

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

AGENDA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2021

Virtual Meeting (via Zoom)

(Immediately following 7:30 p.m. Agenda Conference)

ROLL CALL:

Council Members:

- Aimee Corzo
- Suzette Given
- Steven McIntyre
- Everett Merrill
- Keiona R. Miller
- Wendy Schaefer
- Frank "Skip" Stabile

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APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES:

Agenda Conference and Regular Meeting of March 22, 2021

Roll Call

APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS REQUIRING COUNCIL CONFIRMATION:

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT/LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COUNCIL:

James DiPaolo

Three-year unexpired term

RESOLUTION:

Ms. Miller:

RESOLUTION NO. 04-12-21-01 Remembering Councilman Bill Miller

Roll Call

HEARING: ORDINANCE NO. 21-01 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 20-10 “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 22 OF NORTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH CODE, ENTITLED ‘WATER RUN-OFF CONTROL,’” MOST NOTABLY PARAGRAPH F OF SECTION 22-101.2, ENTITLED “STORMWATER CONTROL AS TO CHAPTER 22 OF THE NORTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH CODE, ENTITLED “WATER RUN-OFF CONTROL,” MOST NOTABLY PARAGRAPH F OF SECTION 22-101.2, ENTITLED “STORMWATER CONTROL”

Be read by its title by the Borough Clerk

MOTION: Close public hearing

Roll Call

RESOLUTIONS:

Ms. Given:

04-12-21-02 Adoption and advertising of Ordinance No. 20-12

Roll Call

CONSENT AGENDA

Statement by Council President

RESOLUTION:

Ms. Schaefer:

04-12-21-03 Approving Consent Agenda

Roll Call

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:

- a. Resolution Supporting the 2021 UDrive. UText. UPay. Distracted Driving Crackdown April 1 - 30, 2021
- b. Confirming Office of Emergency Management/Local Emergency Planning Council appointment
- c. Authorizing Treasurer to Cancel Outstanding Checks
- d. Authorizing Issuance of Coin-Operated Amusement Devices License to Tesoro Salvadoreño Restaurant

- e. Authorizing Issuance of Taxicab Driver License to Cesar Espin
- f. Authorizing 2021-2022 MAC Grant Application
- g. Approving Consolidated Bill List of April 12, 2021

COMMUNICATIONS:

NJ State League of Municipalities Trenton, NJ	Newsletters & Advisories
County of Somerset, Somerville, NJ	Newsletters & Communications
Plainfield Area Humane Society Plainfield, NJ	Report and Invoicing
Plainfield Area Regional Sewerage Authority Middlesex, NJ	Minutes and Agenda
NJ American Water, Voorhees, NJ	Newsdrop Newsletter
Antea Group, Cherry Hill, NJ	Getty Station Environmental Report
Somerset Co. Business Partnership	Newsletters
Sustainable Jersey, Ewing, NJ	Summit Registration Open
NJ State Treasurer, Trenton	Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax Distribution
Plainfield Area Regional Sewerage Authority Middlesex, NJ	Meeting Minutes & Agenda
Comcast, Union, NJ	Newsletter

REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS

PUBLIC COMMENT

General public comments shall be limited to five minutes for each individual.
(Rule 29 of the Borough Council's Rules of Order)

COMMENTS BY MAYOR, ADMINISTRATOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 04-12-21-01

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

*REMEMBERING COUNCILMAN WILLIAM L. "BILL" MILLER FOR HIS YEARS OF
SELFLESS SERVICE TO THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD*

WHEREAS, *WILLIAM L. "BILL" MILLER* was born in Plainfield in 1933 and was a graduate of the 1951 class of Plainfield High School. He joined the U.S. Navy and was stationed at Pensacola, Florida. On a weekend leave, he met his bunkmate's sister, Barbara Ann Waldrop. Barbara and Bill were married in July 1955; and

WHEREAS, *BILL* worked tirelessly over the years for New Jersey Bell and Bell Atlantic; and

WHEREAS, *BILL* spent his life married to and in love with Barbara for sixty-five years. He also assisted Barbara with her Pine Cone Antiques business. They were blessed with sons Stephan M. and his wife Sue; Daniel L., James E. and his wife Judith; David as well as Thomas R. and his wife Mara along with nine grandchildren and five great grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, *BILL* was active in and supported the North Plainfield community in many ways. He served on the Borough Council from 1981 to 1984 where he was also liaison to the Board of Education; he served on the North Plainfield Planning Board, the Senior Citizens' Picnic Committee and the Central Jersey Fourth of July Parade Committee, where he became respected, well-liked and well-known in the region; and

WHEREAS, *COUNCILMAN MILLER*, served the Borough in multiple capacities – on the Green Acres Commission; headed the Recreation Department; coached Recreational Baseball and Washington Rock Pop Warner Football for many years. Bill completed four marathons as an avid runner; and

WHEREAS, in 2005, *BILL and BARBARA* received the William Augustus Muhlenberg Award for their distinguished support of the Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of North Plainfield does hereby honor the memory of our friend *COUNCILMAN BILL MILLER* for his selfless dedication to the Borough and its residents in countless capacities over the years of service to this, his "hometown." On behalf of all the people of this community, this Governing Body does spread upon its permanent records the deepest of sympathies to his wife, Barbara, their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren for the gift of Bill and his many years of dedicated service to the Borough of North Plainfield. We loved Bill, but you loved him best!

