Borough of Neptune City
Regular Meeting of the Governing Body
• Borough Hall • 106 W. Sylvania Avenue •
Monday, August 26, 2024 *at* 6:00 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor McGreevey called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm

2. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

Mayor McGreevy noted the requirements provided for in the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied.

3. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Rachel McGreevy, Council President Danielle Pappas
Councilmember Scott Dellett, Councilmember Glen Kocsis
Councilmember Pamela Renee, Councilmember Brian Thomas
ABSENT: Councilmember Dana Farley
ALSO PRESENT: Administrator Al Jardine, Attorney Howlett

4. FLAG SALUTE

Mayor McGreevy invited all to join in the Flag Salute.

5. CLOSED SESSION - None

6. RECEIPT OF MINUTES *(vv)*

A. Regular Meeting Minutes 07/22/2024

Motion to receive the aforementioned minutes by C/Pappas; seconded by C/Thomas
Voice Vote: AYE: C/Pappas, C/Dellett, C/Kocsis, C/Renee, C/Thomas
ABSENT: C/Farley

7. RECEIPT OF COMMUNICATIONS *(vv)*

A. 5 Kids LLC – Notice of Planning Board Meeting, August 2024

Motion to receive the aforementioned communications by C/Pappas; seconded by C/Kocsis
Voice Vote: AYE: C/Pappas, C/Dellett, C/Kocsis, C/Renee, C/Thomas
ABSENT: C/Farley

8. PRESENTATIONS

A. August 26 Agenda Overview

Administrator Jardine provided a summary of the items on the agenda, specifically regarding the ordinance second reading. Administrator Jardine noted the tabled resolution will remain tabled, then provided details of the consent resolutions.

B. Senator Gopal and Assemblywomen Donlon and Peterpaul – Recognition of Alzheimer's Event

Senator Gopal was invited to the floor. He invited Kathleen and Guy Hollup from Take Care Companions who work with Alzheimer's Association. Senator Gopal read a proclamation into the record recognizing the Alzheimer's Association Fundraiser held at the Headliner, and recognized the residents who partook in the fundraiser. Lisa Green and Rachel Greer were also recognized for their efforts. Mayor McGreevy thanked all involved for their hard work and efforts.

C. Mr. Anthony Susino, Board of Education Chair – School Budget Presentation

Board of Education Chair Anthony Susino was invited to the floor. Mr. Susino explained why the taxes went up, noting in '23-'24 the Borough was short due to the S2 formula, explaining the school only has the statutory limit in the reserve fund balance. The State Department of Education allowed the school to raise taxes which allowed for increased revenue to assist in balancing the budget. Mr. Susino invited those individuals with questions to the next Board of Education meeting on September 19 at 7:00 pm.

D. Proclamation for Overdose Awareness Day (August 31, 2024)

Mayor McGreevy read the proclamation into the record as follows:

PROCLAMATION RECOGNITION OF OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY

WHEREAS, drug overdoses are now the number one cause of accidental death in New Jersey, surpassing car accidents, homicides and suicides combined; and

WHEREAS, addiction is a health condition and the discrimination associated with addiction must be addressed so that no one is stigmatized because of their health condition; and

WHEREAS, addiction is seen by both the Centers for Disease Control and the World Health Organization as a fast-growing epidemic that can all too easily lead to overdose and death; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, over 100,000 individuals died from drug overdoses in the United States; and

WHEEAS, in New Jersey alone, 3,000 people died from suspected drug overdoses in 2022; and

WHEREAS, in 2022 Monmouth County alone lost 151 persons due to overdose; and

WHEREAS, for every drug overdose that results in death, there are many more nonfatal overdoses, each taking an emotional and economic toll on the individual, their family, and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, addiction can fuel feelings of shame, guilt, embarrassment, depression, and hopelessness, causing individuals to resist seeking treatment and support; and

WHEREAS, Overdose Awareness Day is a global event held on August 31st of each year that aims to raise awareness of drug overdoses, reduce the stigma of a drug-related death, and to acknowledge the grief felt by families and friends remembering those who have died or had a permanent injury as a result of a drug overdose; and

WHEREAS, continued efforts are needed to increase the availability of substance use treatment and medications for opioid use disorder, which can be accessed by calling 844-REACHNJ; and

WHEREAS, families affected by overdose need compassion, along with assistance and support from professional and peer resources including NJ Connect for Recovery (855-652-3737); and

WHEREAS, Overdose Awareness Day in New Jersey sends a strong message to former or current substance users, namely, that they are valued, and that overdose death is preventable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Neptune City and State of New Jersey that August 31st of each year shall be designated as "Overdose Awareness Day" in the Borough of Neptune City to raise awareness of overdose and reduce the stigma of a drug-related death.

