

**Borough of Neptune City
Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council
September 26, 2022 at 7:00 pm**

This meeting has been advertised in accordance with Notice Requirements of Chapter 231 P.L. 1975, which 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.

Call to Order

Borough Clerk DiCorcia Williams took roll call:

PRESENT: Mayor Andrew Wardell, Council Presidents Brian Thomas,

Councilmembers Scott Dellett, Dana Farley, Glen Kocsis, Pamela Renee, Councilwoman Danielle Pappas

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Administrator Jardine and Attorney Howlett

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.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Wardell led the flag salute.

Minutes

Regular Meeting 9/12/2022

Motion to receive and file the minutes of 9/12/2022 by C/Kocsis; seconded by C/Renee

Voice Vote - AYE: C/Dellett, C/Farley, C/Kocsis, C/Pappas, C/Renee, C/Thomas

Communications – None

Presentations

Mayor Wardell noted Resolution 2022-116 was to Honor Captain Mitchell. Mayor Wardell invited Captain Mitchell and his family to the floor. Mayor Wardell offered congratulations to Captain Mitchell and his family then read the resolution in his honor as follows:

HONORING CAPTAIN KEITH MITCHELL

WHEREAS, the Borough of Neptune City has been fortunate in having the services of Keith Mitchell as a Police Officer for a period of twenty-four years; and

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WHEREAS, Captain Mitchell was instrumental in maintaining the day-to-day operations of the Office of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, each of those twenty-four years are indelible in the history of the Neptune City Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Neptune City recognize Captain Mitchell's tremendous personal efforts on behalf of the residents of the Borough.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Neptune City pay tribute to Keith Mitchell for his outstanding service these many years and wish him the best in his future endeavors.

Those in attendance offered Captain Mitchell a standing ovation. Captain Mitchell thanked the Mayor and Council for their support over the years.

Board of Education Report – None

Mayor's Report - Mayor Wardell

Mayor Wardell reported Steiner Avenue Phase II is scheduled to start on or around October 4th. Milling and paving will take place between the hours of 6pm and 6 am. Striping will take place between the hours of 8am to 5pm. The project should take 3 days to complete weather permitting. On September 23 the County held a meeting to discuss the health benefits increase we are facing in 2023. Mayor Wardell thanked Administrator Jardine and Council President Thomas for going on his behalf. The Borough is facing an increase of 25% to our health insurance cost under the state health benefits. The meeting was aimed at trying to find ways to limit the cost through shared services in the Central Jersey Insurance fund (CJIF). We are going to have to seriously evaluate our contract with the State. This would amount to nearly 50% increase over two years. Mayor Wardell asked the Council to consider other options. Chief Quagliato shared the State PBA is beyond disappointed in the current legislature due to the benefit increase. Further discussion continued. Mayor Wardell shared he has been in constant contact with Nylabone's CEO, Mr. Axelrod over the past three years. The smell has decreased due to the fact that Nylabone has begun to decrease their cooking production at the Neptune City factory considerably, and have finally completed their odor abatement system. Mayor Wardell thanked Mr. Axelrod for working with him to help bring a resolve to this long-lasting issue. The first annual Fall Food Truck Festival was a tremendous success. Thank you to all those who made it a success including our committee made up by Brian Thomas, Dani Pappas, Celeste Clark, Steve Fahnholz of Shore Good Eats and Al Jardine. Mayor Wardell also thanked the First Aid, the Fire Department, the Police Department, the Department of Public Works, Monmouth County and in particular Commissioner Tom Arnone, all our Food Trucks, all our Performers, especially Jay and Amy for providing the sound equipment and thanks to all the members of the Governing Body. Mayor Wardell also offered congratulations to Captain Keith Mitchell of the Neptune City Police Department on his impending retirement.

Council Reports

Administration & Finance – Council President Brian Thomas

Council President Thomas reported on a meeting with the Recreation Board. There will be a budget meeting tomorrow to begin planning for 2023. Council President Thomas discussed the health benefits issue, noting diligent investigation will be done to reduce costs to the Borough while maintaining the quality. He closed wishing luck to Captain Mitchell.

Human Services – Councilmember Scott Dellett

C/Dellett reported the Fire Truck is still on schedule. Volunteers are sought for both the Fire Department and First Aid. There will be a driver certification class for the First Aid in October.

