

Mayor Kilpatrick opened the Council Meeting at 7:01 PM followed by a short prayer and salute to the flag.

- **STATEMENT OF NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

Municipal Clerk Morelos announced that this April 25, 2022 Council Meeting had been advertised and posted in accordance with Open Public Meetings Act Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 by advertising in the Home News Tribune and the Star Ledger, notifying the Sentinel Publishing Co., posting on the bulletin board, and is on file in her office.

- **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Councilpersons Conti, Dwumfour, Maher, Novak, Onuoha

Absent: Councilwoman Donna Roberts

Others Present: Mayor Victoria Kilpatrick  
Daniel E. Frankel, Business Administrator  
Denise Biancamano, C.F.O./Treasurer  
Jessica Morelos, Municipal Clerk  
Michael R. DuPont, Esq., Borough Attorney  
Jay Cornell, P.E., Borough Engineer  
Nicole Waranowicz, Asst. Municipal Clerk

Others Absent: None

- **APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:**

Council President Maher moved the following minutes be approved, subject to correction if necessary:

- ☞ April 11, 2022 - Special Meeting
- ☞ April 11, 2022 - Regular & Agenda Sessions

Seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Maher, Conti, Dwumfour, Novak, Onuoha, all Ayes.

- **PROCLAMATION & PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor stated that she just signed road improvement contracts and included in those were the paving of Anne Terrace.

Borough Engineer Cornell stated that he will be meeting with the contractor on tomorrow and will have a better idea of when they will be starting that project.

- **EXECUTIVE SESSION - NONE**

- **OLD BUSINESS:**

a) Public Hearing on the following Ordinances: NONE

b) Mayor made the following appointment:

**RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**

3 Yr. Member Vishal Patel

Mayor asked if there are if there was a motion.

Council President Maher moved the appointment. Seconded by Councilwoman Novak.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Maher, Conti, Dwumfour, Novak, Onuoha, all ayes.

- **NEW BUSINESS:**

a) Introduction of the following ordinances:

**ORDINANCE #12-22**  
**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER II "ADMINISTRATION"**  
**OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF**  
**THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE TO**  
**ADD 2-32.7 "COMMUNITY GARDEN"**  
**(Sponsor- Co. Maher - Public Hearing 5-9-22)**

Council President Maher moved the Ordinance be approved on first reading, advertised according to law and a Public Hearing be scheduled for May 9, 2022. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Novak.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Maher, Conti, Novak, Onuoha, all Ayes. Carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS**

Mayor Kilpatrick opened the meeting for any questions or comments on Consent Agenda Resolutions.

There were no appearances.

Council President Maher made a motion to close the Public Portion and adopt the Consent Agenda Resolutions. Seconded by Councilwoman Novak.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Maher, Conti, Dwumfour, Novak, Onuoha, all Ayes.

**RESOLUTION #2022-92**

**WHEREAS**, all bills submitted to the Borough of Sayreville covering services, work, labor and material furnished the Borough of Sayreville have been duly audited by the appropriate committee;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that all bills properly verified according to law and properly audited by the appropriate committees be and the same are hereby ordered to be paid by the appropriate Borough officials.

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick, Mayor

/s/ Vincent Conti, Councilman

/s/ Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman

/s/ Eunice Dwumfour, Councilwoman

/s/ Christian Onuoha, Councilman

/s/ Michele Maher, Councilwoman

Absent  
Donna Roberts, Councilwoman

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

**Bill list of April 25, 2022 in the amount of \$7,091,987.37 in a separate Bill List File for 2022 (See Appendix Bill List 2022-A for this date).**

**RESOLUTION #2022-93**

**WHEREAS**, the following applicant has applied for one trailer license to be used as a temporary construction trailer:

<b><u>APPLICANT</u></b>	<b><u>#OF TRAILERS</u></b>	<b><u>LOCATION</u></b>
DuPont HD Microsystems	1 Construction Office Trailer	Block 37, Lot 1 250 Cheesequake Road

**WHEREAS**, said application has been referred to the proper department for investigation and review; and

**WHEREAS**, a favorable report has been received from the Zoning Officer covering the location of a said trailers;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council do hereby approve the above-captioned application for permission to locate three trailers for temporary storage use on the above-captioned property.

/s/ Christian Onuoha, Councilman  
(Planning & Zoning Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

**ATTEST:**

**BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE**

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick  
Mayor

**RESOLUTION #2022-94**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the following person is hereby appointed to the following title and department as per NJ Civil Service Commission Procedures:

<b>NAME OF APPOINTEE:</b>	Denise Biancamano
<b>POSITION:</b>	Municipal Treasurer/ Chief Financial Officer
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	Department of Finance
<b>EFFECTIVE:</b>	May 1, 2022

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the compensation to be paid such appointee shall be fixed and determined by the Salary Ordinance or appropriate resolution adopted thereunder fixing the compensation to be paid municipal employees and that this appointment be made subject to all the rules and regulations of the New Jersey Civil Service Commission.

/s/ Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman  
(Admin & Finance Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

APRIL 25, 2022  
REGULAR MEETING

**ATTEST:**

**BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE**

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick  
Mayor

**RESOLUTION #2022-95**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the proper borough officials are hereby authorized to sign a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the following:

- Sayreville P.B.A. Local #98 – Captains; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the said contract shall be for a five (5) year period commencing January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2025 and that said Agreements shall be in accordance with the terms and Conditions of the “Memorandum of Agreement” dated November 8, 2021.

