
Council Room Borough of Neptune City June 10, 2019

The Regular Council Meeting of the Mayor and Council was called to order by Mayor Brown at 7:04 p.m.

Acting Borough Clerk Russell took roll call.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Zajack, Renee, Wardell, Kocsis, Lewis, Calhoun and Mayor Brown.

ABSENT:

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 the Coaster and by filing a copy with the Deputy Municipal Clerk.

Mayor Brown invited all to stand for the Flag Salute followed by a moment of silence for all the service men and women that made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2019-126 RESOLUTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Neptune City is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Neptune City, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the specified subject matter.
- 2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

Personnel Matters and 4 Overbrook Place Riverter Clause

- It is anticipated that the minutes on the subject matter of the Executive Session will be made public upon 3. conclusion of the matter under discussion; and in any event, when appropriate pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-7 and 4-13.
 - The Governing Body will come back into Regular Session and may take further action. 4.
 - 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the above to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Neptune City at a Workshop meeting held on June 10, 2019

Bryan A Russell, Deputy Municipal Clerk

C/Renee made a motion to go into executive session; seconded by C/Lewis.

Voice Vote-AYES: Councilmembers Zajack, Renee, Wardell, Kocsis, Lewis and Calhoun.

Back from executive session at 7:23 p.m. Mayor Brown stated that minutes were kept during executive session but will not be made public.

Deputy Borough Clerk Russell took roll call.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Zajack, Renee, Wardell, Kocsis, Lewis, Calhoun and Mayor Brown.

ABSENT:

C/Renee made a motion to add to Resolutions to the Agenda; 19-124 7 Overbrook Place Removal of Riveter Claus; 19-125 To Appoint Acting Clerk and Deputy Clerk/Office Manager. Seconded by C/Kocsis.

Voice Vote- AYES: Councilmembers Zajack, Renee, Wardell, Kocsis, Lewis and Calhoun.

COMMUNICATIONS-

None.

PRESENTATIONS-

None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS-

Mayor Brown stated there will be an Open Public Hearing on the Budget.

Old Business

None.

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to open the Public Hearing.

Motion by C/Kocsis and seconded by C/Wardell

Voice Vote - AYES: Councilmembers Zajack, Renee, Wardell, Kocsis, Lewis and Calhoun.

Mayor Brown asked if there for any public comments or questions on the Budget, there were none.

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to close the Public Hearing.

Motion by C/Kocsis and seconded by C/Lewis

Voice Vote - AYES: Councilmembers Zajack, Renee, Wardell, Kocsis, Lewis and Calhoun.

Mayor Brown asked for a Resolution to accept or reject the Ordinance.

Motion of approval by C/Wardell and seconded by C/Lewis

Voice Vote - AYES: Councilmembers Zajack, Renee, Wardell, Kocsis, Lewis and Calhoun.

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to advertise.

Motion by C/Renee and seconded by C/Wardell

Voice Vote - AYES: Councilmembers Zajack, Renee, Wardell, Kocsis, Lewis and Calhoun.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2019-118 Payment of Bills

Resolution 2019-118 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 \$191,488.10

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Motion for adoption was made by C/Lewis, seconded by C/Calhoun. C/Wardell noted that we went back to the less information on the Bill List and knows that both the Council and Residents had issues in the past with it not being detailed enough. Administrator Russell stated that this has been the way since March as a way to save on paper, but will go back to the detailed way if needed. The resolution was approved unanimously by roll call.

Resolution 2019-119 Authorizing the Police Department to dispose of equipment and conduct an Auction

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2019-119

AUTHORIZING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO DISPOSE OF ABANDONED AND UNCLAIMED BICYCLES AND POWER EQUIPMENT BY PUBLIC AUCTION

WHEREAS, the Neptune City Police Department has accumulated in excess of 40 bicycles, and power equipment in varying condition, which have been unclaimed or abandoned, and

WHEREAS, the Department has no need for the bicycles and power equipment, which occupy space required for other uses, nor, given the general condition of the bicycles and power equipment, does any other department or agency of the Borough have any use for the bicycles and power equipment; and

WHEREAS, the bicycles and power equipment are abandoned property; and

WHEREAS, the Neptune City Police Department has requested authority to sell the bicycles and power equipment at public auction;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Neptune City, that

- 1. The Neptune City Police Department is hereby authorized to sell at public auction any and all bicycles and power equipment, in any condition, that the Department deems to be abandoned or surplus property.
- 2. The Neptune City Police Department shall hold a public auction on June 22, 2019 at 10 AM at Neptune City Borough Hall Parking Lot to sell the bicycles and power equipment.
- 3. The Neptune City Police Department shall conduct the auction in the manner provided by law.
- 4. This resolution is effective immediately.