Administration & Justice – Councilmember Dana Farley

C/Farley wished Captain Mitchell well. C/Farley shared a reminder to wear reflective gear if out walking at night and to keep it safe.

Law & Ordinance – Councilmember Glen Kocsis

C/Kocsis thanked everyone who participated in Pound the Pavement for Purple. C/Kocsis noted the Food Truck Festival was great. He offered congratulations to Captain Mitchell.

Public Works – Councilwoman Danielle Pappas

C/Pappas reported leaf pick up has begun. Public Works is repairing cracks in the pavement in the public parking. Trunk or Treat is being hosted by Cone Zone on Sunday, October 30 from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm. All vehicles participating are requested to arrive by 6:30 pm at the Gables parking lot. C/Pappas offered congratulations to Captain Mitchell.

Special Services – Councilmember Pamela Renee

C/Renee offered congratulations to Captain Mitchell thanking him for his efforts for CERT. Volunteers are also being sought for CERT. C/Renee spoke about how fabulous the Fall Festival was, offering congratulations to the artist who were on display.

Administrator's Report – Administrator Jardine

Administrator Jardine thanked everyone for their help and the tremendous turn out for the Food Truck event. The Community Development Block Grant application presentation was held this week, voting submissions are due at the end of the week. Administrator Jardine shared information on the Police Department Accreditation process which was passed

and there will be an accreditation presentation before the end of the year. Administrator Jardine offered congratulations to Captain Mitchell.

Public Comments - Agenda Items Only

Mayor Wardell opened the meeting to the public on agenda items. There were no comments from the public.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business

Consent Agenda

(All matters listed hereunder are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted in one motion. Any member of the Governing Body may request an item be removed for separate consideration).

Resolution 2022-114 - Authorize Payment of the Bills

Resolution 2022-115 - Recognizing September as Hunger Action Month

Resolution 2022-116 - Honoring Captain Keith Mitchell

Motion to approve Resolutions 2022-114 through 2022-116 as a group by C/Pappas; seconded by C/Renee

Roll Call - AYE: C/Dellett, C/Farley, C/Kocsis, C/Pappas, C/Renee, C/Thomas

RESOLUTION 2022-108

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

BE IT RESOLVED that the bills as presented, all have been certified and approved as complete as to form, goods having been delivered, and/or services performed and sufficient funds being available for payment for said bills, be paid in the amount of \$248,394.50

PO #	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
22-00130	MILITO, DONNA	MEMORIAL-GAZEBO RENTAL	\$ 25.00
22-00391	SHAUGHNESSY, LINDA	MEMORIAL PARK RENTAL	\$ 100.00
22-00693	ALL HANDS FIRE EQUIPMENT	EQUIPMENT-NC FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$ 2,092.74
22-00737	DUNAMIS LIFE WORSHIP CNTR, INC	MEMORIAL GAZEBO RENTAL	\$ 25.00
22-00807	PALMER, KATHERINE	MEM/PAVILION RENTAL 9/10/2022	\$ 100.00
22-00855	GLENCO SUPPLY COMPANY	STREET SIGNS/ROADWAY PAINT	\$ 1,742.00
22-00873	STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	OFFICE SUPPLIES-NCPD	\$ 153.33
22-00873	STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	OFFICE SUPPLIES-NCPD	\$ 13.66
22-00896	HELEOTIS, DIANE	MEM PAVILION RENTAL 9/9/2022	\$ 100.00
22-00902	STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	OFFICE SUPPLIES: NC MUN COURT	\$ 22.98
22-00902	STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	OFFICE SUPPLIES: NC MUN COURT	\$ 107.32
22-00961	NJ AMERICAN WATER COMPANY	IRRIGATION: FIRST RESP PARK	\$ 426.01
22-00963	ARCHER & GREINER	PROF SERV: #4264070 JUL-AUG 22	\$ 400.00
22-00964	TIMMERMAN EQUIPMENT	WATER FILTER STREET SWEEPER	\$ 158.34
22-00965	MIKE DAWSON COMICS	CHLDREN'S WORKSHOP-NC LIBRARY	\$ 150.00
22-00966	S&S ASSOCIATES, LLC	SERVICE: 9/4-9/18/22	\$ 900.00
22-00967	SECURALL MONITORING CORP.	SERVICE: SEPT-DEC 2022	\$ 102.00
22-00968	READY REFRESH, BY NESTLE	SERVICE: AUGUST 2022	\$ 150.90
22-00970	QUAGLIATO, MATTHEW	CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE-SEPT 2022	\$ 100.00
22-00971	MITCHELL, KEITH	CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE-SEPT 2022	\$ 100.00
22-00972	CANO, HOOVER	CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE-SEPT 2022	\$ 100.00
22-00973	JARDINE, ALBERT	CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE-SEPT 2022	\$ 100.00
22-00974	HELLWIG, KELLY	CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE-SEPT 2022	\$ 100.00
22-00975	REYNOLDS, ROBERT SR.	CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE-SEPT 2022	\$ 50.00
22-00976	LAUENSTEIN, ERIC	CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE-SEPT 2022	\$ 35.00
22-00977	VIRGILIO, FRANK	MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT	\$ 510.30

