

# BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2024 7:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** 

Council Members:

Aimee Corzo, Council Vice President Suezette Given Steven McIntyre Everett Merrill Keiona R. Miller Wendy Schaefer Frank "Skip" Stabile, Council President

**Compliance Statement** 

**APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES:** 

Agenda Conference & Regular Meeting for March 11, 2024

Roll Call

**RESOLUTION:Ms. Schaefer:03-25-24-01**Intro of New Ordinance No. 24-06

INTRODUCTION OF NEW ORDINANCE NO. 24-06 CALENDAR YEAR 2024 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S. 40A:45-14)

Reading of title by Acting Clerk

Roll Call

RESOLUTION: Mr. McIntyre: 03-25-04-02

Intro to 2024 Municipal Budget

# INTRODUCTION OF THE 2024 MUNICIPAL BUDGET, AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION AND FIXING DATE OF HEARING

Roll Call

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Statement by Council President

# RESOLUTION: Ms. Corzo: 03-25-24-03 <u>Approving Consent Agenda</u>

Roll Call

- a. Resolution Refund of Construction Permit
- b. Resolution for Appointing Desmond Clark as Class III Special Law Enforcement Officer
- c. Resolution for Consolidated Bill List

#### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

NJDEP Office of Local Government Service Assistance	Weekly Newsletter
New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection	Newsletter
Municipal Hotel & Motel Occupancy Tax Distribution	Monthly Report
Somerset County Board of Commissioners	Various Newsletters

# **REPORTS:**

**BOARD OF HEALTH – FEBRUARY 2024** 

POLICE DEPARTMENT – JANUARY 2024

# **REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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

# COMMENTS BY MAYOR, ADMINISTRATOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

## ADJOURNMENT

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 03-25-24-01**

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of North Plainfield that an Ordinance numbered 24-06 be read by its title by the Borough Clerk and be passed on its first reading and advertised as required by statute, fixing April 8, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, as the time and the North Plainfield Council Chambers, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey or Zoom as the place for hearing and final adoption.

**Council President** 

Council Member

Introduced: March 25, 2024

Adopted: March 25, 2024

# BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD SOMERSET COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 24-06**

#### CALENDAR YEAR 2024 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS <u>AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)</u>

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

**WHEREAS,** N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield in the County of Somerset finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2024 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council hereby determines that a 1.0 % increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$245,442.17 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, in the County of Somerset, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2024 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of North Plainfield shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5 %, amounting to \$859,047.60, and that the CY 2024 municipal budget for the Borough of North Plainfield be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

INTRODUCED: PASSED: PUBLISHED: ADOPTED: ROLL CALL:

AYES: NAYS: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:

ATTEST:

Michele Garry Acting Borough Clerk

Council President

Lawrence LaRonde Mayor

# MUNICIPAL BUDGET NOTICE

Sectic	en 1.						
	Municipal Budget of the	BOROUGH	of NOR	TH PLAINFIELD	_, County of	SOMERSET	for the Fiscal Year 2024
	Be it Resolved, that the foll	owing statements of revenues a	and appropriations shall co	nstitute the Municipal Budget fo	or the year 2024;		
	Be it Further Resolved, that	t said Budget be published in th	1e	Courier News			
	in the issue of	April 8, 2024					
	The Governing Body of the	BOROUGH	_ ofNORTH	PLAINFIELD does	s hereby approve the f	following as the Bud	get for the year 2024:
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	RECORDED V	OTE				Abstained	
	<u>(Insert Last Name)</u>						
		Ayes	5	Nays			
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						Absent	
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		the Budget and Tax Resolution				BO	IN OUGH
of		FIELD , County		, onMarch	, 2024.		
	A Hearing on the Budget ar	nd Tax Resolution will be held a	at Borough of	f North Plainfield , on	April	,2	2024 at
7:30	o'clock <u>P.M.</u> at which tim	ne and place objections to said E	Budget and Tax Resolution	for the year 2024 may be pres	sented by taxpayers or	other	
interest	ed persons.		ξ				

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# EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

