

**Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council April 28, 2025
Town Hall Council Chambers, 100 Central Avenue
Executive Session 6:00 P.M.
Public Session 7:00 P.M.**

CLOSED SESSION MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Councilperson:

Furgione -
Gribbin –
Marino -
Oliva-
R. Rodio-
S. Rodio –
Mayor DiDonato -

PRESENT ALSO

Michael Malinsky, Town Solicitor

EXECUTIVE SESSION Resolution #066-2025

RESUME REGULAR MEETING-ROLL CALL

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Rich Rehmann of ARH

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of this meeting has been posted and given to official newspapers. Please familiarize yourselves with the fire exits to the right and rear of the Council Chambers. Please do not proceed beyond the front benches without invitation from the Mayor to do so. Also, each person who wishes to address Council will be allotted 5 minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARD FOR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Minutes March 24, 2025
Executive Minutes March 24, 2025
Special Minutes April 7, 2025

PRESENTATION

DISPENSE WITH REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Resolution #078-2025- Temporary Capital Budget for Recreation Improvements & Equipment

WHEREAS, the need has arisen to introduce bond ordinance's to provide funds for Various e Recreation Improvements, Purchase of Various Equipment, 4th Street Tank Painting and Improvements, and Boyer Avenue Sanitary Sewer Improvements, including all appurtenances necessary and related thereto, and;

WHEREAS, the regulations of the Local Finance board (N.J.A.C. 5:30-4.3(b)) of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Services requires that the municipality adopt a temporary capital budget if a bond ordinance is to be passed prior to the adoption of the Annual Capital Budget, and;

WHEREAS, the ordinance provides a total appropriation as follows:

General Capital Fund

<u>1) Purpose</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Debt Authorized</u>	<u>CIF Downpayment</u>
Recreation Improvements 11 th Street Lake Park and various locations, to include Engineering, Equipment, Paving and various Upgrades	\$ 300,000	\$ 285,000	\$ 15,000
Various Equipment: Kubota Tractor, Boom Arm For Tractor, Dump Trailer, and Ford F-250 Pick up truck and auxiliary Equipment	<u>250,000</u>	<u>237,500</u>	<u>12,500</u>
	<u>\$ 550,000</u>	<u>\$ 522,500</u>	<u>\$ 27,500</u>

Utility Capital Fund

<u>2) Purpose</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Debt Authorized</u>	<u>CIF Downpayment</u>
4 th Street Tank Painting & Improvements	\$ 300,000	\$ 285,000	\$ 15,000
Boyer Avenue Sanitary Sewer Improvements	<u>100,000</u>	<u>95,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
	<u>\$ 400,000</u>	<u>\$ 380,000</u>	<u>\$ 20,000</u>

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic that:

- 1) a Temporary Capital Budget is hereby created for the following:

General Capital Fund

Recreation Improvements 11th Street
Lake Park and various locations, to include
Engineering, Equipment, Paving and various
Upgrades \$ 300,000

General Capital Fund (Cont'd)

Various Equipment: Kubota Tractor, Boom Arm
For Tractor, Dump Trailer, and Ford F-250
Pick up truck and auxiliary Equipment \$250,000

Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund

4th Street Tank Painting & Improvements \$ 300,000
Boyer Avenue Sanitary Sewer Improvements 100,000

- 2) the projects will be included in the Annual Capital Budget, and
- 3) one certified copy shall be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services immediately after passage.

Public Hearing of Ordinance #004 – 2025- Amend Chapter 271 Section 18.1 (B)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 271 VEHICLES SECTION 18.1 (B) OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY THAT THE FOLLOWING IS REMOVED:

SECTION 271-18.1 (B) Handicap parking, on-street: 544 South Third Street has been repealed and shall be removed from chapter 271.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of the inconsistency.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, If any section, sentence, or other part of this Ordinance is judged unconstitutional or invalid, that judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance, but shall be limited in its effect to the specific section, sentence or other part of this Ordinance directly involved in the controversy in which the judgment shall have been rendered.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final adoption and publication as required by law.

Public Hearing of Bond Ordinance #006-2025- Lake Park Playground Equipment

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS RECREATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS TO HAMMONTON LAKE PARK, BY AND IN THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$109,500 THEREFOR (INCLUDING A GRANT FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$40,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) **AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1. The improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized as a general improvement or purpose to be undertaken by the Town of Hammonton, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey (the "Town"). For the said improvement or purpose stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$109,500, which sum includes a \$67,000 grant expected to be received from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (Local Recreational Improvement 2024) (the "Grant"), and \$2,500 as the amount of down payment for said improvement or purpose required by the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq. (the "Local Bond Law"). Said down payment is now available therefor by virtue of an appropriation in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Town for down payment or for capital improvement purposes.

SECTION 2. For the financing of said improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof and to meet the part of said \$109,500 appropriation not provided for by application hereunder of said down payment and Grant, negotiable bonds of the Town are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$40,000 pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvement or purpose, negotiable notes of the Town in a principal amount not exceeding \$40,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to, and within the limitations prescribed by, the Local Bond Law.