/s/ Eunice Dwumfour, Councilwoman  
(Public Safety Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor’s signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

**ATTEST:**

**BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE**

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick  
Mayor

**RESOLUTION #2022-96**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, MEMORALIZING THE  
DECISION OF THE SAYREVILLE MAYOR & BOROUGH COUNCIL TO  
AFFIRM THE RENT LEVELING BOARD RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, on February 8, 2022 the Rent Leveling Board of the Borough of Sayreville adopted a Resolution to provide a maximum allowable limit on rental increases not to exceed three (3%) percent effective from April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, Crestview of Sayreville d/b/a Crestview Apartments; through its attorney, disputed the Resolution adopted by the Rent Leveling Board and requested approval of a maximum allowable rental increase to five (5%) percent for the Applicable Period consistent with the Rent Control Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Rent Leveling Board, after reviewing the correspondence received from Crestview of Sayreville, remained steadfast in its position that the maximum allowable increase is to remain at three (3%) percent pursuant to the Board’s February 8<sup>th</sup> Resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 14, 2022 Crestview of Sayreville, through its attorney, appealed the decision of the Rent Leveling Board; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 11, 2022, the Mayor and Council during its regular meeting, denied said appeal and upheld the decision of the Rent Leveling Board. The decision of the Mayor and Counsel was based on the submissions of both parties and arguments presented by the Rent Leveling Board counsel; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, that the appeal of Crestview of Sayreville is hereby denied and the February 8, 2022 Resolution of the Rent Leveling Board is upheld.

/s/ Vincent Conti, Councilman  
(Public Works Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

**ATTEST:** **BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE**

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick  
Mayor

**RESOLUTION #2022-97**

**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"**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183 requires that the governing body of each municipality and county to certify that their local unit's hiring practices comply 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," as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000 et seq., (April 25, 2012) before submitting its approved annual budget to the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the governing body have familiarized themselves with the contents of the above-referenced enforcement guidance and with their local unit's hiring practices as they pertain to the consideration of an individual's criminal history, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Sayreville, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5, as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183, by certifying that the local unit's hiring practices comply with the above-referenced enforcement guidance and hereby directs the Clerk to cause to be maintained and available for inspection a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to show evidence of said compliance.

/s/ Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman  
(Admin & Finance Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

**ATTEST:** **BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE**

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick  
Mayor

**RESOLUTION #2022-98**

**WHEREAS**, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (GCADA) 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. In coordination with GCADA, the New Jersey Department of Human Services/Division on Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) has awarded a Youth Leadership Grant to the GCADA Municipal Alliance Program.

**WHEREAS**, The Borough Council of the Borough of Sayreville, County of Middlesex, 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 DMHAS Youth Leadership funding through the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Middlesex;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough of Sayreville, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Borough Council does hereby authorize submission of an application for DMHAS Grant funding for the Sayreville Municipal Alliance for Year One Grant Term 7/1/22 – 3/14/23 in the amount of:

DMHAS Grant Funding      \$5,000.00

2. The Borough Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

/s/ Eunice Dwumfour, Councilwoman  
(Public Safety Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

**ATTEST:**

**BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE**

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick  
Mayor

- **BOROUGH ATTORNEY - Michael DuPont**

Mr. DuPont stated that there has been a Memorandum of Agreement prepared for the land swap with the Board of Education and will have more information for the next meeting.

- **PUBLIC PORTION**

At this time Mayor Kilpatrick opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments on any and all matters.

Those commenting were:

- Barbara Kilcommons, 22 Schmitt Street

Ms. Kilcommons commented on the five minutes for the public portion. She stated that there hasn't been any improvement of the audio of the council meetings on the tv.

Business Administrator Frankel stated that improvements have been made.

Mrs. Kilcommons commented on the street sweeper and schedule. She recommended that when there is a road closure that detour signs be put up in order for drivers to get around. Ms. Kilcommons questioned the intersection of Washington Road, MacArthur Avenue and Jernee Mill Road which always gets flooded.

Borough Engineer Cornell responded that it's in the works.

Mrs. Kilcommons questioned the drainage issue on Main Street across from Memorial Way.

Borough Engineer Cornell responded there will be drainage improvements in that area.

Mrs. Kilcommons stated that the tow trucks aren't cleaning up after accidents.

- Mary Durski, 5 Anne Terrace

Ms. Durski questioned if the paving of her street is finalized.

Mayor responded that the contract was just signed.

Borough Engineer Cornell responded he's meeting with the contractor tomorrow and should be started within the next month or so.

Ms. Durski questioned if there any plans to upgrade Evelyn Terrace Park.

Mayor responded that the parks are evaluated each year.

Ms. Durski commented on the intersection of Bordentown, Route 9 and Eugene Blvd. and if there any plans to change it.

Borough Engineer Cornell responded that the state is looking to improve that intersection.

- Kevin Walsh, 4 Anne Terrace

Mr. Walsh commented on safety issues with Merritt Avenue by the hill.

No further comments.

**Council President Maher made a motion to close the Public Portion. Seconded by Councilwoman Novak.**

Roll Call: Voice Vote, all Ayes.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

No further business Councilwoman Novak made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Council President Maher.

Roll Call: Voice Vote, all Ayes.

Time 7:34 P.M.

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Jessica Morelos, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_