# SUMMARY OF CURRENT FUND SECTION OF APPROVED BUDGET

			YEAR 2024
General Appropriations For: (Reference to item and sheet number should be	mitted in adv	vertised budget)	xxx×xxxxxxxx
1. Appropriations within "CAPS" -			XXXXXXXXXXXXX
(a) Municipal Purposes {(Item H-1, Sheet 19)(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.2)}			25,441,584.75
2. Appropriations excluded from "CAPS" -			XXXXXXXXXXXX
(a) Municipal Purposes {(Item H-2, Sheet 28)(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53.3 as a	nended)}		4,922,504.19
(b) Local District School Purposes in Municipal Budget (Item K, Shee	29)		14
Total General Appropriations excluded from "CAPS" (Item O,	Sheet 29)		4,922,504.19
3. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes (Item M, Sheet 29) Based on Estimated	97.53%	Percent of Tax Collections	1,650,000.00
		Building Aid Allowance 2024 - \$	
4. Total General Appropriations (Item 9, Sheet 29)		for Schools-State Aid 2023 - \$	32,014,088.94
5. Less: Anticipated Revenues Other Than Current Property Tax (Item 5, Shee	<b>t 11)</b> (i.e. Surplu	s, Miscellaneous Revenues and Receipts from Delinquent Taxes)	7,766,276.69
6. Difference: Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budge	(as follows)		xxxxxxxxxxxx
(a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including Reserve for U	ncollected Ta	xes (Item 6(a), Sheet 11)	24,247,812.25
(b) Addition to Local District School Tax (Item 6(b), Sheet 11)			
(c) Minimum Library Tax			-

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 03-25-24-03**

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

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

#### 03-24-24-03 a thru c

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

**Council President** 

Council Member

Introduced:March 25, 2024Adopted:March 25, 2024

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 03-25-04-03a**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to refund the following:

#### **Refund of Building Permit:**

Sunrun Installation Services Inc.\$ 5,222.00Attn: A/P775 Fiero Lane, Suite 200San Luis Obispo, Ca 93401Re: 19 Borough Properties as attached

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: March 25, 2024 Adopted: March 25, 2024

#### CERTIFICATION

I, Michele Irby Garry, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council at a meeting of the Borough Council held on March 25, 2024.

> Michele Irby Garry Acting Borough Clerk Borough of North Plainfield

Date signed: March 25, 2024

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 03-25-24-03b**

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

## RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPOINTING DESMOND CLARK AS CLASS III SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR COMMENCING ON APRIL 1, 2024 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2024.

WHEREAS, North Plainfield Chief of Police William Parenti finds it necessary to nominate for appointment Special Law Enforcement Officers to assist in the enforcement of the laws, regulations and ordinances of the Borough of North Plainfield for the safety and benefit of the residents of the Borough of North Plainfield; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Borough Code §2-21 authorizes the appointment of Special Law Enforcement Officers upon the nomination of the Chief of Police to the Mayor, who shall recommend their appointment to the Borough Council for approval; and,

**WHEREAS,** North Plainfield Chief of Police William Parenti has nominated Desmond Clark to serve as Class III Special Law Enforcement Officer for a term commencing on April 1, 2024 through August 31, 2024; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Mayor has recommended to the Borough Council the appointment of Class II and Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers to the Borough Council to the North Plainfield Police Department appointment upon such terms:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Borough Council hereby appoints Desmond Clark to serve as Class III Special Law Enforcement Officer for a term commencing on April 1, 2024 through August 31, 2024; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that a certified copy of the within Resolution be forwarded to the Mayor, Chief of Police, Police Captain, Borough Administrator, Personnel files, Payroll Department and Sabrina Brison.

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: March 25, 2024 Adopted: March 25, 2024

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Michele Irby Garry Acting Borough Clerk Borough of North Plainfield

Date signed: March 25, 2024

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 03-25-24-03c**

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that the attached bills of the accounts named and for the amounts stated, having been duly audited and found to be correct as of this 25th day of March 2024 the same be paid; and that the Mayor and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized to sign and deliver warrants for the same.

**Council President** 

Council Member

Introduced: March 25, 2024 Adopted: March 25, 2024

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Date signed: March 25, 2024

# February 2024

# Board of Health Monthly Report



# North Plainfield

PREPARED BY THE SOMERSET COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH



# Somerset County Department of Health – Board of Health Monthly Report North Plainfield February 2024

**Communicable Disease and Nursing** 

# **Schools Immunization Audits**



Yearly audits of Preschool, Elementary, Middle and High School student immunization records to ensure compliance with NJ Law regarding immunization requirements.

