Work Session* 10/10/24 6:30PM

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. Corwonski, Miss Renzi and Mrs. Engle and Mr. Curcio. Absent: Mr. Miller and Engineer, Wayne Johnson. Also present was Solicitor Moustakas.

Mayor Grova reviewed tonight's agenda:

Resolution No 69-24 A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING BUS STOPS, which are located on Northwest Boulevard.

RESOLUTION #70-24 A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING PART TIME LABORERS FOR THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD. They are part time laborers that will not exceed 24 hours per week.

Best Practices Inventory can be discussed, which determines state aid.

A discussion took place regarding Planner Miller's proposed amendment to the RR zoning district.

Mayor and Council discussed the proposed amendments. Mr. Moustakas noted that while agreeable in principle, they expressed the following concerns: Chapter 295-16(A) regarding equine use, Council would like to increase the buffer proposed in (A)(1) to be a minimum of one hundred (100) feet. Additionally, they had questions as to how many horses can be maintained per acre. Mayor and Council's concerns are for the neighboring properties, specifically, nuisances (odors etc.) and access to the property.

Next, regarding the keeping of livestock, would the 80-acre requirement in 295-16(B)(1) take into account contiguous land in other municipalities. For example, the farmer has an eighty-one (81) acre tract, of which only 22 acres are in Newfield. They want to raise livestock in the Newfield portion. The Planning Board will have to address whether this is an approved use and would the farmer be able to seek variance approval. Mayor and Council would also like to extend the buffer to a minimum of one hundred fifty (150) feet in 295-16(B)(2).

Lastly, we would like the planning /Zoning Board to consider the neighboring properties within two hundred (200) feet of the property and if they get notified about the proposed amendments and have an opportunity to comment. One of the council members lives in the neighborhood bordering the farmer's property.

Mr. Corwonski advised that Mrs. White would like to have access to the gate at the Library and would like to have a key so that the trees can be watered. Mr. Corwonski asked if the grates could be removed from the trees in the downtown district and replaced with mulch.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30PM

Toni L. Van Camp, Clerk