

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING – February 26, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.

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

Township Committee	Present/ Absent	Professionals	Present/ Absent
Keith Cafferty	<u>Present</u>	Gina LaPlaca, Business Administrator	<u>Present</u>
Robert Lane, Jr.	<u>Present</u>	Gabriella Siboni, Township Clerk	<u>Present</u>
Kevin McMillan	<u>Present</u>	Gene Anthony, Township Attorney	<u>Present</u>
Derel Stroud	<u>Present</u>		
Tassie D. York	<u>Present</u>		

MOMENT OF SILENCE AND FLAG SALUTE

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

Mayor York announces that the notice requirements of R.S. 10:4-18 have been satisfied by the publication of the required advertisement in The Coaster and the Asbury Park Press on January 5, 2024, posting the notice on the Board in the Municipal Complex, and filing a copy of said notice with the Municipal Clerk. In addition, the meeting agenda is posted on the Township web site (www.neptunetownship.org).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion offered by Committeeman Lane, seconded by, Committeeman McMillan, to approve the minutes of meetings of February 12, 2024. All Present are in favor.

APPOINTMENT OF POLICE OFFICERS AND SWEARING IN

- Chief of Police will announce the recommendations for hire.
- Mayor York will open Public Comments on Resolution 24-128 only. The public will be permitted one visit to the microphone with a limit of five minutes.

There are no public comments.

Res#24- 128 A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing Certain Personnel Actions- Police Department

Offered by:	<u>Lane</u>	Seconded by:	<u>Stroud</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	<u>Cafferty</u> <u>Yes</u> <u>Lane</u> <u>Yes</u> <u>McMillan</u> <u>Yes</u> <u>Stroud</u> <u>Yes</u> <u>York</u> <u>Yes</u>		

Oaths of Office will be administered.

COMMENTS FROM THE DAIS

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

- Stroud Mr. Stroud stated he attended the strategic planning meeting at the High school, and he was happy to see that even students were involved in the discussion. Mr. Stroud attended the Black History event on Saturday with other members of the Township Committee and wanted to commend Ms. Harris on her hard work and successful event. Mr. Stroud followed up on a statement from last meeting that 401 Overlook was given a tax break. He was able to find out that they had filed and received a tax appeal on the property and were subsequently re-assessed when there were improvements on the property.
- Cafferty Mr. Cafferty stated he met with engineering, and they will have a proposal that will break out the road maintenance, but one that will address drainage issues throughout town. Mr. Cafferty provided updates on the living shoreline, marina dredging and contract bids that are upcoming.
- McMillan Mr. McMillan stated he was also in attendance to the Black History Month. Mr. McMillan has been in touch with the Business Administrator for an event that would offer cancer screenings to homeless. Mr. McMillan linked Ms. Michaels with a sorority sister who will be assisting in providing the much-needed sanitary products
- Lane Mr. Lane stated that he also attended the Black History Month celebration and was very excited about a museum opening in the Bronx that documents the history of hip hop. Mr. Lane stated applications are currently being accepted for Hometown Heroes Banner. Mr. Lane stated the St. Patrick Parade in Belmar is this Sunday and the Committee will be walking in the parade. March 20, vaccinations will return to the Senior Center.

York Ms. York stated she attended the Black History Month celebration and stated it was outstanding. Ms. York congratulated Ms. Harris and her committee on a wonderful event. Ms. York read the proclamation that was issued from the Senate Assembly to Ms. Harris and the committee.

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

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

- **Boater Safety Course at the Municipal Marina:** In partnership with the US Coast Guard Auxiliary, the Shark River Municipal Marina will be hosting a NJ State Boater Safety Course. The course will be held at the Marina on March 9, 2024, from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM. The cost of the course is \$65.00. Following the successful completion of the course, a New Jersey State Safe Boater Certificate will be issued. There are 50 seats available at his time.
- **Homeless Encampment Issues:** The Monmouth County Continuum of Care held its regular monthly case conference on Wednesday February 14th. The official population of the camp remains at 14 residents; one resident who was slated to be moved into housing this month is currently on hold because the unit identified for him sustained water damage in a recent storm. In the meantime, our Code and Zoning Departments continue to issue summonses to the property owner as appropriate, and our Special Counsel has been in conversation with the attorney for the property owner as recently as this week. We are anticipating a meaningful meeting with them sometime in March. The next case conference is scheduled for March 13th.
- **Recognition for Neptune’s Youth Emergency Services Summer Camp:** In 2023, the Neptune Recreation Department hosted our first-ever Youth Emergency Services Summer Camp, which featured programming for children aged 10-15 developed and presented by representatives of Township Police, EMS, OEM, Fire and other emergency services agencies. I am pleased to announce that tomorrow evening, Neptune Township will be receiving an award from the New Jersey Recreation and Parks Association in the category of “Excellence in Health and Wellness Programming” in recognition of the outstanding contributions made to the community through our Youth Emergency Services Summer Camp. Countless Township employees and volunteers lent their time and expertise to make this possible, and I wish to express my gratitude and congratulations to all of them.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS

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

Resolution 24-140

Kelsi O’Connor Full Time EMT \$56,000.00

Dylan Caruso Full Time EMT \$56,000.00

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.

Name and Address

Comment

Michael Langon 215
Overlook Dr.

Mr. Langon is here to speak on resolution 24-137. Mr. Langon indicated the retaining wall has been removed and asked the Township committee to remove the resolution. Mr. Anthony stated Mr. Langon was advised that he had to obtain a permit from construction, and he did not get required permit. Mr. Langon reiterated that the wall has been removed. Mr. Anthony stated the removal of the wall can cause drainage issues. Mayor York advised Mr. Langon that she appreciated the removal of the wall but did advise it needed to be removed properly. Mr. Stroud asked if the resident was notified in writing and Mr. Anthony conformed, he was.

Joyce Klein,
Mt. Hermon Way

24-141 and 24-142. Ms. Klein stated she is speaking on behalf of the Homeowners Association and read the letter authored by Richard Williams regarding opposition to Ocean Grove North End Development.

Barbara Burns, Ocean Ave.

Ms. Burns stated there are 2 new members of the Committee and trusts that the Committee has reviewed the applicable documents. Ms. Burns requested that the information from the professionals is bypassed and asked the Township Committee

Andy Levine, Mt. Tabor Way	<p>respond to the questions being posed by the residents.</p> <p>Mr. Levine spoke on resolution 24-141. Mr. Levin spoke in opposition of the proposed resolution and in regard to Ocean Grove North End Development. Mr. Levine stated the proposed development is out of character for Ocean Grove and believes it poses a number of issues to the township. Mr. Levine stated the Township Committee should honor the decision of the Historic Preservation Commission.</p>
Bill Borge, Duran Rd.	<p>Mr. Borge resolution 24-137, Mr. Borge stated the retaining walls are needed for drainage, but asked how it is possible that the Township would charge a resident \$300 a year for a retaining wall. Mr. Borge stated he believed the resident did right by the Township. Mr. Anthony stated that any matter is brought to his attention, he must take action on the matter. Mr. Borge asked if there was any update on the living shoreline, Ms. LaPlaca stated the engineering department will be meeting tomorrow to discuss this project.</p>
Patricia Mt. Carmel	<p>24-141. Ms. Patricia stated the Township committee considered a parking matter and the Township Committee voted the parking plan. Now there is a redevelopment agreement that directly affects Ocean Grove, and it seems the committee is voting against the interests of Ocean Grove</p>
Gerard Yasko	<p>24-141 Mr. Yasko stated he does not understand why the Township Committee is considering settling the matter of Ocean Grove North End Development. Mr. Yasko encouraged the Township Committee to let this matter go to court.</p>
Jim Manning	<p>Mr. Manning provided history on the Ocean Grove North End Development and the designation of the property of an area in need of redevelopment. Mr. Manning spoke in support of the Ocean Grove North End Development citing new tax revenue, providing new job opportunities and providing parking spaces.</p>
Paul Kaplan Mt. Zion Way	<p>Mr. Kaplan reiterated the survey reports from the Ocean Grove Homeowners Association. Mr. Kaplan asked how many people were participating on Townhall streams. Ms. Siboni stated that she cannot monitor who is live on townhall streams and no public comments are being accepted since we have not reached capacity.</p>
Annabelle Bissett Heck Ave.	<p>Ms. Bissett spoke on 2 examples of residents who challenged a HPC decision and lost through court. Ms. Bissett stated that when the Township Committee approved the development plan, the Township Committee required a Certificate of Appropriateness. Ms. Bissett also noted that there has not been available information on fire safety. Mr. Lane stated that is not true.</p>
James McNamara Asbury Ave.	<p>Mr. Cafferty stated he is considering voting yes on the matter. Mr. Cafferty stated that he believes that approving this matter will be the best opportunity to have say on the development.</p> <p>Mr. McNamara asked what is determined at capacity. Ms. LaPlaca stated there is also an overflow room that is not at capacity. Mr. McNamara asked if the Mayor sets the agenda for the Township Committee. Mr. Anthony stated the Township Committee may add items to the agenda.</p>
Joe Caulfield Ocean Ave.	<p>Mr. Caulfield stated he lives in a 100-year home and has been before the HPC many times. Mr. Caulfield spoke to the difficulties faced meeting the guidelines of the area. Mr. Caulfield stated the courts may revert to the original application that could double the density. Mr. Caulfield expressed support for Ocean grove North End Development.</p>
Kevin Chambers Heck Ave.	<p>Mr. Chambers stated land use law requires a survey. Mr. Chambers asked if a legitimate survey will be used at the Planning Board. Mr. Chambers stated the Land Use Law does not allow municipalities to change the requirements for different properties. Mr. Chambers stated the hotel overlay zone was illegally permitted. The property should only be allowed to have single family properties.</p>
Robert Ingato Seaview Ave.	<p>Mr. Ingato stated there is no threat that the court could revert to the original development plan. Mr. Ingato believes the parcel is an eyesore and requires development. Mr. Ingato stated the property s prime real estate and is the only large piece of vacant land in Ocean Grove. Mr. Ingato stated he did not believe the parcel should have been designated as an area in need of redevelopment. Mr. Ingato encouraged the Township Committee to be mindful of the impacts of the development on the residents.</p>
Nancy Clarke	<p>Ms. Clarke stated there was a comment about the time spent on the development plan</p>

