

**MINUTES
BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD
7:00 PM PUBLIC SESSION MEETING
Monday, April 25, 2022**



PUBLIC SESSION:

Mayor Putrino called the meeting to order and led the flag salute. Mayor Putrino read the Open Public Meeting Law and Mission Statement and pointed out the fire exits.

Councilwoman Lisa Sandhusen	Present
Councilwoman Thea Sirocchi-Hurley	Present
Council President Randi Duffie	Present
Councilman Ira Grotsky	Present
Councilman Matthew Seymour	Present
Councilwoman Hedy Grant	Present
Mayor Michael Putrino	Present

Also Present: K. Kelly – Borough Attorney; C. Demiris – Administrator/Borough Clerk

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Council President Duffie made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 11, 2022, Closed, and Work Session meetings. Councilwoman Grant seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

ADOPT ORDINANCE 2022:09

**CALENDAR YEAR 2022 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET
APPROPRIATIONS LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)**

Council President Duffie made a motion to open the meeting for a public hearing on this ordinance. Councilman Grotsky seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

The record reflects that no member of the public wished to comment.

Councilman Seymour made a motion to close to the public. Councilwoman Sirocchi-Hurley seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

Councilman Grotsky made a motion to adopt this ordinance on the second and final reading. Councilwoman Grant seconded the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote. All present in favor, none opposed.

2022:226 Waive the Reading in Full of 2022 Municipal Budget

Councilman Grotsky made a motion to adopt this ordinance on the second and final reading. Council President Duffie seconded the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote. All present in favor, none opposed.

ADOPT ORDINANCE 2022:11

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER III OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD ENTITLED "POLICE REGULATIONS", THEREBY AMENDING SECTION 3-11 ENTITLED "SNOW REMOVAL"

Councilwoman Sandhusen made a motion to open the meeting for a public hearing on this ordinance. Councilwoman Grant seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

The record reflects that no member of the public wished to comment.

Council President Duffie made motion to close to the public. Councilwoman Sirocchi-Hurley seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

Councilwoman Sirocchi-Hurley made a motion to adopt this ordinance on the second and final reading. Councilman Seymour seconded the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote. All present in favor, none opposed.

ADOPT ORDINANCE 2022:12

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER VII OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD ENTITLED "TRAFFIC", THEREBY AMENDING SECTION 7-3 ENTITLED "PARKING" AND SECTION 7-11 ENTITLED "LANE USE RESERVATIONS"

Councilman Seymour made a motion to open the meeting for a public hearing on this ordinance. Councilwoman Sandhusen seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

The record reflects that no member of the public wished to comment.

Councilwoman Sirocchi-Hurley made motion to close to the public. Councilman Seymour seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

Councilman Grotsky made a motion to adopt this ordinance on the second and final reading. Council President Duffie seconded the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote. All present in favor, none opposed.

ADOPT ORDINANCE 2022:13

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER XIII OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD ENTITLED "FIRE PREVENTION", THEREBY AMENDING SECTION 13-5 ENTITLED "FIRE ZONES"

Councilwoman Grant made a motion to open the meeting for a public hearing on this ordinance. Councilman Seymour seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

The record reflects that no member of the public wished to comment.

Council President Duffie made motion to close to the public. Councilwoman Grant seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

Councilman Grotsky made a motion to adopt this ordinance on the second and final reading. Council President Duffie seconded the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote. All present in favor, none opposed.

NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC HEARING: BERGEN COUNTY TRUST FUND GRANT APPLICATION LIGHTING AT PROSPECT PARK BASKETBALL COURTS

The Administrator said the Borough is submitting an application to Bergen County Open Space for an \$80,000 grant for installation of lighting at the Prospect Park Basketball Courts. She said the total estimated cost of the project is \$160,000 and the balance will come from the Borough's open space trust account. She said it is a requirement for the application to hold a public hearing.

Councilwoman Grant made a motion to open the meeting for a public hearing on the BCOS grant application. Council President Duffie seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

The record reflects that no member of the public wished to speak on the application.

Council President Duffie made a motion to close to the public. Councilwoman Sandhusen seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

1. FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Grant

The Administrator said she and the Mayor met with Alison Miskiman of Tetra Tech, the firm tasked by FEMA/NJOEM to assist municipalities with Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Grant applications. She said an FMA grant would provide 100%, reimbursable funding to severe repetitive loss (SRL) homeowners to elevate their homes. She said there are sixty-one SRL properties in New Milford. She said repetitive loss (RL) properties would be eligible for 90% reimbursable funding. She said applications are due in November and grant awards would be announced in June 2023. The Administrator said the borough has already mitigated a number of properties through acquisition programs with FEMA, DEP and Bergen County Open Space. She said it is possible that some of these properties are part of the list of sixty-one SRL properties. She said she has provided the list of acquisitions to Ms. Miskiman so she can cross reference it with the list of SRL and RL properties provided by the state. She said if

the governing body wishes to proceed with an application the next step would be to invite eligible homeowners to a informational meeting, which will be held virtually.

Mayor Putrino said Ms. Miskiman provided photos of homes in Pequannock that had been elevated through this program.

Council President Duffie asked if the program has been successful in any Bergen County municipalities. Mayor Putrino said Tetra Tech held a homeowner meeting in Westwood last week in preparation for a grant application.

Councilwoman Grant asked how much an elevation would cost. The Administrator said the average cost of an elevation in New Jersey is \$300,000.

Councilman Seymour asked if low interest loans would be available. He was advised that homeowners would be responsible to secure their own funding.

