# TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE WORKSHOP MEETING - October 15, 2024 - 6:00 P.M.

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

Township Committe	ee Present/ Absent	Professionals	Present/ Absent	
Robert Lane, Jr. Kevin McMillan Derel Stroud Tassie D. York	Present Present Present Present	Gina LaPlace Gene Anthony Katrina Thornton	<u>Present</u> <u>Present</u> <u>Present</u>	

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#### ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION IN OPEN SESSION

1. Rethink Disposable Ordinance

Mr. Anthony – this was something that Mr. Stroud wanted to initiate and I have drafted an ordinance that would address plastic utensils because I think it is the primary thing here because the statute already covers plastic bags. The only thing not in the statute is plastic utensils and like disposable items. I drafted an ordinance similar to Hoboken and Red Bank and I will have it for the workshop at the next meeting and for introduction if it is satisfactory at the workshop.

Mr. Lane – I feel this is worth mentioning and look forward to seeing the draft on it because people have a lot of things in their homes that accumulate and how fast things disintegrate.

Mr. Anthony – the other thing that was discussed which is not on here but it is something that the Mayor brought up were charitable bins. We have an ordinance dealing with bins and it was based on state statutes going back ten years, I did draft an amendment to it which changes some of the distance requirements which we are allowed to have even though there is a state statute. The statute does not address certain things and we are kind of filling in the blanks for what the state statute does not address and it is based on input I received at one of our prior workshops. This will be ready for the next workshop meeting and introduction as well.

2. Speed Limit Changes in Ocean Grove

Mr. Lane – this was brought up when the Chief attended an Ocean Grove Homeowner Association Meeting and he did his research about how many accidents there were and everyone is aware that the speed limit is 25mph and it is a state law and to change that to go lower than that everything would have to be changed. It would cost approximately \$65,000 for signs if the speed limit were to go down from 25 to 20. In the meantime, the Chief purchased four signs, two signs for Broadway and two for Main and a solar panel which is over \$25,000 and they will be able to keep track of the accidents. I also heard that Cape May did it but it has not done well.

Mr. McMillan – I did a little research on lowering the speed limit from 25 to 20. In New York they have

Sammy's Law which allows New York City to lower the speed limit to 20mph. It was named after Sammy Cohen Epstein a 12-year-old youth that was killed by a speeding driver and what Triple A has said that pedestrians stand a 10 percent risk of death when hit by a car going 25 mph but by reducing it by 5 miles could help pedestrians being struck by a car. I believe what the Chief has is a good intermediary fix and that we are able to get good metrics for those people who are speeding because we will be able to track it with the speed table. He also asked if they could have signs so that the motorist would have an additional incentive as well as the digital sign as well. In a couple of months, we can reassess it with the speed data that we have.

Mr. Lane – Just like in the Gables, it is their own residents that are speeding. We have to make sure everyone is aware of these speed limits.

Ms. LaPlaca – In addition to the approximately \$65,000 for signage and man hours, it is the Chief's opinion and mine that we have an engineering study before we lower the speed limit and it will not be cheap. In Cape May there was significant opposition from other members of the governing body when that was done because it was done without an engineering study and because they felt they should let the police department enforce the rules first. Back to 2021 there has been a total of six pedestrian and or bicycle accidents in Ocean Grove. She confirmed with the Chief this afternoon that there was no evidence that speed was a factor in any of those crashes.

Mr. Anthony – I wanted to add that we had a situation from the municipal court where certain ordinances that deal with traffic in this case with parking. It must be approved by the administration of courts in municipal court for this to be enforceable. I do not know whether speeding in Ocean Grove would be one ordinance changes that would be subject to review by the judge in charge of municipal courts. That might take some time too. If you want to go ahead with this you might want an ordinance prepared just to see whether or not it would be opposed by the judge in charge and at the same time do your study.

Mr. McMillan – I agree that we should try and move forward and if there is any money in any ordinances that we are not using perhaps we transfer the money to fund this.

Mr. Anthony – you would have to speak to the CFO about that.