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BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY AUCTION NOTICE

The undersigned shall expose for sale at public auction on June 22, 2019 at 10:00 AM at the Borough of Neptune City, Parking Lot, 106 West Sylvania Ave., NJ, over 40 bicycles in varying conditions and power equipment, which came into the possession of the Neptune City Police Department through abandonment or failure of owners to claim same. Minimum bid for bicycles and power equipment is \$1. All bicycles and power equipment may be examined at the aforementioned location on June 22, 2019 at 9:30 AM. All sales are "as is".

One rockwell chop saw
One echo chain saw
One metal tool box assorted tools
One damaged snow blower
One skateboard
Approximately 45 bicycles

Motion for adoption was made by C/Renee, seconded by C/Kocsis. Mayor Brown wanted to clarify that the Police were not conducting an auction, that it is run through the Clerks Office. The resolution was approved unanimously by roll call.

Resolution 2019-120 Neptune City Grievance Procedure Under the Americans with Disabilities Act

Borough of Neptune City Grievance Procedure Under the Americans with Disabilities Act

The Borough of Neptune City has adopted an internal grievance procedure providing for prompt and equitable resolution of complaints alleging any action prohibited by the U.S. Department of Justice regulations implementing Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"). Title II states, in part, that "no otherwise qualified disabled individual shall, solely by reason of such disability, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination" in programs or activities sponsored by a public entity.

Complaints should be addressed to:

Bryan A. Russell, RPPS, QPA, Borough Administrator

Borough of Neptune City 106 West Sylvania Avenue Neptune City, NJ 07753 732-776-7224

who has been designated to coordinate the Borough's ADA compliance efforts.

The Borough of Neptune City's ADA grievance procedure shall be as follows:

- 1. A Complaint should be filed in writing and contain the name and address of the person filing it and briefly describe the alleged violation of the regulations. Alternative means of filing Complaints, such as personal interviews or a tape recording of the Complaint, will be made available for persons with disabilities upon request.
- 2. A Complaint should be filed within twenty (20) calendar days, but in no event later than sixty (60) calendar days, after the Complainant becomes aware of the alleged violation.
- 3. An investigation, as may be appropriate, shall follow the filing of a Complaint within twenty (20) calendar days after receipt of same. The ADA Coordinator, or designee, shall conduct the investigation and meet with the Complainant to discuss the Complaint and the possible resolutions. These rules contemplate informal but thorough investigations, affording all interested persons and their representative(s), if any, an opportunity to submit evidence relevant to a Complaint.
- 4. Within fifteen (15) calendar days of the meeting, the ADA Coordinator or designee shall respond, with a written determination, as to the validity of the Complaint and a description of option(s) for substantive resolution of the Complaint, if any, with a copy of same being forwarded to the Complainant, in a format accessible to the Complainant.
- 5. The Complainant may request a reconsideration of the case in instances where he or she is dissatisfied with the resolution. The request for reconsideration shall be made within fifteen (15) calendar days of the date of issuance of the written determination to the Borough of Neptune City ADA Committee, c/o Administrator of the Borough of Neptune City, 106 West Sylvania Avenue, Neptune City, NJ 07753. The ADA Committee shall consist of two (2) members of the Neptune City Borough Council, appointed annually by the Borough Committee.
- 6. Within twenty (20) calendar days of receipt of the request for reconsideration of the matter, the ADA Committee shall meet with the Complainant to discuss the Complaint and possible resolutions. Within twenty (20) calendar days after the occurrence of the meeting, the ADA Committee shall respond in writing and, where appropriate, in a format accessible to the Complainant, with a final resolution of the Complaint.

