

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Carol Rizzo](#)
Cc: [Antoinette 'Toni' Gingerelli](#)
Subject: Re: Epic is using deidentified Patient Datab
Date: Wednesday, May 13, 2020 8:22:18 PM

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Neptune Township Committee

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From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Carol Rizzo](#)
Subject: Re: Thank you
Date: Monday, June 10, 2019 1:09:06 AM

Anytime

On Fri, May 31, 2019 at 8:40 AM Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:

Hi Vin,

Just a note to thank you for coming to meet with some of the students from the Mayors Youth Cabinet. You sparked an interest in government that I hadn't seen earlier. And giving them the opportunity to sit at your desk and vote was a wonderful surprise!

Please convey our thanks to Toni for her help in setting us up with a truly remarkable day!

All the best!

Carol

Carol Rizzo
Mayor, Neptune Township

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From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Carol Rizzo](#); [Antoinette 'Toni' Gingerelli](#); [Joseph Libutti](#); [Caroline Krall](#)
Subject: Re: Connect
Date: Monday, January 13, 2020 12:05:42 AM

Sure Team - pls assist

On Sun, Jan 12, 2020 at 10:36 PM Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:
Sure... no problem! Quite familiar with their firm. When do you want this to happen?

Also I sent Shirley a request to meet with you about the scholarship fund. Can we meet sometime in the next week?

Carol

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From: Vin Gopal <[@x](#)>
Sent: Sunday, January 12, 2020 3:39:21 PM
To: James Aaron <[@x](#)>; Carol Rizzo <[@x](#)>
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From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Rick Cuttrell](#)
Cc: [Carol Rizzo](#); [Vito Gadaleta](#); [Robert Lane](#)
Subject: Re: Ballot Question
Date: Thursday, October 10, 2019 2:09:26 PM

Thank you!

On Thu, Oct 10, 2019 at 2:04 PM Rick Cuttrell <[xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:

Mayor,

You could also bring it up tonight in your comments....followed by a resolution on the 28th. That way, it gets even more exposure

Rick

From: Rick Cuttrell
Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2019 2:03 PM
To: 'Carol Rizzo' <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>
Cc: Vito Gadaleta <[xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Robert Lane <[xxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Vin Gopal <[xxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>
Subject: RE: Ballot Question

May I suggest the October 28th meeting? At that time, the election will be only a week away so it would more timely and impactful

Rick

From: Carol Rizzo
Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2019 1:59 PM
To: Rick Cuttrell <[xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>
Cc: Vito Gadaleta <[xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Robert Lane <[xxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Vin Gopal <[xxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>
Subject: Fwd: Ballot Question

Can we put this resolution on tonite agenda?

Thanks

Carol

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From: Vin Gopal <xxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx>
Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2019 1:31:04 PM
To: Vin Gopal <xxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx>
Cc: Gary Baldwin <xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xxx>
Subject: Ballot Question

Good Afternoon:

There is one statewide ballot question up this year which is very important for our New Jersey veterans. After an 18 year journey for veterans groups, we successfully passed the bill out of both houses to reinstate the veterans tax credit for those living in CCRCs.

I ask you to support our veterans and vote YES on Question 1, the statewide ballot question, but take it a step further and consider having your town pass a resolution to support our veterans.

Our veterans have done so much for all of us to serve in office and life freely - this small token of appreciation should be a no brainer.

Please consider passing a resolution in your town supporting the ballot question. Tinton Falls Council President Gary Baldwin, a veteran himself, has been leading this fight for 18 years and is happy to answer any questions you may have. He is copied on the e-mail.

Attached are sample resolutions other towns have passed as well as information on the ballot question.

Thank you for your consideration

Senator Vin Gopal

Majority Conference Leader

Chairman, Senate Military & Veterans Affairs Committee

11th Legislative District (Monmouth County)

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Carol Rizzo](#); [Antoinette 'Toni' Gingerelli](#); [Davis, Dyese](#); [Aislinn Brennan](#)
Subject: Re: LA Times Article
Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2020 7:45:04 PM

Carol - thanks - issue is so much new information coming out daily. Ais can u review and connect with Committeewoman Rizzo.

On Wed, Apr 29, 2020 at 1:55 PM Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:

Hi Vin,

Having read the article below, I believe the State should make a determination as to whether we should open the beaches to the public this year.

According to a distinguished Atmospheric Chemist at Scripps Institute, “the 6 foot distancing rule doesn’t apply at the beach where coastal winds can get quite strong and send viral particles soaring”.

Obviously if tourists get sick, it could take years to recoup the losses to shore communities.

Please read the article and let me know your thoughts.

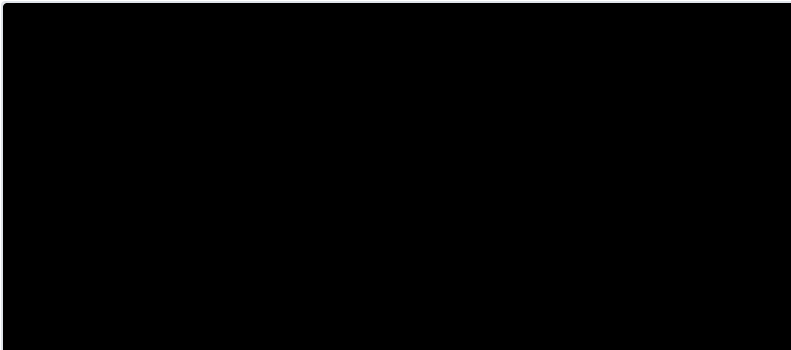
Thanks

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Neptune Township Committee

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From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Carol Rizzo](#); [Antoinette 'Toni' Gingerelli](#); [Davis, Dyese](#)
Subject: Re: Covid 19 & Jersey Beaches
Date: Friday, March 20, 2020 12:42:54 AM

Thnx adding team

On Thu, Mar 19, 2020 at 4:00 PM Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:

Hi

Just a question from a resident... if the pandemic continues into the summer will the state close the beaches and will that include private beaches like Ocean Grove?

Also as an FYI the beach revenues for OG are used to maintain the beach so if they are closed and there is no revenue, will the state be able to provide funds to a private entity like the Camp Meeting Association to maintain the beach?

Thanks

Carol

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Subject: Re: Epic is using deidentified Patient Datab
Date: Thursday, May 21, 2020 1:40:48 AM

Ais pls connect with Committeewoman Rizzo on this

On Thu, May 14, 2020 at 3:21 AM Carol Rizzo <xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

We need legislation that will allow patients in NJ to inform their health provider of how their health related data may be used;

We should inform patients of how their deidentified data may be used to support best practices and health research. We should allow them to determine, through a set of options, whether they want their data to be maintained only by their healthcare provider, shared directly with health researchers like Park Nicollet (diabetes research) and pharma companies OR shared with other companies that may aggregate their data and sold to companies.

Some quick examples:

A1) a patients health information is to be retained by the healthcare organization as confidential and not to be used in whole or in part for any purpose without expressed written patient or family approval OR

A2)a patients health information is permitted to be anonymized and disseminated by the healthcare organization solely for the purpose of health research to be used either by the health care Research organizations or pharmaceutical companies,
OR

A3) patients health information is permitted to be anonymized and disseminated to companies in the business of data aggregation (such as Epic, Amazon, IBM) for future sale to health researchers, Health device manufacturers and pharmaceutical researchers.

My concern is that this data belongs to the patient. By allowing third parties who are not involved in the initial capture of data and what meaning it has inside each organization, the process for third parties to aggregate and resell the data to pharma will simply drive up research and drug development costs.

Without understanding the provenance of data, the datas' true meaning can be lost. That is why there needs to be a preference for the researchers to really understand the data and what it means. Given that each healthcare organization may define their data elements differently, there remains insufficient contextual data standardization to support a meaningful use for the purpose or research. And that drives up cost and time to market.

At Kaiser Permanente, as the Chief Technology Officer, I saw first hand how effective our research was because we resynthesized the data captured in the Epic Electronic Health Record to support the research community.

Further, as my consulting work grew with a variety of immune research based organizations including Park Nicolette, The Broad Institute (genetic and disease research), Dr. Susan Love, Crohns and Colitis, Helmsley Trust and the Jaeb Institute for type 1 and Michael J

Fox Foundation (Parkinson's), I saw how important it was for researchers to have a close relationship with the healthcare organizations that provide the data.

