

**Regular Meeting**

**April 13, 2023**

**7:30 PM**

**Mayor Grova called the meeting to order with a flag salute. This meeting was duly advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, PL 1975, Chapter 231.**

**Call of the Roll: Mayor Grova, Mr. Carrow, Mr. Miller, Mr. Corwonski, Mrs. Pierce, Mr. Linton and Mrs. Marandino. Also present was Solicitor Moustakas.**

**Committee Reports**

Public Safety Chair- As Chair, Mrs. Pierce provided the police report to all of council. There will be a Pop-Up event where the Police Officers rent a truck to give out ice cream in different neighborhoods. Mrs. Pierce congratulated officer of the month Anthony Colofranson for his hard work and dedication to the job.

Finance Chair-As Chair, Mr. Carrow reported that the budget has been finalized and will be introduced in May.

**Grants/Economic Development/ Communication and Information**

Technology Chair- As Chair, Mrs. Marandino reported that:

- The special events committee has discussed the Newfield Day parade route, which may include the traditional route this year. The county stage rental is not going to be available this year,
- The pickle ball clinic will be an informal clinic.
- Easter egg hunt was very successful and the Bunny Burn Fitness event was also a success and the profit was \$320.
- Town wide yard sale is scheduled for May 20
- Movies in the park is scheduled for Friday June 16 at dusk.
- The Special Events Committee is in discussions with the Fire Chief about renting the senior center and splitting the profits.
- Mrs. Marandino noted two new members are listed on the agenda for appointment to the special events committee.

Water- As Chair, Mr. Corwonski advised that the shade tree would like to purchase planters and trees for the downtown district. Mrs. Marandino suggested contacting Huffman's for fund raising ideas.

License & Inspection/Health & Welfare – As Chair, Mr. Linton advised that 78 permits were issued for the month of March which totaled \$35,065. Mr.

Farabella has been dealing with a trash issue on Greenwood Avenue. The Construction official sent out a violation notice to 7 Salem Avenue for a roof reconstruction.

Recycling and Trash/ Buildings, Grounds, Roads Chair- As Chair, Mr. Miller reported that a shred event is being held tomorrow from 9-12:00 noon at the recycling facility. The Recycling facility will also be open to receive bulk items on May 6 from 8 AM until 12:00 noon. The last day for limb and leaf curb collection will be May 7. Mr. Miller suggested that our code official send out a warning to our first-time offenders.

Solicitor's Report- no report

Engineer's Report- Mr. Johnson reported that the water service laterals for Rena and Franklin were advertised for bid. A pre bid meeting will be held on April 27, 2023.

Mr. Johnson reported that he is busy with the storm water permits which are due May 1. The capital improvements permit is extensive and Mr. Marandino is working on a new component, which includes a leaf permit for the compost facility.

The resolution for the flood insurance is on the agenda. Once this is adopted, Mr. Johnson noted that he would send it to the state for further instructions.

Public Participation- Mr. Carrow made a motion to open the meeting to the public; Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. All in favor. No one in the public addressed council regarding any matter. Mr. Carrow made a motion to close the meeting to the public. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. All in favor.

#### Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Carrow made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2023 work session, Regular Meeting, March 20, 2023 and Executive Meeting. Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

#### Old Business

ORDINANCE 2023-1 ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD, CHAPTER 286 ENTITLED "WATER" Mr. Carrow made motion to open the public hearing; Mr. Miller seconded the motion. All In favor. No one in the public addressed council. Mr. Carrow made a motion to close the public hearing. Mrs. Pierce seconded the motion. All in favor. Mr. Carrow made a motion to

adopt ordinance 2023 -1 and Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. RCV: Unanimous. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 2023-2 ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD, CHAPTER 207 ENTITLED "RENTAL PROPERTY" Mr. Linton made motion to open the public hearing; Mr. Miller seconded the motion. All In favor. No one in the public addressed council. Mr. Carrow made a motion to close the public hearing. Mrs. Pierce seconded the motion. All in favor. Mr. Carrow made a motion to adopt ordinance 2023 -2 and Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. RCV: Unanimous. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 2023-3 ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD, CHAPTER 280 ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" Ordinance was tabled until further notice.

ORDINANCE 2023-4 BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF RENA STREET IN AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$20,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$19,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING" Mr. Miller made motion to open the public hearing; Mrs. Pierce seconded the motion. All In favor. No one in the public addressed council. Mr. Corwonski made a motion to close the public hearing. Mrs. Marandino seconded the motion. All in favor. Mr. Carrow made a motion to adopt ordinance 2023 -4 and Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. RCV: Unanimous. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 2023-5 BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF WATER LATERALS IN THE WATER UTILITY SYSTEM IN AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$100,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$100,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING" Mr. Corwonski made motion to open the public hearing; Mr. Miller seconded the motion. All In favor. No one in the public addressed council. Mr. Miller made a motion to close the public hearing. Mrs. Marandino seconded the motion. All in favor. Mr. Carrow made a motion to adopt ordinance 2023 -5 and Mr. Miller seconded the motion. RCV: Unanimous. Motion carried.

New Business

RESOLUTION NO. 37-23 TEMPORARY EMERGENCY RESOLUTION- Mr. Carrow made a motion to approve resolution NO 37-23; Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 38-23 TEMPORARY CAPITAL BUDGET- Mr. Carrow made a motion to approve resolution NO 38-23; Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO 39- 23 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A COURT REFUND- Mr. Miller made a motion to approve resolution NO 39-23; Mrs. Marandino seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO 40-23 TO APPLY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM- Mr. Carrow made a motion to approve resolution NO 37-23; Mrs. Pierce seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 2023-6 BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COMPLETION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL EQUIPMENT IN AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$330,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$85,500; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING- Mr. Carrow made a motion to introduce ordinance 2023-6 on first reading. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. RCV: Unanimous. Public hearing will be held May 11.

Ordinance 2023-7 ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD, CHAPTER 286 ENTITLED "WATER"- PUBLIC HEARING WILL Mr. Carrow made a motion to introduce ordinance 2023-6 on first reading. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. RCV: Unanimous. Public hearing will be held May 11.

Public Participation - Mr. Carrow made a motion to open the meeting to the public; Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. AIF. No one in the public addressed council regarding any matter. Mr. Carrow made a motion close the public

Disbursements- Resolution NO.41-23 - Mr. Carrow made a motion to approve resolution NO 41-23; Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Mr. Miller made a motion to appoint Janice Boyle and Karen Mejia to Special Events Committee. Mrs. Marandino seconded the motion. All in favor.

Mrs. Marandino made a motion to approve the Newfield Day Fall Festival Centennial Celebration Saturday October 5, 2024. Mrs. Pierce seconded the motion. All in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:12 on a motion made by Mrs. Pierce and seconded by Mr. Linton. All in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Mr. Miller asked if there were any grant monies available for Sandy Drive. Mr. Johnson advised that we could apply for a second round of grant funds for Sandy Drive. The NJDOT did not fully fund the road reconstruction. A second round of funds could cover the full reconstruction and give the Borough a financial break from having to do water services on another project. The Water main job on Sandy is a big job and quite costly. There is a four-inch water main that was constructed in the 1950's. Mr. Nicholson, Licensed Water Operator suggested that we charge a cost-of-living increase every year for water and not wait to do an increase when funds are a concern. Mr. Miller asked if there were any grants available for water for this purpose. Mrs. Marandino advised there were no grants available at this time.

Mrs. Pierce made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Linton seconded the motion. AIF. The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Toni L. Van Camp, Clerk