SECTION 3. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and purpose for the financing of which said bonds or notes are to be issued is for various recreational improvements to Hammonton Lake Park, including, but not limited to, the

replacement and installation of new playground equipment. The improvements and purposes set forth herein shall also include, as applicable, all work, materials, equipment, labor and appurtenances necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said improvement or purpose is \$40,000.

(c) The estimated cost of said improvement or purpose is \$109,500, the excess thereof over the said estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, is the down payment in the amount of \$2,500 for said improvement or purpose, and the Grant in the amount of \$67,000.

SECTION 4. Except for the Grant, in the event the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, the County of Atlantic or any other source makes a contribution or grant in aid to the Town, for the improvement and purpose authorized hereby and the same shall be received by the Town prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then the amount of such bonds or notes to be issued shall be reduced by the amount so received from the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, the County of Atlantic or any other source. Except for the Grant, in the event, however, that any amount so contributed or granted by the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, the County of Atlantic or any other source, shall be received by the Town after the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then such funds shall be applied to the payment of the bonds or notes so issued and shall be used for no other purpose. This Section 4 shall not apply, however, with respect to any contribution or grant in aid received by the Town as a result of using funds from this bond ordinance as "matching local funds" to receive such contribution or grant in aid.

SECTION 5. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Town, provided that no note shall mature later than one (1) year from its date or otherwise authorized by the Local Bond Law. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with the notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the notes

shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchaser thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price and accrued interest thereon from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the principal amount, the description, the interest rate, and the maturity schedule of the notes so sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

SECTION 6. The Town hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Town is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital/ budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

SECTION 7. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is not a current expense and is an improvement which the Town may lawfully undertake as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of said improvement or purpose within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 15 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Town and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Town as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of

the bonds or notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$40,000 and the said bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$21,900 for items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 20 of the Local Bond Law is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purpose or improvement hereinbefore described.

SECTION 8. The full faith and credit of the Town are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance. The bonds or notes shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Town, and the Town shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Town for the payment of the bonds or notes and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.

SECTION 9. The Town reasonably expects to reimburse any expenditures toward the costs of the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof and paid prior to the issuance of any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance with the proceeds of such bonds or notes. This Section 9 is intended to be and hereby is a declaration of the Town's official intent to reimburse any expenditures toward the costs of the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof to be incurred and paid prior to the issuance of bonds or notes authorized herein in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 150-2. No reimbursement allocation will employ an "abusive arbitrage device" under Treasury Regulations §1.148-10 to avoid the arbitrage restrictions or to avoid the restrictions under Sections 142 through 147, inclusive, of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The proceeds of any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance used to reimburse the Town for costs of the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof, or funds corresponding to such amounts, will not be used in a manner that results in the creation of "replacement proceeds", including "sinking funds", "pledged funds" or funds subject to a "negative pledge" (as such terms are defined in Treasury Regulations §1.148-1), of any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance or another issue of debt obligations of the Town, other than amounts deposited into a "bona fide debt service fund" (as defined in Treasury Regulations §1.148-1). The bonds or notes authorized herein to reimburse the

Town for any expenditures toward the costs of the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof will be issued in an amount not to exceed \$40,000. The costs to be reimbursed with the proceeds of the bonds or notes authorized herein

will be "capital expenditures" in accordance with the meaning of Section 150 of the Code. All reimbursement allocations will occur not later than 18 months after the later of (i) the date the expenditure from a source other than any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance is paid, or (ii) the date the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof is "placed in service" (within the meaning of Treasury Regulations §1.150-2) or abandoned, but in no event more than 3 years after the expenditure is paid.

SECTION 10. The Chief Financial Officer of the Town is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time, as necessary, a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Town and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Town. The Chief Financial Officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Town pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Town and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Town fails to comply with its undertaking, the Town shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

SECTION 11. The Town covenants to maintain the exclusion from gross income under section 103(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended of the interest on all bonds and notes issued under this ordinance.

SECTION 12. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration - Councilman Gribbin

Business & Industry – Councilman Oliva

Quality of Life – Councilwoman R. Rodio

Education – Councilman Marino

Public Works & Transportation Councilman S. Rodio

Law & Order – Mayor DiDonato

Water & Sewer - Councilman Furgione

ENGINEER'S REPORT

ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Boyer Ave Sanitary Sewer Improvements Construction Contract (ARH #1150058.26)**

The Town received bids for the Boyer Ave Sewer Improvements project. There were 9 bidders, and the pricing ranged from approximately \$208k to \$517k. We have reviewed the bid documents and sent a bid summary and award recommendation to the Business Administrator.

Action Item

Award the construction contract for the Boyer Ave Sanitary Sewer Improvements project to Gemini General Contracting, LLC for a total cost of \$208,005.05.

2. **Boyer Ave Sanitary Construction Administration /Inspection (ARH #P2025.0319)**

We are requesting authorization to provide construction administration and inspection for the construction work related to the Boyer Ave Sewer Improvements project.

Action Item

Approve ARH's proposal for Engineering services for an amount not to exceed \$17,630.00.

3. **11th St Recreation Area Engineering (ARH #P2025.0322)**

We are requesting authorization to perform engineering, permitting, and bidding services in support of the enhancements to the 11th St Recreation Area.

Action Item

Approve ARH's proposal for Engineering services for an amount not to exceed \$42,130.00.