It is already clear that pharmaceuticals sold in the US are between 50% to 300% more expensive than in other countries where the same drugs are sold. Let's give our constituents and our NJ pharma companies a leg up.

I hope this helps. Feel free to ask me any questions.

Carol

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Cc: [Joseph Libutti](#); [Antoinette 'Toni' Gingerelli](#); [Aislinn Brennan](#); [Vito Gadaleta](#)
Subject: Re: Regulating AirBnB to provide an equal playing field.
Date: Monday, July 8, 2019 12:14:49 AM

Sure Joe/Toni/Aislinn pls connect with the Mayor

On Sun, Jul 7, 2019 at 8:33 PM Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:

Thank you Vin. Can we discuss the issues together to determine what the state may be able to do in terms of regulating these short term rentals?

Carol

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From: Vin Gopal <[xxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>
Sent: Sunday, July 7, 2019 6:51:24 PM
To: Carol Rizzo; Joseph Libutti; Antoinette 'Toni' Gingerelli; Aislinn Brennan
Cc: Vito Gadaleta
Subject: Re: Regulating AirBnB to provide an equal playing field.

Mayor - Thanks adding my staff. Vin

On Mon, Jun 17, 2019 at 12:00 PM Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:

Hi Vin,

A couple of weeks ago you and I discussed some of the issues with short term rental housing. I mentioned that NYC and the state had gone after VRBO/HomeAway, AirBnB and other rental sites. Here is some of the details

<https://www.cityandstateny.com/articles/policy/technology/airbnbs-new-york-city-legal-battles.html>

The law that NYC tried to pass required AirBnB, the company, to provide the actual listing rental info on a monthly basis for all rental units so the City could properly manage the process. It was originally rejected by a judge but according to the article above, the data will probably be shared so that market can be better regulated.

What NYC tried to do was to limit people using their apartments and homes as de facto hotels. This was creating a housing shortage and gave some entrepreneurial people an opportunity to rent their rent stabilized units to tourists.

This has been happening in AP and Ocean Grove. We have seen a decrease in the availability of full time rentals in Ocean Grove and it makes the area unaffordable for residents. Rental housing is practically non existent and speculators are buying many properties to rent out for income. This does affect the quality of life for many residents as these homes sit vacant in the winter. If this continues, our businesses who rely on serving guests and residents, will close.

AP passed an ordinance to limit such rentals to homeowners who had a room or a additional unit. This was challenged but was affirmed by a NJ court.

Ocean Grove currently has more than 107 of such rentals, and home prices have skyrocketed. While some full time residents are renting out rooms in their homes, the majority of the rentals are short term; between 2 and 7 days and have all but eliminated rental housing stock. They are, in essence, de facto hotels that compete with our Bed and Breakfasts.

We have strict ordinances for Bed and Breakfasts but not for AirBnB. (I am seeking to change that with new ordinances). Almost all Ocean Grove B&Bs are required to be located within the first 2 beach blocks. They all must have mercantile licenses, are inspected each year at the beginning of the season, must provide on request, a list of all guests, and have someone on staff, day and night. The B&Bs all pay both property tax and income tax. We almost never get resident complaints about the B&Bs.

We have tried to duplicate the process with the AirBnBs but they are not the same. There is no or little on premise oversight. While the AirBnB owners do pay property tax, unlike the B&Bs, they do not pay income tax making it a very unfair playing field.

The B&Bs are a significant element of historic Ocean Grove's character and charm but a number have gone out of business in recent years as the competition from AirBnB has increased.

Recently Neptune acquired a system that tells our Code department where the AirBnBs and other short term rentals are but not when they are rented or when there is a changeover. We do go after the owners to get a mercantile license and they have to have inspection on every 4 th guest changeover but that is difficult to manage when we don't know who is coming in and for how long. And the owners don't tell us. Further, we don't have enough inspectors for the number of AirBnBs.

More troubling is that the AirBnB's do not have the owners nearby. Some live in other states. Thus when neighboring residents have problems with unruly and noisy guests, they call the police department creating a higher cost to the Township.

Furthermore, because most guests leave a day or two before garbage pickup, the garbage tends to get out of the pails and onto the streets.

The other problem is parking. It was hard enough to find a parking spot before AirBnB, now it's almost impossible. A 3 bedroom home can have as many as 10 people and 3 cars. This has further deteriorated the quality of life for residents. And residents are complaining!

Now some of these things, we can remediate with ordinances, though there is much resistance from the short term rental market. We could do as Asbury as done, restrict short term rentals to no less than 7 days and the owners must reside full time in Ocean Grove or within some reasonable distance (10 miles)

But the reality is that these short term rentals are driving up our costs, and negatively impacting the quality of life for our full time residents.

We do need more regulation from the state to make it so these short term hotels work on an equal footing with motels and BnBs and does not eliminate our reasonable priced rental

housing.

Please let me know your thoughts and how we can maintain our beautiful resort town with its historic Bed and Breakfasts.

Thanks
Carol J Rizzo,
Mayor, Neptune Township

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From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Carol Rizzo](#); [Davis, Dyese](#); [Antoinette 'Toni' Gingerelli](#)
Subject: Re: Denied claims
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 12:54:27 PM

Thanks Carol
Dyese/Toni pls see below

On Tue, Jul 14, 2020 at 12:08 PM Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:

Senator,

Please see the attached article about insurance companies refusing payment on Covid tests and Covid cases.

This greatly impacts our community, especially the working poor, many of whom carry cheaper plans and are entirely reliant on their health insurance to help pay for services. Can you please launch an initial investigation to identify whether this is really happening and how it may be affecting our residents and our hospitals. As the liaison to Jersey Shore, I do have a call in to them to determine how they have been impacted.

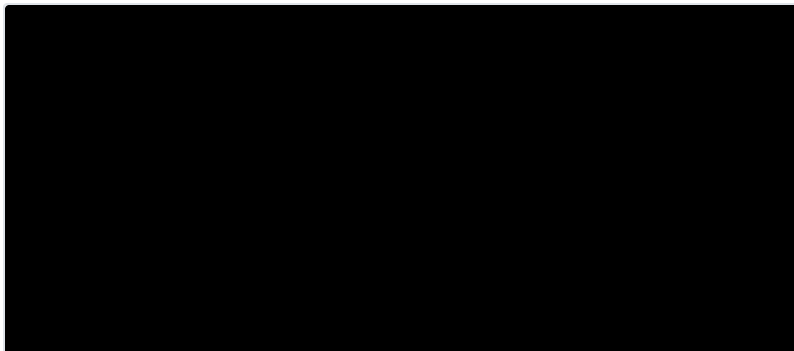
All the best!
Carol

Carol J. Rizzo
Neptune Township Committee

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From: Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxx.xxx](#)>
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 11:41:18 AM
To: Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>
Subject: Denied claims

[NJ Hospitals Say Insurance Companies Have Denied More than 1,000 Claims for COVID-19 Care | NJ Spotlight](#)



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Hospitals and insurance companies differ over measure that would suspend auditing of claims during pandemic

Carol J. Rizzo,

106 Mount Carmel Way
Ocean Grove, NJ 07756
973-277-6917 - Cell

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Carol Rizzo](#)
Subject: Re: Extraordinary Special Ed for Neptune Twp.
Date: Sunday, June 30, 2019 12:40:47 AM

Thnx Carol

On Sun, Jun 30, 2019 at 12:39 AM Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:
Thank you Vin. This will help enormously!

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From: Vin Gopal <[xxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>
Sent: Sunday, June 30, 2019 12:35:35 AM
To: Vin Gopal
Subject: Fwd: Extraordinary Special Ed for Neptune Twp.

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From: **Vin Gopal** <[xxx@xxxxxxxx.xx](#)>
Date: Sun, Jun 30, 2019 at 12:10 AM
Subject: Extraordinary Special Ed for Neptune Twp.
To: Vin Gopal <[xxx@xxxxxxxx.xx](#)>

As you know, in our past conversations these past year, Assemblyman Houghtaling, Assemblywoman Downey and I have sponsored and fought hard for the state to take on the burden of extraordinary special education.

