Regular Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2026
7:00 PM

Mayor Grova called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM, followed by the flag salute. The meeting was duly advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231.

## Roll Call

**Present:** Mayor Grova, Mr. Carrow, Miss Renzi, Mrs. Engle, Mr. Curcio, Mr. Miller **Absent:** Mr. Corwonski **Also Present:** Solicitor Moustakas, Engineer Wayne Johnson.

**Committee Reports:**

Public Safety Chair- Mayor Grova reported the police statistics for the month of May 2026. Chief Decesari reported that his Captain attended the preconstruction meeting

Finance Chair- Mr. Carrow reported that the budget was adopted with zero local tax increase. There is going to be a school tax increase of 5.33 per cent. The County is currently conducting a re-evaluation of all properties in the Borough. The 2025 audit was just finished. We will be accepting bids on the 2-4 North west Boulevard on June 23, 2026. A meeting has been scheduled for June 24, 2026 to award a bid at 6:00 PM. Mr. Carrow advised we would like to get LSA to tie in to the down town district to provide sewerage system to the business properties.

**Mr. Corwonski arrives at 7:10 PM**

Grants/Economic Development- Mrs. Engle had no report

Communication and Information Technology Chair- Miss Renzi reported there was a school board on Monday evening and the topic of regionalization surfaced again. Stephnie Moratelli resigned from school board, which creates a vacancy on school board.

The new website is preparing to launch.

Miss Renzi advised there was a sink hole on Hazel Avenue Friday evening and she thanked everyone for their quick response to repair the sink hole.

Water- Mr. Curcio had no report

License & Inspection/Health & Welfare – Mr. Miller reported that 7 permits were issued for a total of $1132.00

Recycling and Trash/ Buildings, Grounds, Roads Chair- Mr. Corwonski had no report.

Solicitor's Report – Mr. Moustakas reported that we are accepting bids on 6/23 at 2:00 PM. Solicitor Moustakas advised he contacted Green Acres regarding Block 203, Lot 10.02 and to determine if they had any interest in the property,

Engineer's Report – Mr. Johnson noted that he closed out Rena Street and Franklin Street with the Dot. Waiting on the DOT for submission for Hazel and part of church street. Mr. Johnson advised that he is working of the Dalton and Stotesbury Avenue water main design.

There are still issues with Rosewood. They continue to omit items when submitting permits.

Mr. Carrow advised that he received a priced to purchase the tank that we are currently renting at well #5. They quoted a price of $10,000. To purchase the tank, but this all depends on the DOT and if permission is granted for the backwash system.

Mr. Carrow made a motion to authorize Mr. Johnson to submit Church and Hazel to the DOT program for the year 2027. Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Public Participation-Mr. Carrow made a motion to open the meeting to the public and Mrs. Engle seconded the motion. All in favor. No one in the public addressed council. Mr. Curcio made a motion to close the public portion of the meeting and Mr. Miller seconded the motion. AIF.

Approval of Minutes from: Mr. Carrow made a motion to approve the Work Session Meeting and Regular Meeting from May 14, 2026 and Tax Collectors Report. Mrs. Engle seconded the motion. Roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Carrow, Mr. Corwonski, Mr., Curcio, Mr. Miller and Mrs. Engle. Nays: None. Abstain: Miss Renzi.

Old Business- none

New Business:

Resolution No 57- 26 BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD REQUESTING THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO APPROVE THE INSERTION OF AN ITEM OF REVENUE IN T HE CURRENT FUND BUDGET OF THE YEAR 2026 IN THE SUM OF $2,000 (JIF SAFETY INCENTIVE PROGRAM) Mr. Carrow made a motion to adopt Resolution No 57-26 and Mrs. Engle seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Resolution No 58- 26 BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD REQUESTING THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO APPROVE THE INSERTION OF AN ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE CURRENT FUND BUDGET OF THE YEAR 2026 IN THE SUM OF $5,427.88 (CLEAN COMMUNTIIES PROGRAM) Mr. Carrow made a motion to adopt Resolution No 58-26 and Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried

RESOLUTION NO. 59-26 A RESOLUTION RENEWING A PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSENEWFIELD DISCOUNT LIQUORS LLC. Miss Renzi made a motion to adopt Resolution No 59-26 and Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried

RESOLUTION NO 60-26 RESOLUTION RENEWING OF PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE— HARLOW INVESTMENTS LLC. Miss Renzi made a motion to adopt Resolution No 60-26 and Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried

RESOLUTION No. 61-26 RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2027 FORD F-250 REGULAR CAB 4WD UILITY TRUCK WITH SNOW PLOW FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT Mr. Curcio made a motion to adopt Resolution No 61-26 and Miss Renzi seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried

Resolution No 62 -2026 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE SALE OF CERTAIN LANDS, OWNED BY THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD, NO LONGER NEEDED FOR A PUBLIC PURPOSE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LOCAL LANDS AND BUILDINGS LAW. Miss Renzi made a motion to adopt Resolution No 62-26 and Mr. Curcio seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried

ORDINANCE NO. 20026-7 ORDINANCE CONFIRMING AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF LANDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LOCAL LANDS AND BUILDINGS LAW FOR BLOCK 100, LOT 20 (GORGO LANE) IN THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY - Mr. Carrow made a motion to adopt the introduction of Ordinance 2026-7 on first reading and Mrs. Engle seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried. Public hearing and adoption will be held on July 9, 2026

ORDINANCE 2026-8 ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 82 THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NEWFIELD, ENTITLED "TREE REMOVAL, PROTECTION AND REPLACEMENT" - Miss Renzi made a motion to adopt the introduction of Ordinance 2026-8 on first reading and Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried. Public hearing and adoption will be held on July 9, 2026

Public Participation

Public Participation-Mr. Carrow made a motion to open the meeting to the public and Mrs. Engle seconded the motion. All in favor.

Chris Carolla of 410 Rosemont Avenue asked whether there were any plans to demolish the old municipal building. Mr. Carrow responded that, at this time, there may be an opportunity for a private buyer to purchase and refurbish the structure for business use. He noted that such a project could help revitalize the downtown district and return the property to the tax rolls.

Mrs. Engle made a motion to close the public portion of the meeting and Mr. Curcio seconded the motion. All in favor.

Disbursements- Resolution N0 63-26 Mr. Corwonski made a motion to adopt Resolution No 63-26 and Mr. Carrow seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried

Mercantile License Application Jan Capri Eclectic Designs LLC - Mrs. Engle made a motion to approve the mercantile license application. Miss Renzi seconded the motion. All in favor.

Newfield Community Play Date- July 1st, 6pm At the Grove- Mrs. Engle made a motion to approve the mercantile license application. Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. All in favor.

Play Date July 1, 2026 at 6PM in the Grove- Mr. Engle made a motion to approve the Play Date and Mr. Corwonski seconded the motion. AIF.

Council discussed a recommendation by Mr. Carlino to remove the benches in the Grove area due to safety concerns. He noted that several benches are damaged and some are covered in moss and mold. Mrs. Engle asked about the cost to repair or replace the bleachers. Mr. Carlino advised that the cost could be a few thousand dollars.

Mr. Johnson noted that the State of New Jersey's *Bleacher Safety Act* would need to be followed if any repairs were undertaken.

Mrs. VanCamp added that permission from the Board of Education would be required before making any repairs.

Miss Renzi stated she would send an email to the school board regarding the matter.

Mr. Nicholson suggested contacting the JIF to request that their representative inspect the bleachers and provide a determination on what actions should be taken.  Council agreed.

Mr. Curcio made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Miss Renzi seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 7:57PM.

Toni L. Van Camp, Clerk