E. Proclamation for Prostate Cancer Awareness Month (September)

Mayor McGreevy read the proclamation into the record as follows:

PROCLAMATION Proclaiming the month of September 2024 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

WHEREAS, this year, approximately 299,010 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in the United States alone – one man every 2 minutes; and

WHEREAS, In New Jersey, an estimated 9,860 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed and an estimated 740 deaths will occur in 2024; and

WHEREAS, Men with relatives with a history of prostate cancer are twice as likely to develop the disease; and

WHEREAS, 1 in 8 men are diagnosed with prostate cancer in their lifetime and 1 in 6 African American men will develop prostate cancer in their lifetime. Overall, African American men are 1.7 times more likely to be diagnosed with - and 2.1 times more likely to die from - prostate cancer than white men; and

WHEREAS, Veterans who were exposed to herbicides like Agent Orange are at increased risk for developing prostate cancer, and are more likely to have an aggressive form of the disease; and

WHEREAS, Education regarding prostate cancer and early detection strategies is critical to saving lives, preserving, and protecting our families. As well as the economic and social burden of prostate cancer is huge on families; and

WHEREAS, If caught early prostate cancer has a five-year survival rate of nearly 100%. However, for late-stage prostate cancer the five-year survival rate is 31%; and

WHEREAS, All men are at risk for prostate cancer and we encourage the citizens of the Borough of Neptune City to increase the importance of prostate awareness and screenings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; I, Rachel McGreevy, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2024 to be PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH in the Borough of Neptune City.

9. MAYOR'S REPORT - Mayor Rachel McGreevy

Mayor McGreevy thanked the public for attending the meeting. Mayor McGreevy wished Happy Independence day to India and Ukraine. Residents received tax bills, Mayor McGreevy thanked the hard work of the staff for getting the bills out, noting the grace period will be extended to September 16. The explanation included with the tax bills provided a breakdown of what taxes are collected for. Residents are invited to sign up for the Neptune City Communication registry by sharing their emails with the Borough, or by requesting a paper copy. The Neptune City Library is seeking a part-time Library Director, please contact the Borough if interested. The Motor Vehicle Mobile Commission was in Neptune City today, thanks to Senator Gopal, the Motor Vehicle and Neptune City Police Department for making the event happen. Mayor McGreevy congratulated the Police Department on a great National Night Out. Mayor McGreevy also congratulated the Recreation Committee for all their successful and plentiful events over the summer. The Borough has been working with the Neptune City Fire Department and Office of Emergency Management as well as the First Aid to determine the use of the horn for calls. There was an internal assessment. The use of the emergency siren has been suspended for First Aid since May 6. For now, the emergency siren will continue to be utilized in response to Monmouth County's dispatch of the Borough's Fire Department, OEM, and ANSWER Team between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. The Borough intends to work with emergency representatives to review use of the emergency siren and consider all suitable options.

10. COUNCIL REPORTS

A. COUNCIL PRESIDENT DANIELLE PAPPAS, ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

Council President Pappas thanked the Police Department for an amazing National Night Out despite having to move the event and the storm. As a reminder school opens September 5, so please be mindful of surroundings and children crossing. The Police Department has no magnets for the cars which are available at the Police Department and Borough Hall. The Neptune City Food Truck Festival will be on October 12.

B. COUNCILMEMBER SCOTT DELLETT, SPECIAL SERVICES

C/Dellett reported that Friendsgiving will be November 23 at the Community Center, the time is to be determined, but donations and volunteers are welcome.

C. COUNCILMEMBER DANA FARLEY, COMMUNITY RELATIONS

C/Farley was absent.

D. COUNCILMEMBER GLEN KOCSIS, ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

C/Kocsis shared a reminder of the deadline for tax bill payments in September 16.

E. COUNCILMEMBER PAMELA RENEE, BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

C/Renee wished all a Happy Women's Equality Day, sharing details about the Women's Right to Vote. The Green Team will meet on September 16. DPW Director Harker was able to obtain 6 cigarette containers that will be later collected and repurposed. There is a pipe being repaired. C/Renee wished all students and teachers a great school year.

F. COUNCILMEMBER BRIAN THOMAS, EMERGENCY SERVICES

C/Thomas spoke about the OEM review and report, noting the information will be shared. The feedback received shows the horn still has value and other measures cost a lot of money. On October 12 the Madonna House will be hosting a bocce fundraiser at the Food Truck Festival. More information will be forthcoming regarding traffic issues on the Ridges. C/Thomas thanked Senator Gopal, Kathleen and Guy, noting there is early testing available, and more information needs to be made available to the public to allow for early evaluation and testing. C/Thomas thanked Mayor McGreevy for

reading the proclamation on Overdose Awareness Day and for recognizing Reach NJ. A Resident contacted C/Thomas to thank Chief Quagliato, Officer Van Etten and Senator Gopal for making the Mobile MVC happen.

Mayor McGreevy thanked C/Thomas for sharing information from the Office of Emergency Management regarding the siren, and the Fire Department for their service as the department is made up of volunteers. Mayor McGreevy noted that technology will continue to be evaluated.

C/Renee noted the Street Sweeper will be out in Zone 1 tomorrow and in Zone 2 on Wednesday.

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Darlene Marceline had a question about taxes; her questions and comments will be held until public comment.

12. OLD BUSINESS

A. Ordinance Adoption (rc)

1) Ordinance 2024-10 – Amending Chapter 124, Adding Section 6 Tree Removal and Replacement *(Public Hearing/Adoption)*

Mayor McGreevy read the ordinance by title into the record.

Motion to open the meeting to the public on Ordinance 2024-10 by C/Renee; seconded by C/Pappas
Voice Vote : AYE: C/Pappas, C/Dellett, C/Kocsis, C/Renee, C/Thomas
ABSENT: C/Farley

There were no comments from the public.