The ADA Coordinator shall retain the files and records of the Borough of Neptune City relating to complaints, requests for reconsideration, and any responses thereto filed for at least three (3) years after the date of the initial Complaint.

The right of a person to a prompt and equitable resolution of the Complaint filed 8. hereunder shall not be impaired by the person's pursuit of other remedies, such as the filing of an ADA Complaint with the responsible Federal department or agency. Use of this grievance procedure is not a prerequisite to the pursuit of other remedies.

These rules shall be construed to protect the substantive rights of interested persons to meet appropriate due process standards and to assure that the Borough of Neptune City complies with the ADA and its implementing regulations

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Bryan A. Russell, Deputy Municipal Clerk

Motion for adoption was made by C/Renee, seconded by C/Zajack. There was no discussion and the resolution was approved unanimously by roll call.

Resolution 2019-121 Approval to Read Budget by Title

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2019-121 APPROVAL TO READ BUDGET BY TITLE

WHEREAS, the 2019 Budget which was introduced on May 13, 2019 has been advertised according to N.J.S.A. 40A:4, and has been posted in the Municipal Building at least one week prior to the date of this hearing; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the same has been made available to each person requesting it during said week and during this public hearing, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that having conformed with the conditions set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:4-8, the 2019 budget can be finally adopted.

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Bryan A. Russell, Deputy Municipal Clerk

Motion for adoption was made by C/Lewis, seconded by C/Calhoun. There was no discussion and the resolution was approved unanimously by roll call.

Motion offered by C/Wardell to open hearing for Public; seconded by C/Calhoun.

Voice Vote- AYES: Councilmembers Zajack, Renee, Wardell, Kocsis, Lewis and Calhoun.

George Gary, Myron Ave, Spoke against the Participatory Budget. Read from the Coaster \$40,000 for a planner, feels is not a good idea for the government to get involved into developing. C/Renee stated that the Participatory Budget is a part of the Capital Budget; it is just a different way to do it. There was continued discussion on this.

Mayor Brown explained what the Master Plan is.

Celeste Clark, Coastal Village, asked if Master Plan is public record.

Corlies Chong, resident for 59 years. 1st agrees that Neptune City has always been responsible on the budget. Thinks the Participatory Budget is a good idea. Asking an expert to look at our Master Plan is a good idea. As former Land Use Board Member, thinks bringing someone is a big opportunity for Neptune City. Mr. Chong thanked the Council for their dedication to the town.

Mayor Brown clarified that the money is not to get someone to look at the Master Plan, but is to start a redevelopment. The Master Plan is in place and can be modified at any time.

John Pietrunti, 95 Riverview, Participatory Budget thinks that this is a small part of the overall budget and will be nice to have residents will have more of a say in projects.

Kelly Strazdas, 3 Overbrook, agrees that the Participatory Budget and Planner are good ideas.

Ted Wardell, 121 Third Ave, right across from the 3rd Ave property in question, and believes that a storage unit would be a good idea. Feels that feels that the Participatory Budget is finically driven for the 3rd Ave property.

Arlene Sciarappa, 14 Tucker, agrees that the Participatory Budget is a good idea. In regards to the whole redevelopment of 3rd Ave, that the Planner could look into the zoning there and see what is needed to change it.

Jen Coombs, what is the vision of everyone for Neptune City. Mayor Brown asked Ms. Coombs to save this question for Public Participation; this is just a Budget Hearing.

Ted Wardell, Sr., to spend \$20,000 or \$40,000 on a dream is not a good idea. Does not see a need for the Participatory Budget.

Tammy Brown, 69 Laird Ave, is there criteria already for the Participatory Budget, what will the administrative cost for the project? \$40,000 for the Planner, is that for the whole town or just for the 3rd Ave.

Brian Thomas, Bennett Ave, question about Deed Restriction, would lifting it cause the town to be subject to a lawsuit against them, if they lift it but the person looking to do the storage units still owns it, could they file a suit against the town?

Darlene Frascella, Bennett Ave, if the Deed Restriction is lifted, can a contractor go in and build whatever they want?

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to close the hearing.

C/Wardell offered a motion to close the hearing, seconded by C/Kocsis.