4. **11th St Sidewalk (ARH #P2025.0321)**

We are requesting authorization to provide surveying, engineering, permitting and bidding services to support the installation of sidewalk on 11th St from the intersection with Chew Rd to the 11th St Recreation Area.

Action Item

Approve ARH's proposal for Engineering services for an amount not to exceed \$29,915.00.

5. **Environmental Projects**

The environmental projects are multi-phased and on-going. The goal of the effort is to gain State approval to effectively utilize the properties within in any NJDEP constraints. ARH provided proposals for the next phase of work, and each included writing the grant application for reimbursement.

Action Items

Approve ARH's proposals for environmental engineering services for the following sites:

- Skinner Property \$131,075.00
- Celona Property (previously Sam's Super Service Station) \$99,500.00
- K&K Industries \$150,655.00

ROADWAY & TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS:

6. **MS4 Program Compliance (ARH #9100199.14): 99% Complete**

We made the compliance submittal to the NJDEP. We have gotten a response for a few clarifications to complete the process, and we expect to complete this work in the next few weeks.

7. **11th Street Sidewalk Improvements (ARH #1140062.02): 98% Complete**
We have connected with the NJDOT, and we are on hold until they act.
8. **Hammonton Bike Path Connector – Phase II (ARH #1140052.07): 90% Complete**
We received correspondence from NJ Transit on 4/23/25. We are working through those requirements and coordinating with NJDOT who still must provide approval of our plans prior to bidding.
9. **NJDOT FY2022/FY2023 MA: Old Forks Road (ARH #1140061.05): 90% Complete**
We continue to coordinate with the contractor. Final utility work is scheduled for the week of 4/28. Sidewalks will be going in shortly, and paving will occur in 60-90 days to allow for trench settlement.
10. **NJDOT FY2023 Safe Streets to Transit: Front St (ARH #1140063.01): 75% Complete**
Engineering design continues. Plans and specifications will be submitted to the NJDOT for review once they are complete.
11. **NJDOT FY2024 MA: Old Forks Road Phase 3 (ARH #1140061.04): 75% Complete**
We have submitted our plans and specifications to NJDOT for review. We will be ready to bid this project shortly after receiving their approval.

SEWER/WATER INFORMATION ITEMS:

12. **Lakeview Gardens Water Main Extension (ARH #1130172.01): 90% Complete**
We are coordinating with the Town for project funding options.
13. **Route 54 Water Main Replacement Project (ARH #1130167.06): 85% Complete**
We have followed up on our 11/4/24 submittal to the State's Water Bank Financing Program. They are allowing us to progress to the next phases of their review, and we will be submitting that package within the next few weeks.
14. **Sanitary Sewer Study & Rehabilitation Program (ARH #1150146.01): 30% Complete**
We are progressing through our data analysis and mapping to support the initial study. We have also drafted solicitations for quotations to perform rehabilitation work to targeted sections of the system, including analyzing the results of the work to document positive effects.
15. **Lead Service Line Replacement (ARH #1130170.02): 15% Complete**
We are meeting with the EPA on 4/30/25 to start our participation in the GLO Program. Hammonton was one of 200 communities in the US to be selected for this program to enhance the success of lead service line identification and removal.

GENERAL SITE AND RECREATION INFORMATION ITEMS:

16. **Lake Park Eng & Env Services (ARH #1190032.02): 90% Complete**
We met with Pinelands on 4/10/25 to review their permit submittal comments. Five of the six comments have been addressed, and the last comment includes the installation of approximately 35 soil borings to verify soil types and infiltration rates for stormwater management compliance. We expect the fieldwork to be completed in the next few weeks.
17. **Lake Park ADA Bleachers & Walkways/Small Cities (ARH #1190032.03): 70% Complete**
We completed our design and obtained approval from NJDCA to go to bid. We are coordinating with the Town's grant consultant on the bidding advertisement which will go out in early May.

18. **11th Street Recreation Area Survey (ARH #1101068.04): 5% Complete**
We started our work on-site to support subsequent engineering design and layout.
19. **Hammonton Lake Permit Compliance 2025 (ARH #P2025.0176): 5% Complete**
This project was just awarded, and we have started our initial coordination with our subconsultant to ensure the subsequent work is scheduled within the required timeframe.
20. **Lake Park Pavilion Enhancements (ARH #P2025.0164): 5% Complete**
Initial design has started, and we are coordinating our efforts with the Town's grant consultant.
21. **Lake Park Tot Lot (ARH #P2025.0165): 5% Complete**
Initial design has started, and we are coordinating our efforts with the Town's grant consultant.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND REMEDIATION PROJECTS:

22. **K&K Linens Property / 224 Vine Street (ARH #1101094.09): Ongoing**
Our office continues to perform monitoring and testing at the Vine Street property.
23. **Mazza Muffler Site / 104 S. Egg Harbor Road (ARH #P2024.0340): Ongoing**
We continue to work with the site LSRP performing site investigation and monitoring.
24. **Skinner Property / 317 N. Egg Harbor Road (ARH #P2022.0424): Pending Funding**
ARH's proposal for the next phase of work is on hold pending the Town establishing funding for the work.
25. **Celona Site Remediation - 130 Railroad Avenue (ARH #P2024.0155): Pending Funding**
ARH's proposal for the next phase of work is on hold pending the Town establishing funding for the work.
26. **Octagon Oil/Vine Street Parking Lot (ARH #11-01060): Pending Funding**
We received correspondence from the NJDEP regarding our application. We will review the letter and determine the next steps.

