Statement and Annual Debt Statement. Also, a Special Meeting was requested for February 21st at 1pm to discuss the 2017 municipal budget.

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

Mr. McMillan offered the following resolution, moved and seconded by Mr. Williams, 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:

Contract negotiations – Lease renewal with County for former Senior Center building
Personnel – Recommendation for hiring of Driver in Public Works
Contract negotiations – Central Avenue Road Improvement Project
Contract negotiations – Redevelopment issues

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.

The Committee discussed continuing the lease with the County of Monmouth for the former Senior Center building at \$150,000 for five years. The appropriate ordinance will be considered at the next regular meeting.

The Committee reviewed a recommendation to hire a Driver in the Public Works Department and took action by resolution at the regular meeting.

Mr. Gadaleta reviewed the bid for Central Avenue improvements which was awarded in 2016. The Contractor could not begin the work because of the state shutdown of Transportation Trust Fund project and is not seeking additional monies because of the delay. This has caused the amount of the project to exceed the cost estimate for the project; therefore, the recommendation is to rescind the bid award. The Committee took action by resolution at the regular meeting.

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

Mayor Brantley called the meeting to order 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. Cuttrel, Municipal Clerk; Vito D. Gadaleta, Business 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 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. McMillan offered a motion, seconded by Ms. Rizzo, to approve the minutes of the meetings held on December 12th and December 22nd. All were in favor.

COMMENTS FROM THE DAIS

Mr. McMillan thanked Mr. Gadaleta for arranging transportation to see the play "Wicked" with the Poseidon students at Neptune High School. He attended a YMCA breakfast and Central Jersey Club event both in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Mr. Lane stated that the Veteran's Park Dinner Dance was postponed and the Veteran's Park Committee is looking at April 22nd or April 29th. He added that there was a nice newspaper article on the Park. He attended the Gables Property Owners Association meeting and will be working on Department budgets in preparation of the municipal budget.

Ms. Rizzo stated that she attended the January 10th Historic Preservation Commission meeting and encouraged others to attend the meetings to learn about the process. She went to the County Tax Board Advisory meeting and was informed that they are working on the next generation of systems for commercial assessments and will roll out the appeals calendar this year and the entire Assessment Demonstration Program will roll out statewide in 2018. She attended a World Changers meeting on January 18th. There are 256 young people coming this year and residents have until March 31st to get on the list. She recognized Roberta Grace for all of her work on this project.

Mr. Williams attended the Poseidon High School Dance for special needs kids at the Senior Center. It was great to see Neptune come together to support this event. The Elks Lodge provided the food, a local DJ provided the music, and the Senior Center provided the facility. About 50 students and parents were in attendance. On February 11th, there will be a Black History Month celebration event from 11:30 am to 3:00 pm at the Michael T. Lake Performing Arts Center. A Drum & Dance Troupe will be performing along with a number of other presentations.

The Mayor held a Mayor's Ball meeting and announced that the Ball will be held on June 23rd at Jumping Brook Country Club. The recipient will be announced shortly. He added that the Township will be looking to do more joint programs with the Board of Education to help our youth. On January 15th, he spoke at the Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration with the Ministerial Alliance.

PUBLIC HEARING – GREEN ACRES APPLICATION FOR ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY

Leanne Hoffmann, Township Engineer, presented the Township's Green Acres Application to acquire flood prone property located on South Riverside Drive (Block 5305, Lot 1). She stated that the property is located approximately a half mile from the bridge linking Shark River Hills with Neptune City. A nine lot subdivision has been approved for the property but no development action has taken place. The project meets a lot of goals of the Green Acres acquisition guidelines. The property is in AE10 and AE11 zones and is flood prone. The property is contiguous with other Green Acres properties and its acquisition is consistent with the Township and County Master Plans. The application seeks a 75% grant/25% loan for the \$1,280,000 acquisition cost. Mr. Bascom stated that the loan is a 40 year/2% loan. Mr. Gadaleta stated that the Monmouth Conservation Foundation will be applying for funding to partner with the Township toward the cost of the local funds and there is a good possibility that there will be zero local funds required. Ms. Hoffmann concluded that the property would be used for passive open space.

The Mayor requested Public Comments on the application and they were as follows:

Dorothy Argyros, 2100 Rutherford Avenue, asked if the use of the land will be passive. Ms. Hoffmann responded that the property would be passive open space. Mr. Bascom added that the acquisition would also lessen the impact from future storms versus if house were built on the site. Ms. Argyros stated that it seems that the Township is selecting property to acquire to give money to the Oliver family. The Mayor stated that the owner of the property was irrelevant.