In a deal we have reached with the Governor, we are pleased to announce that we expect **Neptune Twp** to receive an additional **\$165,000 (rough number) for 2019**. That is in addition to the \$585,000 or so in the budget for extraordinary education We expect the Governor to sign the budget on Sunday.

We still have a long way to go to get to 100% and we won't give up until that is done but we are very pleased at the success reached in this budget - It is very positive for the future.

If you have any questions, please let us know

Senator Vin Gopal
Majority Conference Leader
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From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Carol Rizzo](#)
Subject: Re: Thank You
Date: Tuesday, April 2, 2019 12:31:33 AM

Thanks - working on getting additional funding. As you know, the funding formula does take into account poverty rates and ESL rates.

Vin

On Mon, Apr 1, 2019 at 12:21 AM Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:

Dear, Vin,

As the Mayor this year for Neptune Township, I thank you for standing up for our students, residents and taxpayers.

Certainly you are aware, Neptune is one of the towns deeply impacted by the further cuts to our schools. Some of those cuts will be offset by an increase in the Neptune school tax which will negatively impact many of our residents.

Added to that, our students will see cuts in remedial and social support programs they desperately need. Quite a few of our students live in poverty conditions and according to the superintendent, we have a homeless population of about 2% and an immigrant ESL student population of about 5%.

I have always been proud to support you. Your objection to the Governors plan to add funds to a school district that also uses public funds to transport students going to private, religious schools further demonstrates your commitment to fairness for our families and our youth.

I hope you will continue to be a clear and distinctive voice for our district. People here in Neptune certainly appreciate it!

Most sincerely,

Carol

Carol J. Rizzo
Mayor, Neptune Township

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Carol Rizzo](#)
Subject: Re: Connect
Date: Wednesday, January 15, 2020 12:02:08 AM

Thanks Carol - good guy thought u may enjoy the topic

On Mon, Jan 13, 2020 at 11:34 AM Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:

Let's do Thursday am at my office in Neptune Townhall... 25 Neptune Blvd. How about 11 am. Can you tell me what we will be discussing? Send me anything to read in advance so I can be well prepared.

Thanks

Carol

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From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Carol Rizzo](#)
Subject: Re: Request for More COVID-19 Testing at App
Date: Thursday, April 23, 2020 2:58:29 PM

Thanks I will forward. I think they want to see if the town wants to do it for their first responders, police, seniors etc. Many towns are doing it.

On Thu, Apr 23, 2020 at 11:44 AM Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:

Hi Vin

I got this today for Covid 19 testing. This is something that's not in the Townships set of responsibilities so perhaps you can determine who it should go to.

Thanks

Carol

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From: Eugene Shvartsman <[xxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2020 10:35:46 AM
To: Eugene Shvartsman <[xxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>
Subject: Re: Request for More COVID-19 Testing at App

Dear Honorable Mayor,

My name is Eugene Shvartsman, and I am COVID-19 testing coordinator at Apple(Sunrise) Diagnostics Lab. We are a local lab, located in South Plainfield, NJ that has been an outstanding member of New Jersey Community for over 12 years.

During these trying times of trying to slow down this virus, we have worked our best to try to provide as much as possible testing for the state of New Jersey. We have been fully approved to run Sars-CoV-2 testing and are proudly serving Newark, Jersey City, Irvington right now. Our staff is working tirelessly, 24 hours a day to make sure the result turnaround time is 24 hours.

Please see the attached literature about our testing.

Please let us know if we can help your community, your city by increasing the testing capacity. We are standing by to help slow down and eradicate this public health crisis.

Feel free to contact me at my e-mail: [xxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#).

I wanted to set up a zoom meeting to see how we can help you expand your testing capacity.

Please stay healthy and safe!

Kind regards,

Eugene

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To: [Carol Rizzo](#); [Joseph Libutti](#); [Antoinette 'Toni' Gingerelli](#); [Aislinn Brennan](#)
Cc: [Vito Gadaleta](#)
Subject: Re: Regulating AirBnB to provide an equal playing field.
Date: Sunday, July 7, 2019 6:51:39 PM

Mayor - Thanks adding my staff. Vin

On Mon, Jun 17, 2019 at 12:00 PM Carol Rizzo <xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Hi Vin,

A couple of weeks ago you and I discussed some of the issues with short term rental housing. I mentioned that NYC and the state had gone after VRBO/HomeAway, AirBnB and other rental sites. Here is some of the details

<https://www.cityandstateny.com/articles/policy/technology/airbnbs-new-york-city-legal-battles.html>

The law that NYC tried to pass required AirBnB, the company, to provide the actual listing rental info on a monthly basis for all rental units so the City could properly manage the process. It was originally rejected by a judge but according to the article above, the data will probably be shared so that market can be better regulated.

What NYC tried to do was to limit people using their apartments and homes as de facto hotels. This was creating a housing shortage and gave some entrepreneurial people an opportunity to rent their rent stabilized units to tourists.

This has been happening in AP and Ocean Grove. We have seen a decrease in the availability of full time rentals in Ocean Grove and it makes the area unaffordable for residents. Rental housing is practically non existent and speculators are buying many properties to rent out for income. This does affect the quality of life for many residents as these homes sit vacant in the winter. If this continues, our businesses who rely on serving guests and residents, will close.

AP passed an ordinance to limit such rentals to homeowners who had a room or a additional unit. This was challenged but was affirmed by a NJ court.

Ocean Grove currently has more than 107 of such rentals, and home prices have skyrocketed. While some full time residents are renting out rooms in their homes, the majority of the rentals are short term; between 2 and 7 days and have all but eliminated rental housing stock. They are, in essence, de facto hotels that compete with our Bed and Breakfasts.

We have strict ordinances for Bed and Breakfasts but not for AirBnB. (I am seeking to change that with new ordinances). Almost all Ocean Grove B&Bs are required to be located within the first 2 beach blocks. They all must have mercantile licenses, are inspected each year at the beginning of the season, must provide on request, a list of all guests, and have someone on staff, day and night. The B&Bs all pay both property tax and income tax. We almost never get resident complaints about the B&Bs.

We have tried to duplicate the process with the AirBnBs but they are not the same. There is no or little on premise oversight. While the AirBnB owners do pay property tax, unlike the

B&Bs, they do not pay income tax making it a very unfair playing field.

The B&Bs are a significant element of historic Ocean Grove's character and charm but a number have gone out of business in recent years as the competition from AirBnB has increased.

Recently Neptune acquired a system that tells our Code department where the AirBnBs and other short term rentals are but not when they are rented or when there is a changeover. We do go after the owners to get a mercantile license and they have to have inspection on every 4 th guest changeover but that is difficult to manage when we don't know who is coming in and for how long. And the owners don't tell us. Further, we don't have enough inspectors for the number of AirBnBs.

More troubling is that the AirBnB's do not have the owners nearby. Some live in other states. Thus when neighboring residents have problems with unruly and noisy guests, they call the police department creating a higher cost to the Township.

Furthermore, because most guests leave a day or two before garbage pickup, the garbage tends to get out of the pails and onto the streets.

The other problem is parking. It was hard enough to find a parking spot before AirBnB, now it's almost impossible. A 3 bedroom home can have as many as 10 people and 3 cars. This has further deteriorated the quality of life for residents. And residents are complaining!

Now some of these things, we can remediate with ordinances, though there is much resistance from the short term rental market. We could do as Asbury as done, restrict short term rentals to no less than 7 days and the owners must reside full time in Ocean Grove or within some reasonable distance (10 miles)

But the reality is that these short term rentals are driving up our costs, and negatively impacting the quality of life for our full time residents.

We do need more regulation from the state to make it so these short term hotels work on an equal footing with motels and BnBs and does not eliminate our reasonable priced rental housing.

Please let me know your thoughts and how we can maintain our beautiful resort town with its historic Bed and Breakfasts.

Thanks
Carol J Rizzo,
Mayor, Neptune Township

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From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Carol Rizzo](#)
Subject: Re: Newsletter and Meetings
Date: Tuesday, June 4, 2019 2:04:16 PM

He looks like he sent it yesterday

On Tue, Jun 4, 2019 at 1:54 PM Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:

Interesting how that works....