SOLICITOR REPORT

MAYOR REPORT

Public Works Report

Old Forks Road- Contractor will be onsite April 28th to start the utility work. Once complete, paving will occur in 60 to 90 days to allow for settlement.

Airport Taxiway Construction – Final inspection will occur on April 30th. Final Invoice will be submitted once FAA gives approval.

11 Street Recreation Project – Irrigation and pump installation complete. Fill dirt and Top Soil delivered and dispersed on fields.

Safe Routes to school – Meeting with the school board and GPI is scheduled for April 29th at 4 pm to review plans for the basins on the school property before permits are applied for.

USDOT SS4 Project - A review of our application for the addition grant funds to contribute toward the Town mach is being schedule with Senator Booker's office. An update will be forthcoming once meeting occurs.

Town Public works Schedule May

Trash collection: - Memorial Day trash collection will be is as follows: Trash collection for Monday May 26th will be collected on Tuesday May 27th. Yard waste collection has started, please use biodegradable bags or open top containers only. Please do not put yard waste in your trash or recycling toter.

Bulky waste pickup for May - will be from the 5th to the 9th.

Brush pickup for May- will be the 12th through 16th.

The County Recycling pickup – will be from April 28th to May 2nd and May 12th to the 16th.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

1. Accept resignation of Gabrielle Rodriguez from her position in the tax office effective April 5, 2025
2. Approval to Hire Eunice Aguina part time in the court office effective April 7, 2025.
Hourly rate of \$17.00 per hour, 19.50 hours per week. No benefits. Contingent upon civil services rules and regulations.
3. Appoint Carolyn Feigin from ARH as Town engineer effective April 1, 2025.
4. Approval of Contract for Utility Superintendent Anthony DeCicco retroactive to January 1, 2025.
5. Approval of a shared services agreement with Egg Harbor City for a Grant/ Project Manager effective June 1, 2025.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST

NEW BUSINESS

Introduction of Ordinance #005-2025 – An ordinance fixing salaries for certain employees of the Town of Hammonton

**AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARY OF
CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1. There is hereby adopted the following salaries for employees of the Town of Hammonton, in the County of Atlantic, and State of New Jersey, in those classifications which are here-in-before set forth:

TITLE	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
Confidential Clerk 1	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
Convenient Station - Part Time Hourly Rate	\$ 15.49	\$ 17.00
Laborer	\$ 41,600.00	\$ 55,000.00
Truck Driver	\$ 45,760.00	\$ 60,000.00

Truck Driver – Heavy	\$ 49,920.00	\$ 65,000.00
Equipment Operator/Truck Driver	\$ 52,000.00	\$ 70,000.00
Equipment Operator	\$ 56,160.00	\$80,000.00
Assistant Superintendent Public Works	\$ 62,400.00	\$85,000.00
Trainee Public Safety Tele-Communicator (Full Time)	\$ 34,000.00	\$38,000.00
Public Safety Tele-Communicator	\$ 41,600.00	\$55,000.00
Senior Public Safety Tele-Communicator	\$ 45,000.00	\$65,000.00
Supervisor Public Safety Tele-Communicator	\$ 50,000.00	\$70,000.00
Public Safety Tele-Communicator Part time hourly Rate	\$ 18.00	\$ 24.00
Tax Assessor	\$ 45,000.00	\$105,000.00
Tax Collector	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 80,000.00
Code Enforcement Officer/Department Head	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 75,000.00
Municipal Clerk/Administrator/Accountant	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 145,000.00
Deputy Clerk/Registrar	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 85,000.00
Communication Director/ Recreation Leader	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
Municipal Court Interpreter – Hourly Rate	\$ 50.00	\$ 135.00
Utility Superintendent (Water/Sewer)	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 195,000.00
Computer Technician	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 80,000.00
Maintenance Workers1 Recreation (Dept Head)	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 80,000.00
Secretary Parks/ Environmental Commission	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 2,000.00
Police Officer	\$ 51,647.00	\$ 135,000.00
Police Officer/Corporal	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 150,000.00
Police Sergeant	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 145,000.00
Police Lieutenant	\$105,000.00	\$ 160,000.00
Police Capitan	\$120,000.00	\$ 190,000.00
Deputy Chief	\$130,000.00	\$ 210,000.00
Police Chief	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 225,000.00

SECTION 2. The specific salary or wage for any municipal employee shall be determined and set forth in salary contracts or collective bargaining agreements provided they are within the minimum and maximum amounts

as set forth hereinabove. No salary or wage for any municipal employee shall be affective or intended unless by official action of the Governing Body.

SECTION 3. The amount to be paid to each employee within the salary range shall be fixed from time to time by Resolution of the Mayor and Council.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect after final passage and publication according to law and its provisions shall be retroactive to January 1, 2025.