Embury Ave.	over the years and Ms. Clarke questioned why an amendment would not require the same consideration. Ms. Clarke noted the increase of taxes would not benefit the school budget. Ms. Clarke stated the residents are in support of development, but one that meets the aesthetic and requirements of the historic district. Ms. Clarke stated a presentation by professionals is not on the agenda and it will take place after public comment.
Pam McCreech Mt. Hermon Way	Ms. McCreech completed the comments of Mr. Ingato. Ms. McCreech posed a number of questions to the Township Committee regarding the possibility of the case being dismissed or offer an appeal option. Ms. McCreech stated the settlement agreement does not address the concerns of the HPC noted in their denial of the application.
Jennifer Krimko Representing OGNED	Ms. Krimko stated the courts have found the grounds for the case. Ms. Krimko stated an appeal of the HPC decision has been filed and is pending the outcome of the litigation. If the judge votes in favor of OGNED, there was a plan presented to the HPC, but the settlement addresses about 90% of the concerns noted by HPC. Ms. Krimko stated if the judge rules in favor of OGNED, the developer will have the right to utilize the original plan. Ms. Krimko stated the developer has agreed to the deed restriction, but if they prevail in court, that will not be required. Ms. Krimko noted the complaints about the development but did not note the buildings will look like. The decision tonight is not about a referendum on the plan. Mr. Cucchiaro stated there has been no public statements or conferences with the court or by the judge.
Marybeth	Ms. Mary stated the residents may be in support of the development if the developer met the requirements of the HPC. Ms. Mary stated flat roofs are not permitted in the historic district. Ms. Mary indicated that the deed restrictions would render the neighbors as “hall monitors” to monitor the actions at the site. Ms. Mary would like to see the development move forward if they receive the proper approvals from HPC. Ms. Mary specifically noted concerns about the roof deck.
Frank Ashawana Spray Ave.	Mr. Ashawana stated that Mr. Williams indicated the engineer and architect would be present to answer questions. Mr. Ashawana showed pictures to the Township Committee showing water levels at the site during inclement weather. Mr. Ashawana had concerns that the development will be higher to accommodate the underground parking and asked who he should address about the drainage issues this will cause to those on Spray Ave.
Kathleen Zabrowski Heck Ave. Constance Ogden Broadway	Ms. Zabrowski said construction is tough, but they agreed to get HPC Approval, and they have not. Ms. Ogden stated she has taken an informal survey and stated 80-90% of people in Ocean Grove do not want this project. Ms. Ogden stated the Township Committee is not listening to the residents. Ms. Ogden referenced an e-mail she sent to the Committee stating her opposition to the development.
Eileen Michaels Seaview Ave.	Ms. Michaels stated she is disappointed and thought the Township Committee would listen to the residents. Ms. Michaels stated the Township Committee is not representing the rights and voices of the residents. Ms. Michaels spoke about a fire on West Lake Ave. and has asked for a report from the fire marshal but has not received it.
Michael Allen Pitman Ave.	Mr. Allen believed that the deck is stacked. Mr. Allen quoted Mr. Anthony’s response to Mr. Langan that he “must do the right thing” when he removed his retaining wall. Yet, this application is being considered without the approval of HPC. Mr. Allen encouraged the Township Committee to make them follow the proper steps.
JP Thompson Embury Ave.	Ms. Thompson asked the Township Committee what they are afraid of, and it seems they are afraid to go to court. Ms. Thompson stated if the Township Committee caves, the remaining residents will believe they do not have to abide by the regulations of the Historic Preservation Commission. Ms. Thompson encouraged the Township Committee to vote no and require the developers to get HC Approval.