Motion to close the meeting to the public on Ordinance 2024-10 by C/Renee; seconded by C/Kocsis
Voice Vote : AYE: C/Pappas, C/Dellett, C/Kocsis, C/Renee, C/Thomas
ABSENT: C/Farley

Motion to adopt the ordinance by C/Renee; seconded by C/Dellett
Roll Call : AYE: C/Pappas, C/Dellett, C/Kocsis, C/Renee, C/Thomas
ABSENT: C/Farley

ORDINANCE 2024 – 10
BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH
AMENDING CHAPTER 124, ADDING SECTION 6 TREE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT

Trees play a critical, often overlooked, role in the water cycle and in the mitigation of stormwater runoff issues such as soil erosion, pollutant reduction, infiltration, quantity reduction, and thermal effects. This ordinance is intended to ensure that permittees are considering these undervalued assets in their stormwater management efforts.
The 2023 Tier A MS4 permit renewal requires permittees to, at a minimum, adopt and enforce a community-wide ordinance to control tree removal and replacement for all types of properties where the municipality has jurisdiction. This model ordinance, developed by the Department, can be used by each municipality for consideration in reviewing and/or updating their existing tree ordinance, or adopting a new tree ordinance. This model may also be modified by the municipality to meet the needs of their community.

SECTION 124-6.2 Purpose:

An ordinance to establish requirements for tree removal and replacement in the Borough of Neptune City to reduce soil erosion and pollutant runoff, promote infiltration of rainwater into the soil, and protect the environment, public health, safety, and welfare.

SECTION 124-6.2.1 Definitions:

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this ordinance clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When consistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular

number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The use of the word "shall" means the requirement is always mandatory and not merely directory.

A. "Applicant" means any "person", as defined below, who applies for approval to remove trees regulated under this ordinance.

B. "Critical Root Radius (CRR)" – means the zone around the base of a tree where the majority of the root system is found. This zone is calculated by multiplying the diameter at breast height (DBH) of the tree by 1.5 feet. For example: a tree with a 6" DBH would have a CRR = 6"x1.5' = 9'.

C. "Diameter at Breast Height (DBH)" means the diameter of the trunk of a mature tree generally measured at a point four and a half feet above ground level from the uphill side of the tree. For species of trees where the main trunk divides below the 4 ½ foot height, the DBH shall be measured at the highest point before any division.

D. "Hazard Tree" means a tree or limbs thereof that meet one or more of the criteria below. Trees that do not meet any of the criteria below and are proposed to be removed solely for development purposes are not hazard trees. Has an infectious disease or insect infestation;
    1. Is dead or dying;
    2. Obstructs the view of traffic signs or the free passage of pedestrians or vehicles, where pruning attempts have not been effective;
    3. Is causing obvious damage to structures (such as building foundations, sidewalks, etc.); or
    4. Is determined to be a threat to public health, safety, and/or welfare.

E. "Person" means any individual, resident, corporation, utility, company, partnership, firm, or association.

F. "Planting strip" means the part of a street right-of-way between the public right-of-way and the portion of the street reserved for vehicular traffic or between the abutting property line and the curb or traveled portion of the street, exclusive of any sidewalk.

G. "Resident" means an individual who resides on the residential property or contractor hired by the individual who resides on the residential property where a tree(s) regulated by this ordinance is removed or proposed to be removed.

H. "Street Tree" means a tree planted in the sidewalk, planting strip, and/or in the public right-of-way adjacent to (or specified distance from) the portion of the street reserved for vehicular traffic. This also includes trees planted in planting strips within the roadway right-of-way, i.e., islands, medians, pedestrian refuges.

I. "Tree" means a woody perennial plant, typically having a single stem or trunk growing to a considerable height and bearing lateral branches at some distance from the ground.

J. "Tree Caliper" means the diameter of the trunk of a young tree, measured six (6) inches from the soil line. For young trees whose caliper exceeds four (4) inches, the measurement is taken twelve (12) inches above the soil line.

K. "Tree removal" means to kill or to cause irreparable damage that leads to the decline and/or death of a tree. This includes, but is not limited to, excessive pruning, application of substances that are toxic to the tree, over-mulching or improper mulching, and improper grading and/or soil compaction within the critical root radius around the base of the tree that leads to the decline and/or death of a tree. Removal does not include responsible pruning and

SECTION 124-6.2.2 Establishment of Conservation Officer:

There shall be appointed and designated, an official whose formal title shall be that of Conservation Officer or designee of the Borough of Neptune City. This official shall be charged with the inspection of sites upon which there is an application for site plan approval in regard to the provisions of this section, and with the inspection and enforcement of the tree removal and protection requirements of this section.

SECTION 124-6.3.1 Regulated Activities:

A. **Application Process**:
    1. Any person planning to remove a street tree, as defined as Tree removal, with DBH of 2.5" or more or any non-street tree with DBH of 6" or more on their property shall submit a Tree Removal Application to the Conservation Officer No tree shall be removed until the Conservation Officer has reviewed and approved the removal.
    For any clearing greater than (3) three acres, a representative five (5%) percent of the wooded areas proposed to be cleared shall be inventoried. The representative five (5%) percent shall be determined by agreement between the Conservation Officer and the Applicant. Where less than (3) acres is proposed to be cleared, all trees to be removed shall be inventoried.
    2. Upon application for a tree removal permit, the Applicant shall be charged the following fees:

a. See Replacement Requirement Table.