Dr. James Chenitz, 632 South Riverside Drive, asked if taxes are currently being collected and if taxes would be collected on any homes built on the property. Mr. Bascom stated that taxes are currently being collected on the land and any homes would be taxed. Dr. Chenitz stated that there already is a park three blocks away. If acquired, the Township would lose tax revenue and the property would become a cost to maintain. He stated that the Township would benefit from new homes and it is duplication to have another park. He indicated his concern about the loss of tax income from nine new homes and does not see the need to acquire the property at the loss of potential tax revenue.

Susan Chenitz, 632 South Riverside Drive, stated that the property is not adjacent to property already owned by the Township and the tax revenue on new homes could be more of a benefit.

There being no further comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

APPLY FOR A GREEN ACRES PROGRAM GRANT FOR ACQUISITION OF FLOOD PRONE PROPERTY (BLOCK 5305, LOT 1) ON SOUTH RIVERSIDE DRIVE

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

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program ("State"), provides loans and/or grants to municipal and county governments and grants to nonprofit organizations for assistance in the acquisition and development of lands for outdoor recreation and conservation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Neptune desires to further the public interest by obtaining funding in the amount of \$960,000 (75% grant/25% loan) from the State to fund the following project(s): Flood Prone Property Acquisition at a total cost \$1,280,000; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, the governing body/board resolves that Michael J. Bascom or the successor to the office of Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to:

- (a) make application for such a loan and/or such a grant
- (b) provide additional application information and furnish such documents as may be required
- (c) act as the authorized correspondent of the above named applicant, and

WHEREAS, the State shall determine if the application is complete and in conformance with the scope and intent of the Green Acres Program, and notify the applicant of the amount of the funding award; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is willing to use the State's funds in accordance with such rules, regulations and applicable statutes, and is willing to enter into an agreement with the State for the above named project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Township Committee of Neptune as follows:

1. That the Chief Financial Officer of the above named body or board is hereby authorized to execute an agreement and any amendment thereto with the State known as Acquisition of Flood Prone Property Acquisition.
2. That the applicant has its matching share of the project, if a match is required, in the amount of \$320,000.
3. That, in the event the State's funds are less than the total project cost specified above, the applicant has the balance of funding necessary to complete the project, and;
4. The applicant agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations in its performance of the project.
5. That 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.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS

Dorothy Argyros, 2100 Rutherford Avenue, stated on one portion of Resolution #17-75 it

states over time payment and on the title it states stand by duty. She questioned what this was all about.

Mr. Gadaleta stated it was for standby by emergency personnel during the snow storm we had earlier in the year and this is to compensate them for their time.

Mrs. Argyros stated it was standby and not overtime.

Mr. Gadaleta confirmed that it was standby and that it could have been a typo.

Mrs. Argyros also commented on Resolution #17-76 by stating whenever she here's the word redevelopment she thinks they are bringing eminent domain back.

Mayor Brantley assured her that this was not an eminent domain committee and it would not be added.

Mr. Anthony advised Mrs. Argyros to keep in mind that there was no redevelopment but West Lake Redevelopment.

Mrs. Argyros questioned the purpose of Resolution #17-94.

Mr. Bascom stated this grant off sets salaries of all emergency management personnel.

Mr. Williams referred back to Resolution #17-76 he explained the reasoning behind putting this Committee together.

Annabelle Bissett, Heck Avenue, asked for more information regarding the Tourism Bureau. Mr. Gadaleta stated that this resolution is standard and part-time employees are hired annually to staff the Tourism Bureau in Ocean Grove for the summer.

ORDINANCE NO. 17-01- ADOPTED

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

ORDINANCE NO. 17-01

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 16-34 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A DECLARATION OF DEED RESTRICTION FOR RECREATION/CONSERVATION FOR BLOCK 615, LOT 5, ALSO KNOWN AS 1825 WEST LAKE AVENUE, TO THE NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY"

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 17-02- ADOPTED

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

ORDINANCE NO. 17-02

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF DEED OF DEDICATION WITH REGARD TO BLOCK 4302, LOT 4 (FORMERLY BLOCK 1301, LOT 1) OLD CORLIES AVENUE, A/K/A GREENVILLE CEMETERY TO THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 17-03- ADOPTED

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

ORDINANCE NO. 17-03

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND VOLUME I, CHAPTER VII, SECTION 7-7 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE BY ADDING NO PARKING ZONES ON PORTIONS OF DAVIS AVENUE AND WASHINGTON AVENUE

The Mayor requested public comments on the above ordinance, and they were as follows:

Dorothy Argyros, 2100 Rutherford Avenue, asked if this ordinance had anything to do with the hospital. Mr. Gadaleta stated that the ordinance authorizes road and traffic pattern improvements in connection with the HOPE Tower and parking garage.