Councilman Grotzky confirmed that the expenses are reimbursable. He as advised that it is a reimbursable grant so homeowners would have to pay the associated costs and get reimbursed.

It was noted that the entire process could take two to three years and the elevation itself would take six months to a year after the funding is secured. The grant would cover six months of lodging expenses as homeowners would need to be out of the home for a portion of that time.

Councilman Grotzky made a motion to proceed with an FMA grant application. Councilwoman Sirocchi-Hurley seconded the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote. All present in favor, none opposed.

2. Schedule Updates

- April 28th at 6:30 PM – Ribbon Cutting at River & Henley
- April 30th from 12 to 3:00 PM – Healthy Kids Day and the Grand Opening of the YMCA – Ribbon Cutting at 1:00 PM at Ascension
- April 30th from 12 to 6:00 PM – Food Truck Festival sponsored by the New Milford Swim Club in the Swim Club parking lot
- May 30th – Memorial Day Parade – 9:00 AM line-up at the Senior Center – Services to follow at the Borough Hall
- June 8th from 6:30 to 10:30 – New Milford Hall of Fame Dinner at Sanzari's New Bridge Inn
- July 2nd from 3:00 – 9:00 PM – New Milford Day at Borough Hall – Fireworks to follow

3. Administrator's Report

- The Public Safety Leadership Team met for a regularly scheduled meeting on April 21st with reports from NMPD, NMFD, DPW, OEM, the Mayor, the Council and Administration. Topics discussed included the response to the April 7th/8th flooding, the

meeting with County Administration and Suez/Veolia, potential opportunities with FEMA and upcoming events.

- Regarding a previous discussion of a shared service agreement with the BOE for Project Graduation, the BOE has advised they were able to resolve the matter in house and there is no need for a shared service agreement with the Borough.
- Engineering Report
 - Knights Field – punch list has been provided to contractor. Final seeding and restoration scheduled for April, on site meeting with the contractor scheduled for Tuesday, 4/26
 - Knights Field Pavilion – Estimated ship date is 7/1, site work scheduled to begin mid-June with installation scheduled upon delivery
 - Madison Avenue Sidewalks – Plans resubmitted to the County 2/24/22, County responded today with additional comments. Anticipated bid date September 2022
 - NJDOT Culvert Project – Design is complete. Request for private owners' signatures is underway
 - Kennedy Field Bench Covers – Construction scheduled for July/August 2022, following spring sports
 - Graphic Boulevard Improvement Project (Chestnut to Birch) – Bids to be received April 28th
 - Pacific Street Improvement Project (Reichelt to Faller) – Bids to be received April 28th
 - Warren Park ADA Improvements – Layout Plan and Proposal Sheet provided to the Borough on 4/18. DPW Director to obtain quotes.
 - Graphic Boulevard Signalization Project – Design Authorized. Anticipated bid date October 2022
- Next Meeting – work session to be held in person, two weeks from tonight, on Monday, 5/9

COUNCIL:

Councilwoman Sandhusen said members of the Environmental Commission worked with Shop Rite on Earth Day to distribute reusable bags and informational flyers in advance of the bag ban which goes into effect on May 4th.

Councilwoman Sirocchi-Hurley said the Public Events Committee is busy working on the Memorial Day Parade. She said the Senior Center has been very active, with fourteen exercise classes scheduled for May in addition to educational classes such as smart phone usage. She said the Stigma Free Committee is planning their Yoga on the Lawn event for a date yet to be determined.

Council President Duffie expressed thanks to the Fire Department, Police Department and other first responders stating they have been busy and the Borough can count on them in an emergency.

Councilman Grotsky reported on the tree sapling handout that took place last Saturday, with the assistance of the Girl Scouts, which was sponsored by Clean Communities.

Councilman Seymour said travel sports are up and running and recreation soccer will be starting this coming weekend.

Councilwoman Grant said the Planning Board met last week to hear an application for the redevelopment of three buildings on Main Street. She said the hearing will continue at the next meeting. Councilwoman Grant said she gave a talk at the Senior Center last week on the burial grounds. She additionally reported on the passing of longtime Library Board of Trustees member, Norman Frolow.

Mayor Putrino said, he, along with mayors and emergency management officials from neighboring municipalities, met earlier in the month with the County Executive and representatives from Suez/Veolia. He said the County Executive will be scheduling a meeting with the NJDEP and he will take part in that meeting as well. Mayor Putrino said there have been 134 positive COVID cases to date in April in New Milford, up from 72 in March. Regarding the upcoming plastic bag ban, he said the Borough has reusable bags coming in and they will be distributed at a number of upcoming events. Mayor Putrino said the Borough has been chosen as a recipient of a tree giveaway from the NJ Division of Forestry from the 500-year-old Salem Oak tree that stood until 2019. Mayor Putrino warned that there have been a number of energy audit scams lately and said residents should check with police to confirm that anyone going door to door has been duly authorized to do so.

RESOLUTIONS:

- 2022:228 Payment of Bills and Vouchers
- 2022:229 Request Permission for Dedication by Rider – Developers Fees Housing Trust Fund
- 2022:230 Authorization to Enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement
- 2022:231 Authorize Approval of a Special Needs Funding Limit Waiver for Housing Rehabilitation Program Case #NEWMIL-2108
- 2022:232 Authorize Amazon Business Account
- 2022:233 Urge NJ Legislature to Amend Budget Cap Law to Appropriate Funds for Increasing Insurance Costs

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilwoman Grant made a motion to file Committee Reports with the Borough Clerk to be spread in full upon the minutes. Councilman Seymour seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Councilwoman Grant made a motion to open the meeting for public comment. Councilwoman Sirocchi-Hurley seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

Tonia Andrews – 328 Shea Drive. Ms. Andrews said she was appearing in her capacity as a member of the Board of Education. She said the BOE would be having a state of the district budget meeting on Wednesday, April 27th at 7:00 PM at New Milford High School.