#### Immunization Audits for Schools/Daycare Facilities

• Holy Cross Preschool

# **Community Disease Control and Prevention**



Investigation, surveillance, and reporting of communicable diseases.

- → Cases of all reportable communicable diseases continue to be investigated on a daily basis as per NJDOH guidance.
- → SCDOH works with schools, daycares, long-term care facilities, and other non-healthcare settings to identify outbreaks and provide public health recommendations to these facilities.
- → Tuberculosis (TB) control through case monitoring and management, contact follow-up, and provision of medications.
- → Childhood lead poisoning prevention through blood lead screening and assessment of lifestyle and environment for sources of lead.
  - New cases of elevated blood lead levels: 1
  - Repeat testing for elevated blood lead levels: 4
  - Home visits conducted for elevated blood lead levels: 2
  - Closed cases of elevated blood lead levels: 4
  - Environmental Inspection(s): 1
- → Chronic disease resources are available as well as educational programs and screenings to increase awareness, encourage prevention, and promote early detection of cancer and other chronic diseases. Chronic disease prevention efforts and outreach are in collaboration with various community organizations and members.



Total Number of Communicable Disease Cases Investigated

35

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#### Top Three Communicable Diseases

- Novel Coronavirus- 2019 NCOV 29
- Hepatitis B 4
- Streptococcus Agalactiae (GBS)-1

# **Emergency Preparedness**



COVID-19 vaccines are administered at various clinics throughout the County - total of **68,305** COVID-19 vaccines administered since December 2020. SCDOH conducts homebound COVID-19 vaccinations for residents who for medical or other reasons are unable to travel to the County clinics.



# Somerset County Department of Health – Board of Health Monthly Report North Plainfield February 2024

**Consumer Health** 

### **Consumer Health Program Overview**

- Plan Reviews: 0
- Retail food inspections: 22
- Retail Food re-inspections: 2
- Retail Food pre-operational inspections: 0
- Special Event applications: 0
- Complaint Investigations: 4
- Received animal bite report: 1
- Chicken Coop inspection: 0

# Administrative

- - File Searches: 1
  - Issued retail food, hotel, recreational bathing, and vending machine licenses.

# **Training and Education**

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None to report for this month

# Environmental



- Well Installation Inspections: 0
- Well Installation Permits Issued: 0
- Septic Inspection Reports: 0

# **Childhood Lead Prevention**

- New cases of elevated blood lead levels: 1
- Repeat testing for elevated blood lead levels: 4
- Home visits conducted for elevated blood lead levels: 2
- Closed cases of elevated blood lead levels: 4
- Environmental Inspections: 1

# **Court Proceedings / Enforcement Actions**

- Notice of Violation (NOVs) Issued: 0
- Court Appearances: 0
- Fines Issued: \$ 0

# **Basic Food Handler Certification**



• Completion of ServSafe Basic Food Handler course: 1



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**Consumer Health** 

Monthly Activity F Inspections Body Art Facilities Child Care Demolition Hotels Housing	Initial	coruary	Follow-up
Body Art Facilities Child Care Demolition Hotels			
Child Care Demolition Hotels			
Demolition			
Hotels			
Housing			
Housing Common Area		·	
Massage Parlor			
Mobile Food			
Retail Food	22		2
Retail Food Pre-op		)	
Recreational Bathing Schools			
Septic System Abandonment			
Septic System Installation		,	
Temp. Food			
UST Removal			
Vending			
Well Abandonment			
Well Installation			
Youth Camp			
Investigations			
Property Maintenance			
Garbage/Debris			
Vermin/Insect			
Animal	1		
Mold			
Heat			
Retail Food	4		
Housing/Multiple Dwelling			
Sewage			
Lead			
Odor-Non-CEHA			
Noise-Non-CEHA			
Other			
Reviews			
File	1		
Laboratory Results			
Planning Board/ Board of Adj.		-	
PWTA Reports Retail Food			
Septic System			
Soil Importation			
Special Events			
Miscellaneous			
		-	
Administrati∨e Hearings			
Consultations			
Court Appearances			
Fines			
NOVs Issued			
Permeability Test Witnessing			
Rabies Investigation			
Short Courses		2	
Summonses Issued			
TRC Meetings			