Professional Presentation on Ocean Grove Redevelopment Plan

Mr. Ron Cucciaro, representing the Township for the Historic Preservation Committee and the Township during the litigation matter. Mr. Cucciaro summarized the litigation and the process that led to the Ocean Grove North End Development obtaining a redevelopment agreement and receiving approvals from the Planning Board. Mr. Cucciaro stated

that the HPC and Planning Board do not have jurisdiction over environmental matters, that is with the NJDEP which were granted. Upon the rejection, the HPC put together a very detailed report about the items they believed did not satisfy the design guidelines. The applicant has filed an appeal with the Zoning Board appealing the decision of the HPC. The applicant filed a zoning permit to the zoning officer and the zoning officer did not respond to the zoning application on file in an appropriate amount of time. Mr. Cucciario summarized the settlement negotiations. Mr. Cucciario stated that if the settlement is approved tonight, the amended redevelopment plan will be referred to the planning board to determine if the plan meets the standards of the Master Plan. If the plan is adopted, the application would need to go back to the Planning Board with an amended application. Mr. Cucciario explained the possibilities if the Township were not to succeed at litigation, the original plan would be able to move forward with construction permits. This would not include any of the modifications of that the plan currently offers. Mr. Cucciario stated that if the Township is successful, the applicant would have their appeal held with the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Ms. Beahm stated the 10 single family homes are still required to receive HPC Approval and the reason is because there was no architecture provided at this time, so the boards were not able to review and approve the single-family home architecture.

ORDINANCES - For each ordinance with a public hearing, the public is permitted one visit to the microphone with a limit of five minutes.

PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL ADOPTION ORDINANCES

Ordinance 24-04 An Ordinance To Amend Volume I, Chapter Vii Of The Code Of The Township Of Neptune By Removing A Resident Only Handicapped Parking Zone On Pilgrim Pathway And Embury Ave.

Explanatory Statement: This ordinance removes resident handicapped parking spaces at 79 Embury Ave. and 15 Pilgrim Pathway.

<u>Name and Address</u>	<u>Comment</u>
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There was no public comment

Offered by:	<u>Stroud</u>	Seconded by:	<u>Cafferty</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	<u>Yes</u> Lane	<u>Yes</u> McMillan	<u>Yes</u> Stroud

Ordinance 24-05 Capital Ordinance Amending And Restating In Its Entirety Capital Ordinance Number 21-52 Finally Adopted By The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune, In The County Of Monmouth, State Of New Jersey On December 6, 2021, To Increase The Total Appropriation Therein From \$360,000 To \$560,000 From The Township’s Receipt Of Funds From The Coronavirus State And Local Fiscal Recovery Fund

Explanatory Statement: Amend and restate in its entirety Capital Ordinance Number 21-52 ((the “Original Ordinance”), which provides for the construction and installation of improvements to the Township’s Municipal Complex to enhance the safety of the general public and Township employees, including, but not limited to, the construction of a second drive-up window for customer transactions at the municipal building, and construction within the municipal offices intended to accommodate social distancing and reduce the potential of disease transmission among Township employees and the general public) to increase the total appropriation therein by \$200,000, from \$360,000 to \$560,000 due to a \$200,000 increase in the amount received or expected to be received from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund

Mr., Stroud asked for the justification for the addition of a drive-up window.