There being no further comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 17-04 - APPROVED

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

ORDINANCE NO. 17-04

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND VOLUME I, CHAPTER VI, SECTION 6-8 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE ENTITLED "EMPLOYEE REGULATIONS IN FACILITIES HOLDING A PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE, PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSE, AND/OR CLUB LICENSE FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES"

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

ORDINANCE NO. 17-05 - APPROVED

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

ORDINANCE NO. 17-05

AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND ESTABLISH A CAP BANK FOR PURPOSES OF INTRODUCING THE 2017 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

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

ORDINANCE NO. 17-06 - APPROVED

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

ORDINANCE NO. 17-06

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 16-46 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"

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

Mr. Cuttrell stated that the public hearings on Ordinances 17-04, 17-05, and 17-06 will be held on Monday, February 13th.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

AUTHORIZE STAND-BY DUTY PAYMENT TO OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

WHEREAS, volunteer personnel in the Office of Emergency Management were placed on stand-by duty as a result of the snow emergency declared on January 7th and 8th; and,

WHEREAS, overtime payment at the rate of \$14.00 per hour is authorized by resolution of the Township Committee to be paid to said personnel in the event of a long duration situation such as storm or disaster which requires readiness and staffing; and,

WHEREAS, funds will be provided for the first three months of 2017 in the 2017 Temporary Budget and funds for the balance of 2017 will be provided in the Budget for the year 2017, when finally adopted, and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that stand-by duty payment at the rate of \$14.00 per hour be and is hereby authorized to the following Office of Emergency Management staff for the hours indicated as a result of the snow emergency on January 7th and 8th, 2017:

Jeffrey Devlin – 16 hours
William Van Meter – 16 hours
Jose Perez – 16 hours

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

APPOINT GOVERNING BODY REDEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2017, the governing body of the Township of Neptune appointed 2017 Subcommittees with representatives from the governing body participating with said Subcommittees as liaisons to the various departments and activities of the Township of Neptune for the benefit of the governing body and the Township of Neptune; and

WHEREAS, Committeepersons appointed to said Subcommittees shall serve in an advisory capacity and report back to the governing body as a liaison to report on departmental activities and make recommendations for improvements as stated more fully below; and

WHEREAS, the Committee desires to appoint an additional sub-Committee for matters concerning the redevelopment areas that exist within the Township,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune, County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey, that the governing body hereby authorize the following amendment to Resolution #17-35 to add the following Subcommittee:

F. Redevelopment

Mayor Dr. Michael Brantley (Chairperson)
Deputy Mayor Nicholas Williams
Land Use Administrator
Township Engineer
Business Administrator
Chief Financial Officer
Township Planner
Community Programs Coordinator
Township Attorney (as needed)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the duties and powers of the Committee persons on said Subcommittee shall be as described in Resolution #17-35.

AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH INVOICE CLOUD TO ACCEPT ONLINE PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS

WHEREAS, the Township of Neptune has offered its taxpayers the option of making property tax payments; and,

WHEREAS, Metropolitan Communications, LLC has provided the on-line service for tax payments since 2007; and,

WHEREAS, Invoice Cloud has purchased Metropolitan Communications, LLC and has forwarded an agreement to continue this service; and,

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector recommends that the Township continue the on-line service for tax payments under the new corporate entity,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby authorizes the execution of an agreement with Invoice Cloud, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk, to provide online services for property tax payments; and,

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

AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF VETERANS POPPIES

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the Neptune Township American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 346 be and is hereby authorized to sell Veterans Poppies in the Township of Neptune for the month of May at various locations throughout the Township; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Neptune Township American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 346 and the Chief of Police.

AUTHORIZE OCEAN GROVE CAMP MEETING ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

WHEREAS, the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association coordinates and sponsors an annual Independence Day Parade through the streets of the Ocean Grove Historic District that attracts thousands of residents and visitors each year; and,

WHEREAS, the Township participates in the parade as well as providing traffic support and a contribution toward parade expenses,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune as follows:

1. Permission is hereby granted for Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association to hold their annual Independence Day Parade on Tuesday, July 4, 2017.