# **RETAIL FOOD INSPECTION RATINGS REPORT**

COMPANY NAME	CITY	RISK TYPE	INSPECT DATE	SAT	SAT-A	SAT-B	COND SAT	UNSAT	PRE-OP INSP	INITIAL INSP	RE- INSP	FOLLOW- UP
7-ELEVEN #18141E	NORTH PLAINFIELD	2	2/5/2024									
RINCON LATINO RESTAURANTE	NORTH PLAINFIELD	3	2/6/2024								$\square$	
WORLD SUPERMARKET NP	NORTH PLAINFIELD	2	2/6/2024									
ST PETER TRADE LLC	NORTH PLAINFIELD	1	2/6/2024									
EL REFUGIO RESTAURANTE	NORTH PLAINFIELD	3	2/7/2024									
WAWA 8397	NORTH PLAINFIELD	2	2/7/2024			$\checkmark$						
JAVA JOINT NP LLC	NORTH PLAINFIELD	2	2/8/2024									
TACOS EL CREDOR	NORTH PLAINFIELD	3	2/8/2024									
AMAZING TASTE NP	NORTH PLAINFIELD	3	2/14/2024									
GERTRUDE HAWK	NORTH PLAINFIELD	1	2/14/2024									
RINCON LATINO RESTAURANTE	NORTH PLAINFIELD	3	2/21/2024								$\checkmark$	
KWICK SHOP & DELI	NORTH PLAINFIELD	2	2/21/2024									
WORLD SUPERMARKET NP	NORTH PLAINFIELD	2	2/22/2024									
HAPPY DAY CONVENIENCE STORE	NORTH PLAINFIELD	1	2/22/2024									
QUICK CHEK #172	NORTH PLAINFIELD	2	2/23/2024									
HERBS LIQUORS	NORTH PLAINFIELD	1	2/23/2024									
COSTCO WHOLESALE #1166	NORTH PLAINFIELD	1	2/26/2024									
CLUB DEMONSTRATION SERVICES INC	NORTH PLAINFIELD	2	2/26/2024									
GRAB & GO	NORTH PLAINFIELD	2	2/27/2024			$\checkmark$						
GLOBAL EXPRESS MART	NORTH PLAINFIELD	2	2/27/2024									
NB LIQUORS	NORTH PLAINFIELD	1	2/26/2024									
FRESH MART	NORTH PLAINFIELD	2	2/28/2024			$\checkmark$						
NEW DELI	NORTH PLAINFIELD	1	2/28/2024									
LA ARCA MULTISERVICES LLC	NORTH PLAINFIELD	2	2/29/2024									
AMAYA EXPRESS	NORTH PLAINFIELD	1	2/29/2024									

COMPANY NAME	CITY	RISK TYPE	INSPECT DATE	SAT	SAT-A	SAT-B	COND SAT	UNSAT	PRE-OP INSP	INITIAL INSP	RE- INSP	FOLLOW- UP
			TOTALS	0	0	0	3	0	0	22	2	. 0

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# COMPLAINTS REPORT -- 2/1/2024 TO 2/29/2024

PROPERTY / LOC ADDRESS	GEROGRAPHIC AREA	TYPE	ACTION	STATUS	DATE RECEIVED	DATE of INVESTIGATION	FILE NUMBER
401 US 22 NORTH PLAINFIELD	NORTH PLAINFIELD	ANIMAL	REFFERED	CLOSED	2/20/2024	2/20/2024	NP-24-02-19-0004
266 SOMERSET STREET NP	NORTH PLAINFIELD	RETAIL FOOD ESTABLISHMENT	INVESTIGATION	CLOSED	2/26/2024	2/27/2024	NP-24-02-26-0007
643 ROUTE 22 WEST	NORTH PLAINFIELD	RETAIL FOOD ESTABLISHMENT	INVESTIGATION	CLOSED	2/26/2024	2/27/2024	NP-24-02-26-0006
1325 ROUTE 22	NORTH PLAINFIELD	RETAIL FOOD ESTABLISHMENT	INVESTIGATION	CLOSED	2/26/2024	2/27/2024	NP-24-02-27-0005
179 SOMERSET STREET NP	NORTH PLAINFIELD	RETAIL FOOD ESTABLISHMENT	INVESTIGATION	CLOSED	2/26/2024	2/28/2024	NP-24-02-26-0008