Introduction of Ordinance #007-2025- Amend Chapter 190- 3 Noise

Ordinance to Amend Chapter 190 Section 3 – Noise prohibited of the General Ordinances of the Town of Hammonton

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey as follows:

§ 190-3. Noise prohibited- amending to the following:

It shall be unlawful for any person to make, continue or use to be made or continued any loud, unnecessary or unusual noise or any noise which either annoys, disturbs, injures or endangers the comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of others within the limits of the Town of Hammonton. Such noise is prohibited, except as set forth in § 190-4(12), between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday; and the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. on the days of Friday and Saturday, and the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. on Sundays, in a manner as to be plainly audible at a distance of 50 feet from the building, structure, vehicle, or place in which the noise is emanating shall be prima face evidence of a violation of this section.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the Courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect following adoption and approval in the time and manner prescribed by law.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed the first reading at a meeting of Town Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey held on April 28, 2025 meeting and said Ordinance will be further considered for final passage and adoption at a public hearing to be held at the Municipal Building located at 100 Central Avenue, Hammonton, NJ 08037, on the May 19, 2025, meeting, at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached.

Introduction of Bond Ordinance #008-2025- Recreation Improvements & Purchase of Equipment

BOND ORDINANCE #008-2025 BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2025 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND ACQUISITIONS, BY AND IN THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$550,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$522,500 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
(not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS
FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements or purposes to be undertaken by the Town of Hammonton, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey (the “Town”). For the said improvements or purposes stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the aggregate sum of \$550,000, which sum includes \$27,500 as the aggregate amount of down payments for said improvements or purposes required by the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq. (the “Local Bond Law”). The down payments are now available by virtue of a provision or provisions in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Town for down payment or for capital improvement purposes.

SECTION 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof and to meet the part of said \$550,000 appropriation not provided for by said down payments, negotiable bonds of the Town are hereby authorized to be issued in

the principal amount of \$522,500 pursuant to, and within the limitations prescribed by, the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Town in a principal amount not exceeding \$522,500 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to, and within the limitations prescribed by, the Local Bond Law.

SECTION 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued, include, but are not limited to, as follows:

Down

<u>Description</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Authorization</u>	<u>Down Payment</u>	<u>Useful Lif</u>
(ii) Purchase of various vehicles and equipment, including, but not limited to, a Kubota tractor, boom arm for tractor, a dump trailer and a Ford F-250 pick-up truck and related auxiliary equipment.	\$250,000	\$237,500	\$12,500	5 years
TOTAL	<u>\$550,000</u>	<u>\$522,500</u>	<u>\$27,500</u>	

(b) The above improvements and purposes set forth in Section 3(a) shall also include, as applicable, surveying, construction planning, engineering and design work,

preparation of plans and specifications, permits, bid documents, construction inspection and contract administration, environmental testing and remediation and also all work, materials, equipment, labor and appurtenances as necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

(c) The aggregate estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said improvements or purposes is \$522,500.

(d) The aggregate estimated cost of said improvements or purposes is \$550,000, the excess amount thereof over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, is the aggregate down payments for said purposes in the amount of \$27,500.

SECTION 4. In the event the United States of America, the State of New Jersey and/or the County of Atlantic make a contribution or grant in aid to the Town for the improvements and purposes authorized hereby and the same shall be received by the Town prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then the amount of such bonds or notes to be issued shall be reduced by the amount so received from the United States of America, the State of New Jersey and/or the County of Atlantic. In the event, however, that any amount so contributed or granted by the United States of America, the State of New Jersey and/or the County of Atlantic shall be received by the Town after the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then such funds shall be applied to the payment of the bonds or notes so issued and shall be used

for no other purpose. This Section 4 shall not apply, however, with respect to any contribution or grant in aid received by the Town as a result of using funds from this bond ordinance as “matching local funds” to receive such contribution or grant in aid.

SECTION 5. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Town (the “Chief Financial Officer”), provided that no note shall mature later than one (1) year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with the notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to

all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8.1. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchaser thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price and accrued interest thereon from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the principal amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes so sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

SECTION 6. The Town hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable, for the Town. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Town is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget of the Town, a revised capital or temporary capital budget for the Town has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

SECTION 7. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses and are improvements or purposes which the Town

may lawfully undertake as general improvements or purposes, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of said improvements or purposes within the limitations of said Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of said bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 10.45 years.

(c) The supplemental debt statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Town and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Town as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by

the authorization of the bonds or notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$522,500 and the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$110,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the improvements or purposes herein before described.

SECTION 8. The full faith and credit of the Town are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Town, and the Town shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property within the

Town for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.