2. Temporary no parking will be designated from 7:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. on July 4, 2017 on the following streets:

Both sides of Whitefield Avenue from Stockton Avenue to Main Avenue
Both sides of westbound Ocean Pathway from Central Avenue to Ocean Avenue
West side of Central Avenue from westbound Ocean Pathway to McClintock Street

3. A contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 toward expenses incurred in connection with the parade is hereby authorized and funds for this purpose will be available in the 2017 budget in the appropriation entitled Celebration of Public Events and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association, Director of Public Works and the Chief of Police.

AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE AND THE NEPTUNE JOINT VETERANS ASSOCIATION TO CO-SPONSOR A MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

WHEREAS, the Township Committee desires to continue the tradition of co-sponsoring a Memorial Day parade with the Neptune Joint Veterans Association to honor those who gave the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our Nation,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune as follows:

1. Permission is hereby granted to conduct the annual Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 29, 2017.

2. Temporary no parking will be designated the north side of Surf Avenue between Central Avenue and Ocean Avenue from 8:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. on May 29, 2017

3. A contribution in the amount of \$1,500.00 toward expenses incurred in connection with the parade is hereby authorized and funds for this purpose will be available in the 2017 budget in the appropriation entitled Celebration of Public Events and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Parade/Special Events Committee, Director of Public Works and the Chief of Police.

ESTABLISH 2017 HOURLY PAY RATES FOR YARD ATTENDANT AND SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2017, the Township Committee adopted Resolution #17-53 which established hourly pay rates for certain part-time positions not covered by a collective bargaining contract or agreement for the year 2017; and,

WHEREAS, the rate for the title of Yard Attendant was incorrectly stated in said Resolution and the rate for School Crossing Guard was omitted,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that Resolution #17-53 be and is hereby amended to reflect the pay rate for both part-time Yard Attendant and School Crossing Guard as \$15.00 per hour for the year 2017; and,

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

AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION IN LAWSUIT SEEKING REMOVAL OF ZONING VIOLATIONS AND ADDRESSING OTHER COLLATERAL LEGAL ISSUES WITH REGARD TO 1207 HIGHWAY 35 SOUTH, KNOWN AS STUMPY'S

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2016, the Township Committee adopted Resolution #16-194 which authorized the Township Attorney to commence a legal action in the Superior Court of New Jersey, seeking Injunctive Relief and other remedies available in addressing the zoning violations and other possible collateral violations and issues associated with conditions now existing at 1207 Highway 35 South, Block 5602, Lot 31; and,

WHEREAS, said Resolution also authorized legal fees in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for the purposes of this litigation; and,

WHEREAS, the authorized appropriation has been exhausted and the litigation is on-going; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney recommends an additional authorization of \$10,000.00 for legal fees in this matter; and,

WHEREAS, funds will be provided for the first three months of 2017 in the 2017 Temporary Budget and funds for the balance of 2017 will be provided in the Budget for the year 2017, when finally adopted, and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby amends Resolution #16-194 to increase the appropriation authorization by \$10,000.00 for a total authorized appropriation of \$20,000.00 for legal expenses in connection with litigation

addressing the zoning violations and other possible collateral violations and issues associated with conditions now existing at 1207 Highway 35 South, Block 5602, Lot 31; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer, Assistant C.F.O., Zoning Officer, Land Use Administrator and Township Attorney.

EXTEND OFFERS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR THE POSITIONS OF ON-CALL PART-TIME CONSTRUCTION SUB-CODE OFFICIALS

WHEREAS, due to vacation time and work load, it is necessary to authorize on-call temporary employees to serve as Construction Sub-Code Officials to ensure uninterrupted processing of construction permits; and,

WHEREAS, the Construction Official recommends the employment of licensed individuals to serve in this capacity; and,

WHEREAS, funds will be provided for the first three months of 2017 in the 2017 Temporary Budget and funds for the balance of 2017 will be provided in the Budget for the year 2017, when finally adopted, and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby extends offers of employment to the following for the position of on-call part-time Sub-Code Official, for as-needed work in the absence of the appointed Township Sub-Code Official, pending favorable results of the required background check, effective immediately, at an hourly rate as established by prior Resolution of the Township Committee:

Plumbing: Robert Hartsgrove, Phil Price, John Palmer, Sal Farruggia, and Robert Corby
Electrical: Donald Frangipane