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: April 12, 2021
Adopted: April 12, 2021

CONSENT AGENDA

April 12, 2021

RESOLUTION NOS. 04-12-21-03 a through g

RESOLUTION NO. 04-12-21-03

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that resolutions numbered

04-12-21-03 a, b, c, d, e, f, g

having been placed on the Consent Agenda and there having been no objection thereto, the same are hereby approved.

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: April 12, 2021

Adopted: April 12, 2021

RESOLUTION NO. 04-12-21-03a

***Resolution Supporting the 2021 UDrive. UText. UPay.
Distracted Driving Crackdown
April 1 - 30, 2021***

Whereas, distracted driving is a serious, life-threatening practice that is preventable; and

Whereas, distracted driving can result in injuries and deaths to all road users (motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists); and

Whereas, distracted driving occurs when drivers divert their attention away from the task of driving to focus on another activity instead; and

Whereas, in 2018 alone distracted driving-related crashes resulted in 2,841 deaths and 400,000 injuries on our nation's roads; and

Whereas, in New Jersey distracted driving was listed as a contributing circumstance in 50-percent of all motor vehicle crashes in 2018; and

Whereas, the State of New Jersey will participate in the nationwide *Distracted Driving 2021 Crackdown* from April 1 - 30, 2021 in an effort to raise awareness and decrease driver distraction through a combination of enforcement and education; and

Whereas, the national slogan for the campaign is *UDrive. UText. UPay*; and

Whereas, a reduction in distracted driving in New Jersey will save lives on our roadways;

Therefore, be is resolved that the Borough of North Plainfield declares it's support for the *Distracted Driving 2021 Crackdown* both locally and nationally from April 1 - 30, 2021 and pledges to increase awareness of the dangers of distracted driving.

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: April 12, 2021

Adopted: April 12, 2021

RESOLUTION NO. 04-12-21-03b

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, that upon nomination by the Mayor and with the advice and consent of this Council, JAMES DIPAOLO be and hereby is appointed as Coordinator to the OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT to serve for the balance of an unexpired term retroactive back to April 1, 2021, expiring at 12:00 noon on January 1, 2023 and until his successor shall have been appointed and qualified.

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: April 12, 2021
Adopted: April 12, 2021

RESOLUTION NO. 04-12-21-03c

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, that the Treasurer is authorized to cancel the following outstanding checks:

	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
Unity # 770005932	1187	2019	\$ 2004.13	Escrow
	1189	2019	3178.06	

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: April 12, 2021

Adopted: April 12, 2021

RESOLUTION NO. 04-12-21-03d

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, the following applicant has filed application for a coin-operated amusement devices license for calendar year 2021 and has submitted the required fee; and

WHEREAS, review of the application with accompanying sketch and investigations of the site by appropriate Borough officials disclosed that the granting of this application would be in order;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a coin-operated amusement devices license be granted to the following applicant for calendar year 2021 in accordance with the filed application, subject to all conditions and requirements set forth in N.P.R.G.O. 4-2:

Tesoro Salvadoreno Restaurant
64 Somerset Street
North Plainfield, NJ 07060

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: April 12, 2021

Adopted: April 12, 2021

RESOLUTION NO. 04-12-21-03e

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that it does hereby authorize the issuance of a license to drive a taxicab for two years, pursuant to N.P.R.G.O. 4-1 et seq., to the following in accordance with the applications heretofore submitted:

Cesar Espin
401 Route 22 West, Apt. 39D
North Plainfield, NJ 07060

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: April 12, 2021
Adopted: April 12, 2021

RESOLUTION NO. 04-12-21-03f

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse
Fiscal Grant Cycle July 2020-June 2025**

FORM 1B

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, The Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Somerset;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Borough Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the North Plainfield Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2021-2022 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$ 7,342.38
Cash Match	\$ 1,835.60
In-Kind	\$ 5,506.79
2. The Borough Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.
3. The Borough Council accepts subsequent award of this grant.

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: April 12, 2021
Adopted: April 12, 2021

APPROVED: _____
Mayor Lawrence La Ronde

CERTIFICATION

I, Richard K. Phoenix, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly authorized by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield on this 12th day of April, 2021.

Richard K. Phoenix, *Municipal Clerk*

RESOLUTION NO. 04-12-21-03g

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that the attached bills of the accounts named and for the amounts stated, having been duly audited and found to be correct as of this 12th day of April, 2021 the same be paid; and that the Mayor and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized to sign and deliver warrants for the same.

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: April 12, 2021
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