Mr. Stroud – I do not think money is an issue when people's lives are at stake, however, I think we need more time to take a look at this. Just based on research I was able to do over the weekend when we received the agenda through the National Traffic Safety Bureau they suggested lowering the speed limit increases non-compliance and people are still going to speed over 25 mph. We need a little more time to take a look at this. By the next meeting we will be able to do our due diligence and research. We just have to enforce it. We could also have lighted crosswalks as well.

Mr. Anthony- all those things can be included in the engineering study including speed humps.

Mayor York – I agree that one loss of life are two more losses. We will research it more and come back to it.

Mr. Stroud – I have nothing at this time.

Mr. McMillan – I have nothing at this time Mayor.

Mr. Lane – I have one that is a little early but it is never too early to talk about Veterans. Veterans Committee is doing a Veterans service on November 10<sup>th</sup> at 12pm at the park. This is also our tenth anniversary and we want to have a luncheon to raise more funds for the park so that we can maintain it and keep it pristine and replace the old bricks with new bricks. We are also looking at getting grants. This is a fundraiser to raise funds for the park anyone interested in it is at the event on November 10<sup>th</sup> at Jumping Brook Country Club from 1-5pm.

Mayor York – I wanted to say that anyone who wanted to purchase a brick Summerfield School is asking for names of anyone who played football you could write your relatives name on a brick. You can contact the Board of Education for all the details to purchase the brick.

Res #24 - 387 Authorize An Executive Session As Authorized By The Open Public Meetings Act.

Offered by:	Lane			Seconded by:	McM	illan	
Vote:	Lane	Yes	McMillan <u>Yes</u>	Stroud	Yes	York	Yes

#### TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING - October 15, 2024 - 7:00 P.M.

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

Township Committe	ee Present/ Absent	Professionals	Present/ Absent	
Robert Lane, Jr.	Present	Gina LaPlace	Present	
Kevin McMillan	Present	Gene Anthony	Present	
Derel Stroud	Present	Katrina Thornto	n <u>Present</u>	
Tassie D. York	Present			

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# MOMENT OF SILENCE AND FLAG SALUTE

Mayor York asked everyone to keep the Manning family in their prayers because Mr. Manning lost his father and Mike Celli because he lost his mother.

Mr. Lane stated he did not know the gentleman well, but he had a problem with his parking spot. He asked everyone to keep Carol in their prayers because she lost her husband Ed.

Mayor York announced that today was the birthday of Mr. Stroud.

Mayor York states, "Fire exits are located in the rear of the room and to my right. In the event of a fire, you will be notified by fire alarm and/or public address system, then proceed to the nearest smoke-free exit."

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#### **CONSIDERATION OF SEPARATE RESOLUTIONS**

Public comments regarding resolutions 24-388 and 24-389 and 24-403 only. The public will be permitted one visit to the microphone with a limit of five minutes.

There were no comments on Resolutions 24-388, 24-389, 24-403.

Res#24- 388 Resolution Appointing Acting Clerk Katrina Thornton As Temporary Substitute For Clerk And Deputy Clerk For Neptune Township

Offered by:	Stroud			Seconded by:	McMi	llan
Vote:	Lane	Yes	McMillan <u>Yes</u>	Stroud Yes	_York	Yes

Mr. Lane Offered a motion to move Resolution #24-403 up next, moved and seconded by Mr. Stroud; all were in favor of Mr. Stroud

reminded everyone of the stipend as it was not mentioned in the resolution.

**Res#24- 403** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing Certain Personnel Actions- Reclassification

Offered by:	Stroud			Seconded by:	Lane			
Vote:	Lane	Yes	McMillan <u>Yes</u>	Stroud	Yes	York	Yes	
The Oath of Office Administered to Ms. Young by Mayor York. Ms. Young's family members were present.								

No one moved the resolution, and they stated it was not likely they would move to appoint one of the three names. Mr. Anthony stated under the state statute if the Committee does not appoint one of the three members that have been submitted by the Democratic Executive Committee it goes back to the Executive Committee and they must make a decision among the three members and must do it within 15 days. If you are saying you are not going to take any action between now and October 30<sup>th</sup>. It is now returned to the Executive Committee, and they have 15 days to appoint one of the three they cannot come up with new names. So, the resolution at this point dies.