B. **Tree Replacement Requirements**

1. Any person who removes one or more street tree(s) with a DBH of 2.5" or more, unless exempt under Section 124-6.4, shall be subject to the requirements of the Tree Replacement Requirements Table.
2. Any person who removes one or more tree(s), as defined as Tree removal, with a DBH of 6" or more per acre, unless otherwise detailed under Section 124-6.4, shall be subject to the requirements of the Tree Replacement Requirements Table.

The species type and diversity of replacement trees shall be in accordance with Appendix A. All fees shall be waived for any exemptions granted under Section 124-6.4 .

Replacement tree(s) shall:

1. Be replaced in kind with a tree that has an equal or greater DBH than tree removed **or** meet the Tree Replacement Criteria in the table below.
2. Be planted within twelve (12) months of the date of removal of the original tree(s) or at an alternative date specified by the municipality;
3. Be monitored by the applicant for a period of one (1) year to ensure their survival and shall be replaced as needed within twelve (12) months; and
4. Shall not be planted in temporary containers or pots, as these do not count towards tree replacement requirements.

Tree Replacement Requirements Table:

Category	Tree Removed (DBH)	Tree Replacement Criteria (See Appendix A)	Tree Replacement Fee if not Replaced	Application Fee
1	DBH of 2.5" (for street trees) or 6" (for non-street trees) to 12.99"	Replant 1 tree with a minimum tree caliper of 1.5" for each tree removed	$240.00	$5.00
2	DBH of 13" to 22.99"	Replant 2 trees with minimum tree calipers of 1.5" for each tree removed	$660.00	$10.00
3	DBH of 23" to 32.99"	Replant 3 trees with minimum tree calipers of 1.5" for each tree removed	$2,440.00	$10.00
4	DBH of 33" or greater	Replant 4 trees with minimum tree calipers of 1.5" for each tree removed	$3,680.00	$15.00

C. **Replacement Alternatives:**

1. If the municipality determines that some or all required replacement trees cannot be planted on the property where the tree removal activity occurred, then the applicant shall do one of the following:
   a. Plant replacement trees in a separate area(s) approved by the municipality.
   b. Pay a fee of Tree Replacement Requirement Table per tree removed. This fee shall be placed into a fund dedicated to tree planting and continued maintenance of the trees.

SECTION 124-6.4 Exemptions:

All persons shall comply with the tree replacement standard outlined above, except in the cases detailed below. Proper justification shall be provided, in writing, to the municipality by all persons claiming an exemption. Proper justification shall include photos or statements from NJ licensed tree expert as per NJ Statue 45:15C-11 or arborist.

A. Residents who remove less than four (4) trees per property or per acre, in those exceeding one acre, fall into category 1, 2, or 3 of the Tree Replacement Requirements Table within a three-year period. The number of trees removed is a rolling count across a five-year period. For example, if 3 trees from category 1 are removed in July 2023, the 'count' resets to zero in July 2026. However, if 1 tree from category 1 is removed in July 2023 and another in July of 2025 the first tree will come off the count in July 2026 and the second in July 2028.

B. Tree farms in active operation, nurseries, fruit orchards, and garden centers;

C. Properties used for the practice of silviculture under an approved forest stewardship or woodland management plan that is active and on file with the municipality;

D. Any trees removed as part of a municipal or state decommissioning plan. This exemption only includes trees planted as part of the construction and predetermined to be removed in the decommissioning plan.

E. Any trees removed pursuant to a New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) or U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved environmental clean-up, or NJDEP approved habitat enhancement plan;
F. Approved game management practices, as recommended by the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife;
G. Hazard trees may be removed with no fee or replacement requirement. Documentation from removal company verifying qualification for exemption or photographic evidence must be provided to the Borough in case of emergency where removal is done prior to exemption being granted by the Borough.

SECTION 124-6.5 Enforcement:
This ordinance shall be enforced by the Police Department and/or the Conservation Officer of the Borough of Neptune City during the course of ordinary enforcement duties.

SECTION 124-6.6 Violations and Penalties:
Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine of the amount per tree to be established by municipality but shall not be less than the amount of the required replacement tree(s) and cost of planting.

SECTION 124-6.7 Severability:
Each section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase, and finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause or reason shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 124-6.8 Effective Date:
This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

Appendix A

Approved list of Replacement tree Species and Planting Standards for the Borough of Neptune City
Residents and contractors shall select tree species by utilizing the NJ Shade Tree Federation Publication "Trees for New Jersey's Streets" and the "Street Trees Factsheets".

B. Tabled Resolutions (rc)

1) Resolution 2024-86 - Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Memorandum of Agreement between the Borough of Neptune City and Neptune City Employees Association, Local #196 IFTPE

The resolution will remain tabled.