Being no other member of the public who wished to comment, Council President Duffie made a motion to close to the public. Councilwoman Sirocchi-Hurley seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

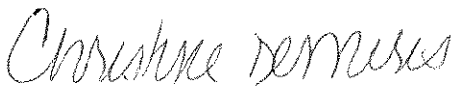
VOTE ON RESOLUTIONS

Councilman Grotsky made a motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of resolutions 2022:228 through 2022:233. Councilwoman Grant seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business before the governing body, Council President Duffie made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Grant seconded the motion. The motion carried. All present in favor, none opposed.

Respectfully submitted,



Christine Demiris, RMC, CMC, MMC
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION

No. 2022:226

Offered by: [Signature]...

Seconded by: [Signature]...

Member	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
SANDHUSEN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SIROCCHI-HURLEY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DUFFIE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GROTSKY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SEYMOUR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GRANT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MAYOR (lie)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-8 permits that the Budget as advertised may be read by its title providing that at least one week prior to the date of the hearing a complete copy of the approved budget shall

- a) be posted in a public place where public notices are customarily posted, and
- b) is made available to each person requesting the same during said week and during the public hearing, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of New Milford has complied with the aforesaid requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Borough is hereby permitted to waive the reading in full, of the Municipal Budget for the year ending December 31, 2022.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Council of the Borough of New Milford at the meeting held on April 25, 2022.

SEAL

[Signature]

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RESOLUTION

No.: 2022-227
Shirley A.

Borough

thorization of the amount of:

(Item 2 below) for municipal purposes, and

(Item 3 below) for school purposes in Type

(Item 4 below) to be added to the certificate

the following summary of gene

(Sheet 43) Open Space, Recreation, Farm

(Sheet 44) Arts and Culture Trust Fund Lev

(item 5 Below) Minimum Library Tax

(insert last name)

Sandhusen
Sirocchi-Hurley
Duffie
Grotsky

None

None

None

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

1. General Revenues

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SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS

5. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS:		XXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
<u>Within "CAPS"</u>		XXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
(a & b) Operations Including Contingent		34-201	\$ 15,866,640.00
(e) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal		34-209	\$ 2,376,210.00
(g) Cash Deficit		46-885	\$ -
<u>Excluded from "CAPS"</u>		XXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
(a) Operations - Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS"		34-305	\$ 2,342,106.26
(c) Capital Improvements		44-989	\$ 275,000.00
(d) Municipal Debt Service		45-989	\$ 1,696,000.00
(e) Deferred Charges - Municipal		46-999	\$ 24,000.00
(f) Judgments		37-480	\$ -
(n) Transferred to Board of Education for Use of Local Schools (N.J.S.A. 40:48-17.1 & 17.3)		29-405	\$ -
(g) Cash Deficit		46-885	\$ -
(k) For Local District School Purposes		29-410	\$ -
(m) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes		50-899	\$ 594,100.00
6. SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS - TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICT ONLY (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-13)		07-195	
Total Appropriations		34-499	\$ 23,174,056.26

It is hereby certified that the within budget is a true copy of the budget finally adopted by resolution of the Governing Body on the 25 day of April, 2022. It is further certified that each item of revenue and appropriation is set forth in the same amount and by the same title as appeared in the 2022 approved budget and all amendments thereto, if any, which have been previously approved by the Director of Local Government Services.

Certified by me this _____ day of _____, 2022, Christine Demiris _____, Clerk
Signature

BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION

No. 2022:228

Offered by: *[Signature]*

Seconded by: *[Signature]*

Member	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
SANDHUSEN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
SIROCCHI-HURLEY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
DUFFIE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
GROTSKY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
SEYMOUR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
GRANT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
MAYOR (lie)				

WHEREAS, the claims and accounts listed in the attached, have been authorized by the CFO, and found correct.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the payment of these claims, and that warrants be drawn therefore when funds are available in the aggregate amount of \$979,329.42.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Council of the Borough of New Milford at the meeting held on April 25, 2022.

SEAL

[Signature]

BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD**Bill list****APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Check #</u>
PAYROLL	12593.52	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	RECEIVABLE:	23960
PAYROLL	2760.42	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	GENERAL	23960
PAYROLL	11695.82	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	MUNICIPAL	23960
PAYROLL	1256.37	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	FINANCE	23960
PAYROLL	8524.67	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	COLLECTION	23960
PAYROLL	115.00	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	ASSESSMENT	23960
PAYROLL	990.53	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	ASSESSMENT	23960
PAYROLL	6771.44	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	CODE	23960
PAYROLL	449.15	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	POLICE	23960
PAYROLL	10390.37	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	POLICE	23960
PAYROLL	4045.79	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	POLICE	23960
PAYROLL	13881.68	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	POLICE	23960
PAYROLL	7859.25	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	POLICE	23960
PAYROLL	197851.73	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	POLICE	23960
PAYROLL	903.00	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	POLICE	23960
PAYROLL	117.00	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	UNIFORM	23960
PAYROLL	588.49	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	UNIFORM	23960
PAYROLL	4804.78	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	PUBLIC	23960
PAYROLL	29.52	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	PUBLIC	23960
PAYROLL	77222.09	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	PUBLIC	23960
PAYROLL	900.00	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	PUBLIC	23960
PAYROLL	536.82	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	RECYCLING	23960
PAYROLL	1980.48	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	RECYCLING	23960
PAYROLL	3096.99	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	BOARD OF	23960
PAYROLL	1186.98	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	RECREATION	23960
PAYROLL	219.00	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	RECREATION	23960
PAYROLL	1513.86	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	SENIOR	23960
PAYROLL	1576.15	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	SENIOR	23960
PAYROLL	2996.77	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	SENIOR	23960
PAYROLL	18964.99	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	LIBRARY	23960
PAYROLL	0.00	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	MUNICIPAL	23960
PAYROLL	6506.55	APRIL 1-15, 2022 PAYROLL	MUNICIPAL	23960
PAYROLL	5576.08	APRIL 1-15, 2022 BORO SHARE OF	SOCIAL	23961
PAYROLL	10417.51	APRIL 1-15, 2022 BORO SHARE OF	SOCIAL	23962

