

Regular Meeting Minutes
April 9, 2026
7:00 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: Mr. Carrow, Mr. Corwonski, Miss Renzi and Mr. Miller.
Absent: Mayor Grova, Mr. Curcio and Mrs. Engle. Also present was Solicitor Moustakas and Engineer, Wayne Johnson.**

Committee Reports:

Finance Chair- Mr. Carrow reported that the 2026 municipal budget was being introduced this evening with no tax increase.

Communication and Information Technology Chair- Miss Renzi announced that the community yard sale will be held May 2 and 3. No permits are needed for yard sales. Registrations are online and at Borough Hall. The Easter Egg hunt was a success and thanked the NJ Honor Society for their help with the event and also the residents for their candy donations.

Council Renzi explained that a one call for the town reassessment will be made to the residents providing them with additional information along with a county website. A reassessment has not been done since 2013.

Miss Renzi advised that the school has an increase of 5.33 cents.

Miss Renzi provided council with the police report for the month of March and noted that David Polistina was named Officer of the month.

License & Inspection/Health & Welfare – Mr. Miller reported that 5 permits were issued for the month of March 2026 totaling \$942.00.

Recycling and Trash/ Buildings, Grounds, Roads Chair- Mr. Corwonski reported that there are two appointments on the agenda this evening for Public Works Laborers. Mr. Corwonski reported that he has a quote to remove a few trees in the park. Mr. Corwonski made a motion to authorize the quote in the amount of \$1,279 to remove trees and Miss Renzi seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous.

Solicitor's Report- Mr. Moustakas advised that a public auction will be held on April 17, 2026 to sell the borough's properties no longer needed for a public purpose. The sale will be held at 2:00 pm. Solicitor Moustakas advised that he is currently working on a storm water ordinance to comply with state requirements. He also noted that he would have the amended tree ordinance on the agenda next month.

Engineer's Report - Mr. Johnson reported that he has been in contact with the NJDEP regarding the withdrawal of the WRC permit for the Everette Marshall Public Works Complex. This will require that we change the operation of our recycling facility to require recycling brush and wood waste and it cannot be located at the facility no longer than six months.

The Borough of Newfield received bids for the Sandy Drive Reconstruction project and the bids ranged from a low bid of \$271,000 to the high bid of \$358,507.00. The low bid was submitted by Arawak Paving of Hammonton. The funding for the Sandy Drive Reconstruction project has been made available by two NJDOT Municipal Aid Grants.

The funds from MA 2023 and MA 2024 and has to be awarded separately as Sandy Drive A&B in one overall contract as required by NJDOT.

The DRBC report was submitted in March 2026 in advance of the end of the month deadline.

Well #5- NJ Futures, Suburban Consulting has been completing a hydrogeologic analysis of the impacts of backwash dewatering discharge. This is part of the short term and long-term permitting to discharge to groundwater using the existing onsite basin as required by NJDEP. The initial backwash discharge is being scheduled within the next week.

Miss Renzi advised that she was contacted by a resident that asked if signs could be installed on Sandy Drive that say "Children at Play". Mr. Johnson agreed to place two signs, one at the front and back side of the circle on Sandy Drive.

Chief Decesari announced that "Cone with a Cop" will be held in the Borough on May 19 from 5-7 PM.

Bill Perna, Representative of Gloucester County advised that a new welcoming sign will be installed at North West Boulevard at the Vineland border.

Public Participation- Mr. Corwonski made a motion to open the meeting to the public. Miss Renzi seconded the motion. All in favor. No one in the public addressed council. Mr. Corwonski made a motion to close the public portion of the meeting and Miss. Renzi seconded the motion. All in favor.

Mr. Carrow made a motion to approve the Work Session Meeting and Regular Meeting Minutes from March 12, 2026 and Tax Collectors Report. Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Old Business-Public Hearing

ORDINANCE 2026-4- BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$65,000 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 \$61,750; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING- Mr. Corwonski made a motion to open the public hearing and Miss Renzi seconded the motion. All in favor. No one in the public addressed council on Ordinance 2026-4. Mr. Corwonski made a motion to close the public hearing and Mrs. Engle seconded the motion. Miss Renzi made a motion to adopt ordinance No 2026-4 and Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

New Business:

Resolution No 39-26 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS- Mr. Miller made a motion to approve Resolution No. 39-26 and Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Resolution No 40-26 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD APPROVING THE ACQUISITION OF FARMLAND PRESERVATION DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON BLOCK 700, LOT 18- Mr. Miller made a motion to approve Resolution No 40-26 and Miss Renzi seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-5 BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER CALENDAR YEAR 2026 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP Resolution BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14) - Mr. Carrow made a motion to approve Ordinance 2026-5 on first reading. Miss Renzi seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried. The public hearing and consideration of final adoption will be held on May 14, 2026.

RESOLUTION No. 41-26 GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964" (group affidavit) – Mr. Corwonski made a motion to approve Resolution No. 41-26 and Miss. Renzi seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 42-26 RESOLUTION TO INTRODUCE THE 2026 MUNICIPAL BUDGET - Mr. Miller made a motion to approve Resolution No. 42-26 and Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried. Public hearing will be held May 14.

RESOLUTION No. 43-26 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A FULL TIME LABORER FOR THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD-Scott N. Miller- Mr. Corwonski made a motion to approve Resolution No. 43-26 and Miss Renzi seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO 44-26 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A PART TIME LABORER FOR THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD-Don Schultz- Miss Renzi made a motion to approve Resolution No.44-26 and Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 45-26 AWARD OF BID - SANDY DRIVE (PART A) – Miss Renzi made a motion to approve Resolution No. 45-26 and Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 46-26 AWARD OF BID- SANDY DRIVE (PART B) – Miss Renzi made a motion to approve Resolution No. 46-26 and Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Anthony Valenti of Rosewood Development contacted the Borough and advised that he would like to address council at the April meeting, did not attend the meeting.

Public Participation- Mr. Corwonski made a motion to open the meeting to the public. Miss Renzi seconded the motion.

Residents were present to ask about the age restricted development. They asked about the representative and why he was not present to discuss the new development. Council was not made aware prior to the meeting that Mr. Valenti would not attend the meeting.

Mr. Corwonski made a motion to close the public portion of the meeting and Miss. Renzi seconded the motion. All in favor

Disbursements- Resolution NO. 47-26- Miss Renzi made a motion to approve Resolution No. 37-26 and Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Mr. Corwonski made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Miller seconded the motion. All in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Toni L. Van Camp, Clerk