RESOLUTION 2024-86
BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AMEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY AND NEPTUNE CITY EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, LOCAL #196, IFTPE

WHEREAS, the collective negotiations agreement ("Agreement") between Borough of Neptune City ("Borough") and the Neptune City Employees Association, Local #196, IFTPE ("Local 196") expired on December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, on May 28, 2024, a Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") was approved by the Borough Council; and

WHEREAS, through the negotiations process, the Parties were able to reach an agreement on the remaining terms and conditions of a successor collective negotiations agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has incorporated the terms of the Parties' agreement into a written successor agreement ("Successor Agreement") for the term of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Borough now wishes to approve the Successor Agreement, attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Neptune City, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the successor collective negotiations agreement between the Borough and the Neptune City Employees Association, Local #196, IFTPE, effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, and the Mayor is duly authorized to execute same on behalf of the Borough of Neptune City.

13. NEW BUSINESS

A. Ordinance Introduction (rc) – None

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

1) **Resolution 2024-90** - Auth. Payment of the Bills
2) **Resolution 2024-91** - Auth Engineer Services for 2023 Roadway Improvement Project ($70,000)
3) **Resolution 2024-92** - Authorizing the Cancellation of Taxes (Veteran Exemption)
4) **Resolution 2024-93** - Auth. Street Closing Permits for Ridge Terrace (October 5, 2024)
5) **Resolution 2024-94** - Auth. Award of Contract for Improvements to Adams Field (Shore Top Construction, Corp.)
6) **Resolution 2024-95** - Auth. Street Closing Permits for Bennett Avenue (September 21, 2024)
7) **Resolution 2024-96** - Auth. Award of Contract for 2023 Roadway Improvement Project (Fiore Paving)
8) **Resolution 2024-97**- Auth. Road Closures for Pound the Pavement Purple 5K (September 28, 2024)

Motion to approve items 1-8 (Resolutions 90-97) as a group by C/Renee; seconded by C/Thomas
Roll Call : AYE: C/Pappas, C/Dellett, C/Kocsis*, C/Renee, C/Thomas**
ABSENT: C/Farley
*C/Kocsis abstained from Resolution 2024-95.
**C/Thomas abstained from Resolution 2024-95.

RESOLUTION 2024-90
BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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 $150,085.97

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
ALL HANDS FIRE EQUIPMENT	CHIEF SHIELD-NCFD	$ 198.99
BINKO, LISA	MEM PARK RENTAL DEP: 7-20-2024	$ 100.00
ALL HANDS FIRE EQUIPMENT	VEST-NCPD	$ 1,268.53
ALL HANDS FIRE EQUIPMENT	VEST-NCPD	$ 1,268.53
BRINEW, ERIN	PARK RENTAL DEPOSIT: 8-11-2024	$ 100.00
ALL HANDS FIRE EQUIPMENT	BODY ARMOR-NCPD	$ 1,268.53
CHAMPOUILLON, ROBERT	MEM PK RENTAL DEPOSIT: 8-4-24	$ 100.00
NEPTUNE GLASS COMPANY	REPLACE REAR CAB WINDOW GLASS	$ 165.00
FIGUEROA, YUSSELY	MEM PK RENTAL DEPOSIT: 7-21-24	$ 100.00
JOHN KELLY MECHANICAL, LLC	RECHARGE AC UNIT-COIL	$ 3,300.00
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES	wood trim	$ 220.69
GENUINE PARTS COMPANY	JULY VEHICLE REPAIR	$ 2,011.80
SEA BREEZE FORD, INC.	JULY VEHICLE REPAIR	$ 1,338.12
BRADLEY CAR CARE	JULY TIRE AND OTHER SERVICES	$ 673.95
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	SUPPLIES-MUNICIPAL COURT	$ 54.38
DUROGENE, ANNE	MEM PARK RENTAL DEP: 7-27-2024	$ 100.00
MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS	SEWER BILLS	$ 596.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	CHAIRS-NC LIBRARY	$ 135.89
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	TOOLS-DPW	$ 22.49
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	TOOLS-DPW	$ 166.59
ADPRO IMPRINTS	CAR MAGNETS-NCPD	$ 565.00
AVAKIAN,LEON S INC.	NCPB: 87 RIDGE AVE #27391	$ 225.00
DE LAGE LANDEN FINANCIAL SERV.	COPIER LEASE: AUGUST 2024	$ 713.26