Total fund: 01 Current**418322.80****Total Bill List: 418322.80**

BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD**Bill list****APRIL 25, 2022**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Check #</u>
COLLIERS ENGINEERING &	2650.00	INV.943384 NMB0022 MARCH 2022	ENGINEERING	23963
DANIEL PRETE	150.00	BLACK BALLOON DAY, 100 YEAR	MUNICIPAL	23964
50 STATES ENGINEERING CORP.	150.00	INV.6596 4/5/22 ATTEND MEETING	ZONING	23965
BEATTIE PADOVANO, LLC	210.00	INV. 1289539 JAN. 2022 MATTER	PLANNING	23966
BEATTIE PADOVANO, LLC	140.00	INV.1289540 JAN. 18, 2022 MEETING	PLANNING	23967
VERIZON	109.99	FIOS 4/3-5/2/22	O/E	23968
VERIZON	144.99	FIOS4/5-5/4/22	O/E	23969
VERIZON WIRELESS	558.75	3/3-4/1/22 INV.9903110356 CELL	O/E	23970
SUEZ WATER NEW JERSEY	14859.06	APRIL, 2022 HYDRANT CHARGES	O/E WATER	23971
GANN LAW BOOKS	488.00	INV.D660742 2022 ZONING & LAND USE	PLANNING	23972
DELGADO INTERPRETING	270.00	INV. 37018 12/15/21 INTERPERTING	MUNICIPAL	23973
DELGADO INTERPRETING	1080.00	INV.37040,37041,37042,37043,37044	MUNICIPAL	23974
HOLY NAME HOSPITAL	172.00	NICK KOVAS 81410989202201OH ENTRY	FIRE O/E	23975
PALMERS ACE HARDWARE	119.63	INV.713852, 714204	FIRE O/E	23976
FEDERAL EXPRESS CORPORATION	31.41	INV.7-704-28316 EXPRESS HIPPIING	POLICE	23977
GEORGE HERRERO	8.60	3/11/22 DV ANNUAL TRAINING	POLICE	23978
NJ CRIMINAL INTERDICTION LLC	299.00	INV.83772-902-18BE0 COMPESTI 4/7/22	POLICE	23979
G.T.B.M., INC.	1890.00	INV.35182 ETICKETING FEE 1ST QTR	POLICE	23980
RGERS UNIVERSITY NJAES	395.00	INV.114645 KEVIN TURNER 4/21 &	PUBLIC	23981
AMERICANWEAR INDUSTRIAL	199.25	ACCT.2174 INV.907236 JAN.31, 2022	PUBLIC	23982
JERSEY ELEVATOR LLC	400.00	INV.268187 MARCH 2022 ELEVATOR	PUBLIC	23983
ALL AMERICAN SEWER SERVICE	1200.00	INV. S75220 REPL. 40 GAL. WATER	PUBLIC	23984
FINAL WEB	90.00	INV.506253565 JAN-JUNE	MUNICIPAL	23985
LYNN SULLIVAN	397.99	REIMB. RECERTIFICATION FEE FOR SR	SENIOR	23986
RICOH USA INC.	69.00	INV.11567230322 APRIL SR CENTER	SENIOR	23987
VERIZON	155.64	FIOS 4/11-5/10/22	O/E	23988
ATLANTIC TOMORROWS OFFICE	195.07	INV.277101 APRIL, 2022 COPIER	MUNICIPAL	23989
ATLANTIC TOMORROWS OFFICE	39.93	INV.277101 APRIL, 2022 COPIER	COLLECTION	23989
ATLANTIC TOMORROWS OFFICE	0.42	INV.277101 APRIL, 2022 COPIER	ASSESSMENT	23989
ATLANTIC TOMORROWS OFFICE	86.91	INV.277101 APRIL, 2022 COPIER	CODE	23989
ATLANTIC TOMORROWS OFFICE	110.49	INV.277101 APRIL, 2022 COPIER	POLICE	23989
ATLANTIC TOMORROWS OFFICE	42.82	INV.277101 APRIL, 2022 COPIER	PUBLIC	23989
ATLANTIC TOMORROWS OFFICE	0.00	INV.277101 APRIL, 2022 COPIER	MUNICIPAL	23989
ATLANTIC TOMORROWS OFFICE	19.13	INV.277101 APRIL, 2022 COPIER	MUNICIPAL	23989
BERGEN COUNTY UTILITIES	385779.05	INV. 1483 2ND QTR WASTE WATER	SEWER	23990
OPTIMUM	120.93	APRIL, 2022 OPTIMUM CHARGES	MUNICIPAL	23991
OPTIMUM	125.87	APRIL, 2022 OPTIMUM CHARGES	PUBLIC	23991
OPTIMUM	149.89	APRIL, 2022 OPTIMUM CHARGES	RECREATION	23991
OPTIMUM	0.00	APRIL, 2022 OPTIMUM CHARGES	O/E	23991
OPTIMUM	104.85	APRIL, 2022 OPTIMUM CHARGES	O/E	23991
BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD	1000.00	2022 MONTHLY & QTRLY FEES ADDED TO COLLECTION		23992
DTT GRAPHICS PRINTING	290.00	INV.16456 200 EMERGENCY NO PARKING	POLICE	23993
HACKENSACK OCCUPATIONAL	600.00	SHANE CHURAMAN ACCT2069776	POLICE	23994
PALISADES SALES CORPORATION	27.00	INV.957433	POLICE	23995
PALISADES SALES CORPORATION	500.00	INV.957425 HP CHROMBOOK 14"	POLICE	23996
ANDREW LIGNOS	74.40	REIMB. MEAL/MILEAGE 3/21-3/24/22	POLICE	23997
DRAEGER, INC.	179.00	INV.5951410524 BI-ANNUAL ALCOTEST	DDEF FUND	23998