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

EMPLOY PART-TIME TEMPORARY TOURISM REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE 2017 SUMMER SEASON

WHEREAS, there is a need to employ four part-time temporary Tourism Representatives to operate the Tourism Bureau for the 2017 Summer Season; and,

WHEREAS, the four representatives who worked in 2016 have expressed an interest in returning in this capacity; and,

WHEREAS, funds will be provided for the first three months of 2017 in the 2017 Temporary Budget and funds for the balance of 2017 will be provided in the Budget for the year 2017, when finally adopted, and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that Catherine Goslee, Carol Bernard, Danielle Daly and Jacqueline Lyon be and are hereby employed as part-time temporary Tourism Representatives in the Tourism Bureau not to exceed an average of 25 hours per week per employee or an average of 40 hours per week in total staffing beginning April 17, 2017 and ending October 1, 2017, at an hourly salary as established by prior Resolution of the Township Committee; and,

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

AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTION OF A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PEDESTRIAN AND ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO A PORTION OF NEPTUNE BOULEVARD PROJECT

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune formally approves the grant application for the above stated project; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2017-Pedestrian & Roadway Improvements to a portion of Neptune Boulevard-00369 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the

Township of Neptune; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Neptune and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Business Administrator and Chief Financial Officer and three certified copies to the Township Engineer.

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 2017 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.

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 and Community Programs Coordinator.

ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF TYNISHA LONON AS A BOOKKEEPER IN THE TAX COLLECTION DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has received a letter from Tynisha Lonon resigning as a Bookkeeper in the Tax Collection Department effective January 27, 2017,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the resignation of Tynisha Lonon as a Bookkeeper in the Tax Collection Department is hereby accepted effective January 27, 2017; and,

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

AUTHORIZE A PERSON TO PERSON TRANSFER OF THE LIQUOR LICENSE PRESENTLY

ISSUED TO BHTT ENTERTAINMENT, INC. T/A BRICK HOUSE TAVERN & TAP

WHEREAS, BHTT Entertainment, LLC has applied for a person-to-person transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption License # 1334-33-019-004 which is presently issued to BHTT Entertainment, Inc. t/a Brick House Tavern & Tap for premises at 3655 Route 66, Neptune, NJ; and,

WHEREAS, the application is complete in all respects; and,

WHEREAS, the sole purpose of the Application is to change the existing corporate entity from a corporation to a Limited Liability Corporation with no changes to the shareholders or parties with an interest in the license; and,

WHEREAS, the applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all standards established by Title 33 of the New Jersey statutes, the regulations promulgated thereunder as well as the pertinent local ordinances and conditions imposed consistent with Title 33; and,

WHEREAS, all transfer procedures as outlined by state statute and local ordinances have been completed satisfactorily,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby authorizes the person-to-person transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption License #1334-33-019-004 as stated herein to BHTT Entertainment, LLC t/a Brick House Tavern & Tap effective January 24, 2017; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the New Jersey Division of ABC, the Chief of Police and the Applicant.

AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF CONTRACTS WITH VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE RECREATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Neptune Township Recreation Department has relationships with various organizations to organize and provide various recreational activities and programs in the Township of Neptune; and,

WHEREAS, in some instances, the Township of Neptune provides either sponsorship or funding to said organizations to provide these programs; and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township to renew the annual contracts with these organizations,

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 contracts with various organizations and groups that are supported by the Township's Recreation Department and that provide recreational services and programs to Township residents for the year 2017; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Recreation Director, Chief Financial Officer, and Township Attorney.

AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF LEASE/USE AGREEMENTS WITH YOUTH SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS REGULATING USE OF MUNICIPAL BALL FIELDS

WHEREAS, the Neptune Soccer Association, Neptune Little League and Neptune Fliers Youth Football and Cheer, Inc. conduct organized youth sports leagues and activities on Green Acres designated fields owned by the Township of Neptune; and,

WHEREAS, the Township and Youth Sports Organizations desire to enter into Lease/Use Agreement for the use of each respective Township owned field; and,

WHEREAS, the term of each Agreement is five years; each Agreement will go into effect upon execution by the Township and the respective Youth Sports Organization; however, each Agreement will be submitted to the State of New Jersey Green Acres Program for approval,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune hereby authorizes the execution of Lease/Use Agreements with the Neptune Soccer Association, Neptune Little League and Neptune Fliers Youth Football and Cheer, Inc. to establish regulations for conducting organized youth sports leagues and activities on Sunshine Village Fields, Jumping Brook Ballfields and Loffredo Fields, respectively; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that each Agreement shall be for a term of five years from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2021 and shall be in effect upon the execution of the Agreement by the Township and respective Youth Sports Organization but will be subject to approval by the State of New Jersey Green Acres Program; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Township Attorney, Business Administrator and Recreation Director.