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AVAKIAN,LEON S INC.	NCPB: SHIPWRECK'D #27389	$	825.00
CANO, HOOVER	CONFERENCE 6/24-26	$	293.08
INSPIRE COMMUNICATION, LLC	PUBLIC SPEAKING 089	$	900.00
DYNAMIC TESTING SERVICE	RANDOM TESTING: 7-3-2024	$	180.00
AVAKIAN,LEON S INC.	MERR/S.WALL/MCCLELLAND #27331	$	5,520.00
EDWARDS, MATTHEW	PRESCRIPTION DIET LUKE/MEDS	$	174.39
CRAFTMASTER PRINTING, INC.	ENVELOPES-ADMIN OFFICE	$	710.00
LAUGHLIN, SYLVIA	REIMBURS: SWEARING IN-NOTARY	$	15.00
COLLINS, VELLA & CASELLO, LLC	PROF SERV: JUNE 2024	$	350.00
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	PREMIUM: JULY 2024	$	315.81
MON COUNTY ASSESSOR'S ASSOC	2024 TAX ASSESSOR'S DUES	$	150.00
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	SUPPLIES: NCPD	$	139.53
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	SUPPLIES: NCPD	$	15.50
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	SUPPLIES: NCPD	$	26.86
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	SUPPLIES: NCPD	$	576.55
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	SUPPLIES: NCPD	$	115.71
SHRED-IT USA,LLC	SERVICE: JULY 2024	$	181.86
CANO, HOOVER	CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE-2024	$	100.00
VOLLBRECHT, MICHAEL	CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE-2024	$	100.00
JARDINE, ALBERT	CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE-2024	$	100.00
MCGREEVY, RACHEL	CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE-2024	$	100.00
HARKER, DAN	CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE-2024	$	100.00
HELLWIG, KELLY	CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE-2024	$	100.00
LAUENSTEIN, ERIC	CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE-2024	$	35.00
J. SWANTON FUEL OIL COMPANY	DELIVERY: 7-18-2024 #97897	$	829.01
LABELCITY, INC.	ARREST LABELS	$	95.93
DANSKIN INSURANCE AGENCY	Renewal 2024-2025	$	1,049.00
JOHN KELLY MECHANICAL, LLC	Boiler Repair	$	425.00
TIMMERMAN EQUIPMENT	SEGMENTED SIDE SWEEP BROOM	$	286.50
TIMMERMAN EQUIPMENT	DIESEL FUEL TANK CAP	$	58.87
TIMMERMAN EQUIPMENT	DIRT SHOE ASSEMBLY	$	616.81
TIMMERMAN EQUIPMENT	HYDRAULIC TUBE ASSEMBLY	$	126.23
TIMMERMAN EQUIPMENT	HYDRAULOIC TUBE ASSEMBLY #2	$	119.19
MONMOUTH TRUCK EQUIPMENT	CHAIN FOR POLE SAW AND ACC.	$	19.99
SEA COAST CHEVROLET	DEALER REPAIR OF TAHOE #3512	$	3,741.72
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES: DPW	$	583.32
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES: DPW	$	341.97
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES: DPW	$	756.20
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES: DPW	$	31.38
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES: DPW	$	107.50
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES: DPW	$	34.15
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES: DPW	$	48.44
SCHINDLER ELEVATOR CORP.	MONTHLY PREV: AUGUST 2024	$	309.76
LEYH, HUNTER	REIMBURSEMENT: CDL LICENSE	$	125.00

THE NEW COASTER, LLC.	LEGAL AD: 7-25-24 #8850	$ 11.47
J. SWANTON FUEL OIL COMPANY	DELIVERY: 7-31-24 #98225	$ 427.08
MONMOUTH COUNTY SPCA	SERVICE: JUNE 2024	$ 1,187.50
TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE	SORBITOL 20 BAGS: 7-19-2024	$ 178.00
TROCCHIO, LOUIS	MEDICAL REIMBURS: JULY 2024	$ 174.70
AVAKIAN,LEON S INC.	MERRITT/SWALL/MCCLELLAND 27928	$ 6,400.00
AVAKIAN,LEON S INC.	2022 TTF ROAD PROG: #27926	$ 320.00
AVAKIAN,LEON S INC.	MCOS-ADAMS FIELD: #27924	$ 80.00
COWLEY'S TERMITE & PEST	SERVICE: JULY 2024	$ 66.91
COWLEY'S TERMITE & PEST	SERVICE: JULY 2024	$ 66.00
COWLEY'S TERMITE & PEST	SERVICE: AUGUST 2024	$ 66.91
NEAVES, WILLIAM	MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT	$ 524.10
MACHADO LAW GROUP	PROFESSIONAL SERV: JULY 2024	$ 5,227.50
LEXIS NEXIS	RENEWAL: 2024-2025	$ 130.00
TAYLOR'S TOWING	TOW TO DPW SHOP: 7-24-2024	$ 400.00
NJ STATE LEAGUE MUNICIPALITIES	PUBLICATION: LIBRARY DIRECTOR	$ 115.00
TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE	EMS AGREEMENT: JULY 2024	$ 7,292.00
THE NEW COASTER, LLC.	LUB LEGAL AD: 8-1-2024 #8885	$ 7.13
SEABOARD WELDING SUPPLY	SERVICE: JULY 2024	$ 18.50
JCP&L	SERVICE: 2024	$ 7,053.44
READY REFRESH, BY NESTLE	SERVICE: JULY 2024	$ 317.90
STATE OF NJ DEPT OF LABOR/WORK	QTR ENDING 12-31-22 BALANCE	$ 32.95
CRAFTMASTER PRINTING, INC.	NOTARY STAMP-S. LAUGHLIN	$ 37.75
TROCCHIO, LOUIS	MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT	$ 174.70
TREASURER STATE NEW JERSEY	VEHICLE REGISTRATION-DPW	$ 72.00
VOLLBRECHT, MICHAEL	REIMBURSEMENT: SHIPPING	$ 130.94
GROOMING GARAGE	GROOMING FOR LUKE	$ 200.00
QUAGLIATO, MATTHEW	QTR 3 MEETING: M. QUAGLIATO	$ 65.00
GANNETT NY/NJ LOCALIQ	AD: 7/24/24 NOTICE TO BIDDERS	$ 81.20
GANNETT NY/NJ LOCALIQ	AD: 8-5-24 NOTICE TO BIDDERS	$ 77.24
VERIZON WIRELESS (CELL PHONES)	SERVICE: JULY-AUGUST 2024	$ 82.60
AVAKIAN,LEON S INC.	2023 CDBG PHASE 4: #27925	$ 990.00
GREER LAW FIRM	ALT. PUBLIC DEFENDER: 6-19-24	$ 250.00
JCP&L	SERVICE: JUNE-JULY 2024	$ 924.59
SHRED-IT USA,LLC	SERVICE: AUGUST 2024	$ 182.62
CABLEVISION-MUNICIPAL	SERVICE: AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 2024	$ 51.55
CABLEVISION-MUNICIPAL	ERVICE: AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 2024	$ 185.08
CABLEVISION-MUNICIPAL	ERVICE: AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 2024	$ 192.21
CLEARY GIACOBBE ALFIERI JACOBS	PROF SERV: #136738/136739	$ 357.00
CLEARY GIACOBBE ALFIERI JACOBS	PROF SERV: #136738/136739	$ 17.00
ROSKO-PHIL OXFORD LLC	TRASH REIMBURSEMENT	$ 16,741.70
SEA COAST CHEVROLET	SECOND REPAIR 3512 SEA COAST	$ 859.11
COTTRELL JR., RICHARD	MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT	$ 524.10
COLLINS, VELLA & CASELLO, LLC	GENOVEVA CRUZ #12284	$ 175.00
COLLINS, VELLA & CASELLO, LLC	5 KIDS, LLC #12285	$ 87.50