Voice Vote- AYES: Councilmembers Zajack, Renee, Wardell, Kocsis, Lewis and Calhoun.

CFO Bill Antonides gave an update on the Budget; the State has reviewed and returned with no amendments. The Budget is within both CAPS; Levy \$750,810 below and the Properation by \$342,543 below. Taxes for residents will stay about the same.

C/Lewis offered a Resolution to adopt the 2019 Budget, seconded by C/Calhoun.

C/ Wardell voiced his opinion on the Participatory Budget and how he feels that ear-marking \$120,000 with no plan is finical irresponsible. No town, outside of Freehold Borough, does this for a reason and they are 8.9 million dollars in debt with a 17 million dollar Budget. C/Wardell feels that there were a lot of irresponsible decisions made and feels we might have actually spent more this year on Professionals and Administrators then last year. C/Zajack feels the Borough has been fiscally responsible and does not think these changes need to happen. C/Lewis stated that this will not be done irresponsibly, the town will have oversite. This is just a different way to do it. C/Lewis feels this a great way to try and if it doesn't work, we can choose to not do it again. C/Wardell feels the action proposed is irresponsible, and he does not agree that this is right. C/ Kocsis stated that for the Participatory Budget that we can set the ages, it does not have to be 14, it can be any age. C/Calhoun wants what is best for the community. C/Renee feels this Budget Hearing has been the most civic engagement she has seen and it is a wonderful thing. Understands the fear, new things can often be fearful, but can also be exciting. Looking at the town's future and move it forward in a positive direction. Mayor Brown commented that this is his last Budget Hearing and they have been flat rate for the last 5 years. It is nice to see everyone participating in the Budget process. Participatory Budget thinks the concept is a good idea, but the process is. Mayor feels that Neptune City is one of the most fiscally sound towns around. Mayor Brown thanked everyone for coming out tonight.

Voice Vote- AYES: Councilmembers Renee, Kocsis, Lewis and Calhoun.

NAYES: Councilmembers Zajack, Wardell.

Resolution 2019-122 Adoption of the 2019 Budget

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2019-122 ADOPTION OF THE 2019 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, the 2019 Municipal Budget was introduced on May 13, 2019, advertised in the Coaster on May 16, 2019 and a Public Hearing was held on June 10, 2019, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Neptune City do hereby approve the 2019 Municipal Budget.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the above to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Neptune City at a regular meeting held on June 10, 2019

Bryan A. Russell, Deputy Municipal Clerk

Borough of Neptune City

RESOLUTION NO. 19-123

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TAX APPEAL SETTLEMENT REGARDING 98 W. SYLVANIA AVENUE, A/K/A BLOCK 60, LOT 24 FOR TAX YEAR 2015

WHEREAS, Carol Richards and Nancy D'Amico ("Plaintiffs") filed an appeal with the Tax Court of the State of New Jersey under Docket No. 008742-2015 pertaining to tax assessments for the 2015 tax year on the property designated on the tax map of the Borough of Neptune City (the "Borough") as Block 60, Lot 24; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Tax Assessor and Borough Attorney have advised the Borough's Governing Body that they have considered the appeal, and upon reviewing all the facts and based upon appropriate adjustments of fair market value, recommend settlement of the aforementioned appeal upon the following terms:

Tax Year 2015	Original	County Board	Requested
Block 60, Lot 24	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Judgment</u>	Tax Court Judgment
LAND	\$240,000	\$240,000	\$240,000
IMPROVEMENT	\$565,200	\$565,200	\$515,200
TOTAL ASSESSMENT	\$805,200	\$805,200	\$755,200

WHEREAS, the aforementioned judgment will result in a credit to Plaintiffs in the total amount of \$1,267.00;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Neptune City that the recommended settlement of the above-mentioned Tax Court appeal is hereby authorized and approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Attorney is hereby authorized to sign and file the Stipulation of Settlement attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Tax Collector is authorized and directed to issue

the refund credits to Plaintiffs in accordance with the judgment entered by the Tax Court; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk forward a certified true copy of this Resolution to the Borough Attorney, Borough CFO, Borough Tax Assessor, Borough Tax Collector and to

Plaintiffs, c/o *Jonathan F. Donath*, Esq., Coughlin Duffy, LLP, P.O. Box 1917, Morristown, New Jersey

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CERTIFICATION

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Borough of Neptune City at a regular meeting held on

June 10, 2019

Bryan A. Russell, Deputy Municipal Clerk

Motion for adoption was made by C/Lewis, seconded by C/Calhoun. There was no discussion and the resolution was

approved unanimously by roll call.

