

Regular Meeting

A Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of Middletown Township was held in the Main Meeting Room at Town Hall, One Kings Highway, Middletown, New Jersey and virtually through WebEx at 7:00 p.m. on May 20, 2024.

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc called the meeting to order and read the following notice:

The Notice Requirements provided for in the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given by transmission to The Asbury Park Press, The Middletown Sun and Two River Times and by posting at the Middletown Township Municipal Building and filing with the Township Clerk all on January 11, 2024.

Roll Call Vote: Present: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz Mayor Perry  
Absent: Settembrino

Also present were Township Administrator Anthony Mercantante, Township Attorney Brian Nelson, Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc Chief Financial Officer Colleen Lapp, and Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc invited the Elks Activity Group to the front of the room to lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc requested a moment of silence to honor the troops serving worldwide defending our freedoms and way of life.

**ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE**

**Swearing in of Police Officer Trevor Brey**

Township Heidi Pieluc invited Trevor Brey and his family to join Mayor Perry at the front of the room. Mayor Perry administered the oath of office to Police Officer Trevor Brey and congratulated him for joining the Middletown Township Police Department.

**Swearing in of Police Officer James Davis, III**

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc invited James Davis, III and his family to join Mayor Perry at the front of the room. Mayor Perry administered the oath of office to Police Officer James Davis, III and congratulated him for joining the Middletown Township Police Department.

**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION/PROCLAMATIONS**

**Presentation Recognizing May 19-25, 2024, as EMS Week in the Township of Middletown**

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc invited EMS Deputy Chief Marco Fernandes to join Mayor Perry at the front of the room. Mayor Perry spoke about the volunteer EMS service that is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year. EMS Deputy Chief Marco Fernandes thanked the Township Committee and the community for their support and presented the Township Committee with a challenge coin to show gratitude for their commitment.

**Presentation Recognizing June 1, 2024, As Relay for Life Day in the Township of Middletown**

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc invited Relay for Life Volunteer Co-Chair Amy Nolan to join Mayor Perry at the front of the room. Mayor Perry spoke about some of the things that the money raised takes care of such as rides to treatment, hotels near treatment and how these small items make a difference. Amy Nolan spoke about raising awareness and funds. She talked about some of the things the American Cancer Society does providing resources for family, working with the Police and EMS and celebrating survivors.

**Proclamation Recognizing May 23, 2024, as Red, White and Blue Day in the Township of Middletown**

**WHEREAS:** The GI Go Fund is a New Jersey-based nonprofit that is dedicated to helping veterans with obtaining employment, job training, and entrepreneurship support via the first and only veteran small business incubator in New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS:** The nonprofit organizes several programs to help fundraise and raise awareness, including **Red, White, and Blue Day**, which is officially held twice a year to honor both Memorial Day and Veterans Day; and

**WHEREAS:** On **Red, White, and Blue Day**, participating companies, schools, and government agencies encourage employees to donate money, dress in patriotic colors, and support the GI Go Fund; and

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**WHEREAS:** The admirable goal of the GI Go Fund and its **Red, White, and Blue Day** is to assist unemployed veterans and their families in finding much needed financial support, as well as help military personnel find work, go to school, and connect to critical financial benefits and homelessness prevention programs. Now,

**THEREFORE:** I, Mayor Tony Perry and the Middletown Township Committee, do hereby proclaim May 23, 2024 as **Red, White, and Blue Day** in the Township of Middletown and encourage our Township employees and community members to support our veterans by participating in this wonderful program. Visit [www.gigo.org/fundraisers/redwhiteblue](http://www.gigo.org/fundraisers/redwhiteblue) for more information and to donate.

**Proclamation Recognizing May 27, 2024, as Memorial Day in the Township of Middletown**

**WHEREAS:** **Memorial Day**, once called Decoration Day, originated after the United States Civil War and was designated a national holiday by Congress in 1971; and

**WHEREAS:** **Memorial Day** serves as a national day of remembrance for all the individuals who have given their lives in service to the United States of America; and

**WHEREAS:** By honoring these proud service members, we renew our commitment to upholding the democratic ideals they fought and died to preserve; and

**WHEREAS:** Communities nationwide will join together on May 27, 2024 to pause and remember our fallen heroes; and

**WHEREAS:** On Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, Middletown Township will pay tribute to those who made the ultimate sacrifice to safeguard our country. Now,

**THEREFORE:** I, Mayor Tony Perry and the Middletown Township Committee, do hereby proclaim May 27, 2024 as **Memorial Day** in Middletown Township. We call upon the community to join us in honoring our fallen heroes by attending the Township's and American Legion Post 338's Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 10:00 AM at Bayshore Middle School.

