

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL
DATE: JUNE 12, 2024
TIME: 6:30 PM

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark was called to order at approximately 6:30 P.M., by Borough Clerk Dr. Cosmo A. Cirillo.

MEETING NOTICE STATEMENT - As presiding officer of this Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, held on June 12, 2024 at 6:30 P.M., I do hereby publicly announce, and I direct that this announcement shall be placed in the minutes of this meeting, and that the Notice requirements provided for in the "Open Public Meetings Act" have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given to the Borough Council by Resolution. Said notice was transmitted by the Borough Clerk to the Jersey Journal and Star Ledger and publicly posted on the Borough Website, Municipal Bulletin Board and filed with the office of the Borough Clerk.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilman Graham
Councilwoman Evaristo
Councilman Reis
Councilman Sheehan
Councilwoman Zincavage
Mayor Grilo

Absent: Councilwoman Diaz

Also in attendance: Dr. Cosmo A. Cirillo, Borough Clerk
Mr. Fred Confessore, Borough Administrator
Mr. Michael Cifelli, Borough Attorney
Sgt. Robert Tomasko, Officer in Charge

CAUCUS DISCUSSION

- A. Community Energy Planning Stakeholder Engagement Presentation –
 - a. At the request of Mayor Grilo, Dr. Cirillo provided a synopsis of the CEP emphasizing the following initiatives:
 - i. 1.5 – Improve Municipal Fleet Efficiency
 - ii. 3.1 – Upgrade Energy Efficiency for Municipal Facilities
 - iii. 3.2 – Residential Energy Efficiency Outreach Campaign
 - b. After the synopsis, Mayor Grilo led a discussion on the importance of the CEP and benefits that would impact the Borough

- B. Covid-19 Update – *Mayor Grilo*
- C. Buddy Bench & Little Libraries Program Update – *Mayor Grilo*
- D. Upcoming Events Update – *Mayor Grilo*
- E. NJDCA LRIG Grant Award – *Mayor Grilo*
- F. Hudson County Open Space Grant Update – *Mayor Grilo*
- G. Police Department Update – *Sgt. Tomasko*
- H. Water Main Break Emergency Update – *Mr. Confessore*
- I. Solid Waste Bid Contract/Bid Update – *Mr. Confessore*
- J. Bartender Licensing Ordinance Update – *Mr. Confessore*

CONSENT AGENDA - RESOLUTIONS

The consent agenda consisted of Resolutions 48-24, 49-24, 50-24, and 51-24.

A motion was made by Councilman Graham, second by Councilwoman Zincavage, to adopt the consent agenda as established. The motion was adopted by the following votes.

Ayes: Evaristo; Graham; Reis; Sheehan; Zincavage
 Nays: None
 Abstain: None
 Absent: Diaz

- A. Resolution 48-24 – Resolution approving the minutes of the May 8, 2024, Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark

Resolution # 48-24
6-12-2024

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 8, 2024, REGULAR MEETING
 OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK

WHEREAS, copies of the minutes of the following meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark have been provided to the members of Council and reviewed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, in the County of Hudson, State of New Jersey that the minutes of the May 8, 2024, Regular Meeting be and are hereby approved.

B. Resolution 49-24 – Approving the payment of bills and issuance of checks for the period through June 12, 2024, in the amount of \$546,283.19

Resolution # 49-24
6-12-2024

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH JUNE 12, 2024, IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$546,283.49

WHEREAS, certain bills which are contained on the bills list which is annexed hereto and incorporated herein have been submitted to the Borough of East Newark for payment; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-16, it has been certified to the governing body that the goods and services for which said bills were submitted have been received by or rendered to the Borough of East Newark; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of East Newark has certified to the governing body that there are funds legally appropriated and available in the budget for the payment of said bills and that the said payment will not result in the disbursement of public monies or in the encumbering of same in excess of the 2023 and/or 2024 appropriation for said purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, in the County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that it hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer and the designated signatories to sign checks in payment of the bills set forth in the annexed schedule.

C. Resolution 50-24 – Authorizing the Refund of Monies Paid to the Borough for Wedding/Marriage Ceremonies

Resolution # 50-24
6-12-2024

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF MONIES PAID TO THE
BOROUGH FOR WEDDING/MARRIAGE CEREMONIES

WHEREAS, an overpayment has been identified by Borough Officials for fees paid for a wedding/marriage ceremony; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Registrar of Vital Statistics deem that it is in the best interests of all concerned to refund the monies paid as fees for the marriage ceremony.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey that the following individual(s) receive refunds for the amounts specified:

<u>Name & Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Wilfredo Gil Arias 150 Brunswick Street, Apt. 2A Newark, NJ 07114	\$206

D. Resolution 51-24 – Authorizing the Transfer of Funds from PNC Bank Water Account to the General Account (Valley National Bank)

Resolution # 51-24
6-12-2024

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM PNC BANK WATER ACCOUNT TO THE GENERAL ACCOUNT (VALLEY NATIONAL BANK)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey that funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 in the PNC Bank Water Account (East Orange Water/East Newark Water) Account Number 80-3659-8522, be and hereby are authorized to be transferred to the Valley National Bank, East Newark General Account, Account Number 8760237703.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Councilman Graham, second by Councilwoman Evaristo, to adopt Resolution 52-24. The motion was adopted by the following votes.

Ayes: Evaristo; Graham; Reis; Sheehan; Zincavage
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Diaz

A. Resolution 52-24 – Authorizing Renewal of Plenary Alcohol Retail Licenses for 2024 – 2025 Licensing Term

Resolution # 52-24
6-12-2024

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF PLENARY ALCOHOL RETAIL LICENSES
FOR 2024 – 2025 LICENSING TERM**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of East Newark, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey that as the present license period commencing July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024 is about to conclude; the renewal applications for the Plenary Liquor Licenses commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 are hereby approved for renewal upon payment for the term set to begin on July 1, 2024 and expire on June 30, 2025:

License #0902-44-001-005 Plenary Retail Distributor License	Shree Hariom Inc t/a Alex Liquor and Deli, Inc. 200 Grant Avenue
License #0902-33-005-004 Plenary Retail Consumption License	Alexis Tavern Co 348 North Second Street
License #0902-44-004-004 Plenary Retail Distributor License	Passaic Liquor, Inc. t/a Liquor Warehouse 300-306 Passaic Avenue
License #0902-33-007-012 Plenary Retail Consumption License	Ambatenita Bar and Restaurant 415 North Third Street
License #0902-33-008-002 Plenary Retail Consumption License	Kasego Corporation t/a Top's Diner 500 Passaic Avenue
License #0902-33-014-006 Plenary Retail Consumption License	Ramos and Cardoso t/a Pic Nic Bar and Restaurant 224 Grant Avenue

MONTHLY REPORTS

Borough Clerk Dr. Cosmo A. Cirillo indicated that the following reports were on file with the Office of the Borough Clerk and provided in the Council's Meeting packet.

- A. Construction Department – February 2024, March 2024, April 2024 & May 2024
- B. Fire Department – May 2024
- C. Health Department – May 2024
- D. Planning Board – Land Use Element Report
- E. Police Department – May 2024
- F. Senior Center – May 2024

PUBLIC PORTION

No one wished to be heard.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilman Graham, second by Councilwoman Zincavage, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion was adopted by the following votes.

Ayes:	Evaristo; Graham; Reis; Sheehan; Zincavage
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Diaz

The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:03 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Cosmo A. Cirillo, RMC
Borough Clerk

Dated: July 10, 2024

Accepted and approved by Council: July 10, 2024