COLLINS, VELLA & CASELLO, LLC	EMAR #12283	$ 175.00
COLLINS, VELLA & CASELLO, LLC	SHIPWRECK'D #12282	$ 262.50
COLLINS, VELLA & CASELLO, LLC	MONTHLY RETAINER: JULY 2024	$ 350.00
CINTAS	JANITORIAL SUPPLIES	$ 436.66
DELISA DEMOLITION & DISPOSAL	SERVICE: AUGUST 2024	$ 23,050.00
DELISA DEMOLITION & DISPOSAL	SERVICE: JULY 2024	$ 7,977.14
DELISA DEMOLITION & DISPOSAL	SERVICE: JULY 2024	$ 568.10
DELISA DEMOLITION & DISPOSAL	SERVICE: JULY 2024	$ 512.90
DELISA DEMOLITION & DISPOSAL	SERVICE: JULY 2024	$ 4,929.35
DELISA DEMOLITION & DISPOSAL	SERVICE: AUGUST 2024	$ 6,046.20
ATLANTIC CONSULTING ENGINEERS	PROF SERV: SITE PLAN:INV# 6	$ 3,995.00
ARCHER & GREINER	PROF SERVICE: 2024	$ 52.00
ARCHER & GREINER	PROF SERVICE: 2024	$ 12,934.19
	08/26/22024 Bill List Total	**$ 150,085.97**

RESOLUTION 2024-91
BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER SERVICES FOR 2023 ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer submitted a proposal for engineering services associated with the 2023 Roadway Improvement Projects (NC 2023-08); and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Neptune City believes it is in the best interests of its residents to implement the 2023 Roadway Improvements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Neptune City, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that it hereby authorizes Leon S. Avakian, Associates to perform engineering services for the 2023 Roadway Improvement Project in an amount not to exceed $70,000.00.

RESOLUTION 2024-92
BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF TAXES (VETERAN EXEMPTION)

WHEREAS, the property known as Block 92, Lot 83, with an address of 69A Bennett Avenue, was granted a Totally Disabled Veteran Exemption as of July 9, 2024 and should be tax exempt; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Borough of Neptune City desires to cancel taxes assessed against the above property for 2024 as of July 9, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the amounts to be canceled and refunded are as follow;

Tax Year	**Amount to Cancel**	**Refund**
2024	$3,975.37	$ -

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough of Neptune City, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector be and hereby is authorized to cancel and refund taxes as stated herein; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Tax Collector, CFO and Auditor.

RESOLUTION 2024-93
BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AUTHORIZE APPLICATION TO TEMPORARILY CLOSE RIDGE TERRACE FOR THE PURPOSE OF A BLOCK PARTY

WHEREAS, the residents on Ridge Terrace have submitted an application to close Ridge Terrace between Ridge Avenue and Ridge Place on October 5; and

WHEREAS, the residents are requesting to have a block party between the hours of 1:00 pm – 10:00 pm on October 5; and

WHEREAS, this application has been reviewed by the Chief of Police and Director of Public Works.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Neptune City hereby approve the closing of Ridge Terrace between Ridge Avenue and Ridge Place from 1:00 pm – 10:00 pm on October 5; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper signs and barricades be posted as not to create a traffic hazard.

RESOLUTION 2024-94
BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO ADAMS FIELD

WHEREAS, the Borough of Neptune City has been awarded a grant from Monmouth County Open Space in the amount of $200,000 of which the Borough has to match 1/3 of the cost; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Neptune City has received a Local Recreation grant in the amount of $81,000 for a total amount of $347,666.67 for Improvements to Adams Field; and

WHEREAS, bids were requested for Improvements to Adams Field, and three (3) bids were received on Thursday, August 8, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has reviewed the bid packages and has forwarded a letter to the Borough Clerk dated Friday, August 16, 2024 with the award recommendation and bid tabulations; and

WHEREAS, Shore Top Construction Corp., Freehold, New Jersey is deemed the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder, in the amount of $338,700.00 for the Improvements to Adams Field.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Neptune City hereby accept and award a contract to Shore Top Construction Corp., Freehold, New Jersey in the total amount of $338,700.00 for Improvements to Adams Field; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the contracts for this project.