Mr. Manning questioned if that was a vote to table. Mr. Anthony stated that no it dies.

Res#24- 405 Terminate the Employment of David Milmoe.

David Milmoe, Director of Public Works for Neptune – stated this was the third time for a termination vote because of what he posted on an out of state friends Facebook page in June. He stated the Mayor found and brought it to HR in an effort to fire him. In the post he never identified himself as an employee of Neptune Township, as the Director of Neptune's DPW or being affiliated with Neptune and the post was not directed at any Neptune employee leader or resident. He has already apologized months ago but despite that this Committee voted to suspend him for thirty days without pay in July. The Committee could have decided to fire him at that time, but they did not do that because of the progressive discipline policy that applies to him. He questioned why he was being disciplined again for the same post in violation of the harassment and discipline policy. He stated the Committee already fired him and the Superior Court Judge ruled that vote to terminate resulted in a tie and therefore did not pass and it is voting again. He asked if it was to carry out the mission of the Mayor to get rid of him all because both he and Dr. Brantley did not decide to hire a relative of hers. He stated this is when she started harassing him. He stated he did the right thing and is being punished for it. He stated he never wanted to sue the town and only wanted to continue to save money and work for the residents of the Township. He stated he just wanted the retaliation to stop, and he has never had any complaints against him about his job performance.

Jefferey Lucien 1007 Fordham Road stated he was a resident of Neptune and former employee of Neptune. He stated he was a former union president he represented the blue-collar guys .and he wanted to follow up regarding the claims that Mr. Milmoe just made. He stated when he worked in public works with him it was hell. Mr. Milmoe discarded anything that was ethical . He stated when he read about this there was a familiarity that a lot of the employees were subjected to. Mr. Lucien stated before he left the Township, he brought this up to Ms. LaPlaca. He contacted Mr. Milmoe for two years regarding training and did not hear anything until he emailed the committee and Ms. LaPlaca. He is coming here to act as if he was a fair person. He would be willing to testify under oath that that was a complete lie.

Jonathan Cohen, Labor Attorney, stated Mr. Milmoe was riced and selected not to have his employment discussed in public so I would expect the governing body not to comment on the employment of Mr. Milmoe. Mr. Cohen explained the Judge's ruling and that it was improper because the Mayor voted, and the second one did not count because Mr. Milmoe was not riced. Mr. Cohen stated in his legal opinion tonight Mr. Milmoe has been riced and the members of the governing body can now vote by doing a correction vote by not having the Mayor present and by Mr. Milmoe now being riced.

Comments from the public were closed.

Offered by:	Stroud			_Seconded by:	Lane	
Vote:	Lane	Yes	McMillan <u>No</u>	Stroud	Yes	York <u>Not Present</u>

Mr. Anthony stated it was a two to one vote and that was the majority of the quorum and it passes. After the vote, Mr. Anthony requested someone call Mayor York to return to the meeting. Mayor York Returned to the meeting.

# **PRESENTATION**

Mayor York introduces the Neptune Township Youth Advisory Committee (the Presentation was carried)

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion offered by Committeeperson<u>Lane</u>, seconded by Committeeperson <u>Stroud</u>, to approve the minutes of meeting of September 23, 2024. All were in favor with the exception of Mr. McMillan who abstained.

# **COMMENTS FROM THE DAIS**

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

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Stroud the little librarian of the week is Jack and he wants to be a builder and last week it was CeeCee and she wants to be a mom. He also stated OEM/EMS needed volunteers. He also stated that there is a meeting tonight about the living shoreline over at the marina and he will update everyone accordingly on how that's going. He stated the school board recognized some of their alumni's that have gone on and been in the NFL and he wanted to do so as well. He mentioned Joe Vetrano Class of 1938, Nick Ramsey Class of 1959, Bob Davis Class of 1963, Corey Nelms Class of 2006, Vinny Curry Class of 2006, Keith Kirkwood Class of 2013.

