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**Council Room Borough of Neptune City  
May 9, 2016**

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The Regular Council Meeting of the Mayor and Council was called to order by Mayor Robert Brown at 7:00 pm.

The Mayor asked everyone to join in on the Flag Salute.

Council Present: C/Pryor, C/Zajack, C/More, C/Renee, C/Wardell, C/Shafer, Mayor Brown  
Absent: none

Mayor Brown announced that the Notice Requirements of Chapter 231 P.L. 1975 have been satisfied by the publication of said notice in the Asbury Park Press, and Coaster and by filing a copy with the Municipal Clerk.

First order of business tonight is I believe we have some minutes, but we have a question on the minutes, so I think ... Does somebody want to make a motion to remove them from the agenda for tonight?

Moved and seconded (Renee/Wardell) to receive and file the. Carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Moved and seconded (More/Renee) to receive and file the April, 2016 DPW monthly report.

**PRESENTATIONS**

none

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:**

**Mayor Brown:**

For Mayor's report, first I will start by a couple of the upcoming events. First, I'd like to commend the ladies and the Paint the Town Pink committee. They're doing a fantastic job. They have a great turnout. As you're going to hear, there's an extensive calendar for the month of May for Paint the Town Pink. This coming Friday at 6 p.m., there's a bonfire and barbecue at Memorial Park with music by Joe Ricardello. The next day, on Saturday, is our business fair at the community center. In conjunction with that, we're doing a Pink Your Ride bikeathon with some safety instructions from our police department and an obstacle course to get the kids and the families involved. Then on Sunday the 15th, we will have our rain dates from our bocce tournament. It's an all-day tournament, and it will start I think the first game at 8:30 in the morning. I know I'm playing 9:30. I think 9 was the starting time but we had to change it because they got like 57, 58 teams, something like that. It's a great turnout. Then immediately during that, actually, not following, during that is also Yoga on the Beach starts at 10:00. I do know they will have available there, as they do downstairs ... They have light bulbs for your front porch and T-shirts available. If anybody has any questions, you can stop in downstairs and ask any of the ladies or gentleman in the office. They can help you.

If you've been down to Memorial Park, you can see the progress. The boardwalk is complete. Starting today, the sand started being delivered. They've been spreading the sand. It will be an ongoing project, but it really, really looks great. I mean, everything's turning out well. The sand is a two- and three-fold environmental help for Memorial Park. One of the things is if you've been down to the park over the last couple years after Sandy, our sand was washed away.

By replenishing the sand, not only does it bring more use back to the beach, but it also brings Horseshoe crabs, which if you're from the area and you remember horseshoe crabs, they were all over the place. They spawn on the beaches and in the sand. Well, all we really had for the last couple years was clay. It's a little hard for them to spawn in the clay. This is all part of revitalizing our beach and our river. Please go down and enjoy it. Try not to step over the orange fence onto the grass seed. I think some of it's taken place. We were hoping it was going to be on the agenda tonight. We did receive additional grant money from the county. I want to thank the Freeholders for working with us and giving us a little more grant money to fish the other things that really need to be done at the park.

Also, we want to talk about the Mayor's Ball. Friday, June 17. The invitations are going to be going out. It will be on the sign. Please get out there. Get your tickets. It's a great night. There'll be an ad book. It's not actually a book. We switched. Last Mayor's Ball, we did it on a zip drive. Went fantastic. Saved a lot of money in printing. Everybody got a zip drive when you came to the Mayor's Ball. Not only do you get all the advertisement on there, but there's extra space for you to use, too. I look forward to that. Again, that's Friday, June 17. The information will be downstairs if you're interested in attending. The proceeds will be going to the Board of Recreation.

I do want to just ask the Council about the demonstration model for the property taxes per the assessment. We have until the end of May, so we have another Council meeting to discuss it. If anybody has any additional questions, you can either email them.. If you have any specific questions or concerns or something that's making you not sure of something, please let me know. I will have them contact you, and if they can explain in detail anything that you may not understand as far as the new demonstration program works. Like I said, they've extended it to the end of May. They've made some changes. Hopefully before the next regular Council meeting, we'll have that on the agenda and the Council can vote. I think I covered what I wanted to cover. I will start with Mr. Wardell.