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CHRISTINE DEMIRIS	123.98	REIMB.EDIBLE ARRANGEMENT FROM M&C	MUNICIPAL	23999
KNOWBE4, INC.	1216.44	INV.182775 YEARLY CONTRACT FOR	MUNICIPAL	24000
RICOH USA INC.	185.00	INV.11567120422 CUSTOMER #11567	MUNICIPAL	24001
WATER NEW JERSEY	1585.76	CURRENT WATER CHARGES 3/9-4/5/22	O/E WATER	24002
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP	917.90	MARCH ACCT.410677 2022 LEGAL	MUNICIPAL	24003
UNITED SITE SERVICES	310.20	INV.6438019 PORTABLE TOILET	RECREATION	24004
PALMERS ACE HARDWARE	31.62	INV.714637	RECREATION	24005
CROWN TROPHY	421.35	INV.RE54022 WRESTLING TROPHIES	RECREATION	24006
BAUER SPORT SHOP	2061.00	INV.4013 T SHIRTS , RULE BOOKS	RECREATION	24007
FENCE SCREEN INC.	770.00	INV.4956 FENCE SCREEN KENNEDY	RECREATION	24008
MUNICIPAL EMERGENCIES	963.90	INV.1700331 3 SC-12X18 HPR R	FIRE O/E	24009
DANIEL P. O'NEILL	74.40	MEALS/MILEAGE 4/4-4/7/22 TRAINING	POLICE	24010
SAM DORAN	74.40	MEALS & MILEAGE 4/4-4/7/22	POLICE	24011
MICHAEL LAFRANO	10.00	MEAL/MILEAGE 4/7/22 TRAINING	POLICE	24012
QUALITY AUTOMALL	80.00	INV. FOCS261779	VEHICLE	24013
CLINTON CAR WASH	45.00	INV.#60 OCT-DECEMBER 2021 CAR	VEHICLE	24014
SHOP RITE OF NEW MILFORD	19.58	INV.1410484108 CUST.3563	SENIOR	24015
SENIORS TECH ACADEMY	200.00	APRIL 2022 SMARTPHONE TRAINING FOR SENIOR		24016
SALONEY CHANDRA	275.00	APRIL 2022 ZUMBA GOLD CLASSES FOR SENIOR		24017
HASMIG MEKJIAN	495.00	APRIL 2022 TAICHI INSTRUCTION FOR SENIOR		24018
SHERI MC KAY	330.00	APRIL 2022 SENIOR EXERCISE CLASSES SENIOR		24019
JABLONSKI BUILDING	4265.00	INV. 8068 BALANCE FRENCH HUGUENO	HISTORIC	24020
GRAINGER	51.09	INV. 9283680404 FIELD SUPPLIES	RECREATION	24021
RICCIARDI BROTHERS	958.80	INV.325817 FIELD MARKING PAINT	RECREATION	24022
HARRIS UNIFORMS	740.00	INV.32034,32034,32036,32037,32038	POLICE	24023
STEPHEN SINISI	660.00	APRIL 2022 WEEKLY LIVE AND VIRTUAL SENIOR		24024
ISA PARRISH	165.00	APRIL 2022 VIRTUAL EXERCISE	SENIOR	24025
PALISADES SALES CORPORATION	246.00	INV.957350 XEROX PHASER KIT 4622	COLLECTION	24026
HOLY NAME HOSPITAL	7500.00	INV.2022-NM-01 JAN/FEB/MAR, 2022	FIRST AID	24027
TRENK ISABEL SIDDIQI &	896.00	INV.1392 , MARCH, 2022 LABOR	LEGAL	24028
VOID **** VOID ** VOID	0.00	VOID VOID VOID	VOID	24029
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP	1719.54	ACCT.410677 ACCT#110720 - 2021	MUNICIPAL	24030
LAYNE ROOFING INC.	250.00	INV.12187 INSTALLED HEATER CABLES	PUBLIC	24031
NORTHEAST GAS SERVICES	90.00	INV.38474 MARCH 2022 TANK RENTAL	VEHICLE	24032
EXPANDED SUPPLY PRODUCTS	346.75	INV.41838 IDLER SHAFT WITH	VEHICLE	24033
S. ROTONDI & SONS, INC.	51506.00	INV.401524, 401530 LEAF DISPOSAL	GARBAGE &	24034
TREASURER, STATE OF NEW	4050.00	INV.220383660 ANNUAL NJDES PERMIT	PUBLIC	24035
RACHLES/MICHELE'S OIL	22656.25	INV.70281,359368,359897,360556,360	O/E GAS &	24036
DURIE LAWN MOWER & EQUIPMENT	429.45	INV.D012554,015904,F001034,CMD0115	PUBLIC	24037
MID ATLANTIC PESTICIDE	110.00	PESTICIDE RECERTIFICATION CLASS	PUBLIC	24038
ANSELM & CARVELLI, LLP	1134.00	INV.21590, 434 & 435 FEB. & MARCH	LEGAL	24039
THE SIGNTIST	550.00	INV.3389 REFLECTIVE LETTERING NEW	POLICE	24040
MAIN LOCK SHOP	32.75	INV.181966 KEYS	POLICE	24041
PALISADES SALES CORPORATION	13355.00	INV.957201 LENOVO THINKSYSTEM	POLICE	24042
DART COMPUTER SERVICES	3600.00	INV.6898 PREP & INSTALL	POLICE	24043
SHERWIN WILLIAMS	24.27	INV.1989-7	PUBLIC	24044
VOID **** VOID ** VOID	0.00	VOID VOID VOID	VOID	24045
HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SUPPLY	222.04	INV.61935, 61936 SIGNS	PUBLIC	24046
DAVID WEBER OIL COMPANY	1398.80	INV.504240, 503328	VEHICLE	24047
INTAS CORPORATION NO. 2	285.21	INV.5102103521	PUBLIC	24048