- McMillan he is working on trying to energize the efforts of the Ocean Grove Chamber with the Neptune Chamber and they are thinking of ways to bring tourism to Ocean Grove and the Neptune Area and working to combine the efforts to make Neptune a choice for tourism.
- Lane this Saturday is Senior Saturday from 1-3 at the West Grove Church which is off 102 Walnut. It is a collaboration with two churches. There will be refreshments and different speakers. They will talk about the library and the web. There is a lot of things going on at the Senior Center. He requested they contact him for details or the Senior Center if they miss anything. He stated they would be hosting a flu vaccine clinic on Wednesday October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10am -1pm. They will also be hosting the DMV unit on that day as well from 9-3pm. From 3-7pm they will also host an additional clinic. Early voting for elections will begin October 26<sup>th</sup> and on election day the center will be a polling place. He gave details for a fundraiser for the Veterans Parks, Pound the Pavement Race and the Homecoming was great. Jersey Shore Dream Center held their event.
- York We enjoyed the Homecoming game and Neptune won. The Seniors won the float, it was really nice and wonderful to walk in the parade. She asked that they please keep the Advisory Committee for the youth lifted because they want to come in and see how government works. If you know of anyone looking for a job there are still 14 positions still available.

#### **REPORT OF THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR**

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

- Homeless Encampment Updates: at the October 2<sup>nd</sup> Case Conference it was announced that another encampment resident was housed bringing the official population at that time down to 13 residents. Four of them have housing vouchers that will enable them for placement. The next Case Conference is October 18<sup>th</sup>. We are also in the process of setting up a meeting with the property owner and Township Officials to discuss their plans to address municipal violations that are still pending and to ensure the property is secure going forward after it has been vacated. The Judge ordered the deadline for vacation of the encampment is October 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Update on 9th Avenue Sewer Project: the pipelining and manhole rehabilitation work has been completed. Concrete work for curbing ADA ramps and aprons were for those properties were determined to be appropriate and it is also nearing completion milling and paving is set up for this Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup> and Friday October 18<sup>th</sup> notices are being sent out to residents to advise of the work and road closures.
- **Tax office Renovations and Drive-up Canopy:** the drive up renovations and canopy have been delayed a little bit. There was an issue with the steel delivery for the canopy. Exterior work is tentatively scheduled to begin by the end of this week or early next week, depending on the confirmation of the Township Engineer. We are still optimistic assuming there are no delays the job will be completed by the end of this month and the cleaning of the municipal parking lot should take place in November.
- Bert Willis Pickle Ball Court: is completed and the topsoil and seeding was done yesterday. The engineer is doing a final site inspection and punch list. So we are real close to being done.

# PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS.

The Clerk will announce additional information regarding Separated Resolutions if necessary.

Public comments regarding resolutions presented on this agenda only. The public will be permitted one visit to the microphone with a limit of five minutes.

There were no Comments.

**ORDINANCES** - For each ordinance with a public hearing, the public is permitted one visit to the microphone with a

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limit of five minutes.

# PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL ADOPTION ORDINANCES

#### Ordinance 24-31 Ordinance Amending Section 412 Of The Land Development Ordinance

Explanatory Statement: This ordinance amends the regulations and restrictions pertaining to livestock; specifically adding prohibitions to all livestock and restrictions on the harboring of chickens.

Offered by:	Lane Seconded by: <u>McMillan</u>					
	Lane <u>Yes McMillan Yes</u> Stroud <u>Yes</u> York <u>Yes</u>					
Name and Address None	Comment					
	rdinance Of The Township Of Neptune Establishing Minimum Stormwater Management trols For "Major Developments"					
Explanatory Statement: T development,"	e purpose of this ordinance is to establish minimum stormwater management requirements and controls for "major					
Offered by:	Stroud Seconded by: <u>McMillan</u>					
	Lane <u>Yes</u> <u>McMillan Yes</u> Stroud <u>Yes</u> York <u>Yes</u>					
Name and Address None	<u>Comment</u> No Comments					

<u>Ordinance 24-35</u> Bond Ordinance Providing For The Acquisition Of Various Parcels Of Real Property Within The West Lake Avenue Redevelopment Area, The Demolition Of Improvements Thereon, And The Restoration Of Such Real Property, By And In The Township Of Neptune, In The County Of Monmouth, State Of New Jersey; Appropriating \$700,000 Therefor And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$665,000 Bonds Or Notes Of The Township To Finance Part Of The Cost Thereof

Explanatory Statement: The bond ordinance provides for the financing of the acquisition of and payment of the purchase price for various parcels of real property within the West Lake Avenue Redevelopment Area in the Township, located at Block 602, Lots 14 and 15 on the official tax map of the Township, also known as 1509 West Lake Avenue and 1515 West Lake Avenue (collectively, the 'West Lake Redevelopment Properties''), including the demolition of improvements, if any, currently existing on the West Lake Redevelopment Properties and the restoration of such West Lake Redevelopment Properties.