AUTHORIZE A REDUCTION IN THE PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FILED BY 1019 OLD CORLIES AVE., LLC FOR SITE IMPROVEMENTS AT CAR WASH AND LUBE EXPRESS (1019 OLD CORLIES AVENUE)

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2015, 1019 Old Corlies Ave., LLC posted performance bond 5023556 in the amount of \$355,320.00, written by Bond Safeguard insurance Company guaranteeing site improvements at Car Wash and Lube Express, 1019 Old Corlies Avenue (Block 1016, Lot 2); and,

WHEREAS, at the request of the Developer, the Township Engineer has inspected the site improvements and has recommended a 70% reduction in the performance guarantees which is the maximum amount of reduction permitted under the Municipal Land Use Law; and,

WHEREAS, the Developer will be notified to post a Change Rider reducing the amount of the performance bond from \$355,320.00 to \$106,596.00 and the Municipal Clerk will accept said Rider when posted; and,

WHEREAS, the cash portion of the performance guarantee will also be reduced by 70%,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that a reduction in the Performance Guarantee site improvements at Car Wash and Lube Express, 1019 Old Corlies Avenue (Block 1016, Lot 2), be and is hereby approved to the amount of \$106,596.00 and the Change Rider submitted to affect said reduction is hereby accepted; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proportionate 70% amount of cash portion of the performance guarantee in the amount of \$27,636.00 shall be refunded to the Developer; and,

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

RESCIND BID AWARD FOR CENTRAL AVENUE ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2016, the Township Engineering Consultant received bids for the award of a contract for the Central Avenue Road Improvement Project; and,

WHEREAS, on June 27, 2016, the Township Committee adopted Resolution #16-304, as amended by Resolution #16-328 on July 25, 2016, which awarded the bid for the Central Avenue Road Improvement Project to Lucas Construction; and,

WHEREAS, prior to the start of work, Lucas Construction has submitted additional costs for the project which has caused the total amount of the bid to exceed the engineer's estimate; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer and Township Attorney recommend that all bids received on June 16, 2016 be rejected and that the project be rebid,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune as follows:

- 1) Resolution #16-304, as amended by Resolution #16-328, be and is hereby rescinded.
- 2) All bids received for the Central Avenue Road Improvement Project on June 16, 2016 are hereby rejected because the bids exceed the engineer's estimate.
- 3) The Township Engineer is directed to rebid the project immediately.

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

ACCEPT A FY16 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT FROM THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY

WHEREAS, the Township received notification from the New Jersey Department of Law & Public Safety of a FY16 Emergency Management Performance Grant/EMAA subaward; and,

WHEREAS, the FY16 Emergency Management Performance Grant/EMAA, Subaward #FY16EMPG-EMAA-1334, is for the period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017; and,

WHEREAS, the total amount of the award is \$9,400.00 in federal dollars and a required local match of \$9,400.00; and;

WHEREAS, funds for the local match will be provided for in the 2017 municipal budget, when adopted, and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune does hereby accept the that the FY16 Emergency Management Performance Grant/EMAA subaward; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township of Neptune is accepting the specific grant of funds for the purpose described in the application; and,

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

The resolutions of the Consent Agenda were adopted on the following vote: Lane, aye; McMillan, aye, except abstain on the resolution to execute contracts with youth sports organizations; Rizzo, aye; Williams, aye; and Brantley, aye.

The Mayor announced the following appointments to the Planning Board:

Mayor Michael Brantley, as the Class I Member for a one year term expiring December 31, 2017.

Robert Lane, Jr., as the Class III member for a one year term expiring December 31, 2017.

Keith P. Cafferty, as the Class IV Alternate #1 for an unexpired two year term expiring December 31, 2018.

Linda Kornegay, as the Class IV Alternate #2 for an unexpired two year term expiring December 31, 2017.

