
Council Room Borough of Neptune City

March 14, 2022

The Meeting of the Mayor and Council was called to order by Mayor Wardell at 7:00 pm

Borough Deputy Clerk Johnson took roll call:

PRESENT: Councilmembers Farley, Dellett, Pappas, Thomas, Renee, Kocsis, and Mayor Wardell

ABSENT: None

Mayor Wardell 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 the Coaster and by filing a copy with the Municipal Clerk. Mayor Wardell also noted that the 48-hour notice was advertised and posted as required.

FLAG SALUTE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to receive and file the Minutes for January 10, 2022, January 24, 2022. offered by *C/Renee*. Seconded by *C/Pappas*.

VOICE VOTE the following vote recorded: **AYE:** Councilmembers Pappas, Renee, Kocsis, Dellett, Farley, Thomas.

COMMUNICATIONS

NONE

PRESENTATIONS

NONE

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

NONE

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Andrew Wardell

Mayor Wardell reported the following:

1. Covid 19
 - a. The trends of Covid are still moving in the right direction.
 - b. Testing and vaccination clinics are still be offered by the County at BCC.
 - c. The Borough has lifted all mask mandates and are considered to be optional moving forward.

2. Roads Projects
 - a. DPW will be starting to replace curb and sidewalk on 3rd Avenue and p/o Riverdale Avenue this coming Monday.
 - b. Other Roads Projects are beginning this and next month at Brighton, Laurel, and Hawthorne.
 - Project will be new curbing, handicap ramps, milling and repaving
 - Most is covered by grant money from the CDBG (community Development Block Grant)
 - We will be soon submitting for additional CDBG grant funding for the 2023 cycle.
 - Grant applications are due in July, and in the works with engineers to decide where it is most needed.

3. NCPD
 - a. The Police Accreditation process is nearing its end and waiting on final review and approval and ready to sign it into effect
 - b. Thanked both the NCEA and NCPD for hosting another food pick up event. They are both great ambassadors of the Borough

4. NC BOR
 - a. Thanks also to the Board of Recreation for another successful rec basketball season and for my invitation to their end of the season party.

5. WWES
 - a. The Woodrow Wilson 8th grade is seeking boosters to donate \$100 to help offset the cost of their trip to DC. All boosters will have their names added to the class t-shirt.
 - b. Asking the Council to join the mayor in donating on behalf of the Mayor and Council.

6. Neptune City Fall Food Truck Festival
 - a. Tentative date 9/24

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE – Brian Thomas

C/Thomas reported two budget meetings to give a 30,000 ft view of the year. Budget introduction workshop will take place sometime in April. Thanked the BOR for sponsoring the rec basketball game.

PUBLIC WORKS – Danielle Pappas

C/Pappas explains brush pickup is in full effect. Leaf pickup starts April 1st into May 31st. Green barrels are available for purchase for brush residue. DPW finished painting and updating the Borough Hall. Over the next few weeks, clean up at the cemetery will begin. Looking for more volunteers to assist domestic violence victims with 180 Turning Lives group. Will be moving forward with the NC food festival and car show, date to be announced soon.

LAW & ORDINANCE – Glen Kocsis

C/Kocsis in the process of waiting to hear from Senator Gopal about the ordinance for outdoor dining. NJDOT was contacted about a crosswalk on Rt. 35.

ADMINISTRATION & JUSTICE – Dana Farley

C/Farley on behalf of the police department, asks all residents driving too be mindful of pedestrian. Also starting to ride with police officers this week.

SPECIAL SERVICES -Pamala Renee

C/Renee dog licenses have been up to par for the year. Rabies clinic coming up on the 24th at the DPW garage. Also working on the Memorial Day parade.

HUMAN SERVICES – Scott Dellett

C/Dellett reminder that the Fire Department and First Aid Squad are looking for volunteers. Remember to change CO2 batteries.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:

1. Reminder about the MVC Mobile Unit on the 25th at the community center. Signups required.
2. Heating and coolant checked and will need to be replaced at the community center. Receiving quotes currently.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

Introduction of Ordinance 2022-02 Amendment of Salaries. Motion to introduce filed by C/Dellett. Seconded by C/Renee.

C/Renee questions why there is a big margin with the salaries. Does not agree with ordinance.

Motion to amend Ordinance 2022-02. Filed by C/Renee. Seconded by C/ Dellett.

VOICE VOTE: Councilmembers Farley, Pappas, Dellett, Thomas, Renee, Kocsis.

Motion to offer Ordinance 2022-02 as amended. C/Pappas. Seconded by C/Dellett.

VOICE VOTE: Councilmembers Farley, Pappas, Dellett, Thomas.

NAY: Councilmembers: Kocsis, Renee.

CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Mayor and Council and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Council member (s) so request it, in which case the item (s) will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. The one motion signifies adoption of all resolutions received and file letter, correspondence, reports, and approval of applications and minutes.

C/Kocsis offered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by C/Thomas

VOICE VOTE: Councilmembers Farley, Pappas, Dellett, Thomas, Renee, Kocsis.

Resolutions are adopted.

C/Farley offered a motion to adjourn. Seconded by C/Kocsis.

VOICE VOTE: Councilmembers Pappas, Renee, Kocsis, Dellett, Farley, Thomas.

Meeting adjourned.