22-00978 WYMAN, RONALD	REIMBURSEMENT: R. WYMAN	\$ 510.30
22-00981 HANSON, WILLIAM	REIMBURSEMENT: SEAT COVER NCPD	\$ 307.25
22-00982 SNAPOLOGY	CLASSES-NC LIBRARY 10-24-2022	\$ 175.00
22-00983 NOAH'S ARK WORKSHOP	CLASS-NC LIBRARY 11-14-2022	\$ 141.90
22-00984 CABLEVISION-MUNICIPAL	SERVICE: SEPT-OCTOBER 2022	\$ 192.32
22-00984 CABLEVISION-MUNICIPAL	SERVICE: SEPT-OCTOBER 2022	\$ 50.96
22-00984 CABLEVISION-MUNICIPAL	SERVICE: SEPT-OCTOBER 2022	\$ 185.60
22-00985 NJ AMERICAN WATER COMPANY	SERVICE: SEPTEMBER 2022	\$ 575.39
22-00985 NJ AMERICAN WATER COMPANY	SERVICE: AUGUST 2022	\$ 241.68
22-00986 THE NEW COASTER, LLC.	INV# 59160 AUDIT REPORT 2021	\$ 60.76
22-00989 MONMOUTH COUNTY SPCA	SERVICE: AUGUST 2022 + TNR	\$ 1,354.20
22-00991 SHRED-IT USA,LLC	SERVICE: SEPTEMBER 2022	\$ 368.64
22-00993 ZOOM VIDEO COMMUNICATIONS INC	ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION NC MUN CT	\$ 299.80
22-00994 BROWN & BROWN BENEFIT ADVISORS	CONSULTING FEE: OCTOBER 2022	\$ 1,250.00
22-00995 DELISA DEMOLITION & DISPOSAL	SERVICE: SEPT-OCT 2022	\$ 22,166.66
22-00995 DELISA DEMOLITION & DISPOSAL	SERVICE: SEPT-OCT 2022	\$ 7,371.87
22-00995 DELISA DEMOLITION & DISPOSAL	SERVICE: SEPT-OCT 2022	\$ 5,692.71
22-00996 TNSA	3RD QTR BILLING 2022	\$ 158,998.50
22-00998 NJ STATE LEAGUE MUNICIPALITIES	MAYOR & WOMEN IN GOV'T LUNCH	\$ 130.00
22-01000 J. SWANTON FUEL OIL COMPANY	DELIVERY: #36273 #36436 #36769	\$ 555.82
22-01000 J. SWANTON FUEL OIL COMPANY	DELIVERY: #36273 #36436 #36769	\$ 1,580.20
22-01000 J. SWANTON FUEL OIL COMPANY	DELIVERY: #36273 #36436 #36769	\$ 1,225.65
22-01001 ALLIED OIL	DELIVERY: 9-13-2022	\$ 11,541.28
22-01002 CRAFTMASTER PRINTING, INC.	CERTIFICATE INSPECTION FORMS	\$ 98.00
22-01003 TORCHIA, TIM	DEPARTMENT IMAGES	\$ 300.00
22-01005 TRUGREEN COMMERCIAL	SERVICE: 9-9-2022	\$ 221.50
22-01005 TRUGREEN COMMERCIAL	SERVICE: 9-9-2022	\$ 613.21
22-01006 SEABOARD WELDING SUPPLY	REFILL OXYGEN: JUNE 2022	\$ 14.50
22-01006 SEABOARD WELDING SUPPLY	REFILL: APRIL 2022	\$ -
22-01007 THE RODGERS GROUP, LLC	ACCREDITATION COUNSULTING	\$ 3,325.00
22-01007 THE RODGERS GROUP, LLC	ACCREDITATION COUNSULTING	\$ 3,525.12
22-01008 LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES, INC	CONTRACT-NC MUNICIPAL COURT 22	\$ 15.30
22-01008 LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES, INC	CONTRACT-NC MUNICIPAL COURT 22	\$ 18.70
22-01008 LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES, INC	CONTRACT-NC MUNICIPAL COURT 22	\$ 6.80
22-01008 LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES, INC	CONTRACT-NC MUNICIPAL COURT 22	\$ 15.30
22-01014 JOHN KELLY MECHANICAL, LLC	EMERGENCY REPAIR	\$ 17,400.00