CONFIRM MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS TO THE PLANNING BOARD

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

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2017, the Township Committee adopted Resolution #17-32 which confirmed the Mayor's appointments to the Planning Board; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor designated a Mayor's appointee as the Class I member and therefore must appoint a member of the Township Committee, other than the Mayor, to serve as the Class III member; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor desires to amend the appointments made on January 1, 2017 so that he can remain on the Planning Board in the Class I position,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee hereby confirms the Mayor's appointments to the Neptune Township Planning Board and amendments to Resolution #17-32 as follows:

Mayor Michael Brantley, as the Class I Member for a one year term expiring December 31, 2017.

Robert Lane, Jr., as the Class III member for a one year term expiring December 31, 2017.

Keith P. Cafferty, as the Class IV Alternate #1 for an unexpired two year term expiring December 31, 2018.

Linda Kornegay, as the Class IV Alternate #2 for an unexpired two year term expiring December 31, 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Administrative Officer of the Neptune Township Planning Board.

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

AWARD BID FOR REPLACEMENT OF SENIOR CENTER ROOF

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

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2017, the Township Engineer received bids for the award of a contract for the replacement of the roof on the Senior Center; and,

WHEREAS, said bids were reviewed by the Township Engineer and Consulting Engineer who have recommended that the bid be awarded to the lowest bid submitted by Strober-Wright Roofing, Inc.; 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 Ordinances No. 16-27 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 Strober-Wright Roofing, Inc. on their lowest responsible base bid of \$191,104.00 for the replacement of the Senior Center roof; and,

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

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

EXTEND OFFER OF EMPLOYMENT FOR THE POSITION OF DRIVER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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

WHEREAS, due to a retirement, there is a vacancy in the position of Driver in the Public Works Department; and,

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

WHEREAS, the Human Resources Director and Business Administrator have made a recommendation; and,

WHEREAS, funds will be provided for the first three months of 2017 in the 2017 Temporary Budget and funds for the balance of 2017 will be provided in the Budget for the year 2017, when finally adopted, and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that an offer of employment be and is hereby extended to Christopher Andrews for the position of Driver in the Department of Public Works, on a probationary basis for a period of not less than 90 days and not exceeding one year, contingent upon favorable results of the required pre-employment testing, effective January 30, 2017, at an annual salary of \$31,200.00; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Public Works Director, Chief Financial Officer, Assistant C.F.O., AFSCME Local #2792, and Human Resources Director.

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

RECLASSIFY EMPLOYEE TO THE POSITION OF SEWER SUPERVISOR IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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

WHEREAS, there is a vacancy in the position of Sewer Supervisor in the Department of Public Works; and,

WHEREAS, the position was duly posted; and,

WHEREAS, the Human Resources Director and Business Administrator have made a recommendation to reclassify an existing employee to said position; and,

WHEREAS, funds will be provided for the first three months of 2017 in the 2017 Temporary Budget and funds for the balance of 2017 will be provided in the Budget for the year 2017, when finally adopted, and the Chief Financial Officer has so certified in writing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that Justin Persico be and is hereby reclassified to the position of Sewer Supervisor in the Department of Public Works at an annual salary of \$81,426.14 effective January 24, 2017; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Public Works Director, Chief Financial Officer, Assistant C.F.O., Human Resources Director, AFSCME Local #2792 and the Department/Division Heads Association.

The resolution was adopted on the following vote: Lane, aye; McMillan, aye; Rizzo, aye; Williams, aye, adding that Mr. Persico is currently a Foreman in the Public Works Department and has done a great job in the past and will continue to do a great job as a Supervisor; and Brantley, aye.

AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF BILLS

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 that the following bills be paid if properly certified:

CURRENT FUND	\$5,150,481.84
GRANT FUND	104,466.03
TRUST FUND	16,047.43
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	202,544.15
SEWER OPERATING FUND	23,212.97
SEWER CAPITAL FUND	703,343.89
MARINA OPERATING FUND	10,129.15
MARINA CAPITAL FUND	62,327.37
DOG TRUST	14,983.40
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE	313.56
LIBRARY TRUST	4,325.99
BILL LIST TOTAL	\$6,292,175.78

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

DESIGNATE JANUARY AS SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH

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

WHEREAS, New Jersey's public schools serve approximately 1.4 million children from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade; and,

WHEREAS, the direction of public education in New Jersey is charted locally by individual school boards, whose 4,800 members serve as advocates for public education as they work with administrators, teachers, parents and local residents; and,

WHEREAS, Boards of education provide accountability to the public, they communicate the needs of the school district to the community, and they convey to school administrators the public's expectations for the school district; and,

