

Mayor Sobel stated standing before you are our next generation of leaders and we wish them much success. There was a round of applause for all.

REPORTS

Mayor Sobel read the following proclamations:

PROCLAMATION

SUPPORTING THE CLICK IT OR TICKET MOBILIZATION OF MAY 22 - JUNE 4, 2006

WHEREAS, there were 757 motor vehicle fatalities in New Jersey in 2005; and

WHEREAS, a large percentage of the motor vehicle occupants killed in traffic crashes were not wearing a safety belt; and

WHEREAS, use of a safety belt remains the most effective way to avoid death or serious injury in a motor vehicle crash; and

WHEREAS, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that 135,000 lives were saved by safety belt usage nationally between 1975-2000; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey will participate in the nationwide Click It or Ticket safety belt mobilization from May 22 - June 4, 2006 in an effort to raise awareness and increase safety belt usage through a combination of enforcement and education; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Highway Traffic Safety has set a goal of increasing the safety belt usage rate in the state from the current level of 86% to 88%; and

WHEREAS, a further increase in safety belt usage in New Jersey will save lives on our roadways.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DAVID G. SOBEL, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM that the Township of Aberdeen supports the Click It or Ticket safety belt mobilization both locally and nationally from May 22 - June 4, 2006 and pledges to increase awareness of mobilization and the benefits of safety belt use.

PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK

WHEREAS, the built environment (including our transportation, housing, employment and commercial infrastructures), affects the health and safety of all Americans; and

***WHEREAS,** the health and safety of children are disproportionately affected by the built environment, particularly when there are no sidewalks, playgrounds or other safe areas for children to be physically active; and*

***WHEREAS,** the frequent design of transportation systems-combined with the lack of transportation choices-forces many families and individuals to depend on cars, particularly when many grocery stores, doctor's offices, and other essential services are only accessible by car; and*

***WHEREAS,** more than one-quarter of all trips are still one mile or less, including trips to pick-up and drop off children from school; and*

***WHEREAS,** air pollution from traffic congestion caused by poor transportation design increases the risk of developing asthma in children, which is the number one reason children visit the emergency room and miss school; and*

***WHEREAS,** the lack of exercise and poor nutrition are leading to epidemic rates of obesity in children, which is a risk factor for diabetes, high blood pressure and other preventable diseases; and*

***WHEREAS,** the leading cause of childhood death is from car crashes while bicycling and walking; and*

***WHEREAS,** creating more places for children to safely walk and bicycle will have a profound impact on their health, as well as their overall future health.*

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** I, Mayor David G. Sobel do hereby proclaim April 3 - 9, 2006, as National Public Health Week and commend this observance to all our citizens.*

here were no reports made.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS - Agenda Items only

Mayor Sobel asked anyone wishing to be heard on agenda items to come forward and state their name and address. There being no one present wishing to be heard, Mayor Sobel declared the Hearing of the Citizens on agenda items closed.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

ORDINANCE NO. 7-2006 - PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Sobel stated that Ordinance No. 7-2006, introduced and passed on first reading by title on March 21, 2006 and published according to law, is now being taken up for further consideration and public hearing. Affidavit of publication of this ordinance in the Asbury Park Press and Courier Newspaper of March 23, 2006 will be submitted and it is noted that a copy of the ordinance has been posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and that copies were available to the general public upon request.

Thereupon the Clerk read the aforementioned ordinance by title, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES AND WAGES AND FRINGE BENEFITS OF VARIOUS OFFICIALS, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ABERDEEN, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY"

Mayor Sobel opened the meeting to the public for remarks or comments for or against the final adoption of this ordinance and asked anyone wishing to be heard to come forward and state their name and address. There being no one present wishing to be heard, Mayor Sobel closed the public hearing on Ordinance No. 7-2006.

Councilman Drapkin made a motion that Ordinance No. 7-2006 be finally passed and adopted and that notice of its passage and adoption be published by title in the April 6, 2006 issue of the Courier and Asbury Park Press.

Seconded by Councilman Minutolo

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmen Drapkin, Minutolo, Perry, Raymond, Vinci, Deputy Mayor Gumbs and Mayor Sobel

Nays: None

Abstain: None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Perry made a motion to approve the consent Agenda all items listed under 8A.

Seconded by Councilman Vinci

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmen Drapkin, Minutolo, Perry, Raymond, Vinci, Deputy Mayor Gumbs and Mayor Sobel

Nays: None

Abstain: None

1. RESOLUTION NO. 2006-58 - BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby awards a contract to Greenleaf Landscape Systems of Red Bank, NJ for Grass Cutting & Lawn Maintenance.
2. RESOLUTION NO. 2006-59- BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby awards a contract to Russell Reid of Keasby, NJ for Cleaning & Televising of Sanitary & Storm Water Sewer Lines.
3. RESOLUTION NO. 2006-60 - BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby appoints Holly Reycraft as Deputy Tax Assessor.
4. RESOLUTION NO. 2006-61 - BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby appoints Maxine Rescorl as Deputy Municipal Clerk for the year 2006.
5. RESOLUTION NO. 2006-62 - BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby waives the twenty day waiting period following the final adoption of Ordinance No. 7-2006.
6. RESOLUTION NO. 2006-63 - BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it

hereby authorizes the Mayor, Manager and Township Clerk to execute an agreement between the Monmouth County Alliance to Prevent Alcoholism and Drug Abuse and the Township of Aberdeen.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS/CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS

Mayor Sobel asked any member of the public wishing to be heard to come forward and to state their name and address.

Ed Fitzgerald
15 Bank Street

Mr. Fitzgerald congratulated the Police on their promotions and also the Council for the Historical Commission display case.

There being no one else present wishing to be heard, Mayor Sobel closed the public portion.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Drapkin made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Minutolo and unanimously concurred by Council.

David G. Sobel, Mayor

Karen Ventura, Municipal Clerk