**Councilman Wardell:**

Just to piggyback where the mayor was, I was fortunate to stop by the fire house the other night for their paint party. My wife was there. My sister-in-law, who's visiting from Central America, got to go to it, and I really was impressed with the work that the committee did. I didn't think you could fit that many people and that many easels in one room at one time, but everybody seemed to really be enjoying themselves. It really was a very nice event. I got to snap a few pictures of it, too, which was really good. I just want to commend the committee for the good work that they did.

As for my report, very brief. The only thing I did want to mention is ... I'm sure some of you probably already saw it. The Neptune City Board of Education has been going out to try and reach out to the community a little more about the issue of being underfunded. One of the things they wanted to do, and I know Mr. Gunderson had brought this up at one of our last meetings, is a little more town involvement. They're looking to start a rally committee, have people sign up for in a pinch or impromptu to be able to go to meetings and show support for Neptune City, whether or not we have T-shirts. I know you said some of the other towns did. I think it's a great idea. If you want to be a member of the list, it's just simply as much as making a phone call to the school. Their phone number is on the website. I have it here, too. It's 732-775-5319. They're just looking for people who would be willing to go to state meetings and other meetings just to show their support for Neptune City. They're making progress, and hopefully we can get the proper funding for the schools that they need. That's it, Mayor.

**Councilwoman Renee:**

The Shark River Cleanup Coalition had their clean-up last Saturday, and it was just awesome. The turnout was phenomenal. The weather was so nice. Just cleaning up the river was so great. A lot of us did attend, and the people here attended. It was really nice to see the whole community come out. So much was just plastic and glass, of course, but cigar tips. Tons of cigar tips. Unfortunately, some little drug baggies and syringes, which is not cool. Just a menagerie of different things that were picked up. It's unfortunate that we have to have events like that, but just a great appreciation for the Shark River Cleanup Coalition for arranging this every year. Much appreciation to them.

May is Water Safety Month because pools are starting to open, and the weather's getting nice, and children are going out swimming. Just a reminder just to keep an eye out for children. Last year, I think there were 70 fatalities in the state of New Jersey from drowning. That's quite a lot. Just to be aware, even parents with children, as they go off to other friends and families' houses, if they're going swimming ... Some of these deaths occur and their parents didn't even know they were going swimming. Just Water Safety Month for the month of May, and to be aware of that. Especially between the ages of 2 through 5. That seems to be the most common, that small age of 2 through 5.

Also, too, if you see anything with power lines, this is a time of the year, too, when you're cleaning your pools and the sticks are going up high, and you're moving ladders around and things like that, just to be aware of power lines and hitting power lines. Children start climbing trees, just to be aware if there are any power lines in those trees. If you see any balloons in trees, kite flying, not to fly kites around the power lines. If you see any tangled lines or balloons or kites on the wires, just call 888-LIGHTSS, and they'll come out and take care of that.

Also, there's a Zika virus awareness with mosquitoes. Just to be aware of standing water, too. If you have bird baths, things like that, to make sure you spray them out every day so that no mosquito eggs can build in there. It's also time for gypsy moth awareness, so if you have any firewood or wood piles around, just to be aware if there's any egg masses developing there. If so, not to really move them off your property, but to actually burn that wood to take care of that. We did have a social services meeting today at 5:00, which was a very productive meeting. We are tentatively going to be having an Arbor Day celebration on Saturday, June 11. We will be talking more about that at the next meeting. That's all I have to share today.

**Councilman Zajack:**

First of all, I'd just like to start out commending Director Kirchenbaum and the Neptune City Police Department on how they handled that incident last week. That was amazing. You guys solved it in a day. Just great police work. We appreciate it, and I know the Neptune City residents appreciate it. Thank you.

Also on that note, the next Neighborhood Watch meeting will be Wednesday, June 1 at 7 p.m. in the Neptune City courtroom. From this point on, the meetings will be the first Wednesday of every month. I also attended the Shark River Cleanup, and it was a great day. Again, can't believe how much garbage is found down by the river. It's amazing, but it was a good day.

I also attended the Neptune City Board of Rec on Sunday, May 1. I just want a special thank you to Mrs. Gilmore, who's not here. She's usually here. She donated \$200.00 to the Neptune City sailing program. A couple dates to remember. The Blue Claws Tuesday, August 16. The Board of Rec bocce tournament is Saturday, September 10, and Concert in the Park is July 16 with Frankie Sands.

The mayor and I, about a year ago, we started talking about this Hometown Heroes for our veterans in town. I'll be reaching out to Ron Biggs, the veteran liaison, to talk about the program where you can design banners and photographs for armed services symbols. You can make banners out of it and hang up along Sylvania Avenue, so I'll be meeting with Ron to discuss that a little bit and see if we can get this off the ground. I think that's it. Thank you.