**Proclamation Recognizing June 2024, as Pride Month in the Township of Middletown**

**WHEREAS:** Our nation was founded on the principle of equal rights for all people, and that is what Middletown strives to provide. Some of the most inspiring moments in our history have arisen from the various civil rights movements that advocate on behalf of marginalized communities; and

**WHEREAS:** In the movement toward equal rights for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer-identifying (LGBTQ+) people, a historic turning point occurred in New York City on June 28, 1969, with the onset of the Stonewall Riots. During these riots, LGBTQ+ citizens rose up and protested against discriminatory criminal laws that have since been declared unconstitutional; and

**WHEREAS:** All people deserve to live with dignity and respect, free from fear and violence, and protected against discrimination. Middletown celebrates the proud legacy LGBTQ+ individuals have woven into the fabric of our nation. We continue our work to build an inclusive and stigma-free society where every citizen knows that this Township supports them; and

**THEREFORE:** I, Mayor Tony Perry and the Middletown Township Committee, do hereby proclaim June 2024 as Pride Month in the Township of Middletown.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc requested a motion to approve the minutes.

It was moved by Mayor Perry, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell and carried to adopt the minutes of the following meetings:

April 22, 2024, Regular Meeting, May 6, 2024, Workshop Meeting

Roll Call Vote:       Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, Mayor Perry  
                              Nays: None  
                              Abstention: None  
                              Absent: Settembrino

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc stated Motion carries to approve the minutes.

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**BUDGET**

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc requested a motion to approve Resolution 24-165 Resolution Authorizing the Township of Middletown for Self-Examination of Budget.

It was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to approve Resolution 24-165.

Roll Call Vote:           Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, Mayor Perry  
                              Nays: None  
                              Abstention: None  
                              Absent: Settembrino

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc stated Motion carries to approve the resolution.

**Resolution 24-165 – Resolution Authorizing the Township of Middletown for Self-Examination of Budget**

Offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-78b has authorized the Local Finance Board to adopt rules that permit municipalities in sound fiscal condition to assume the responsibility, normally granted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, of conducting the annual budget examination; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.A.C. 5:30-7 was adopted by the Local Finance Board on February 11, 1997; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.2 through 7.5, the Township of Middletown has been declared eligible to participate in the program by the Division of Local Government Services, and the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the local government meets the necessary conditions to participate in the program for the 2023 budget year.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the governing body of the Township of Middletown that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.6a & 7.6b and based upon the Chief Financial Officer's certification, the governing body has found the budget has met the following requirements:

1. That with reference to the following items, the amounts have been calculated pursuant to law and appropriated as such in the budget:
  - a. Payment of interest and debt redemption charges
  - b. Deferred charges and statutory expenditures
  - c. Cash deficit of preceding year
  - d. Reserve for uncollected taxes
  - e. Other reserves and non-disbursement items
  - f. Any inclusions of amounts required for school

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purposes.

2. That the provisions relating to limitation on increases of appropriations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.2 and appropriations for exceptions to limits on appropriations found at N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3 et seq., are fully met (complies with CAP law).
3. That the budget is in such form, arrangement, and content as required by the Local Budget Law and N.J.A.C. 5:30-4 and 5:30-5.
4. That pursuant to the Local Budget Law:
  - a. All estimates of revenue are reasonable, accurate and correctly stated,
  - b. Items of appropriation are properly set forth
  - c. In itemization, form, arrangement and content, the budget will permit the exercise of the comptroller function within the municipality.
5. The budget and associated amendments have been introduced and publicly advertised in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Local Budget Law, except that failure to meet the deadlines of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 shall not prevent such certification.
6. That all other applicable statutory requirements have been fulfilled.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown that the Clerk forward a certified true copy of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, Finance Director and Township Auditor upon adoption.

**PUBLIC HEARING 2024 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

Mayor Perry opened the meeting for public comments.

Hearing no comments from the public it was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to close public hearing and carried to adopt Resolution 24-142 Authorizing the 2024 Municipal Budget

Roll Call Vote:       Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, Mayor Perry  
                              Nays: None  
                              Abstention: None  
                              Absent: Settembrino

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt stated the motion carried to pass the 2024 Municipal Budget on Second Reading.

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***SEE MUNICIPAL BUDGET NEXT PAGE:***

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**PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES**

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc read the following ordinance by title:

**Ordinance 2024-3414 – An Ordinance Amending § 240-8 Of The Code Of The Township Of Middletown Governing Fire Prevention Local Business Registration Fees**

Mayor Perry opened the meeting for public comments.

Hearing no comments from the public it was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to close public hearing and carried to adopt this ordinance on second and final reading.