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From: Vito Gadaleta
Sent: Tuesday, June 4, 2019 1:37:57 PM
To: Steve Lenox
Cc: Carol Rizzo
Subject: RE: Newsletter and Meetings

That works for me Steve.

-----Original Message-----

From: Steve Lenox [<mailto:xxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>]xx
Sent: Monday, June 03, 2019 5:11 PM
To: Vito Gadaleta <[xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)>xx
Subject: Newsletter and Meetings

Hi Vito- can I come to Municipal Building on Wednesday, June 12, to work with department heads and others on newsletter? I can spend pretty much the entire day if you don't mind having me around.

I think probably need a good bit of time with Mayor Rizzo, Bil Rosen, and Randy Bishop, and should probably spend a bit of time- maybe lunch- with Deputy Mayor Lane.

Thanks!

Steve

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Vin Gopal](#)
Cc: [Gary Baldwin](#)
Subject: Ballot Question
Date: Thursday, October 10, 2019 1:31:23 PM
Attachments: [scan_10092019.pdf](#)

Good Afternoon:

There is one statewide ballot question up this year which is very important for our New Jersey veterans. After an 18 year journey for veterans groups, we successfully passed the bill out of both houses to reinstate the veterans tax credit for those living in CCRCs.

I ask you to support our veterans and vote YES on Question 1, the statewide ballot question, but take it a step further and consider having your town pass a resolution to support our veterans.

Our veterans have done so much for all of us to serve in office and life freely - this small token of appreciation should be a no brainer.

Please consider passing a resolution in your town supporting the ballot question. Tinton Falls Council President Gary Baldwin, a veteran himself, has been leading this fight for 18 years and is happy to answer any questions you may have. He is copied on the e-mail.

Attached are sample resolutions other towns have passed as well as information on the ballot question.

Thank you for your consideration

Senator Vin Gopal
Majority Conference Leader
Chairman, Senate Military & Veterans Affairs Committee
11th Legislative District (Monmouth County)

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Michael Brantley](#)
Cc: [Vito Gadaleta](#)
Subject: Re: Liquor License Legislation
Date: Wednesday, July 18, 2018 11:15:44 PM

Can one of you call me tomorrow - lets chat this

On Tue, Jul 17, 2018 at 10:35 AM Michael Brantley <[xxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:

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From: Vito Gadaleta <[xxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)>
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2018 7:52 AM
To: [xxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx](#)
Cc: Bernard Haney; Michael Brantley; [xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#); jmaraziti ([xxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx](#)); Joanne Vos ([xxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx](#)); Leanne Hoffmann; Michael Bascom; Nicholas Williams
Subject: Liquor License Legislation

Eric,

Good morning. I received your legislative district newsletter yesterday and read that the legislature is considering amending the liquor license regulations to provide additional licenses for redevelopment at Fort Monmouth.

Neptune is in the midst of much activity within our redevelopment areas and at the former AP Press site. Neptune has no available liquor licenses to provide to potential users on these sites. In fact, at the former AP Press site, both Top Golf and Drive Shack have expressed interest in coming to that site. The hold-up is a liquor license. Just development of that site will create over 300 local jobs. Senator Gopal sat in on the initial meeting concerning this development.

On behalf of the Township I would ask your consideration to include Neptune's redevelopment areas and the AP Press site in any new legislation. Thanks for your considerations.

Vito D. Gadaleta, RMC, QPA, NJCEM

Business Administrator

Township of Neptune

732-988-5200, ext. 232

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Vin Gopal](#)
Subject: Municipal Aid
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 10:46:23 PM

Pls see below of recent DOT Aid to your town

https://www.state.nj.us/transportation/uploads/comm/news/details/comm_np_20201118_110319_FY2021_Municipal_Aid_Grants_County_by_County.pdf

The competitive Municipal Aid grant program attracted 635 applications from 549 different municipalities with a total of \$342 million requested. Project applications were evaluated and rated on their merits by NJDOT staff and reviewed by an independent panel of New Jersey municipal engineers. This process resulted in [548 awards to 543 municipalities, totaling \\$161.25 million](#). The 2016 Transportation Trust Fund renewal has made it possible to continue to award \$161.25 million annually – more than double the \$78.75 million that was available before the TTF renewal. In addition, the extra funds have allowed the Department to increase the number of municipalities receiving grants from about 370 a year prior to the TTF renewal to 543 municipalities this year.

Thank you,

Senator Vin Gopal
11th Legislative District
Majority Conference Leader
Chairman, Senate Military & Veterans Committee
Vice-Chairman, Senate Higher Education Committee
Member, Senate Health Committee

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Antoinette 'Toni' Gingerelli](#); [Davis, Dyese](#)
Subject: Government Committee - LD11 Economic Recovery Cmt. - Tuesday
Date: Tuesday, May 26, 2020 1:04:21 AM

Sorry for short notice but we have a 1pm call scheduled today with ABC Director Jim Graziano. Toni/Dyese from my office will send out Zoom instructions in the AM. I will ask the Director to talk about plans for outdoor dining and liquor license expansion in general.

Thanks,

Vin

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Antoinette 'Toni' Gingerelli](#)
Subject: Reminder meeting at 11am 5/15
Date: Friday, May 15, 2020 12:58:02 AM

This is a reminder that LD11 Economic Recovery Advisory Council Zoom meeting will be held on **Friday, May 15th at 11 am.**

If you have not already, please respond to this email to RSVP.

Our meeting will be about approximately an hour long and will include:

- An overview of the advisory council's role
- A legislative update from Senator Gopal, Assemblywoman Downey, and Assemblyman Houghtaling
- A guest speaker
- Next steps- Future committee meetings and council priorities

The meeting can be accessed using this link or dial-in number below:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84004054231?pwd=UVhvUEdxaWNKSmVxNlNNVWZnSEFXQT09>

Meeting ID: 840 0405 4231

Password: 377632

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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you again. We are looking forward to seeing you all tomorrow.

Best,
Toni Gingerelli
Chief of Staff
Office of Senator Gopal

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Antoinette 'Toni' Gingerelli
xxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxx.xxx

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Vito Gadaleta](#); [Nicholas Williams](#); [Michael Brantley](#); [Keith Cafferty](#); [Tassie York](#); [Robert Lane](#)
Cc: [Jenna Lopez](#); [Tyler Catania](#)
Subject: EDA Program
Date: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 9:25:37 PM

Neptune Twp Committee:

I am proud that our bill to fund a unique EDA program via local non-profits and utilizing our area restaurants is in full effect. On behalf of Soup Kitchen 411 and the New Jersey Economic Development Authority's Sustain & Serve NJ Program, we are pleased to provide

**75 Lunch Meals from Back in Time Cafe
for
Neptune Twp. Police, Fire, EMS, Town Hall Employees**

These meals will be delivered **Friday July 30**

Please reply all and advise best address for delivery, phone number for contact person we can coordinate with.

Thanks so much

Vin Gopal
State Senator

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Eric Houghtaling](#); [Joann Downey](#); [Davis, Dyese](#); [Little, Tom](#); [Brennan, Aislinn](#); [Gopal, Sen. D.O.](#); [Houghtaling, Asm. D.O.](#); [Downey, Asw. D.O.](#)
Subject: Alarming Number of Dead Fish in Local Waters
Date: Friday, April 16, 2021 2:19:04 PM

Good Afternoon and Hope this email finds you well.

At the request of some of our towns, we will be setting up a call on April 19th at 4pm with DEP Assistant Commissioner for Natural and Historic Resources Ray Bukowski along with other folks at DEP to give an overview and answer questions regarding the dead fish which are washing up on our waters.

This invite is open to Mayors, Council Presidents and Business Administrators but if you would like to invite someone on your team to attend who is handling this issue for you locally, please just let us know.

Please confirm RSVP on who is attending and Dyese will send out zoom info Monday.

Thanks so much and have a good weekend

Vin Gopal, Eric Houghtaling and Joann Downey

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Davis, Dyese](#)
Subject: Friday Zoom
Date: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 8:31:51 PM

Good Afternoon:

We will be hosting a zoom on Friday at 11:30am with major state departments (DCA, DOT, DOH, DOL, MVC etc.) Please bring questions and they will do the best to answer them.