# Somerset County Department of Health – Board of Health Monthly Report North Plainfield Borough February 2024

# **County Environmental Compliance & Enforcement**



- Dry cleaner inspections: 0
- B Source: 1
- Noise Complaints: 0
- Complaints: 0
- NJDEP referrals: 0
- Idling enforcement: 0

#### Solid Waste



- Facility inspections: 0
- Demo checks: 0
- Container inspections: 0
- Hauler inspections: 0
- Single-Use Plastics Inspection: 0
- Complaints: 0
- NJDEP referrals: 0

Water



- Water pollution investigations: 0
- Transient well inspections: 0
- Non transient well inspections: 0
- Complaints: 0
- NJDEP referrals: 0

#### Pesticides



- IPM inspections: 0
- Landscaper inspections: 0
- Complaints: 0
- NJDEP referrals: 0

#### **Open Public Records Act (OPRA)**

• OPRA reports completed: 0



NJDEP = New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection



# Somerset County Department of Health – Board of Health Monthly Report February 2024

**Health Education Services** 

### **Monthly Health Observances**



- SCDOH health educators promote and bring awareness to monthly health observances through press releases, social media & community outreach opportunities.
  - American Heart Month
  - Cancer Prevention Awareness Month
  - National Children's Dental Health Month
- Give Kids a Smile Day 2/2
- World Cancer Day 2/4

# Community Outreach/Programming – Listed on calendar below

- Social Media
  - Outreach on X (formerly known as Twitter) for monthly health observances, winter weather safety, Super Bowl food safety, emergency preparedness/MRC volunteering, flu/viruses, shingles vaccine, travel health, mpox, upcoming SCDOH programs/clinics etc.

# **Community Outreach/Programs**

- Winter Weather Preparedness Advertisement at the Bridgewater Commons Mall (ended on 2/18)
- Basic Food Handler Course 2/14
- Go Red Healthy Heart Wellness Day at Franklin Youth Center community outreach- 2/15
- Distribution of Chronic Disease books to Franklin Township Community/Senior Center & Somerville Senior Housing
- Tickborne Disease Basics Presentation to 56 Somerset County Park Commission employees 2/28 **Meetings** 
  - NJDOH Health Educator/Risk Communicator Skill Building Meeting 2/7
  - Healthier Somerset Chronic Disease CHIP Committee Meeting 2/14
  - Healthier Somerset Meeting 2/20
  - Somerville Farmers Market Meeting 2/21
  - Somerset County Latino Advisory Council Meeting 2/26
  - RCDC Grant Call with NJDOH 2/26

# Publications

- <u>Cancer Thriving & Surviving Workshop Flyer</u>
- What is Legal about Cancer? Flyer
- Press Release: <u>Somerset County Offers Free Spring Workshop on managing Type 2 Diabetes</u> 2/23

# **SCDOH Website Management**



- Webpage Updates
  - o Homepage → Diabetes Self-Management Program and Cancer Thriving and Surviving Program information
  - Health Education → Added Floodwater Safety Fact Sheet Spanish
  - $\circ$  COVID-19 Vaccines  $\rightarrow$  Added upcoming COVID-19 vaccination clinics
  - $\circ$  Calendar Events  $\textbf{\rightarrow}$  Added What's is Legal About Cancer? Virtual Presentation

# Upcoming/In Development



- Somerset County Parks Commission Tickborne Diseases Presentation 3/6
- Basic Food Handler Course 3/13
- Diabetes Self-Management Program 3/27 5/1
- Cancer: Thriving & Surviving Program 3/19 4/23
- What is legal about Cancer? Virtual Presentation 4/24

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Twitter posts for Health Observances throughout the month				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 HERC Skill Building	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 Food Handler Course Chronic Disease CHIP Committee Meeting	15 Franklin Youth Center Event	16	17
18	19	20 Healthier Somerset Meeting	21 Somerville Farmer's Market Meeting	22	23	24
25	26 SC Latino Advisory Council Meeting RCDC Meeting with NJDOH	27	28 Park Commission Presentation	29		



# Somerset County Department of Health – Board of Health Monthly Report February 2024

Public Health Emergency Preparedness – LINCS Team

# Public Health Emergency Preparedness Outreach/Activities

- NJDOH bi-weekly vaccine provider meetings
- Pickup COVID-19 vaccine doses from NJDOH MCM Bureau-2/6
- HERC/PHENS Skill Building Session #3 2/7
- Homebound vaccination 2/12 (2-North Plainfield, 1-Franklin, 1-Raritan) and 2/16/24 (3-Somerville)
- Central West Regional Meetings 2/15, 2/29
- COVID-19 vaccination clinic 2/21 Somerset County Senior Wellness Center at Bridgewater
- COVID-19 rapid antigen test-kit distribution 2,388 kits

#### LINCS Messages



The SCDOH receives the messages from the New Jersey Department of Health and disseminates them to county partners and organizations who are the target audiences for the message via email. There are seven categories.