Roll Call Vote:       Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, Mayor Perry  
                              Nays: None  
                              Abstention: None  
                              Absent: Settembrino

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc stated that motion carries to pass this ordinance.

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc read the following ordinance by title:

**Ordinance 2024-3415 – Bond Ordinance Providing an Appropriation Of \$1,100,000 For Acquisition of Property by And for The Township of Middletown in The County of Monmouth, New Jersey And Authorizing the Issuance Of \$1,045,000 In Bonds or Notes of The Township for Financing Part of The Appropriation**

Mayor Perry opened the meeting for public comments.

Hearing no comments from the public it was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to close public hearing and carried to adopt this ordinance on second and final reading.

Roll Call Vote:       Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Settembrino, Mayor Perry  
                              Nays: None  
                              Abstention: None  
                              Absent: Kratz

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc stated that motion carries to pass this ordinance.



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**INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES**

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc read the following ordinance by title:

**Ordinance 2024-3416 – Ordinance Amending Chapter 465 Of the Code of The Township of Middletown Governing Parking Restrictions Along Schulz Drive**

It was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to pass this ordinance on first reading.

Roll Call Vote:           Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, Mayor Perry  
                                  Nays: None  
                                  Abstention: None  
                                  Absent: Settembrino

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc stated motion carried to pass this ordinance on first reading with a public hearing to be held on June 10, 2024.

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc read the following ordinance by title:

**Ordinance 2024-3417 - Ordinance Authorizing Acceptance of Deed of Easement and Right-Of-Way and Deed of Sight Triangle Easement Over a Portion of Block 74, Lots 10.01, 10.02 And 10.03 (Atlantic Avenue)**

It was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to pass this ordinance on first reading.

Roll Call Vote:           Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, Mayor Perry  
                                  Nays: None  
                                  Abstention: None  
                                  Absent: Settembrino

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc stated motion carried to pass this ordinance on first reading with a public hearing to be held on June 10, 2024.

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc read the following ordinance by title:

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**Ordinance 2024-3418 - Ordinance Amending and Restating Ordinance No. 2023-3371 Solely as To the Established Fair Market Value for Property Identified as Block 1045, Lot 2 (Nut Swamp Road), Block 1045, Lot 3 (1114 Nut Swamp Road), And Block 1045, Lot 4 (Dwight Road) Within the Township of Middletown**

It was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to pass this ordinance on first reading.

Roll Call Vote:       Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, Mayor Perry  
                              Nays: None  
                              Abstention: None  
                              Absent: Settembrino

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc stated motion carried to pass this ordinance on first reading with a public hearing to be held on June 10, 2024.

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc read the following ordinance by title:

**Ordinance 2024-3419 - Ordinance Amending the Code of The Township of Middletown to Establish State Mandated Amusement Game Licensing Standards**

It was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to pass this ordinance on first reading.

Roll Call Vote:       Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, Mayor Perry  
                              Nays: None  
                              Abstention: None  
                              Absent: Settembrino

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc stated motion carried to pass this ordinance on first reading with a public hearing to be held on June 10, 2024.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc requested a motion to adopt a consent agenda including Resolutions 24-166 through 24-173.

It was moved by Mayor Perry, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell and carried to adopt the consent agenda:

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Roll Call Vote:       Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, Mayor Perry  
                          Nays: None  
                          Abstention: None  
                          Absent: Settembrino

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc stated the motion carried to adopt the consent agenda.

**Resolution 24-166 - APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS - CLASS I & CLASS III**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Administrator and Chief of Police have previously recommended that the structure of the Police Department be adjusted to include allowing the appointment of certain Special Law Enforcement Officers (Class I and Class II), and Special Crossing Guards.

**WHEREAS**, § 44-7B of the Code of the Township of Middletown (1996) was amended and supplemented by Ordinance No. 2015-3136; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief of Police has complied with the provisions of N.J.S.A.40A:14-146.1 regarding the appointment of Special Law Enforcement Officers and Special Crossing Guards, represents that the applicants named below meet all the requirements set forth by statute and recommends the appointment.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:

1. That the following individuals are hereby appointed as Special Law Enforcement Officers Class I, II, III and Special Crossing Guards in the Middletown Township Police Department for the calendar year of 2024.