Offered by:	Stroud		Seconded by: <u>McMillan</u>				
	Lane	Yes	<u>McMillan Yes</u> Stroud <u>Yes</u> York <u>Yes</u>				
Name and Address			Comment				
Richard Rodes 1 Ocean Avenue			What are the implications of this purchase and how close is this putting us too the West Lake Ave project happening and where do we stand with the developer and will there be any additional purchases?				
Mr. Stroud		be	We are currently working with someone and if this bond does not pass we will not				
		be	any closer and if it passes we will be a lot closer than what we need to be. Cannot say this will be the last property to be purchased. There is a developer who is working with us and working on a plan.				

**Ordinance 24-36** Bond Ordinance Providing For The Development Of, And Improvements To, The Welsh Farms Property, By And In The Township Of Neptune, In The County Of Monmouth, State Of New Jersey; Appropriating \$500,000 Therefor (Including A \$326,000 Grant Received Or Expected To Be Received From The Monmouth County Open Space Trust Fund) And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$165,300 Bonds Or Notes Of The Township To Finance Part Of The Cost Thereof

Explanatory Statement: The bond ordinance provides for the financing of the development of, and improvements to, the Welsh Farms property located on Old Corlies Avenue in the Township, also known as Block 3001, Lot 14 on the official tax map of the Township, including, but not limited to, the acquisition, construction, and installation, as applicable, of walking paths, outdoor gaming areas, fitness areas, a picnic pavilion, benches, fencing, gardens and landscaping features, and other related improvements.

Offered by:	Lane			Seconde	ed by:	Stroud		
	Lane	Yes	McMillan	Yes	Stroud	Yes	York	Yes

Name and Address None <u>Comment</u> No Comments\_

<u>Ordinance 24-38</u> Refunding Bond Ordinance Authorizing The Issuance Of Not To Exceed \$3,210,000 Principal Amount Of General Obligation Refunding Bonds By The Township Of Neptune, In The County Of Monmouth, State Of New Jersey (The "Township"), To The Monmouth County Improvement Authority (The "Mcia") For The Purpose Of Refunding Certain Bonds Previously Issued By The Township To The Mcia

Explanatory Statement: To generate debt service savings to the Township on bonds previously issued to the MCIA in 2013 and 2014.

Offered by:	McMillan Seconded by: <u>Stroud</u>				
	Lane <u>Yes</u>	<u>McMillan Yes</u> Stroud <u>Yes</u> York <u>Yes</u>			
<u>Name and Address</u> None		<u>Comment</u> No Comments_			
Adding And Removing	Ordinance To A g Resident Only	<b>DING</b> mend Volume I, Chapter Vii Of The Code Of The Township Of Neptune By Handicapped Parking Zones <i>a resident only handicap parking stall for 70 Cookman Ave. and removed a stall for 145 N</i>			
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Offered by:	Lane	Seconded by: <u>Stroud</u>			
	Lane <u>Yes</u>	<u>McMillan Yes</u> Stroud <u>Yes</u> York <u>Yes</u>			
Ordinance 24-40 An	Ordinance Autho	orizing The Acquisition By Purchase Or Condemnation Of The Real Property			

Main

Ordinance 24-40 An Ordinance Authorizing The Acquisition By Purchase Or Condemnation Of The Real Property Located At 1509 &1515 West Lake Avenue, Block 602/ Lots 14 &15 (Alpha Liquor Store) As Set Forth On The Tax Map Of The Township Of Neptune, County Of Monmouth, New Jersey

Explanatory Statement: This ordinance authorizes the Township Committee to purchase or condemn property at 1509 and 1515 West Lake Ave. Block 602 Lots 14 and 15.

fered by:		Seconded by:						
Officered by:	Stroud Lane	McNellande <u>d by</u> :	MStvbillach		York			
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McMillan Yes Stroud Yes York Yes Yes Lane

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor asks if the Committee would like to pull any resolution from the consent agenda for separate consideration.