To keep the meeting small, this is only for towns in the 11th District. Each town is permitted up to 2 representatives from their municipality. Please reply all to Dyese with your 2 representatives' names and email. If you texted me or emailed me separately also, if you don't mind resending it here so Dyese has it.

In partnership,

Vin Gopal

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Vin Gopal](#)
Subject: Fwd: Fulop.jpeg
Date: Tuesday, May 26, 2020 1:05:25 AM
Attachments: [ATT00001.txt](#)

Good social media post. FYI

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Davis, Dyese](#)
Subject: Private Zoom with Senator Cory Booker
Date: Monday, June 14, 2021 11:56:34 PM

LD-11 is pleased to have U.S. Senator Cory Booker join us for a private Q&A for Superintendents, Business Administrators, Mayors and Council Presidents LD-11. This is invite only and by receiving this email you are invited and the invitation is not transferable.

Please RSVP and submit your questions ahead of time. Opportunities to ask questions related to the federal government will be available also. This is a government event with the opportunity for officials to ask direct questions to their United States Senator on federal issues.

RSVP to Dyese Davis at [xxxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxx](#)

June 25th at 1pm

Thank you,

Senator Vin Gopal
Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling
Assemblywoman Joann Downey

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Vin Gopal](#)
Subject: 1pm Zoom with ABC Director Jim Graziano Today
Date: Tuesday, May 26, 2020 11:14:09 AM

Please see the following login information for the Zoom Call today, **May 26 @ 1 PM**. There **is** a password required for entrance to the meeting.

INVITE IS ONLY FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS OF LD11 ECONOMIC RECOVERY COMMITTEE

Vin Gopal is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86721891181?pwd=aTVLQk5GRit4RkVMZitPSmdpZml0UT09>

Meeting ID: 867 2189 1181

Password: **125487**

One tap mobile

+19292056099,,86721891181#,,1#,125487# US (New York)

Best,

Dyese Davis
Deputy Chief of Staff
Office of Senator Gopal
Phone (732) 695-3371

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Vin Gopal](#)
Subject: Dead Fish Issue
Date: Wednesday, May 5, 2021 2:36:55 AM

Good Morning:

I am working to try to see if we can secure a vendor to help clean up all the dead fish in some of our Monmouth waters.

If your town has a dead fish issue and you would like to potentially partner in a cleanup effort (I am working to get the state to reimburse the towns for cleanup) please e-mail me ASAP so we can setup a call for Monmouth towns interested.

The County has also been great in potentially allowing us to use equipment.

Thanks,

Vin Gopal
Senate Majority Conference Leader
11th Legislative District - Monmouth County

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Vito Gadaleta](#); [Michael Brantley](#); [Nicholas Williams](#); [Carol Rizzo](#); [Keith Cafferty](#); [Robert Lane](#)
Cc: [Eric Houghtaling](#); [Joann Downey](#)
Subject: Neptune Twp Vaccines Event
Date: Monday, March 15, 2021 4:13:34 PM
Attachments: [Neptune Twp.png](#)

Good Afternoon:

This will be a closed-pod vaccine day for all seniors who are 65 and older and residents of Neptune Township. If you know anyone who is a senior who lives in Neptune Township, please point them towards this closed-portal vaccines event.

We are also making efforts to reach those without computer access. Please feel free to distribute wide and far throughout Neptune Township

Thank you

Vin Gopal

State Senator

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Keith Cafferty](#); [Davis, Dyese](#)
Subject: Re: Division of Taxation Move
Date: Sunday, April 18, 2021 12:37:09 AM

Dyese can u look into this

On Fri, Apr 16, 2021 at 7:11 AM Keith Cafferty <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:

Hi Vin,

At 1828 West Lake Avenue in Neptune, there is currently a division of Taxation office. Apparently, there is a deal in place where the property owner is guaranteed a state office of some type and is now being notified that the division of taxation office is moving to Freehold and he would instead be having a parole office as his new tenant. In order to accommodate this new tenant, he would have to modify the parking lot as requested by the parole office. If he refuses to make the change, he would lose his guarantee and would no longer have any income from that floor of his building. What I am interested in finding out is why this change is happening at all and, even if the move has to happen for the taxation office, why is Neptune getting stuck with a parole office as the only replacement option?

Regards,
Keith

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Vin Gopal](#)
Subject: Fwd: FW: DLGS Guidance on Public Meetings During Health Emergency
Date: Friday, March 20, 2020 1:10:50 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[Health_Emergency_-_Public_Meeting_Guidance.docx](#)
[COVID LE Guidance 2020 0316 FINAL.pdf](#)
[NJ EO-104.pdf](#)
[PR Treasury Limited Closures.pdf](#)
[PR COVID Roundup PDF.PDF](#)

Good Evening (or morning): Hope everyone is staying safe.

1) Please see attached on public meeting guidance. There are also other attachments of reference.

2) Fufill is available to help families in financial need right now. If you know families in your school district that may be specifically going through a difficult time, please connect them with Fufill or with me and I'll be happy to navigate for them. For any families who are going through a difficult time or expect to, please connect me to them as there are resources that can help. We also have programs and resources for restaurants, coffee shops etc.

3) We are working on a number of bills and legislation. I will send out a full report next week. The senate has an emergency meeting Thursday (today) to pass the below bills and many others. We are also working a big economic assistance program.

- [NJ A3095 \(20R\)](#): Provides county clerks with additional week to mail ballots for 2020 primary election;
- A3839: Makes supplemental appropriation of \$20 million from General Fund to DOE to support school facility cleaning and sanitization;
- A3840: Requires school districts to provide school meals or meal vouchers to students eligible for free and reduced price school meals during school closures due to Covid-19 epidemic;
- A3841: Extends time to file gross income tax or corporation business tax return by one month;
- A3843: Requires health insurance and Medicaid coverage for testing and treatment of the coronavirus disease 2019, and for telemedicine during the coronavirus disease 2019 state of emergency;
- A3844: Concerns business interruption insurance during the coronavirus disease 2019 state of emergency;
- A3846: Creates "Temporary Lost Wage Unemployment Program" to allow persons to claim for lost wages due to the coronavirus disease 2019;
- A3847: Provides paid leave without utilizing accumulated leave for local government employees under certain circumstances;
- A3848: Concerns time off from work in connection with infectious disease;
- A3849: Permits public agency to respond to request for government record within 21 calendar days during period of emergency or other exigency;
- A3850: Allows local government agencies to meet electronically during declared Public Health Emergency or State of Emergency;
- A3851: Extends deadlines for adoption of county and municipal budgets under

certain circumstances;

— A3852: Allows conduct of state business and legislative sessions at locations other than Trenton during periods of emergency or other exigency, allows conduct of legislative business using electronic means;

— A3855: Requires food access information be displayed on websites of 2-1-1 system and executive branch departments during public health emergencies;

— A3859: Concerns prohibition of residential tenant eviction and eviction due to residential foreclosure during certain emergency circumstances;

— ACR165: Urges DHS to apply for federal waivers to facilitate and increase access to SNAP benefits during the coronavirus disease 2019 outbreak;

— AJR158: Urges FCC to take temporary measures to secure broadband access for those affected by Covid-19.

4) Please see below state updates

Human Services

The Department of Human Services sent to county and municipal welfare agencies guidance on enacting cautionary health and safety preventative measures in response to the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19), specifically as it relates to the temporary cessation of certain requirements for the Work First New Jersey (WFNJ) and New Jersey Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (NJ SNAP). The guidance is attached.

Labor

In accordance with Chief Justice Rabner's COVID-19 Notices to the Bar, and in consultation with Workers' Compensation Executive Committee of the NJ Bar Association, Chief Judge of Compensation Russell Wojtenko, Jr. has closed Workers' Compensation courts to the public in a similar fashion as all NJ Municipal Courts and Landlord Tenant Courts.

While those courts are closed for two weeks, operationally it is more efficient and convenient for all attorneys, litigants and court staff to adjourn all WC matters for three weeks as workers' compensation courts routinely operate in three week cycles. A three week adjournment in workers' compensation is a routine and frequent occurrence and will cause a minimal disruption to the WC system if any.