Total fund: 01 Current 543116.55

Total Bill List: 543116.55

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COLLIERS ENGINEERING &	300.00	INV.743443 NMB011 BLVD. FLORAL,	2020	2443
COLLIERS ENGINEERING &	480.00	INV.743447 NMB015 CONSTRUCTION	2021	2444
COLLIERS ENGINEERING &	463.75	INV.7743396 NMB0020 PACIFIC ST.	2021	2445
COLLIERS ENGINEERING &	640.00	INV.743405 NMB003 MADISON AVE	2020	2446
COLLIERS ENGINEERING &	430.00	INV. 743424 NMB0023 KNIGHTS FIELD	2020	2447
PARAMUS BUILDING SUPPLY CO.	483.31	INV.401272, CM047729	2022	2448
COLLIERS ENGINEERING &	1000.00	INV.743420 NMB0026AB WARREN ST	2019	2449
ROGUT MC CARTHY PC	427.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES JAN-MAR,	2022	2450
ROGUT MC CARTHY PC	142.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES JAN-MAR,	2022	2450
ROGUT MC CARTHY PC	142.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES JAN-MAR,	2022	2450
ROGUT MC CARTHY PC	142.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES JAN-MAR,	2022	2450
ROGUT MC CARTHY PC	129.58	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES JAN-MAR,	2022	2450
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ROGUT MC CARTHY PC	129.59	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES JAN-MAR,	2022	2450
ROGUT MC CARTHY PC	0.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES JAN-MAR,	2022	2450
ROGUT MC CARTHY PC	129.59	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES JAN-MAR,	2022	2450
NE ROOFING INC.	6400.00	INV.12267 INSTALL GUTTERS AT	2019	2451

Total fund: 04 CAPITAL**11829.57****Total Bill List: 11829.57**

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Combined TRUST FUND 12

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Check #</u>
PHILLIPS PREISS GRYGIEL	38.75	INV.35110 MARCH 2022 BORO PLANNER	AFFORDABLE	1056
Total fund: 2809 AFFORDABLE HSG DEV TRUST				38.75
Total Bill List:		38.75		

BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD

Bill list

APRIL 25, 2022

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Check #</u>
COLLIERS ENGINEERING &	680.00	INV. 743382 ESCRIW-514 GROVE-ALEX	RESERVE FOR	2163
COLLIERS ENGINEERING &	240.00	INV. 743429 NMG0029 ESCROW-395	RESERVE FOR	2164
COLLIERS ENGINEERING &	340.00	INV. 743418 ESCROW-1101	RESERVE FOR	2165
PHILLIPS PREISS GRYGIEL	553.75	INV. 35097 KOUSHAGIAN FEB. 2022	RESERVE FOR	2166
COLLIERS ENGINEERING &	420.00	INV. 735432 KOUSHAGJIAN 265 MAIN	RESERVE FOR	2167
COLLIERS ENGINEERING &	320.00	INV. 743436 ESCROW-1013	RESERVE FOR	2168
COLLIERS ENGINEERING &	240.00	INV. 743411 ESCROW-161	RESERVE FOR	2169

Total fund: 14 BUILDING 2793.75

Total Bill List: 2793.75

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APRIL 25, 2022

Combined RECREATION COMM TRUST 18

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Check #</u>
BAUER SPORT SHOP	300.00	INV.4012 SOFTBALLS	RES'V FOR	1956
Total fund: 2930 RES'V RECREATION COMM EXPENSES				300.00
Total Bill List:		300.00		

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Bill list

APRIL 25, 2022

Combined TRUST FUND 12

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Check #</u>
RILEIGHS OUTDOOR DECOR	1478.70	INV.3111 STREETLAMP BANNERS	CENTENNIAL	1276
Total fund: 2700 SPECIAL DEPOSITS				1478.70
ZOOM VIDEO	1449.30	INV.#142185497 ACCT.55084477	RESERVE	1277
Total fund: 2705 RESERVE STORM EMERGENCY				1449.30
Total Bill List:		2928.00		

BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION

No: 2022:229

Offered by: *[Signature]*

Seconded by: *[Signature]*

Member	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
SANDHUSEN	✓			
SIROCCHI-HURLEY	✓			
DUFFIE	✓			
GROTSKY	✓			
SEYMOUR	✓			
GRANT	✓			
MAYOR (lie)				