Resolution 2019-124

RESOLUTION NO. 19-124

RESOLUTION RELINQUISHING REVERTER CLAUSE CONTAINED IN DEED, DATED APRIL

18, 1968, BETWEEN NEPTUNE CITY AND LA RUE FLEGAL AND CATHEINE FLEGAL FOR 7

OVERBROOK PLACE, NEPTUNE CITY, NJ

WHEREAS, by Deed dated April 18, 1968, the Borough of Neptune City transferred the

real property commonly known as 7 Overbrook Place, Neptune City, New Jersey (the "Property") for

nominal consideration to La Rue Flegal and Catherine Flegal, husband and wife; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned Deed, for reasons undiscernible from recorded interests thereafter or readily available

public records, contained a reverter clause providing that the conveyance of the Property thereby "is expressly subject to the

condition that no buildings or structures for dwelling purposes shall ever be constructed thereon, and upon failure to comply with

said condition, title to the lands and premises to revert to The Borough of Neptune City"; and

WHEREAS, it appears from the filing of a subdivision map entitled "Map of Riverview Manor, Borough of Neptune

City, Monmouth County, N.J." on or about March 30, 1960, which pre-dates the aforementioned Deed, that the reverter clause

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therein was either mistaken or never intended to be enforced insofar as the Property has always been residential in nature, has

always been located in a residential zone, and has always been utilized as a single-family residence;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Neptune

City, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the Borough of Neptune City hereby relinquishes and

forever releases any rights it may have under the reverter clause contained in the Deed, dated April 18, 1968,

between the Borough of Neptune City and La Rue and Catherine Flegal for 7 Overbrook Place, Neptune

City, NJ; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Neptune City, County

of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that this Resolution may be recorded with the Monmouth County Clerk's

Office as notice of the foregoing to any and all interested parties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Neptune City, County

of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that this Resolution be forwarded to the Mayor, Borough Administrator,

and Patrick Quagliana, Esq.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the above to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Neptune City at a meeting held on June 10, 2019.

Bryan A. Russell, Acting Municipal Clerk

Motion for adoption was made by C/Renee, seconded by C/Zajack. There was no discussion and the resolution was approved unanimously by roll call.

Resolution 2019-125 Resolution Appointing Bryan Russell as Acting Borough Clerk and Al Jardine as Deputy Borough Clerk and Office Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 19-125

RESOLUTION APPOINTING BRYAN RUSSELL AS ACTING BOROUGH CLERK AND AL
JARDINE AS DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK AND OFFICE MANAGER

WHEREAS, the Borough of Neptune City requires the services of a Borough Clerk and a Deputy Borough Clerk; and

WHEREAS, there is presently a vacancy in the office of Borough Clerk for the Borough of Neptune City; and

WHEREAS, Bryan Russell currently serves as Administrator and Deputy Borough Clerk for the Borough of Neptune City; and

WHEREAS, Bryan Russell appears best qualified to serve as Borough Clerk, however, because Mr. Russell is not yet a registered municipal clerk, said appointment may only be made as an "Acting Borough Clerk" pursuant N.J.S.A. 40A:9-133; and

WHEREAS, with the appointment of Bryan Russell as Acting Borough Clerk, there will be a vacancy in the office of Deputy Clerk, for which position, Al Jardine appears best qualified; and

WHEREAS, there is presently a vacancy in the position of Office Manager within the Borough of Neptune City, for which position, Al Jardine also appears best qualified;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Neptune City, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that:

- 1. The Borough Council hereby appoints Bryan Russell as Acting Borough Clerk of the Borough of Neptune City at an annual salary of \$25,000.
- 2. The Borough Council hereby appoints Al Jardine as Deputy Borough Clerk and Office Manager of the Borough of Neptune City at an annual salary of \$5,000.
- 2. A certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Mayor, Chief Financial Officer, Department of Community Affairs, Al Jardine, and Bryan Russell.