Res#24-390 A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Acknowledging Mayoral Appointments To The Planning Board Res#24-391 Place Lien On Various Properties Res#24-392 A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Accepting Resignations Res#24-393 A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing The Rates For Non- Residential Containerized Garbage Collection Upon Request Res#24-394 Authorize Shared Service Agreement With County Of Monmouth Neptune Township To Provide Community Rating System Project Management Software Res#24-396 Authorize Extension Of Shared Service Agreement With The Borough Of Avon-By-The-Sea For **Emergency Medical Services** Res#24-397 Authorize Shared Service Agreement With The Borough Of Bradley Beach For Salt Storage Facility Res#24-398 Release A Performance Bond Filed By St. George's Cemetery For Site Improvements At Block 1402 Lot 2 Res#24-399 A Resolution To Request A Change In Title, Text Or Amount Of Appropriations Pursuant To N.J.S.A. 40a:4-85 Res#24-400 A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing A Chapter 159 Budget Amendment To Insert Revenue Received For Cops Hiring Program Res#24-A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing A Chapter 159 401 Budget Amendment To Insert Revenue Received For BJA Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Res#24-402 Authorizing the Payment of Bills Res#24-403 A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Acknowledging Mayoral Appointments To The Planning Board Res#24-404 Place Lien On Various Properties **Res#24** 405 A Resolution Approving the JSAC Run for the Arts 5K

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Offered by:	McMillan		Seconded by:	Seconded by: Lane		
	Lane <u>Yes</u>	<u>McMillan</u> Ye	s Stroud <u>Yes</u>	York <u>Yes</u>		
<u>SEPARATED</u> Res#24 40	<b>RESOLUTIONS</b> 6 A Resolution O Certain Personnel Actio	f The Township Comm	nittee Of The Townsh	iip Of Neptune Au	thorizing	
	Offered by:	Stroud	See	conded by: <u>McN</u>	fillan	
	Lane <u>Yes</u>	<u>McMillan</u> Yes	Stroud <u>Yes</u>	York <u>Yes</u>		

Res#24- 408 Resolution Of The Township Committee, Township Of Neptune, Monmouth County, New Jersey Authorizing The Processing Of An Involuntary Disability Retirement Application For Officer Ryan Chippendale

Offered by:	Lane			Seconde	d by:	McMillan		
	Lane	Yes	<u>McMillan</u>	Yes	Stroud	Abstained	York	Yes

#### PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may address any concern relating to the Township. The public will be permitted one visit to the microphone with a limit of five minutes.

Name/Address	Comments
JP Thompson 75 Embury Ave	would the stormwater management requirements be modified for the Northend if it were to ever go through and would it be under the ospice of these requirements.
Mr. Anthony	most of the modifications are mostly citations of new statutes and yes it would apply.
Eileen Michaels 15 Seaview Ave	people are aware of the speed limits and they are residents and are not adhering to the signage. She suggested someone put up cameras because there is a problem and someone is going to get hurt. The laws should be enforced before someone gets hurt. She also discussed construction going on, on Sundays and it is disrespectful.
Julie Hekker 113 Pilgrim Pathway	spoke about the signage and the crosswalks in Ocean Grove. She stated Mr. Lane was nice enough to call her back. She stated Pilgrim Pathway was one of the busiest streets in Ocean Grove.
Richard Schlosseach 1 Broadway	stated he was on the Green Team Committee which totally collapsed. suggested creating more cultural events in Neptune Township. He felt that Neptune should compete with Asbury in that aspect.
Mr. McMillan	Suggested speaking with the Bd of Education because they have a Performing Arts Building.
Mayor York	stated she would reach out to the school on his behalf.
Joyce Klein 105 Mt. Herman Way hoped	spoke as President of the Ocean Grove Homeowners Association. She stated there has been a lot of discussion about enforcement in Ocean Grove and she
1	to start a dialog to make that happen. The homeowners would like to speak with one of the Committee members. She also stated she felt the mobile signs were great but there was a problem once they were removed. She is stated she was aware that those signs were for all of Neptune. When the signs are there people slow down