SECTION 9. The Town reasonably expects to reimburse any expenditures toward the costs of the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof and paid prior to the issuance of any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance with the proceeds of such bonds or notes. This Section 9 is intended to be and hereby is a declaration of the Town's official intent to reimburse any expenditures toward the costs of the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof to be incurred and paid prior to the issuance of bonds or notes authorized herein in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 150-2 . No reimbursement allocation will employ an "abusive arbitrage device" under Treasury Regulations §1.148-10 to avoid the arbitrage restrictions or to avoid the

restrictions under Sections 142 through 147, inclusive, of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The proceeds of any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance used to reimburse the Town for costs of the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof, or funds corresponding to such amounts, will not be used in a manner that results in the creation of "replacement proceeds", including "sinking funds", "pledged funds" or funds subject to a "negative pledge" (as such terms are defined in Treasury Regulations §1.148-1), of any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance or another issue of debt obligations of the Town, other than amounts deposited into a "bona fide debt service fund" (as defined in Treasury Regulations §1.148-1). The bonds or

notes authorized herein to reimburse the Town for any expenditures toward the costs of the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof will be issued in an amount not to exceed \$522,500. The costs to be reimbursed with the proceeds of the bonds or notes authorized herein will be "capital expenditures" in accordance with the meaning of Section 150 of the Code. All reimbursement allocations will occur not later than 18 months after the later of (i) the date the expenditure from a source other than any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance is paid, or (ii) the date the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof is "placed in service" (within the meaning of Treasury Regulations §1.150-2) or abandoned, but in no event more than 3 years after the expenditure is paid.

SECTION 10. The Town covenants to maintain the exclusion from gross income under section 103(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, of the interest on all bonds and notes issued under this ordinance.

SECTION 11. The Chief Financial Officer of the Town is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Town and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Town. The Chief Financial Officer is further authorized to enter into an appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Town pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and

Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Town and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Town fails to comply with its undertaking, the Town shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

SECTION 12. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication hereof after final adoption and approval by the Mayor, as provided by the Local Bond Law. _

Introduction of Utility Bond Ordinance #009-2025- 4th Street Water Tank & Boyer Ave Sanitary Sewer

**BOND ORDINANCE #009-2025
BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2025
UTILITY CAPITAL ACQUISITIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS,
BY AND IN THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE
COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY;
APPROPRIATING \$400,000 THEREFOR AND
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$380,000 BONDS OR
NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST
THEREOF**

**BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN
OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY** (not less
than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), **AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1. The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements or purposes to be undertaken by the Town of Hammonton, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey (the "Town"). For the said improvements or purposes stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the aggregate sum of \$400,000, which sum includes \$20,000 as the aggregate amount of down payments for said improvements or purposes as required by the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq. (the "Local Bond Law"). Said down payments are now available therefor by virtue of appropriations in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Town for down payment or for capital improvement purposes.

SECTION 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof and to meet the part of said \$400,000 appropriation not provided for by application hereunder of said down payments, negotiable bonds of the Town are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$380,000 pursuant to, and within the

limitations prescribed by, the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Town in a principal amount not exceeding \$380,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to, and within the limitations prescribed by, the Local Bond Law.

SECTION 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued, including, but not limited to, are as follows:

Down

Useful

<u>Description</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Authorizatio</u>	<u>Down Payment</u>	<u>Useful Life</u>
(ii) Various sanitary sewer improvements along Boyer Avenue	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$ 95,000</u>	<u>\$ 5,000</u>	20 years
Total:	<u>\$400,000</u>	<u>\$380,000</u>	<u>\$20,000</u>	

(b) Such improvements or purposes set forth in Section 3(a) shall also include, but are not limited to, as applicable, demolition and excavation, paving, resurfacing and reconstruction of the roadways, roadway painting and striping, replacing the castings on catch basins and manholes, the repairing and/or removal and installation of sidewalks, driveway aprons, curbing, retaining walls and curb ramps, guardrails, and concrete improvements, and all other related improvements, design work, preparation of plans and specifications, permits, bid documents, contract administration, work, materials, equipment, accessories, labor and appurtenances necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

(c) The aggregate estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said purposes is \$380,000.

(d) The aggregate estimated cost of said improvements or purposes is \$400,000, the excess amount thereof over the said estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor is the aggregate down payments for said purposes in the amount of \$20,000.

SECTION 4. In the event the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, and/or the County of Atlantic make a contribution or grant in aid to the Town for the

improvements and purposes authorized hereby and the same shall be received by the Town prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then the amount of such bonds or notes to be issued shall be reduced by the amount so received from the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, and/or the County of Atlantic. In the event, however, that any amount so contributed or granted by the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, and/or the County of Atlantic shall be received by the Town after the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then such funds shall be applied to the payment of the bonds or notes so issued and shall be used for no other purpose. This Section 4 shall not apply, however, with respect to any contribution or grant in aid received by the Town as a result of using funds from this bond ordinance as “matching local funds” to receive such contribution or grant in aid.

SECTION 5. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Town, provided that no note shall mature later than one (1) year from its date or otherwise authorized by the Local Bond Law. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with the notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchaser thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price and accrued interest thereon from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief

Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the principal amount, the description, the interest rate, and the maturity schedule of the notes so sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

SECTION 6. The Town hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Town is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

SECTION 7. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses and are improvements which the Town may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of said improvements or purposes within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof

computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 12.50 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Town and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Town as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds or notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$380,000 and the said bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$80,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under section 20 of the Local Bond Law is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purposes or improvements hereinbefore described.

SECTION 8. The full faith and credit of the Town are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance. The bonds or notes shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Town, and the Town shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property

within the Town for the payment of the bonds or notes and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.