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING PERMISSION FOR A DEDICATION BY
RIDER FOR DEVELOPERS FEES HOUSING TRUST FUNDS NJAC 5:92-181**

WHEREAS, permission is required of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval as a dedication by rider of revenues received by a municipality when revenue is not subject to reasonable accurate estimates in advance; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 1985 C222 NJAC 5:92-181 provides for Developers Fees Housing Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40:4-39 provides that the dedicated revenues in Developers Fees Housing Trust Fund are hereby anticipated as revenue and are hereby appropriated for the purpose to which said revenue is dedicated by statute or other legal requirement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of New Milford, County of Bergen, New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Council do hereby request permission of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services (for the Borough of New Milford) to pay expenditures for Developers Fees Housing Trust Fund NJAC 5:92-181
2. The Borough Clerk of the Borough of New Milford, County of Bergen is hereby directed to forward two (2) certified copies of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution passed by the Council of the Borough of New Milford at the meeting held on April 25, 2022.

SEAL

[Signature]

BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION

No. 2022: 230

Offered by [Signature]

Seconded by: [Signature]

Member	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
SANDHUSEN	✓			
SIROCCHI-HURLEY	✓			
DUFFIE	✓			
GROTSKY	✓			
SEYMOUR	✓			
GRANT	✓			
MAYOR (tie)				

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System (ID # 47-CPCPS), hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency" has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, on April 25, 2022 the governing body of the Borough of New Milford, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

TITLE

This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Borough of New Milford

AUTHORITY

Pursuant to the provisions of *N. J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)*, the Borough Administrator, Christine Demiris, is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

CONTRACTING UNIT

The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the *Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.)* and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Council of the Borough of New Milford at the meeting held on April 25, 2022.

SEAL

[Signature: Christine Demiris]

BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION

No. 2022-231

Offered by: Land G. Goff

Seconded by: Cathy Harn

Member	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
SANDHUSEN	✓			
SIROCCHI-HURLEY	✓			
DUFFIE	✓			
GROTSKY	✓			
SEYMOUR	✓			
GRANT	✓			
MAYOR (lie)				

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD, COUNTY OF
BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF A
SPECIAL NEEDS FUNDING LIMIT WAIVER FOR THE NEW MILFORD
HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM
CASE# NEWMIL-2108**

WHEREAS, the Borough currently has a rehabilitation program titled the Home Improvement Program ("HIP") and the HIP complies with all applicable laws, including but not limited to New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing regulations (N.J.A.C. 5:97-6.2) and Uniform Housing Affordability Controls (N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1); and

WHEREAS, the Borough has retained CGP&H, a professional affordable housing consultant, to administer the HIP; and

WHEREAS, CGP&H's Program Inspector prepared a program scope of work ("Work Scope") for a low/moderate-income homeowner who is a Borough resident and seeking to participate in the HIP (Case # NEWMIL-2108) and the Work Scope was sent out to bid with two (2) bids received and opened on 4/5/22; and

WHEREAS, CGP&H'S Program Inspector reviewed the bids and determined that the lowest contractor bid of \$25,000 was a qualified bid within 15% of his cost estimate; and

WHEREAS, CGP&H accordingly seeks to award the job to the lowest contractor bid which exceeds the HIP program limit of \$20,000 but believes qualifies for a Special Needs Funding Limit Waiver (which is a HIP's policies and procedures option for qualified cases needing housing rehabilitation between \$20,000 and \$25,000); and

WHEREAS, CGP&H contacted the Borough, detailing its reasons for requesting the Borough grant a Special Needs Funding Limit Waiver approval in this case, including that the Borough homeowner is a of low-to-moderate income and cannot contribute additional funds; and

WHEREAS, the residence in this case needs to be brought up to code for the Borough to receive the state rehabilitation credit for Case # NEWMIL-2108 and the \$25,000 construction work (\$20,000 HIP basic award and \$5,000 Special Needs Funding) which when completed will bring the residence up to code and provide the Borough with the rehabilitation credit.

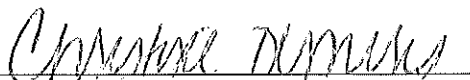
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the New Milford Borough Council, that:

The Borough hereby approves the Special Needs Waiver Request (attached) in the amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) via this Resolution for the reasons set forth in this Resolution and on the record.

Upon the execution of this Resolution and the attached Special Needs Waiver Request, the HIP shall continue to process Case # NEWMIL-2108, including but not limited to, scheduling a construction agreement signing and loan closing, and placing a HIP lien on the residence for a ten-year forgivable loan of \$25,000.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Council of the Borough of New Milford at the meeting held on April 25, 2022.

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New Milford Housing Rehabilitation Program

**Funding Limit
SPECIAL NEEDS WAIVER**

April 15, 2022

Case #: NEWMIL-2108

Susan Bertotti-Graf

360 Leonard Drive, New Milford, NJ 07646

Household is qualified as: ☒ Low Income ☐ Moderate Income

The above unit has code or safety violations or requires weatherization rehabilitation that will result in the expenditure of rehabilitation funds in excess of the basic program limit of \$20,000.00 for a single family owner occupied house or \$15,000.00 per unit in a owner occupied multi-family or investor property. After reviewing the facts and circumstances of this case, a waiver of the program limit is granted allowing the expenditure of \$25,000.00 (\$20,000.00 Program Funds, \$5,000.00 Special Needs Waiver Funds) for the remediation of code and safety violations and to weatherize the unit as detailed in the work write-up.