In addition, Emergent Motions for Medical and Temporary benefits will continue without interruption to the extent possible, including the use of telephonic and video technology. Filings will also continue to be accepted electronically through COURTS On-line.

Also NJDOL has updated it's page for guidance for

employers. <https://www.nj.gov/labor/employer-services/business/covid.shtml>

And employees <https://www.nj.gov/labor/worker-protections/earnedsick/covid.shtml>

DEP

Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner Catherine R. McCabe announced today that public may still access the State Parks, forests, recreation areas and Wildlife Management

Areas, including roads, parking areas, trails, lakes and other open space areas for healthful passive recreation. However, campgrounds, visitor centers, nature centers, restrooms and similar facilities at state parks, forests, recreation areas, Wildlife Management Areas and historic sites are closed until further notice in order to protect public health and safety as the state works to address COVID-19.

MVC

New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission Chief Administrator Sue Fulton has announced that all New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission agency and road testing facilities will be closed effective immediately as a measure to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. We anticipate re-opening in two weeks, on Monday, March 30, 2020. All driver licenses, non-driver IDs, vehicle registrations, and inspection stickers expiring before May 31 have been extended by two months. Most renewals, replacements, changes of address, and other transactions can be processed online at NJMVC.gov

OAG

Attorney General Gurbir S. Grewal announced today that, in an effort to protect the public by limiting in-person contact that could result in the spread of COVID-19, multiple divisions within Department of Law and Public Safety are extending by at least 30 days the deadlines for renewing or resubmitting certain licenses. ABC is extending by 30 days any Minor Employment Permits set to expire in March. DCA houses 51 professional licensure boards, which collectively oversee approximately 720,000 active licensed professionals. The licenses issued by those boards have staggered renewal dates. The licensure actions announced today by Attorney General Grewal pertain only to licenses issued by the professional boards that require renewals or resubmission in the coming weeks. The State Athletic Control Board (SACB) is extending for 30 days all Mixed Martial Arts (MMA), Boxing and Kickboxing licenses including: Pro Boxer; Pro MMA Contestant; Amateur MMA Contestant; Pro Kickboxer; Amateur Kickboxer and Amateur Muay Thai Kickboxer

Effective immediately, DCA is extending by 60 days licenses for Home Improvement Contractor, Home Elevator Contractor, Respiratory Care Practitioner and Product Warrantor that are due for renewal during the March renewal period. Similarly, the following CDS licenses are being extended by 60 days: Analytical Lab; Clinic Narcotic Treatment Center; Dog Handler/Trainer; Animal Shelter; Manufacturer; Wholesale Distributor, and Research Facility. DCA is extending by 30 days licenses for Professional Engineers, Professional Land Surveyors and Professional Engineer & Land Surveyors, which are due for renewal during the April renewal period.

DCA

The Department of Community Affairs launched a screening tool to help people find out if they are eligible for NJ assistance programs.

<https://njdca-housing.dynamics365portals.us/en-US/>

Health

Since the establishment of the Hotline, the NJ Poison Control Center has received 8,623 calls. Yesterday alone, NJPIES received 669 calls.

Today, Governor Murphy, the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management, the New Jersey Department of Health, and the United Ways of New Jersey announced today that NJ 211 has been activated to help handle COVID-19 related calls from New Jersey residents. All residents with questions or concerns about COVID-19 and resources available to them can call 2-1-1. NJ 211 is New Jersey's statewide, comprehensive, information and referral service operated by United Ways of New Jersey.

Residents can also text NJCOVID to 898-211 to receive text information and stay informed. To receive live text assistance, residents can text their zip code to 898-211.

These enhancements to 211 will supplement, rather than replace, the existing COVID-19 hotline, operated by the New Jersey Poison Control Center. State residents with questions about COVID-19 illness can continue to call the previously shared numbers for the COVID-19 hotline, but they can also call 211 to get answers about their COVID-19 questions.

Additionally, the Department of Health has a COVID-19 website with resources including CDC updates, guidance for schools, colleges, businesses, long-term care facilities, health care professionals and public health professionals. The website is available at <https://nj.gov/health/coronavirus>.

Human Services

The Department of Human Services's Division of Family Development will implement the following policies, effective immediately:

- Continue to pay child care providers for an extended period of time encouraged for those required to close by the health department, school district, or county executive related to COVID-19;
- Ensure providers commit to clean at the highest level of disinfection cleaning during this period of time;
- Waive parents/caregivers' child care subsidy co-payments for parents who request it due to impacts from COVID-19;
- Provide child care providers who remain open during this critical time a differential of \$100 per child each month above the state reimbursed rate for children enrolled in the child care subsidy program;
- Compensate providers who remain open even if children are absent due to COVID-19;
- Give extended time to working parents to submit verification of work hours for the initial application process;

- Extend recertification timelines for at least three months in order for child care services to remain open;
- Allow parents or caregivers to continue their child care subsidy if their hours are reduced or if they are laid off due to COVID-19; and
- Make grants available for child care providers who participate in the child care subsidy program, including family child care providers, to clean and sanitize their facility or home; or to purchase additional supplies or services necessary to keeping centers and homes safe and sanitary.

Please find attached a press release from the department providing more detail on the actions taken.

Treasury

In order to protect public health, the Department of the Treasury on Wednesday announced the limited closure of a number of its offices that serve walk-in clientele while divisions work to review and revise existing protocols. The offices are expected to be closed through at least March 31, with an anticipated reopening of April 1. Taxpayers, individuals, and businesses will still be able to access these services online, over the phone, or through the mail during these limited closures. Please see the attached press release for more details.

OAG

On Monday the Attorney General issued guidance to law enforcement on Executive Order 104. Please see attached.

Senator Vin Gopal
Majority Conference Leader
11th Legislative District

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Vin Gopal](#)
Subject: NJ Transit
Date: Wednesday, March 21, 2018 11:34:16 PM

Hello Elected Leaders:

I will be meeting with the Executive Director of NJ Transit later this week. If you have any specific concerns you would like me to discuss with him, please let me know.

Thank you

Vin

Senator Vin Gopal

Vice-Chairman, Senate Transportation Committee

Member, Economic Growth Committee

Member, Health, Human Services & Senior Citizens Committee

11th Legislative District - Monmouth County

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Nicholas Williams](#)
Subject: Fwd: Alarming Number of Dead Fish in Local Waters
Date: Sunday, April 18, 2021 6:11:15 PM

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Vin Gopal** <[xxx@xxxxxxxx.xx](#)>
Date: Fri, Apr 16, 2021 at 2:18 PM
Subject: Alarming Number of Dead Fish in Local Waters
To: Eric Houghtaling <[xxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxx.x](#)>, Joann Downey
<[xxxxxxxxxx@xxxxx.xx](#)>, Davis, Dyese <[xxxxxx@xxxxx.x](#)>, Little, Tom
<[xxxxxx@xxxxx.x](#)>, Brennan, Aislinn <[xxxxxxxx@xxxxx.xx](#)>, Gopal, Sen. D.O.
<[xxxxxxxx@xxxxx.x](#)>, Houghtaling, Asm. D.O. <[xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxx.x](#)>, Downey,
Asw. D.O. <[xxxxxxxx@xxxxx.xx](#)>

Good Afternoon and Hope this email finds you well.

At the request of some of our towns, we will be setting up a call on April 19th at 4pm with DEP Assistant Commissioner for Natural and Historic Resources Ray Bukowski along with other folks at DEP to give an overview and answer questions regarding the dead fish which are washing up on our waters.

This invite is open to Mayors, Council Presidents and Business Administrators but if you would like to invite someone on your team to attend who is handling this issue for you locally, please just let us know.

Please confirm RSVP on who is attending and Dyese will send out zoom info Monday.