- Public Health Information 10 messages sent
- Public Health Update 3 messages sent
- Public Health Advisory 2 messages sent
- Public Health Alert 3 messages sent
- Training 1 message sent
- Recalls 7 messages sent
- Somerset County Department of Health LINCS Messages 7 messages sent

# Somerset County Medical Reserve Corps

- Updated MRC Training Schedule
- Updated MRC Unit Capabilities Assessment
- Upcoming training Psychological First Aid 3/7

# **Upcoming/In Development**

- NJOEMS CEU Training- 3/1
- Annual MRC Technical Assistance Assessment with Region II Liaison 3/4
- MRC Training: Psychological First Aid-3/7
- Homebound vaccination- 3/14
- COVID-19 clinic Somerset County Senior Wellness Center at Bridgewater-3/20

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Homebound Vaccination	13	14	15	16 Homebound Vaccination	17
18	<b>19</b> Holiday	20	21 COVID-19 Clinic	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		

# Monthly Report January 2024



Accreditation demonstrates the professional achievements of the men and women of this Department. This recognition further demonstrates our collective dedication to excellence in professional Law Enforcement. By voluntarily meeting New Jersey Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission standards, the North Plainfield Police Department has shown itself willing to be held to a higher level of professionalism, building trust between the Department and the citizens it serves

Prepared For: Mayor Lawrence La Ronde

Prepared By: Chief William Parenti 263 Somerset Street North Plainfield, NJ 07060

# ADMINISTRATION:

# Staffing:

The Police Department is operating below its authorized strength of 48 sworn Officers. Staffing and deficiencies:

- 2 Patrol Officers
- 2 SLEO III Officers

Injured Officers/Officers on Leave:

- Det. William Parenti Jr. was involved in a motor vehicle accident on November 9, 2022 and remains out of work.
- Ptl. Romasz injured her leg while directing traffic on December 19, 2023. She is presently on light duty.

# Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

- Effective January 15, 2024, Ptl. Richard Dow was assigned School Resource Officer in the Criminal Investigation Unit.
- Effective January 15, 2024, Ptl. Alexis Castillo was assigned Acting Detective/Arrive Officer in the Criminal Investigation Unit.
- Effective January 30, 2024, Ptl. Omnya Al-Ahwol was accepted onto the Somerset County Crisis Negotiation Team as a Hostage Negotiator.

# CID Monthly Report

# A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On January 3, 2024 at 00:58 hrs., patrol units responded to a business on Route 22 West on the report of a possible burglary in progress with alarms activated. Officers checked the entire exterior of the building with negative results for suspects. Officers located a shattered glass window on the west side of the building and further observed a football size rock lying directly underneath the shattered window. Patrol entered the interior of the business and observed the registers and counter area to have been ransacked and nearly all registers were opened with no money left inside. The registers all had keys on the exterior drawers which appeared to have been left there by the staff. Numerous cabinets were also opened behind the register, however, nothing appeared to have been ransacked inside of them. The door leading to the back room was locked by a key card entry system where the marijuana product and vault is located. Surveillance showed three suspects dressed in black hooded sweat shirts and dark colored pants. They broke the glass and then fled because the alarm went off. Shortly after, they returned and quickly rummaged through the cash registers and the cabinets behind the registers taking money from the registers and then fleeing again northwest through the parking lot.