New Milford Borough

Dated: _____

by: _____

Christine Demiris, Administrator, Borough Clerk

Dated: _____

Community Grants, Planning & Housing, LLC:

by: _____

David Landri, Senior Housing Rehabilitation Specialist

Dated: _____

Community Grants, Planning & Housing, LLC

by: _____

Matthew P. Hynes, Inspector

BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION

No. 2022:232

Offered by: [Signature]

Seconded by: [Signature]

Member	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
SANDHUSEN	/			
SIROCCHI-HURLEY	/			
DUFFIE	/			
GROTSKY	/			
SEYMOUR	/			
GRANT	/			
MAYOR (tie)				

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AMAZON BUSINESS ACCOUNT

WHEREAS, Local Public Contracts Law authorizes a municipality to purchase goods and services through duly formed purchasing systems without advertised bids; and

WHEREAS, the procurement of goods and services through a cooperative purchasing program is considered to be an open and fair process under the New Jersey Pay-to-Play Law N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20, et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of New Milford has the need to purchase, on a timely basis, goods and services utilizing Amazon.com Services, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of New Milford will utilize Amazon.com Services, Inc. and transactions shall be subject to conditions applicable to the current Amazon.com Services, Inc. contracts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of New Milford, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the Borough employees are hereby authorized to obtain Amazon.com Services, Inc. quotes in compliance with the Borough of New Milford's Purchasing Policy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Purchasing Agent, members of the Administrator's office and the Tax Collection are the only authorized Borough officials authorized to purchase goods through the Borough of New Milford Amazon.com account.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all Borough Purchasing Policy requirements will apply to requisitioning and purchasing from said account.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Council of the Borough of New Milford at the meeting held on April 25, 2022.

SEAL

[Signature]

BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION

No. 2022: 233

Offered by: *Lia P. Sant...*

Seconded by: *[Signature]*

Member	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
SANDHUSEN	/			
SIROCCHI-HURLEY	/			
DUFFIE	/			
GROTSKY	/			
SEYMOUR	/			
GRANT	/			
MAYOR (lie)				

**A RESOLUTION URGING THE NEW JERSEY LEGISLATURE TO AMEND
THE BUDGET CAP LAW TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR INCREASING
INSURANCE COSTS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45, et al, a municipality is required to limit any increase in its levy to 2.0% and any increase in appropriations to 2 1/2% or the cost-of-living adjustment, whatever is less, over the prior year's final appropriations subject to certain exceptions; and

WHEREAS, all local public entities, including participating municipalities in the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund (MEL), has incurred an estimated \$50 million in COVID related worker's compensation claims and it is anticipated that these costs will continue to increase as a result of long-term COVID cases; and

WHEREAS, a 2021 New Jersey Department of Labor decision regarding worker's compensation funding has generated increased costs to the members of the MEL by over 10% in order to cover claims that were previously funded by the State pension system; and **WHEREAS**, a recent amendment to the sexual molestation statute of limitations will increase total liability costs for members of the MEL system by an estimated amount of 6% in 2023; and

WHEREAS, the frequency of weather-related catastrophic claims and corresponding impacts are anticipated to increase property insurance costs by over 10% per year; and

WHEREAS, cyber liability events throughout the country have resulted in twice the amount of premium costs in 2022 and such costs are expected to accelerate at a pace far greater than the rate of inflation; and **WHEREAS**, these increasing costs, regulations, policy decisions and environmental impacts are occurring when many other items and costs in municipal budgets are also increasing at an inflationary rate; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of New Milford that N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45 be amended to provide that appropriations in the first three years after the effective date of (this amendment) for liability insurance, worker's compensation insurance, cyber insurance, and property insurance be exempt from the Appropriation CAP and the Levy CAP.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the New Jersey Legislative representative for the Borough of New Milford

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Council of the Borough of New Milford at the meeting held on April 25, 2022.

SEAL

Christine Demusis

**MAYOR & COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT
Councilwoman Hedy Grant
April 25, 2022**

RENT LEVELING BOARD (April 7)

*We reviewed the situation at 234 and 235 Main Street. Each has 4 apartments but has not been under rent control. The owner of 234 Main Street said that 1 of the 4 apartments is owner-occupied so the building is not subject to rent control. The owner of 235 Main Street will comply.

*Bob Ryan said the parking issue he raised at the last meeting is being resolved.

*The next meeting will be on June 2. Will check to see if we can have it via zoom.

NEW MILFORD VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORPS (NMVAC) (April 18)

An in-person meeting was held but no business was conducted as there was no quorum.

PLANNING BOARD (April 19)

*New member Art Zeilner was sworn in.

*We began the review of the application for changes to the properties at 265, 269 and 273 Main Street. Heard testimony from the applicant's architect and engineer. The applicant will revise his plans in light of the comments of the Board members and will submit them in time for the May meeting.

*Reviewed the revised application form.

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES (April 21)

The meeting was canceled due to the death of Board Vice President Norman Frolov. His funeral was held on April 21. Norm was a member of the Board for more than 30 years. He will be missed.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

*April 2 - Participated in "Peggy Saslow Day" (which I helped organize).

*April 3 - Participated in the opening ceremonies for the borough's 100th Anniversary of Incorporation.

*April 11 - Attended a press conference held by County Executive Jim Tedesco about the flooding in New Milford and nearby communities on April 7-8. Mayor Putrino spoke.

*April 12 - Attended Finance Committee Meeting.

*April 12 - Gave a presentation to the New Milford Historical Commission about the old "Burying ground" at Gibbs School.

*April 19 - gave a talk at the Senior Center about the old "Burying ground."

*April 23 - attended opening day parade and ceremonies for Little League and softball.