SECTION 9. The Town reasonably expects to reimburse any expenditures toward the costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof and paid prior to the issuance of any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance with the proceeds of such bonds or notes. This Section 9 is intended to be and hereby is a declaration of the Town's official intent to reimburse any expenditures toward the costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof to be incurred and paid prior to the issuance of bonds or notes authorized herein in accordance with Treasury Regulations §1.150-2. No reimbursement allocation will employ an “abusive arbitrage device” under Treasury Regulations §1.148-10 to avoid the arbitrage restrictions or to avoid the restrictions under Sections 142 through 147, inclusive, of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”). The proceeds of any bonds or notes authorized

herein used to reimburse the Town for costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof, or funds corresponding to such amounts, will not be used in a manner that results in the creation of “replacement proceeds”, including “sinking funds”, “pledged funds” or funds subject to a “negative pledge” (as such terms are defined in Treasury Regulations §1.148-1), of any bonds or notes authorized herein or another issue of debt obligations of the Town other than amounts deposited into a “bona fide debt service fund” (as defined in Treasury Regulations §1.148-1). The bonds or notes authorized herein to

reimburse the Town for any expenditures toward the costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof will be issued in an amount not to exceed \$380,000. The costs to be reimbursed with the proceeds of the bonds or notes authorized herein will be "capital expenditures" in accordance with the meaning of section 150 of the Code. All reimbursement allocations will occur not later than eighteen (18) months after the later of (i) the date the expenditure from a source other than any bonds or notes authorized herein is paid, or (ii) the date the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof is "placed in service" (within the meaning of Treasury Regulations §1.150-2) or abandoned, but in no event more than three (3) years after the expenditure is paid.

SECTION 10. The Chief Financial Officer of the Town is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Town, which are

authorized herein, and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Town. The Chief Financial Officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Town pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Town, and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond

counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Town fails to comply with its undertaking, the Town shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

SECTION 11. The Town covenants to maintain the exclusion from gross income under section 103(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, of the interest on all federally tax exempt bonds and notes issued under this ordinance.

SECTION 12. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption and approval by the mayor, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #068-2025- Authorize application to NJIT Trust Loan for Route 54 Project

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN FOR HAMMONTON TO APPLY FOR NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST LOAN FOR N.J.S.H ROUTE 54 WATER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT

WHEREAS, intends to file an application with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust for the project known as "Project Loan No. 0113001-012, Town of Hammonton Water Infrastructure Project", for the construction of a new 12" diameter HDPE water main to replace the existing 6-inch water main along 12th Street (NJSH Rt. 54), from Second Road to First Road, and extension of a new 8" diameter water main along Chew Road (Atlantic County Route 559) which will tie into an existing water main at the intersection of First Road and Wilbur Avenue.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that **Frank Zuber** be authorized to act as the Authorized Representative to represent in all matters relating to the project undertaken pursuant to the above referenced New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Loan to be executed with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust. The Authorized Representative may be contacted at the following address: **100 Central Ave, Hammonton, NJ 08037-1676** and phone number: **609-567-4300; ext: 121**.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct and true copy of a Resolution adopted by the **Town of Hammonton** at a meeting duly held on the following date: 4/28/2025.

Resolution #069-2025- Approval of Purchase of Bleachers for Hammonton Lake Park under Sourcewell Coop

**RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT
UNDER SOURCEWELL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton is a member of the Sourcewell Cooperative purchasing program; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council will be purchasing bleachers for the Hammonton Lake Park from MRC, Inc, PO Box 106 Spring Lake NJ; and

WHEREAS, under the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing contract #081523-NRS under the authority of N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 (b) (3) awards the purchase of bleachers for the Hammonton Lake Park to MRC, Inc in the amount of \$148,073.04;and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey that the purchase of the bleachers be awarded to MRC Inc. in the amount of \$148,073.04.

Resolution #070-2025- Approval of Tax Exemption to Bates Mill Partners

**RESOLUTION GRANTING A TAX EXEMPTION PURSUANT
TO ORDINANCE 009-2017 TO BATES MILL PARTNER, L.L.C.**

WHEREAS, Bates Mill Partners, L.L.C. has applied for a property exemption under Town Ordinance #009-2017, for the property known and designated as Lot 16.02 in Block 3403 on the Tax Map of the Town of Hammonton; and

WHEREAS, Bates Mill Partners, L.L.C., has made application pursuant to Ordinance #009-2017 for an exemption and abatement application for the tax year 2025 only; and

WHEREAS, Mary Joan Wyatt, Tax Assessor of the Town of Hammonton has reviewed the application of Bates Mill Partners, L.L.C. and has determined that the property in question qualifies for exemption for the Tax year 2025 **in the amount of \$99,500.00** and/or abatement consistent with the provisions of Ordinance 009-2017.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Hammonton in the County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey that Bates Mill Partners, L.L.C. is and shall be granted tax exemption and/or abatement for property known and designated as Lot 16.02 in Block 3403 on the Tax Map of the Town of Hammonton, **for the Year 2025 only in the amount of \$99,500.00** subject however and conditioned upon Bates Mill Partners, L.L.C. entering into an agreement containing the amount of payment which Bates Mill Partners, L.L.C. Shall pay to the Town of Hammonton in lieu of full property tax payments consistent with Ordinance 009-2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all exemptions and/or abatements shall be in effect for **only the year of 2025** from the date of the completion of the project.