BILL LIST TOTAL FOR 09/26/2022 \$ 248,394.50

RESOLUTION 2022-115

RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER AS HUNGER ACTION MONTH

WHEREAS, hunger and poverty are issues of grave concern in the United States, the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Neptune City is committed to taking steps to raise awareness about the need to combat hunger; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Neptune City is committed to working with Fulfill, formerly The FoodBank of Monmouth and Ocean Counties, to educate people about the role and importance of food banks in addressing hunger and to devote more resources and attention to hunger issues; and

WHEREAS, 215,000 individuals, including 70,000 children have been provided food and resources by Fulfill and its partners since the beginning of the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Fulfill provides about one million meals per month by distributing food to nearly 300 feeding agencies in Monmouth and Ocean Counties, including soup kitchens, food pantries, and shelters, and by delivering food to families, children, seniors, veterans, and more; and

WHEREAS, food banks across the country, including Fulfill, will host numerous events throughout the month of September to bring awareness and attention to encourage involvement in efforts to end hunger in their local community.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Neptune City, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey do hereby recognize and proclaim September, as HUNGER ACTION MONTH in Borough of Neptune City, and call this observance to the attention of its citizens.

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Public Participation

Mayor Wardell opened the floor to the public.

Ms. Louise Gaiger asked if there has been progress or consideration for an ordinance on inhabited property. Council noted they are working to schedule a meeting.

Ms. Lisa Cotrell spoke about Nylabone, noting the smell has gotten better but the noise of the trucks and traffic has gotten worse. Discussion continued regarding the noise level, calling in complaints to the Police Department, and what Nylabone can do regarding the trucks. Further discussion continued. Ms. Cotrell asked what residents can do about noisy trucks; Mayor Wardell noted that during business hours there is nothing that can be done, but that he will speak to Mr. Axelrod. Ms. Cotrell noted the truck festival was fantastic.

Mr. George Cary referenced the meeting from October last year with the DEP and Senator Gopal sharing his frustration that Senator Gopal did not act after the meeting. Mr. Cary asked if Council was aware that the matter had been thrown back to them. Further discussion followed on the diminished smell and truck traffic. Mr. Cary thanked the Mayor Wardell for keeping in contact with Mr. Axelrod to work on improvements. Further discussion continued.

Ms. Gaiger spoke about the issue of spotted lantern flies, sharing the Monmouth County Shade Tree Commission suggests spraying affected trees with dawn and vinegar to prevent the eggs from hatching. Discussion continued.

C/Thomas spoke about the County and their work toward finding insecticide. He also spoke about the health benefits and the ripple effect.

Mr. Ted Wardell spoke about the success of the Truck Festival.

C/Renee thanked the Neptune City Homeowner's Association for putting pressure on Nylabone to mitigate the smell. C/Renee asked if there would be bicycle stripping along Steiner Avenue; it was explained it would not be done because the road was built with channeling. Discussion continued on the plans. C/Renee asked about grants for lighted crosswalks;

Mayor Wardell is in touch with the Engineer and will report back.

Adjourn – 8:03 pm

Motion to Adjourn meeting by C/Pappas; Seconded by C/Kocsis

Voice Vote - AYE: C/Dellett, C/Farley, C/Kocsis, C/Pappas, C/Renee, C/Thomas



By: C. DiCorcia Williams RMC,
Borough Clerk

Exhibits are on file in the Borough Clerk's Office, according to the NJ State Records Retention Schedule established by NJSA 47:3-15 *et seq* and approved by the State Records Committee. Audio is available on the Borough website.

Approval 10/11/2022