<u>Name and Address</u>	<u>Comment</u>
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Offered by:	<u>McMillan</u>	Seconded by:	<u>Lane</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	<u>Yes</u> Lane	<u>Yes</u> McMillan	<u>No</u> Stroud

Ordinance 24-06 Capital Ordinance Providing For Improvements To Atkins Avenue, By And In The Township Of Neptune, In The County Of Monmouth, State Of New Jersey; Appropriating \$570,000 To Pay For The Cost Thereof, Which Amount Will Be Funded By A \$541,000 Grant Received Or Expected To Be Received From The NJDOT Transportation Trust Fund And By \$29,000 From The Township’s General Capital Surplus Fund

Explanatory Statement: The Capital Ordinance appropriates and authorizes the amount of \$570,000 to finance road improvements to Atkins

Avenue within the Township under the 2024 New Jersey Department of Transportation (“NJDOT”) Safe Routes to Transit Program, which includes, but is not limited to, roadway reconstruction, drainage improvements, crosswalk improvements, curb replacements and other related improvements, as further described in the NJDOT Transportation Trust Fund application related to this project on file with the Township Engineer.

Name and Address **Comment**

There are no public comments

Offered by: Lane Seconded by: McMillan
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Yes York Yes

Ordinance 24-07 Capital Ordinance Providing For Improvements To Myrtle Avenue, By And In The Township Of Neptune, In The County Of Monmouth, State Of New Jersey; Appropriating \$400,000 To Pay For The Cost Thereof, Which Amount Will Be Funded By A \$356,754 Grant Received Or Expected To Be Received From The NJDOT Transportation Trust Fund And By \$43,246 From The Township’s General Capital Surplus Fund

Explanatory Statement: The Capital Ordinance appropriates and authorizes the amount of \$400,000 to finance road improvements to Myrtle Avenue within the Township under the 2024 New Jersey Department of Transportation (“NJDOT”) Municipal Aid Program, which includes, but is not limited to, roadway reconstruction, drainage improvements, crosswalk improvements, curb replacements and other related improvements, as further described in the NJDOT Transportation Trust Fund application related to this project on file with the Township Engineer.

Name and Address **Comment**

There was no public comment

Offered by: Stroud Seconded by: McMillan
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Yes York Yes

Ordinance 24-08 An Ordinance Of The Township Of Neptune To Amend And Supplement Chapter 4 Business And Licensing Regulations By Adding Section 35 “Special Events”

Explanatory Statement: This ordinance amends Chapter 4 and defines “Special Events”, establishes regulations, application, fees and reimbursement, use of public building or public land, permit revocation and penalties.

Name and Address **Comment**

There is no public comment

Offered by: Cafferty Seconded by: Lane
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Yes York Yes

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

Ordinance 24-09 An Ordinance To Amend Volume I, Chapter Vi Of The Code Of The Township Of Neptune “Alcoholic Beverage Control” By Amending §6-3 “Licenses.”

Explanatory Statement: This ordinance amends the fees due annually for liquor licenses to increase the fee amount for Plenary Retail Consumption License, Plenary Retail Distribution and Club License in Neptune Township.

Offered by: Stroud Seconded by: Lane
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Yes York Yes

Ordinance 24-10 An Ordinance Adopting The Amended Redevelopment Plan For Ocean Grove North End Located In The Township Of Neptune, County Of Monmouth, New Jersey

Explanatory Statement: This ordinance amends the redevelopment plan for Ocean Grove North End in accordance with the proposed settlement

agreement.

Offered by: McMillan Seconded by: Cafferty
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud No York No

Ordinance 24-11 An Ordinance Creating And Setting The Salary Range For New Job Titles And Amending The Salary Ranges For All Other Existing Job Titles Of The Township Of Neptune And Repealing All Parts Of Previous Ordinances Inconsistent Herewith

Explanatory Statement: This ordinance amends the salary ordinance to include the positions Police Chaplain and Special Law Enforcement Officer (Class III SRO) and set the salary or stipend range for each.