**Special Law Enforcement Officer(s) Class I – Jack Chenoweth, Patrick Condello, Ryan Madrack -Daunoras, Anthony Dillo, Gabriella Dowlen, Derric Esporin, Lindsay Jakeway Brady Klinsky, Mateusz Reczek, Lucas Smith Alyssa Vetrano, Dylan Wanagiel,**

**Special Law Enforcement Officer(s) Class III – Andrew Schibell**

2. The Township Clerk shall send a certified copy of this resolution to each of the following:

- a. Each appointee as listed above who shall present themselves before the Township Clerk to take and subscribe to the Oath of Office.
- b. Police Department

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**Resolution 24-167 - Authorizing The Purchase of Eight (8) 2023 Or 2024 Ford Police Interceptor PPV Awd Vehicle Through the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System Of New Jersey**

**WHEREAS**, the Township may without advertising for bids, purchase any materials, supplies or equipment entered into on behalf of the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing System (Co-Op #47CPCPS) pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11: and

**WHEREAS**, Gentilini Motors, 2703 Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234, has been awarded the CPCPS Contract No. 47CPCPS (expiration 03/07/2024) for Police and Administrative vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, under Contract 47CPCPS, Gentilini Motors, can provide eight (8) NEW 2023 or 2024 Ford Police Interceptor PPV AWD, for the Middletown Township Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Middletown has certified that free and unencumbered funds in the amount of \$ 425,728.40 are available for this purpose in account/line-item number 4-01-44-915-200-800. A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and made part hereof.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that the Township of Middletown enter into an agreement with Gentilini Motors for the delivery of eight (8) new 2023 or 2024 Ford Police Interceptor Vehicle in the amount of \$425,728.40.

**Resolution 24-168 - Resolution Authorizing The Award Of A Contract For Real Property Data & Verification Services**

**WHEREAS**, sealed proposals for Contract #2024-Bid-07 – Real Property Data and Verification Services were received, opened, and read by the Purchasing Agent on May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, one proposal was received; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposal was submitted to the Duputy Tax Assessor for study and recommendation to the Township Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the Deputy Tax Assessor has recommended the award of contract #2024-Bid-07 to Realty Data Systems LLC with their proposal price of \$28 per line item for a total of \$844,700.00; and

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**WHEREAS**, the initial contract term shall begin upon notice to proceed and end five years thereafter; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Middletown has certified that free and unencumbered funds in the amount of \$168,940.00 are available for this purpose in account/line-item number 4-01-20-150-100-203. Availability of funds for the remaining balance of the contract amount is contingent upon the necessary funds being appropriated by the governing body in the 2024 and subsequent Municipal Budgets, inclusive of amount appropriated in the temporary budget as required by N.J. A.C. 5:34-5.3 (a). A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and made part hereof.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that the Township of Middletown enter into an agreement with Realty Data Systems LLC for the provision of real property data and verification services in the amount of \$844,700.00.

**Resolution 24-169 - Resolution Authorizing The Award Of Contract For Professional Engineering Services For Normandy Park Roller Hockey Rink Improvements**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Middletown (the "**Township**") requires professional engineering services in relation to the Normandy Park Roller Hockey Rink Improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the fair and open process and Resolution No. 24-17, the Township previously qualified multiple engineering firms to provide consulting engineering services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township has received a proposal from T&M Associates to provide the required professional engineering services in the amount not to exceed \$68,500.00, which the Township Engineer has deemed acceptable.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that:

1. It hereby authorizes the award of a contract to T&M Associates 11 Tindall Road Middletown, NJ 07748 for professional engineering services related to Normandy Park Roller Hockey Rink Improvements in an amount not to exceed \$68,500.00.
2. It hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor and the Clerk, subject to final attorney review, to execute an Agreement for the provision of such professional services, a copy of which shall be maintained by the Clerk.

**Resolution 24-170 - Resolution Authorizing the Submission Of 2024 Action Plan Pursuant to The Requirements of Federal Regulation 24-CFR Part 91**

**WHEREAS**, Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended provides for a program of Community Development Block Grants (CDBG); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Middletown is an Entitlement Community as defined under said Act and is entitled to financial assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, federal regulations at 24 CFR Part 91 require that the Township prepare and submit an Annual Action Plan as a prerequisite to receipt of entitlement Community Development Block Grant funds; and

**WHEREAS**, consistent with the Township's CDBG Citizen Participation Plan, a public meeting and public comment period was conducted in 2024 for the purpose of considering and obtaining views of the citizens of Middletown Township on community development and housing needs, and for the purpose of providing the citizens with an opportunity to participate in the development of the Middletown Township 2024 Annual Action Plan element of the Monmouth County Consortium's Consolidated Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, said Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan element for federal assistance requires certain certifications to be submitted along with and as part of said plan; and

**WHEREAS**, Township of Middletown is a participant of the HOME Investment Partnerships Program Consortium in which the County of Monmouth is the lead participant; and