	and so does she. She also stated she did not want to see the construction trucks barreling through the streets.
Ms. LaPlaca	stated for a point of clarification the four new LED signs are solely for Ocean Grove and they will be mounted.
Nancy Clarke 47 Embury Ave	stated she also was thinking of an Arts and Cultural Council. Creative things are happening and the Jersey Shore Performing Arts Center and the schools. The art can also bring in tourism. She stated she would love for it to be followed through and there is a lot of resources out there.
Mr. Stroud	stated that he would be willing to work with both her and Richard. He stated Plainfield has something like this and believe they started theirs through government grants. He would be willing to work with Mr. McMillan on this.
Mr. McMillan	stated he believed East Orange and Newark both have something similar and he would be willing to work with them as well.
Barbara Burns 4 Ocean Ave	questioned the cost of the blinking signs and stop signs.
Mr. Lane	stated it was approximately \$22,000 for the blinking signs.
Ms. Burns	stated she was sure the stop signs were a lot less and were more effective then any lights and asked that they would consider that.
Joan Venezia 107 Mt. Herman Way	questioned the selection for the new committeeperson. She stated she did not know Derek Griggs and questioned where did he live.
Mr. Anthony	stated he lived in Neptune Township.
Ms. Venezia	stated the next court date for 63 Cookman Avenue was November 14. She questioned if it was for old violations or the mercantile licenses and would new people be going in and if so did they get a CO.
Mr. Anthony	stated the violations we are talking about which will be in November are the code And zoning violations that are 2023-2024 violations. All those violations are coming up. They have a mercantile registration and when they have new tenants they have to have a new CI. He stated he would have to look into it.
Ms. Venezia	questioned what was going on with Northend?
Mr. Lane	someone from Ocean Grove hired an attorney and we are waiting for the review.
Anita Steveson 1718 Wayside Road	stated she was present to support her neighbor Patricia Cottman who sent a letter to on September 1 <sup>st</sup> to Mayor York and copied Mr. McMillan and Ms. LaPlaca. It is regarding Wayside Road to Route 66. She stated it was the Indy 500. She suggested getting a traffic light at the flashing signal. She believes the problem is the speed bumps on Jumping Brook Road. She has lived in her home since 1995 and she use to walk her dog so she knows Wayside Road intimately. The police told her that they could not park on her property so they parked on a dirt road and people know that they are there. She would like for the Committee to look into it. She also stated the Township trucks come by her area and not Neptune Boulevard.
Ms. LaPlaca	stated she gave her letter to the Chief but felt this was an engineering issue and would discuss it with the engineer tomorrow.

questioned whether another sign could go up in that area.

Richard Williams 1 Abbott Avenue	stated the residents of Ocean Grove were really concerned about these issues. He questioned when the Pickle Court would be ready.
Mayor York	stated she would let him know when it was ready.
Mr. Williams	stated he was very impressed with the way they are handling the homeless encampment.
Gary Brown Cardinal Road	appreciates all the hard work and meetings that Gina has to go to. He also questioned the resolution where a lien was placed on a property. He asked if ever 700 Neptune Boulevard had liens placed on it for so long.
Mr. Anthony	we would have to remove the trash and then place a lien on it for the cost of it.
Mr. Brown	since 2001 up until September 8 <sup>th</sup> of this year there have been 85 police calls 4 fires 25 EMS, 4 DOA's and 115 welfare checks and just about all of them you can hear, see and smell it. He is afraid the courts will knock down the fines on this to nothing. He stated he hopes the Township come up with something and he would love to be a part of this if possible. The homeless are being taking care of but he is concerned about the other groups that will be there.
Mr. McMillans	stated he walks around Sunshine Village and he is noticed homeless there as well as well as people with cats.
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Offered by:	York	Seconded by:	<u>Stroud</u>	_ all were in favor
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