Thanks so much and have a good weekend

Vin Gopal, Eric Houghtaling and Joann Downey

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Nicholas Williams](#); [Krishna Martes](#)
Subject: Re: Dedication of New Building
Date: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 1:58:36 AM

Thnx pal. Krishna pls add as FYI

I will try to make it

On Tue, Dec 15, 2020 at 2:42 PM Nicholas Williams <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)> wrote:

You should come to this as well. You represent Neptune I believe too as well as Eric.
Get [Outlook for iOS](#)

From: Vito Gadaleta <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>
Sent: Tuesday, December 15, 2020 1:51:10 PM
To: OEM <[xxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Michael Brantley <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Gene Anthony (<[xxxxxx@xxx.xxx](#)>) <[xxxxxx@xxx.xxx](#)>; Kevin McMillan <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Michael Bascom <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Nicholas Williams <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Rick Cuttrel <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Robert Lane <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Bernard Haney <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Bil Rosen <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Bill Doolittle <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; James Hunt <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; David Milmo <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Dawn Thompson <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Debra Latshaw <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Edward Finlay <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Edward Hudson <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Hugh Hinds <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; [xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#) <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Larry Fisher <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Leanne Hoffmann <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Randy Bishop <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Scott Longano <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Stephanie Oppegaard <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Ursula Postell <[xxxxxx.xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>
Subject: Dedication of New Building

Good afternoon. The dedication of the new DPW/OEM/Engineering building will take place this Friday, December 18 at 10:00 am. This will be a scaled down, socially distanced event. Mayor Lane, members of the Township Committee, along with Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling, will join with Township staff and volunteers to dedicate this new facility.

Hopefully you will be able to join in on Friday. Please be sure to wear a mask and abide by social distancing guidelines.

I would ask that if you plan on attending the event you acknowledge same to my attention. Thanks.

Vito D. Gadaleta

Vito D. Gadaleta, RMC, QPA, NJCEM

Business Administrator

Township of Neptune

732-988-5200, ext. 232

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Good afternoon,

The following press release has been sent on behalf of the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders:



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
April 2, 2020

Monmouth County has 1,482 positive cases of COVID-19

FREEHOLD, NJ –Monmouth County Freeholder Director Thomas A. Arnone and Freeholder Deputy Director Susan M. Kiley have announced that, as of April 2, there are 1,482 positive cases of COVID-19 in Monmouth County.

“It is so important to remember that the best defense we have against COVID-19 is social distancing,” said Freeholder Director Thomas A. Arnone. “No matter where you are, you should be practicing social distancing, whether you are at work, a grocery store, getting takeout, outside taking a walk or riding a bike and even in your homes. We need everyone to do their part to help slow the spread.”

The breakdown by municipality is as follows:

- Aberdeen: 43
- Allentown: 1
- Asbury Park: 24
- Atlantic Highlands: 8
- Avon-by-the-Sea: 3
- Belmar: 4
- Bradley Beach: 7
- Brielle: 10
- Colts Neck: 23
- Deal: 7
- Eatontown: 47
- Englishtown: 7
- Fair Haven: 13
- Farmingdale: 6

- Freehold Borough: 15
- Freehold Township: 111
- Hazlet: 59
- Highlands: 6
- Holmdel: 55
- Howell: 116
- Keansburg: 30
- Keyport: 10
- Lake Como: 4
- Little Silver: 17
- Loch Arbour: 1
- Long Branch: 55
- Manalapan: 130
- Manasquan: 14
- Marlboro: 110
- Matawan: 33
- Middletown: 137
- Millstone: 14
- Monmouth Beach: 5
- Neptune City: 9
- Neptune Township: 66
- Ocean: 54
- Oceanport: 18
- Red Bank: 29
- Rumson: 19
- Sea Bright: 2
- Sea Girt: 5
- Shrewsbury Borough: 16
- Shrewsbury Township: 3
- Spring Lake: 5
- Spring Lake Heights: 7
- Tinton Falls: 27
- Union Beach: 1
- Upper Freehold: 15
- Wall: 55
- West Long Branch: 19

The Freeholders remind residents to fill out the 2020 Census by going to 2020census.gov or call 844-330-2020 to make sure everyone in their household is counted. The Census count determines how New Jersey is represented in Congress and directly impacts federal funding.

The Freeholders also remind residents that Monmouth County's healthcare workers and first responders are in desperate need of personal protective equipment which has become increasingly scarce due to the ongoing battle against COVID-19.

Donations of personal protective equipment items are being accepted at Thompson Park, 805 Newman Springs Road, in Lincroft, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Friday, April 3. For additional information, or to arrange the drop-off of personal protective equipment, please call 732-842-4000, ext. 4312.

Monmouth County news updates and information regarding the COVID-19 situation are posted at www.visitmonmouth.com.

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Tricia Ring Wajda

Director of Public Information & Tourism

Monmouth County

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From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Robert Lane](#)
Subject: Re: Covid-19 Impact
Date: Friday, April 10, 2020 5:46:26 PM

Rob - I will send \$500 - where can i mail?

On Fri, Apr 10, 2020 at 1:17 PM Robert Lane <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Good afternoon Vin, thanks again for offering to help out the Jersey Shore Dream Center. I left Mary a message 10 minutes ago and they responded already with an email I'm forwarding it to you now. Any questions please reach me on my cell 732-682-7333. Thanks again Senator Vin Gopal.
All the best,

Robert Lane Jr.
Mayor
xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx
732-988-5200 ext. 293

“When you think positive, good things happen”

From: Jersey Shore Dream Center <xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxx.xxx>
Sent: Friday, April 10, 2020 1:13 PM
To: Robert Lane
Subject: Covid-19 Impact

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Again thank you for all you do and for helping us fulfill this great need during this time!

Together,
Mary MacNeill Hillegass

Director 

Jersey Shore Dream Center

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From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Robert Lane](#)
Subject: Re: Neptune Twp.
Date: Thursday, April 9, 2020 12:33:36 PM

Did u see Governors order on construction? Nonessential is being shut down

On Thu, Apr 9, 2020 at 12:26 PM Robert Lane <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:
No problem Vin, I'm working on a job today and thr porta potty's have no more hand sanitizer now but he wants to keep working it is essential job.

All the best,
Robert Lane Jr.
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"When you think positive, good things happen"

From: Vin Gopal <[xxx@xxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>
Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2020 12:22:11 PM
To: Robert Lane <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>
Cc: Nicholas Williams <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Vito Gadaleta <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Carol Rizzo <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Kevin McMillan <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Michael Brantley <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Bil Rosen <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Michael Bascom <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>
Subject: Re: Neptune Twp.

Thank you stuff I primarily have is for first responders and police officers and is limited. If anything leftover will let you know

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I could use some hand sanitizer

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From: Nicholas Williams <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>
Sent: Wednesday, April 8, 2020 10:14:22 AM
To: Vin Gopal <[xxx@xxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>; Vito Gadaleta <[xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)>

Cc: Carol Rizzo <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Robert Lane <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Kevin McMillan <xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Michael Brantley <xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Bil Rosen <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Michael Bascom <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Subject: Re: Neptune Twp.

I can use a sanitizer. Nikki was making it for awhile to keep in our vehicles.
Nick

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From: Vin Gopal <xxx@xxxxxxxxxxx>
Sent: Wednesday, April 8, 2020 12:49:12 AM
To: Vito Gadaleta <xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
Cc: Carol Rizzo <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Robert Lane <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Kevin McMillan <xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Nicholas Williams <xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Michael Brantley <xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Bil Rosen <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Michael Bascom <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
Subject: Re: Neptune Twp.

We are getting a big order of hand sanitizer and gloves coming in. Do you need either?

On Tue, Mar 31, 2020 at 6:20 AM Vito Gadaleta <xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Thanks Senator.

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From: Vin Gopal <xxx@xxxxxxxxxxx>
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2020 7:01:16 PM
To: Vito Gadaleta <xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Carol Rizzo <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Robert Lane <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Kevin McMillan <xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Nicholas Williams <xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Michael Brantley <xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Bil Rosen <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Michael Bascom <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
Subject: Neptune Twp.

Good Afternoon,

On behalf of the Vin Gopal Civic Association, we are donating to the
Neptune Twp. Police and First Aid
the following items.

50 KN95 Masks - Neptune Police Dept.
5 Bottles of Sanitizer - Neptune Police Dept.

150 KN95 Masks - Neptune Twp. EMS/First Aid

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This should be picked up tomorrow at
The Eatontown Police Department
47 Broad Street
Eatontown, NJ

on Tuesday March 31st between 12pm and 4pm.