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Bryan A. Russell, Acting Municipal Clerk

Motion for adoption was made by C/Lewis, seconded by C/Kocsis. There was no discussion and the resolution was approved unanimously by roll call.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION –

Arlene S, 14 Tucker Dr, Neptune City Homeowner Association was formed and has about 30 or so people that attend the meetings, hope to have more. Would like to be coming up with ideas to bring to Council and would like to have a liaison from the NCHA to come to the meetings on a regular basis. Mayor Brown stated that everyone is always welcome to come to the meetings and free to speak.

Jen Coombs, Citizen Media, are we going to bring a K9 to the Police Department to help with investigations, they are a big asset to the other local towns. Chief Quagliato explained that if the Police need a K9, they request them from one of the many K9 Units in the area. What is the vision of Neptune City of the Mayor and Council:

C/Calhoun- hopes there will be more public participation, a little more thought process of what we do and why we do it.

C/Lewis- really likes the Master Plan, it is greatly thought out. Would like to see more of a walking/biking community. Would like to see bike lanes.

C/Zajack- would like to see it stay a nice small town where families can raise their children.

C/Kocsis- mine mirrors exactly what C/Zajack and C/Lewis have already stated.

C/Renee- hope it says small town feel. Would like to see the town grow without raising the taxes, that's why I am for the smart redevelopment, so we don't go into debt and have less vacant properties. Like the idea of a bike path/lane.

C/Wardell- 3rd generation being raised in Neptune City, would love to see it stay the same community that I grew up in and love. Like the fact that I know my neighbors, would like to see the taxes remain low, and services stay high. Keeping it a beautiful community.

Attorney- like that so many people come to meetings to voice their opinions, less litigation than most other towns. Benefit for everyone to come here and talk it out instead of jumping right to a lawyer.

C/Wardell added that he feels they do that since everyone is neighbors. C/Calhoun's son and my daughter are about to graduate together, C/Lewis' daughter and my daughter were in girl scouts together. They might get combative up here, but when we leave, we are still friendly since we are all neighbors.

Mayor Brown- This is my home, we raised our family here. Neptune City has changed a lot and will continue to change, some might be good, some might be bad but with each bit of it we need to work together. Each year everyone gets the opportunity to voice their opinions. Not a lot of towns participate like we do. And world peace.

Ted Wardell, Sr., I am the head of the Historical Committee here in Neptune City, as you are all well aware, we acquired the cemetery which is in need of repairs. Looking to see if there is any kind of grant money that we could try to get to make the repairs and maintain the cemetery. Mayor Brown stated that about 4 years ago the Bennett Family was trying to sell the property; it has been there since at least the 1800s. Last year we got all the final approvals. Thinks we definitely need to look into this to see if we can get grants.

Stacey Higgins, 29 Coastal Dr, VP of the NCHA, this is the stuff we would like to get the town together to do things like this. Would like to donate to cement benches if possible to the cemetery.

C/Kocsis- street sweeper will be going through Zone 2 on Wednesday and Zone 1 on Friday. Since the town owns the property now, can DPW help to take care of it? Mayor Brown stated not yet, since it is a historical site you cannot just go in and start, you need to find out what is where before. Once it is all done, then yes they can start to.

C/Calhoun- Mike Burn Concert in the Park is coming up, flyers are downstairs.

C/Renee- thank you to Bill Antonides and C/Lewis and the committee for a job well done for the Budget and keeping the tax rate flat again. Also, the Police Department wanted to let everyone know there is a

new system, Nixle, which you can set up to receive texts/emails/calls with alerts. Information is on our website to set it up.

C/Renee asked the Chief to stand and wanted to congratulate him on the award from the 200 Club. Chief Quagliato stated that he and Sgt. Cano received an award for the investigation, arrest and conviction of the brutal murder of Jonelle Melton from September 2009. Also, Sgt. Volbrecht was commended for his role in the investigation of the Sarah Stern homicide.

ADJOURN 9:06 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by C/Wardell. Seconded by C/Lewis. Approved unanimously by roll call.