**WHEREAS**, federal regulations require that the Township participate in the Consortium's Annual Action Plan preparation and submit the Annual Action Plan element for inclusion in the Consortium's Annual Action Plan; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey that the Mayor be and is authorized and directed to submit the Township of Middletown's 2024 Annual Action Plan to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development as required by federal regulations 24 CFR Part 91, including all understandings and certifications contained therein, to act as the authorized representative of the Township of Middletown, and to provide such additional information as may be required.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township of Middletown’s 2024 Annual Action Plan shall request funding to the fullest extent of funding allowed and determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Department of Community Development staff are hereby authorized and directed to respond to all citizens comments received regarding the Township of Middletown’s 2024 Annual Action Plan and make such revisions or modifications to the Annual Action Plan as may be necessary or appropriate based on such comments.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and other authorized appropriate and responsible officials be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the Township of Middletown such certifications and other documentation as may be required the US Department of Housing and Urban Development.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be sent to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development.

**Resolution 24-171 - Resolution Authorizing Sponsorship for The Commissioning Of The USS New Jersey**

**WHEREAS**, in September 2024, the Township of Middletown (the “**Township**”) will be serving as the host community for the commissioning of the USS New Jersey (SSN 796), the U.S. Navy’s latest fast attack nuclear submarine; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township wishes to support and sponsor this historic event through the efforts of the New Jersey Submarine Commissioning Organization, a duly qualified non-profit organization.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to issue a \$6,500 check to the New Jersey Submarine Commissioning Organization supporting the commissioning ceremonies of the USS New Jersey within the Township.

**Resolution 24-172 - Resolution For Temporary Emergency Appropriation**

WHEREAS, emergent conditions have arisen with respect to the payment of bills in a number accounts and no adequate provision has been made in a Year 2024 temporary budget for the aforesaid purposes, and

WHEREAS, NJS 40A:4-20 provides for the creation of an emergency temporary appropriation for the purposes above mentioned, and

WHEREAS, the total temporary emergency resolutions adopted in the Year 2024 for the Township pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 96, PL 1951 (NJS 40A:4-20) including this resolution total \$46,372,589.52 for the Current Fund, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED (not less than two thirds of all members of the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, New Jersey affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with the provisions of NJS 40A:4-20:

1. An emergency temporary appropriation shall be and the same is hereby made for the following purposes:

Attachment 1 - 2024 Temporary Budget Worksheet		5/20/2024 Meeting
Account Number	Description	
4-01-21-185-100-200	Zoning Board O/E	3,000.00
4-01-25-240-100-200	Police O/E	50,000.00
4-01-31-430-200-200	Utilities - Electricity O/E	50,000.00
4-01-31-455-200-200	Utilities - Sewer O/E	2,000.00
4-01-31-460-200-200	Utilities - Fuel O/E	100,000.00
4-01-42-101-204-233	Interlocal - Monmouth County Dispatch Services	398,196.95
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$603,196.95</b>

2. That said emergency temporary appropriations will be provided for in the 2024 budget under the appropriate titles.

3. That one certified copy of this resolution will be filed with the Director of Local Government Services.

**Resolution 24-173 – Resolution Authorizing the Payment of Bills for May 20, 2024**

The Township Committee hereby approves a resolution authorizing the payment of bills for May 20, 2024 in the amount of \$5,243,574.19.



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**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE COMMENTS:**

Committeeman Clarke, congratulated Piper and the Be Difference group and for young people having the conversation about mental health which is not an easy topic. He also commended the EMS, he said he started in the First Aid Squad in 1994 as a cadet and then moved on to joining the Fire Department. He thanked the CFO and team for a responsible budget.

Committeewoman Kratz, thanked Marco Fernandes for his awesome speech and thanked him for the coin. She also congratulated the two new police officers.

Deputy Mayor Hibell, announced today is a special day, being his sister's and the mayor's birthday. He congratulated the two officers and also congratulated Marco Fernandes for a great job.

Mayor Perry, thanked the team and Town Hall with Be the Difference Walk and Piper record breaking walk from last year. He thanked the Police Chief's on the new hires and also for the beautiful police memorial service paying tribute to officers. He thanked those who came out for the Annual Small Business Event. He encouraged all to join the Memorial Day Parade on Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

John Spinelli, 91 Burlington Avenue, wished the Mayor a Happy Birthday. He suggested planting red and white roses on Highway 35.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Mayor Perry, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell and carried to adjourn at 8:16 pm.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, Mayor Perry

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Absent: Settembrino

Township Clerk Heidi Pieluc stated the motion carried to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

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Heidi R Pieluc  
Township Clerk

Approved:

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Anthony S. Perry, Mayor