RESOLUTION 2024-95
BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AUTHROIZE APPLICATION TO TEMPORARILY CLOSE BENNETT AVENUE
FOR THE PURPOSE OF A BLOCK PARTY

WHEREAS, the residents on Bennett Avenue have submitted an application to close Bennett Avenue on September 21, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the residents are requesting to have a block party on September 21, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this application has been reviewed by the Chief of Police and Department of Public Works.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Neptune City hereby approve the closing of Bennett Avenue on Saturday, September 21, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper signs and barricades be posted as not to create a traffic hazard.

RESOLUTION 2024-96
BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR 2023 ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Borough of Neptune City has been awarded a grant from the NJ Department of Transportation Trust Fund in the amount of $175,757 for 2023 Roadway Improvements to Merritt Avenue, Ridge Avenue, South Wall Street and McClelland Place; and

WHEREAS, bids were requested for 2023 Roadway Improvements Program, and seven (7) bids were received on Thursday, August 22, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has reviewed the bid packages and has forwarded a letter to the Borough Clerk dated Thursday, August 22, 2024 with the award recommendation and bid tabulations; and

WHEREAS, Fiore Paving, Oceanport, New Jersey is deemed the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder, in the amount of $179,267.62 for the 2023 Road Program.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Neptune City hereby accept and award a contract to Fiore Paving, Oceanport, New Jersey in the total amount of $179,267.62 for 2023 Roadway Improvements Program subject to the approval of the New Jersey Department of Transportation Commissioner; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Administrator, and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the contracts for this project.

RESOLUTION 2024-97
BOROUGH OF NEPTUNE CITY
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AUTHORIZE ROAD CLOSURES FOR POUND THE PAVEMENT FOR PURPLE 5K

WHEREAS, certain Neptune City activities, specifically for the 11th Annual Pound the Pavement for Purple 5K Race require the temporary closing of certain streets in the Borough; and

WHEREAS, in order to safely hold the Pound the Pavement 5K, it is necessary to temporarily close certain streets and/or redirect traffic patterns between 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 am on Saturday, September 28, 2024.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLOVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Neptune City that the following streets will be included as part of the traffic plan for the Pound the Pavement 5K on Saturday, September 28, 2024 from 9:30 am – 11:30 am:

Boston Road
Steiner Avenue
Riverview Avenue
Union Avenue

14. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was open to the public for comment.

Ms. Darlene Marceline asked about assessment vs. the amount to be raised by taxes and if the Borough has discussed with the Board of Education for consolidating the school district. Administrator Jardine responded about assessment; Mayor McGreevy acknowledged the hardship of increasing costs, noting the school district is an autonomous body. Mayor McGreevy further discussed that there should be dialogue with the residents about what should be funded or cut. Mc. Marceline confirmed that the Borough

Mr. Jeff Miller asked for an ordinance regarding clutter, junk and eyesore. He shared pictures with Council of evidence of the clutter and garbage. Mayor McGreevy noted Code Enforcement is a major priority, with a shared service currently being sought.

Mr. George Kary spoke about the school funding formula. Mr. Kary asked about the County taking the boatyard land; Mayor McGreevy shared the latest information is the County is finalizing the agreement. Mr. Kary spoke about the Bradley Food Pantry which has found a home in Neptune City. Mayor McGreevy noted they are a private entity that rents space in the Borough, discussion followed on who to call in the event of an issue. Mr. Kary shared concerns about how all issues roll down to the people.

Ms. Kathleen Mulvihill asked about group insurance, asking how much employees are absorbing. Administrator Jardine explained it depends on the bargaining unit. Discussion followed on the Borough being an employer and attempting to keep talent. Discussion continued on creating an open dialogue around the issues. Ms. Mulvihill asked about the garbage contract; Administrator Jardine explained the Borough is in year three of a five-year contract. Ms. Mulvihill asked about the increase in EMS shared service; discussion followed into looking into other avenues. Ms. Mulvihill asked about the assessment and how it is determined. Further discussion continued on school funding and enrollment. Discussion returned to how the assessment is arrived at. Administrator Jardine directed Ms. Mulvihill to speak to the assessor who can best explain the formula and information.

C/Renee spoke about a school study done nine years ago where it would have cost Neptune City more to close the school, noting it may be time for a new study.

Ms. Kathleen Mulvihill asked if all of Brighton Arms was section 8 housing and how much it cost to send students to Neptune.

Ms. Darlene Marceline asked if all payouts are capped for sick leave and vacation time. Administrator Jardine noted there are now strict caps, Attorney Howlett noted that is at $15,000. Discussion followed. Ms. Marceline asked if there was any information put out to the public regarding the school board budget; Mayor McGreevy responded.

15. CLOSED SESSION – None

16. ADJOURN – 7:22 pm

Motion to adjourn the meeting by C/Pappas; seconded by C/Kocsis

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



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 SRC. Approval 9/9/2024