Offered by: Lane Seconded by: McMillan
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Yes York Yes

CONSENT AGENDA

- Res#24- 129** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Accepting Resignations
- Res#24- 130** Place Lien On Various Properties
- Res#24- 131** Authorizing Fees And Reimbursements For “Special Events” As Part Of An Ordinance Of The Township Of Neptune To Amend And Supplement Chapter 4, Business And Licensing Regulations, Section 35
- Res#24- 132** A Resolution Authorizing The Refund Of Taxes As A Result Of An Overpayment
- Res#24- 133** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing Certain Personnel Actions- Police Department
- Res#24- 134** Resolution Authorizing Purchase Supply And Install Parts And Equipment For Pennsylvania Ave. Pump Station, Corp Under North Jersey Wastewater Cooperative Pricing System Contract #B-364-2 And B369-11, In The Amount Not To Exceed \$26,200.00
- Res#24- 135** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing 1 Year Extension Option In Agreement With Onsite Landscape Management For Township Grounds Maintenance
- Res#24- 136** Authorize The Cancellation Of Grant Receivable
- Res#24- 137** Resolution Authorizing Lawsuit Against Michael J. Langon, 215 Overlook Drive, Block 4916, Lot 13 Neptune Township, New Jersey For Trespass And Encroachment Upon Neptune Township Right-Of-Way
- Res#24- 138** Authorize Payment of Bills
- Res#24- 139** Authorizing The Application For Recreation Improvement Grant From The New Jersey Department Of Community Affairs

CONSENT AGENDA

Offered by: Cafferty Seconded by: McMillan
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Yes York Yes

Mr. Stroud pulled resolution 24-137

Offered by: Cafferty Seconded by: McMillan
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane No McMillan Yes Stroud No York No

SEPARATED RESOLUTIONS

- Res#24- 140** A Resolution Of The Township Committee Of The Township Of Neptune Authorizing Certain Personnel Actions- Emergency Medical Services

Offered by: Lane Seconded by: Stroud

Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud Yes York Yes

Res#24- 141 Authorizing The Execution Of A Settlement Agreement And Amended And Restated Redevelopment Agreement By And Between The Township Of Neptune And Og North End Development, Llc, Pursuant To The Local Redevelopment And Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40a:12a-1 Et Seq.

Offered by: McMillan Seconded by: Cafferty
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud No York No

Res#24- 142 Resolution Referring The Proposed Amended Redevelopment Plan For Ocean Grove North End To The Township Of Neptune Planning Board For Review And Report Pursuant To The Local Redevelopment And Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40a:12a-7

Offered by: McMillan Seconded by: Cafferty
Vote: Cafferty Yes Lane Yes McMillan Yes Stroud No York No

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 and Address

Comment

Rich Robinson
Hillside Dr.

Mr. Robinson stated the distance included in the proposed ordinance is good, but leaving the subjectiveness of the complaint to police officers should be reconsidered. Mr. Robinson stated that the nuisance is a nuisance regardless of the action when it is loud at certain hours, and it should not be separated. Mr. Robinson stated the owner of overlook should be subject to other regulations because he is renting out the property as a venue. Mr. Robinson asked if there is any movement on the inclusion of an animal house ordinance.

Gary Brown
Cardinal Rd.

Mr. Brown thanked Mr. Stroud for bringing up matters Mr. Brown has been addressing at meetings for months. Mr. Brown encouraged the Township Committee to help Gina look for opportunities to get the homeless out of the encampment, some members are actively helping those who are at the encampment.

Dan Muller
Hillside Dr.

Mr. McMillan spoke to Mr. Brown about a resident at the encampment. Mr. McMillan has participated in aid events at the encampment.

Mr. Muller lives below 401 Overlook, and he has a decibel reader, and it has reached 99 decibels. Mr. Muller asked when there will be action on Short Term Rentals and asked when the Township Committee will take action. Mr. Anthony stated the Township Committee discussed the proposed ordinance and address the comments provided by the Township Committee.

Joyce Klein
Mt. Hermon Way

Ms. Klein stated she felt disrespected by the Township Committee because the Township members did not provide their reasoning for voting in support of the Ocean Grove North End Development.

Mr. McMillan stated he met with Mr. Williams and the Township professionals. Mr. McMillan felt that settling gives the power back to the Township.

Mr. Lane stated he was at Planning Board when the plan was considered and adopted. The plan proposed in the settlement is much better than the original plan, so in order to retain control and provide the best possible plan.

Mr. Stroud stated he voted no because he believes that all residents should be subject to the regulations on Historic Preservation Commission.

Mayor York stated the developer should stand by the original agreement which included getting certificate of appropriateness.