WHEREAS, school board members receive no remuneration for their services; and,

WHEREAS, Neptune Township is justly proud of the academic, athletic and social achievements of the students in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the New Jersey School Boards Association has declared January 2017 to be School Board Recognition Month, a time that all residents might acknowledge the contributions made by our local school board members,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune does hereby commend the service of the Neptune Township Board of Education and its members President Jason A. Jones, Vice President Chanta L. Jackson, Chairman Dwayne Breeden, Chairwoman Donna Puryear, Members Laura Granelli, Michelle Moss, William Wells, Monica Kowalski-Lodato, Esq., and Scott Fields to our community and its children; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Neptune Township Committee proclaims January 2017 as SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH in Township of Neptune, and urges all citizens to join in recognizing the dedication of local school board members, past and present, as we work together to improve educational opportunities for our children.

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

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kennedy Buckley, 65 Broadway, asked the Committee to consider charging for parking on the ocean front during the summer months, same as the municipalities on each side of us. He stated he could not justify in his mind why Neptune Township would pass up income that would be to the benefit of all Neptune residents. He stated Mr. Bascom has done a fine job in obtaining funding through grants, etc. and he's sure he would know how the funds would be utilized annually. He also stated that Leanne Hoffman stated a steady stream of income could be used for the benefit of the Township.

Mayor Brantley stated he did not know if Bradley Beach had the parking problems that Ocean Grove has.

Mr. Buckley stated he was not referring to a parking problem but rather that of revenue.

Mayor Brantley stated he thought the parking engineer said that a meter would push the parking problem from one area to another.

Ms. Rizzo confirmed that the parking engineer stated a meter would only push the parking problem from one area to another and they really wouldn't be saving anything.

Dorothy Argyros, 2100 Rutherford Avenue, stated she was 88 years old and she's lived through a lot of history. She has even marched in the streets and on January 20th people walked through the streets against the Trump agenda. She stated 175,000 people marched in Boston and one of them was her daughter who had a sign that said hands off of social security, hands off Roe vs Wade and hands off unarmed black teenagers. Her other daughter was marching in Denver Colorado and thousands picketed Trump Towers and one of them was her good friend Mary Ann. She joined 50 people at a sit in at the Freehold office of Congressman Chris Smith. She stated America has spoken and the oppose Trumps agenda. She asked the Committee to pass a resolution to oppose Trumps agenda.

Mayor Brantley stated they would talk about it and Ms. Rizzo questioned what would be the purpose of them doing this.

Mrs. Argyros stated it would tell the people that you are on their side and not the fat cats.

Dr. James Chenitz, 632 South Riverside Drive, stated for a long time he did not know that Ocean Grove was a part of Neptune Township. He stated he felt that Ocean Grove was the crown jewel of Neptune Township. He suggested restructuring the town. He also stated he agreed with Mrs. Argyros rationale and we need to let people know what our rationale is whether we wanted to vote for the President or not. He stated he has been calling Congressman Smith's and we have nothing to lose by going public. The only way we can get action is on a local level and this Township should take a stand.

Joyce Klein, 105 Mt. Hermon Way, thanked the Committee for considering the parking task force's recommendation and she felt the recommendations was a great start. She stated Asbury was not being quiet about their parking problem. She stated she hoped the Township remained open to creative solutions.

Mayor Brantley assured her that this was not an end issue and stated he's been on the Committee for ten years now and this issue has come up before. He stated they have not closed the door and is constantly looking at it.

Rebecca Cavanaugh, Director, Ocean Grove Chamber of Commerce, stated they supported a three hour limit on the two blocks that they discussed. That had been voted by the members who are all on Main Avenue. They also supported 15 minute parking in front of the bank and the hardware store.

Ms. Rizzo stated her concern was a parking engineer took a look at it from one perspective and not from the perspective of the businesses that have a very short period of time to make their revenue and instead focused on that it would create additional parking issues on other streets and that is true one way or the other. She stated the real question was did they want to support the businesses in Ocean Grove and make sure they can thrive and that has been her concern all along.

Ms. Cavanaugh stated they supported a seasonal implementation and also business hours so people that lived above stores would not have to move their cars.

Mayor Brantley thanked the parking task force. He felt they did a tremendous job and it has improved the situation.

Susan Chenitz, 632 South Riverside Drive, stated she was familiar with Hoboken which deals with hi-rises and Asbury Park is only going to get worse. She felt meters would only move the problem and they must try to do something. She suggested a pilot program.

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

Richard J. Cuttrel,
Municipal Clerk