**Councilwoman Shafer:**

On what Councilman Wardell said, I attended sip and paint on Friday night at the firehouse that the committee put on for Paint the Town Pink. Everybody had a very nice time, and we had a good time.

It was a little stressful I know, but it was fun. You sit there, and you just laugh at yourself. You get to the point where it doesn't really look like what it's supposed to look like, but it's okay. It was really a very good time. I know the tickets sold out really fast, so next year, if the committee should decide to do another event like this, I would urge everybody to get your tickets well in advance.

I would like to announce that on Tuesday, May 17 at 6:00, we're going to be having a budget work session. That's for the whole Council. It's a work session. I believe the public can come, but no questions will be asked from the public until we have the regular budget hearing.

**Councilman Pryor:**

I'd just like to thank the police department, too. It was a great job. It's really nice when you're a resident and feel safe in your community. Excellent job. Piggybacking on Councilwoman Shafer for paint party on Friday. I know it was very, very active because my wife tried for tickets and they said, "Unfortunately, they were sold out. It was great. Very nice.

As for as Law and Ordinance, we're on a lull right now. We just passed on ordinance, of course. There's going to be no skating and no biking on our new boardwalk, so we can maintain that for years to come. I believe that's it right now.

**Councilman More:**

We had a meeting of the Public Works Committee this evening to go over the preparation for the summer. The good news is there's no bad news. Equipment's ready. Personnel are ready. As the mayor had mentioned at the last meeting, not only is Public Works all over the beachfront and the park getting that ready, but they've kept up with everything else. The report from the committee is that the status is Department of Public Works is good and ready to go. The only thing I mention is that with summer and the warm weather coming and trucks being out on the street and the kids being out on the street, just to be mindful of going around those trucks. Take your time, and stay at a slow speed. That's the only thing I ask.

I don't think it can be said enough or too many times tonight how lucky we are to have the police department we have. I think a lot of people don't realize the amount of experience is at the top. That makes things go quicker and smoother and more efficient, so I'd like to thank the Director and the department for a job well done. Thank you.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Moved and seconded (Pryor/Zajack) to open Hearing for the following Ordinance 2016-02.

Moved and seconded (Pryor/Zajack) to Close Hearing for the following Ordinance 2016-02.

Councilman Pryor offered the following resolution and moved its adoption. Seconded by Councilman Zajack.

Be it resolved that the following Ordinance be adopted

**BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2016-02**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING  
CHAPTER 95 ENTITLED "PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS" OF  
THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Neptune City, in the County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey, as follows:

**Section 1.** Chapter 95 of the Code of the Borough of Neptune City, entitled "*Parks and Playgrounds*" is hereby amended as under:

**§95-4. Prohibited uses.**

- A. No Change.**
- B. No Change.**
- C. No Change.**
- D. No Change.**
- E. No Change.**
- F. Miscellaneous acts and conduct forbidden on or within a park or playground area. No person shall:**
  - (1) No Change.**
  - (2) No Change.**
  - (3) No Change.**
  - (4) No Change.**
  - (5) No Change.**
  - (6) No Change.**
  - (7) No Change.**
  - (8) No Change.**
  - (9) No Change.**
  - (10) No Change.**
  - (11) No Change.**
  - (12) Operate a skateboard or ride a bicycle on the Boardwalk at Memorial Park.**

**Section 2.** All portions of the prior Ordinance not inconsistent herewith shall continue in full force and effect.

**Section 3.** That this Ordinance shall take effect when finally passed and published according to law.

On Roll Call the following vote was recorded:  
Aye: C/Pryor, C/Zajack, C/More, C/Renee, C/Wardell, C/Shafer,  
Nay:

The Mayor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

Councilwoman Shafer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption. Seconded by Councilman Zajack.

**Resolution 2016-57**  
**Be it resolved that the following payroll and bills be paid**

Current Payroll	\$121,543.60
Current Bills	\$612,226.34
Current Agency	\$5,019.72
DCRP	\$19.60
Sewer Payroll	\$4,224.76
Sewer Bills	\$83,026.44
Sewer Agency	\$323.19

On Roll Call the following vote was recorded:  
Aye: C/Pryor, C/Zajack, C/More, C/Renee, C/Wardell, C/Shafer,  
Nay:

The Mayor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

Councilman More offered the following resolution and moved its adoption. Seconded by Councilwoman Renee.