On January 9, 2024, at 0012 hrs., patrol units responded to the intersection of Linden Avenue and Duer Street on the report of a robbery which just occurred. The female victim reported that while walking home, she was approached by two black male suspects wearing black hooded jackets and black facial coverings. On the corner of Duer Street and Linden Avenue, one of the suspects grabbed onto her purse and forcefully pulled it from her arm, without saying anything to her. The suspects then ran into the middle of the intersection with her purse and entered a black sedan, possibly a Honda, and the suspects then fled east on Linden Avenue. No weapons were used by the suspects. The victim's NJ driver's license and Ibuprofen medication were inside her purse. The victim stated her purse was brown and made of leather and is valued at approximately \$40.00. An officer transported the victim to her residence after taking her report.

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## **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION:**

#### A comparison of Adult incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	80	80
Closed	32	32
Active	5	6
Suspended	42	42
Forwarded to SCPO	4	4

#### A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	10	10
Closed	10	10
Active	0	0
Suspended	0	0
Forwarded to other Agencies	0	0

#### **Community Outreach**

The Community Policing Unit made thirty-two (32) first time alarm notifications. D/Sgt. Domizi assisted in numerous translations for both patrol & CID. Lt. Ciempola attended the community forum meeting. D/Sgt. Domizi attended the Municipal Alliance meeting and the GSMIF Commissioner meeting.

#### Other Matters

CID tracked ten (10) Handle with Care notifications made to the school district. CID conducted seven (7) licensing investigations in January (6-Firearms, 1-Raffle). Lt. Ciempola conducted one (1) sex offender re-registration.

### Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

Det. Domizi had grand jury on January 10, 2024 for State v. Domingo Ixcuna-Ventura which was true billed for sexual assault. Det. Rogers had grand jury on January 18, 2024 for State v. Hugo Morales and Santos Vasquez which was true billed for weapons offenses.

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INTERNAL AFFAIRS: During the month of January, there was one (1) new internal affairs complaint filed.

Investigation #	Classification	Disposition	Corrective Action
23-015	Other Rule	Sustained	R&R

## **PATROL DIVISION:**

	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	15,932	15,932
Miles on unmarked patrol	237	237
Total miles on patrol	16,169	16,169

#### Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	0	0
Moving Hazardous Violation	71	71
Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	142	142
Ordinance Violation	9	9
Parking Violation	117	117
Seatbelt	7	7
Radar	32	32
Refusal Breath Test	0	0
Child Restraints	2	2
Reckless Driving	3	3
Cell Phone	4	4
Careless Driving	26	26
Suspended License	16	16
Written Warnings	280	280

Totals	709	709
Included in above totals		
Loud Exhaust	23	23
Loud Exhaust Warnings	12	12
Parking Sticks	0	0

# Radar Posts:

STREET	TIME SPENT
Brook Avenue	2 Hours
Clinton Avenue	41 Hours
Farragut Road	3 Hours
Grove Street	34 Hours
Leland Avenue	19 Hours
Myrtle Avenue	16 Hours
Norwood Avenue	20 Hours
Rt 22E/Grove	2 Hours
Rt 22E/Harrison	1 Hour
Rt 22E/Maple	2 Hours
Rt 22E/North	1 Hour
Rt 22E/Rock	2 Hours
Rt 22E/Somerset	2 Hours
Rt 22E/Watchung	7 Hours
Rt 22E/Westervelt	4 Hours
Rt 22E/Wilson	1 Hour
Rt 22W/Grove	2 Hours
Rt 22W/Wilson	5 Hours
Somerset Street	14 Hours
Warfield Road	10 Hours
Washington Avenue	5 Hours
Watchung Avenue	17 Hours
West End Avenue	1 Hour
Westervelt Avenue	2 Hours
Willow Avenue	1 Hour
Total Radar Posts	216
Total Radar Hours	214
Total Radar Enforcement	121

# Radar Speed Recorder:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Glen Court	01/01/24-01/05/24
North Drive	01/01/24-01/05/24
Farragut Road	01/05/24-01/12/24
Myrtle Avenue	01/05/24-01/12/24

Brook Avenue	01/12/24-01/19/24
Washington Avenue	01/12/24-01/19/24
Westervelt Avenue	01/23/24-01/31/24
Willow Avenue	01/23/24-01/31/24
Craig Place	01/31/24
Duer Street	01/31/24

## School Enforcement:

SCHOOL	TIME SPENT
East End School	26 Hours
High School	4 Hours
Somerset School	13 Hours
Stonybrook School	30 Hours
Sundance School	0 Hours
West End School	25 Hours
TOTAL	98 Hours

Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Mountain Avenue	01/01/24-01/02/24
Rockview Avenue	01/01/24-01/02/24
Washington Avenue	01/01/24-01/02/24
Watchung Avenue	01/01/24-01/02/24
Parkview Avenue	01/02/24-01/23/24
Sycamore Avenue	01/02/24-01/23/24
Watchung Avenue	01/02/24-01/23/24
Westervelt Avenue	01/02/24-01/23/24
Glen Court	01/23/24-01/31/24
Harrison Avenue	01/23/24-01/31/24
Oneida Avenue	01/23/24-01/31/24
Summit Avenue	01/23/24-01/31/24

# Miscellaneous Information:

- We responded to 117 rescue squad calls.
- We conducted 56 building or premise checks.
- We investigated 39 general alarms.
- We made 567 motor vehicle stops.
- We conducted 13 walking beats.
- We conducted 61 school checks.
- We conducted 70 park checks.
- We conducted 84 area checks.

- The police department recorded a total of 3,607 incidents.
- BWC videos and CAD entries were reviewed by the Patrol Division Commander.
- 1 OJI After Action Review was conducted.
- 3 Use of Force After Action Reviews were conducted.

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Ticket	ts:	Title 39		Meter I		Safety		Tot	
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Accid	ents for the	e Month:		91					
Sumn	ions Issued	at Acciden	ts:						
	e Breath Te	st	0	AND REPART PROVIDENDS COM	g While In	ntoxicate	đ	0	
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Alcoh	ol Related		0						
Break	down of R	eportable/N	on-Re	portabl	e Accidei	nts:			
Rt 22-	Reportable		29	Rt 22 Non-Reportable		0			
Boro S	Streets-Repo	ortable	46	Boro Streets Non-Reportable		0			
Private Property-Reportable 16		Private	Property	Non-Rep	oortable	0			
Total Reportable Accidents 91 Total Non			lon-Repo	rtable Ac	cidents	0			
Accid	ent Injury	Report:							
Repor	ts W/Injurie	s	14						
Persor	ns Injured		17						
Fatal 2	Accidents		0						
Accid	ents Year T	fo Date (YI	'D):	91					
Sumn	ions Issued	at Acciden	ts:						
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## Parking Enforcement Report:

Boro Streets-Reportable	46	Boro Streets Non-Reportable	0
Private Property-Reportable	16	Private Property Non-Reportable	0
Total Reportable Accidents	91	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	0
Accident Injury Report:			
Reports W/Injuries	14		
Persons Injured	17		
Fatal Accidents	0		

Miscellaneous Information Traffic:

- Traffic conducted collections & escorted parking to the bank 8 hrs.
- Traffic conducted monthly alcotest maintenance 1 hr.
- Sgt. Kardos and Parking Enforcement conducted meter repairs.
- Traffic investigated/conducted follow ups on six (6) accidents.
- Traffic conducted loud exhaust enforcement 1 hr.

### **SERVICE DIVISION:**

	Month	YTD
Fees Collected	\$1,775.00	\$1,775.00
Calls for Service/Responses	3,607	3,607
Discovery Requests	33	33
Report Requests	10	10
Pieces of Evidence/Property	25	25

Offense	Month	YTD
Homicide	0	0
Rape	0	0
Robbery	0	0
Assault, Agg:	2	2
Assault Simple	17	17
Burglary	1	1
Larceny	25	25
M.V. Theft	2	2
Arson	0	0
Domestic Violence	19	19
Bias Incidents	0	0

Monthly Arrest Analysis	Mo	Month Adult/Juv		)
	Adult			Adult/Juv
Murder	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0

Robbery	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0
Larceny/Theft	2	0	2	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0
Simple Assault	8	0	8	0
Arson	0	0	0	0
Forgery	0	0	0	0
Fraud	0	0	0	0
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property	2	0	2	0
Criminal Mischief	0	0	0	0
Weapons	0	0	0	0
Prostitution	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0
Violation of Drug Laws	1	0	1	0
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	1	0	1	0
Driving Under the Influence	0	0	0	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	2	0	2	0
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0
Curfew and Loitering	0	0	0	0
All Other Offenses	8	0	8	0
Total UCR Arrests for Month	24	0	24	0
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	3	0	3	0
Grand Total Arrests for Month	27	0	27	0

• 0 Juvenile Arrests for the Month

Respectfully submitted,

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