I want to thank Chief Lucia of Eatontown for partnering with us on this. Pickup will be at the Police Department and you may ask for Danielle at Dispatch. We will continue to get more orders of PPE in, for future needs, please [click here](#) and we will try to continue to do future donations.

Also note, we donated 300 KN95 Masks to Community Medical Center which a staff member said they would bring over to the security desk.

Thank you and stay safe

Vin

Senator Vin Gopal
Majority Conference Leader
11th Legislative District

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Robert Lane](#); [Vito Gadaleta](#)
Subject: Re: Taxes
Date: Thursday, April 16, 2020 3:16:29 PM

Mayor - I would not expect an extension as that has the potential to affect school, municipal and county budgets. Trying to navigate this issue but won't happen for May 1t.

Adding Vito happy to do a call with you both if helpful to understand Neptune's specific situation

Thanks,

Vin

On Wed, Apr 15, 2020 at 9:11 AM Robert Lane <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:
Morning Vin The State has not yet authorized an extension for the [May 1](#) property tax period. We are waiting to see if that changes. But as of now, it is the usual, [May 1](#) due date with a 10 day grace period. Did you hear anything about this yet ?

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From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Robert Lane](#); [Shirley St. Clair](#)
Subject: Re: Covid-19 Impact
Date: Friday, April 10, 2020 5:57:10 PM

Thanks Shirley pls send

On Fri, Apr 10, 2020 at 5:56 PM Robert Lane <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:
Thanks again Vin ,The address is 1710 Columbus NJ 07753

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From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Vin Gopal](#)
Subject: 1pm Zoom
Date: Monday, June 1, 2020 1:49:39 AM

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Outdoor Dining will be permitted by the state beginning June 15th

Thanks,

Vin

Zoom info:

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Meeting ID: 826 4446 7532
Password: 856651

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Meeting ID: 826 4446 7532
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From: [Vin Gopal](#)
Subject: Invitation to AT&T FirstNet Executive Briefing
Date: Tuesday, February 25, 2020 4:47:25 PM

Dear Friend,

I would like to invite you to the [FirstNet](#) Executive Briefing on Tuesday, March 3rd in Bedminster, NJ from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

The event will feature a tour of the AT&T Global Network Operations Center (GNOC) and an executive briefing regarding FirstNet. Following the presentation, you will receive an overview of FirstNet and participate in a discussion covering the Sandy Hook tragedy led by Col. Dan Stebbins of the Connecticut State Police (retired).

More information about FirstNet can be found [here](#).

We currently expect other attendees to include school officials and command staff from police, fire, and EMS departments from around the state. You are welcome to invite guests, so long as you provide their contact information alongside your RSVP.

To RSVP, you can contact Sebastian Donaruma of AT&T Mobility Services at [xxxxxxxxx.xxxxxxxxxx@xxx.xxx](#), or Peter Karavites with 3OS Technologies at [xxxxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx](#).

I hope that this opportunity proves fruitful for you and the residents of your community.

Sincerely,
Vin Gopal

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Robert Lane](#); [Eric Houghtaling](#)
Subject: Re: Important question about the new property tax surcharge
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 1:52:24 AM

Not sure that the resident is accurate. Adding Eric.

If we don't borrow, it could lead to massive layoffs of police and schools. State has received no funding in recent months

On Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 5:28 AM Robert Lane <[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](#)> wrote:
Morning Vin, can you give me an update for this question I received over the weekend.

All the best,
Robert Lane Jr.
Mayor
[xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx](#)
732-988-5200 ext. 293

“When you think positive, good things happen”

From: Janet Bassano <[xxxxxxxxxx@xxx.xxx](#)>
Sent: Sunday, June 7, 2020 5:27 PM
To: Robert Lane
Cc: Kevin McMillan; Kristina Torres; John Moor; Christenson, Pat And Jim
Subject: Important question about the new property tax surcharge

Hello Mayor Lane,

I am contacting you about the new property tax surcharge that has been approved by the state and Governor Murphy. My question is, if you are a senior who has already qualified for a tax freeze, will you still be required to pay the additional amount that may be added?

If so, I find this very unfair. The governor stated that if we don't borrow and do bonds we would need to raise property taxes. But at least if taxes were raised, instead of adding a surcharge, it would not hurt those seniors on fixed budgets who just can't take any more increases in costs. Not to mention the much higher food costs as of late.

If this surcharge is allowed and we are not exempt, this is a strain on we seniors and a windfall for the government. And once it happens, there is no reason why it couldn't happen over and over again through the years. Which certainly nullifies the tax freeze.

To make it even worse, I've been told that the state has already used the money designated for the tax freeze this year so we will not be receiving any tax freeze refund checks this year. So that means higher taxes AND a surcharge.

It seems so outrageous that the state can impose a lockdown which causes havoc with everyone's finances and by forcing businesses to close causes lost income for the state, so it turns around and makes us pay more to cover their losses and balance their budget.

This is after our schools are already losing some funding which usually leads to higher taxes as

well.

I hope you will take what I have said to heart and will discuss it with others who may be able to stop this injustice. Maybe even call Governor Murphy and see if an exemption to the surcharge for those on a tax freeze could be added.

I am willing to help in any way I can and I appreciate any help you can give with this issue.

Sincerely,

Janet Bassano

732-455-5210

Sent from my iPad

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Robert Lane](#)
Cc: [Vito Gadaleta](#); [Dyese Davis](#)
Subject: Re: Signs
Date: Sunday, May 9, 2021 12:22:21 AM

Committeeman - Adding Dyese for followup. Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

On May 8, 2021, at 7:17 PM, Robert Lane <xxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Good evening Vin, do you think it's possible for you to help move the signs, we will having a memorial day service at the monument on Broadway and 71?

All the best,
Robert Lane Jr.
committeeman
xxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
732-988-5200 ext. 292

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From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Robert Lane](#)
Subject: Re: Neptune Twp to Receive Nearly 400k in increased special ed funding
Date: Tuesday, July 13, 2021 8:55:58 AM

yes of course

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 13, 2021, at 8:52 AM, Robert Lane <xxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Morning Vin, I want to thank you again for working hard for us to get the special ed funding increase. I do write an article for the Neptune seniors once a month can I mention that in my article?

Rob

All the best,
Robert Lane Jr.
committeeman
xxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
732-988-5200 ext. 292

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From: Vin Gopal <xxx@xxxxxxxxxxx>
Sent: Monday, July 12, 2021 8:54:22 PM
To: Neptune Twp. - Dr. Tami Crader <xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx>; Robert Lane <xxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Tassie York <xxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Michael Brantley <xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Nicholas Williams <xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; Keith Cafferty <kcafferty@neptunetownship.org>; Vito Gadaleta <xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>; BConnaughton@neptune.k12.nj.us <xxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx>; xxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx <xxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx>; xxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx <xxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx>; xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx>; xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx>; xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx>; xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx>; xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx>; xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx>; xxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xx.xx>
Cc: Eric Houghtaling <xxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx>; Joann Downey

<xxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxx.xxx>; Little, Tom <xxxxxxxx@xxxxx.xxx>; Davis, Dyese
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Subject: Neptune Twp to Receive Nearly 400k in increased special ed funding

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Reach out anytime if we can be helpful

Senator Vin Gopal
Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling
Assemblywoman Joann Downey

From: [Vin Gopal](#)
To: [Neptune Twp. - Dr. Tami Crader](#); [Robert Lane](#); [Tassie York](#); [Michael Brantley](#); [Nicholas Williams](#); [Keith Cafferty](#); [Vito Gadaleta](#); [xxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx.xx.xx](#); [xxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx.xx.xx](#); [xxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx.xx.xx](#); [xxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx.xx.xx](#); [xxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx.xx.xx](#); [xxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx.xx.xx](#); [xxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx.xx.xx](#); [xxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx.xx.xx](#); [xxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx.xx.xx](#); [xxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx.xx.xx](#); [xxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxx.xxx.xx.xx](#)
Cc: [Eric Houghtaling](#); [Joann Downey](#); [Little, Tom](#); [Davis, Dyese](#)
Subject: Neptune Twp to Receive Nearly 400k in increased special ed funding
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