**RESOLUTION 16-58  
AUTHORIZATION TO AUCTION VEHICLE**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Neptune City previously advertised the following equipment for sale at public auction, however the legal ad was printed erroneously, and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Neptune City is the owner of the following equipment, which is not needed for public use:

1. 1983 Long Tractor Model 610DTC Serial Number 610DTC
2. 1998 Ford Crown Victoria, Vin 2FAFP 71W6W X1049 32

Minimum bid \$500.00 on each vehicle

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Neptune City desires to authorize the sale of the above vehicle for public sale pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-36, to the highest bidder on May 23, 2016 at 7:00PM or as soon thereafter as a matter may be reached at Neptune City Borough Hall, 106 W Sylvania Avenue, Neptune City, NJ 07753.

The Borough reserves the right to reject all bids.

The vehicles are in "as is" condition.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Neptune City hereby declares the above described property as no longer needed for public use.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Municipal Attorney is authorized and directed to take any and all steps necessary to proceed with the public sale of vehicle and that in the event there are no bidders to either of the vehicles, the Borough Administrator is authorized to recycle the abovementioned vehicles.

On Roll Call the following vote was recorded:

Aye: C/Pryor, C/Zajack, C/More, C/Renee, C/Wardell, C/Shafer,

Nay:

The Mayor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

Councilman Zajack offered the following resolution and moved its adoption. Seconded by Councilwoman Shafer

**RESOLUTION 2016-59  
BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY  
SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM  
RESOLUTION OF PARTICIPATION**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATING WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY IN A SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL, JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY.**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Neptune City wishes to apply for funding of approximately \$60,000.00 with a match of \$60,000.00 for an approximate project total cost of \$120,000.00 for a project under the State of New Jersey Safe and Secure Communities Grant Program, and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council have reviewed the accompanying application and has approved said request, and

**WHEREAS**, the project is a joint effort between the Department of Law and Public Safety and the Borough of Neptune City for the purpose described in the application;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council that:

1. As a matter of public policy the Borough of Neptune City wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the Department of Law and Public Safety.
2. The Attorney General will receive funds on behalf of the applicant.
3. The Division of Criminal Justice shall be responsible for the receipt and review of the application for said funds.
4. The Division of Criminal Justice shall initiate allocations to each applicant as authorized.

On Roll Call the following vote was recorded:

Aye: C/Pryor, C/Zajack, C/More, C/Renee, C/Wardell, C/Shafer,

Nay:

The Mayor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Tamara Tallman, 85 Riverdale Avenue asked Mr. Zajack where the Neighborhood Watch meetings were held. Mr. Zajack stated that it will be held in Council Chambers at 7:00pm. Mrs. Tallman thanked him. Mayor Brown encourages everybody to attend. They're good meetings and keep everyone well informed on what is going on.

Mayor Brown asked if anyone else from the public wished to be heard.

Joann Drennen, 76 W. Wall Street stated the first meeting in April when I came back from Florida I questioned that I wanted to read the minutes from the three months I was away because I like to know what was going on. You can do hearsay, but I like to read the minutes. You told me to contact Mary, which I did. In speaking with her, it seemed like there were personnel changes or whatever, and they weren't available. Now it's May 9. I still can't get ahold of any of the minutes. I did take it upon myself to look into the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Acts Law, and really they're supposed to be available promptly. I do have all that information here. I don't know when I'm going to be able to get those. Mayor Brown stated we will work on that tomorrow morning. Mrs. Drennen mentioned that's what I was told in the beginning of April. Now it's the beginning of May. I'm still waiting. Mayor Brown told her the situation will be addressed and your point is very well taken. It will be addressed tomorrow morning. Thank you. Does anyone else from the public wish to be heard, on any and all items?

Erin Maciorowski, 17 Tucker Drive asked may I also address Mr. Zajack to clarify some of the dates that he mentioned for upcoming events. Mr. Zajack clarified the Blue Claws is Tuesday, August 16, and there was a bocce tournament Saturday, September 10. Then it was Concert in the Park July 16, with Frankie Sands.

Mayor Brown announced well, it's springtime. There's a lot going on in Neptune City.

Anyone else from the public wish to be heard? Seeing none, I'm going to entertain a motion to adjourn.

Moved and seconded (Zajack/Shafer) to adjourn the meeting. Carried.

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Mayor Robert Brown

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Tamara Brown Deputy, Municipal Clerk