Resolution #071-2025- Authorize Online Auction for Electrical Supply

**A RESOLUTION OF TOWN OF HAMMONTON
AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ELECTRICITY SUPPLY SERVICES
FOR PUBLIC USE ON AN ONLINE AUCTION WEBSITE**

WHEREAS, Town of Hammonton has determined to move forward with the EMEX Reverse Auction in order procure electricity for Town of Hammonton; and

WHEREAS, the Local Government Electronic Procurement Act (P.L. 2018, c. 156) (the "Act") authorizes the purchase of electricity supply service for public use through the use of an online auction service; and

WHEREAS, Town of Hammonton will utilize the online auction services of EMEX, LLC, a division of Mantis Innovation, an approved vendor pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, EMEX, LLC, a division of Mantis Innovation, is compensated for all services rendered through the participating supplier that a contract is awarded to; and

WHEREAS, the auction will be conducted pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, if the auction achieves a price of \$0.08319/kWh or less for a 12 month term, a price of \$0.08239/kWh or less for an 24 month term, a price of \$0.08110/kWh or less for a 36 month term, a price of

\$0.08019/kWh or less for a 48 month term, a price of \$0.07974/kWh or less for a 60 month term; Town of Hammonton may award a contract to the winning supplier for the selected term.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the Town of Hammonton and the municipal clerk hereby are authorized to execute on behalf of the Town of Hammonton any electricity contract proffered by the participating supplier that submits the winning bid in the EMEX Reverse Auction if the auction achieves a price of \$0.08319/kWh or less for a 12 month term, a price of \$0.08239/kWh or less for an 24 month term, a price of \$0.08110/kWh or less for a 36 month term, a price of \$0.08019/kWh or less for a 48 month term, a price of \$0.07974/kWh or less for a 60 month term; Town of Hammonton may award a contract to the winning supplier for the selected term.

Resolution #072-2025- Approval of the Teen Arts Festival

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE ANNUAL DOWNTOWN HAMMONTON
ATLANTIC COUNTY TEEN ARTS FESTIVAL 2025**

WHEREAS, The Atlantic County Teen Arts is a statewide multidisciplinary program in the fine arts and performing arts and has been available to young people in Atlantic County in varying forms since 1969; and

WHEREAS, The one-day Teen Arts Festival has been held in Downtown Hammonton since 2012 and is returning to Downtown Hammonton for 2025 ; and

WHEREAS, The Teen Arts Festival is held in the Arts District which aligns with the town's commitment to celebrating the arts; and

WHEREAS, The Teen Arts is a widely popular event attracting many people to the town and therefore generates increased exposure for the entire town, and

WHEREAS, Wednesday, May 7, 2025 is the scheduled date for the Teen Arts event during the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton is partnering with Atlantic County to plan this event and requests the following street closure for this event between the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.:

Front Street between 12th St. and Passmore Avenue; and

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton has requested police assistance at crosswalks along Rt 54 and 12th Street at major crosswalks;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that May 7 2025 is approved for the Atlantic County Teen Arts event, including the above requests for street closure and police assistance, are acknowledged, approved and endorsed;

Resolution #073-2025- Approval to purchase police vehicles under State Contract

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT FOR THE AWARD TO PURCHASE TWO 2025 FORD INTERCEPTOR SUV/HYBRIDS

WHEREAS, there exists a need to purchase Ford Interceptor Hybrids, for the Hammonton Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department recommend, after comparing the price and particular suitability, that a contract be awarded to Winner Ford to purchase the vehicle under state contract # 20-Fleet-01189, in the amount not to exceed \$92,226.00.; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the an ordinance; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1-et seq. requires that the resolution authorizing the awarding of the contract without competitive bidding and the contract itself must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, ATLANTIC COUNTY, NEW JERSEY that the Mayor and Town Clerk of the Town of Hammonton are hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with Winner Ford, for the purchase two 2025 Ford Interceptor SUV/Hybrids; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract is awarded without competitive bidding in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 of the Local Public Contracts Law as a State Approved Contractor # 20-Fleet-01189; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract is subject to the mutual acceptance of the appropriate contact documentation between the Winner Ford and the Town of Hammonton.

Resolution #074-2025- Authorize Harvest Concert

AUTHORIZING AND ENDORSING Second Annual Hammonton Community Endowment Harvest Concert Fundraiser

WHEREAS, The Hammonton Heart & Soul Leadership Team with MainStreet Hammonton serving as the sponsoring non-profit organization, applied for a \$100,000 grant offered by the Community Foundation of South Jersey for an initiative called, “Transform South Jersey” resulting in Hammonton being selected as one of six communities in February of 2020 and

WHEREAS, Through this project, residents and leaders participated in the Community Heart & Soul process to determine the community values loved and cherished by the Hammonton community and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council endorsed these Community Value Statements on January 22, 2024 and agreed to refer to these identified community priorities as a resource guide for town planning and

WHEREAS, The Hammonton Community Endowment was established as a way that people who love this special town can pool and direct their resources to provide funds that honor what we love here in Hammonton and

WHEREAS, The Hammonton Community Endowment Advisory Board (HCEAB) was established to oversee the Hammonton Community Endowment and is dedicated to ensure that Hammonton remains a strong, healthy and vibrant community by providing community grants and fostering endowment building and

WHEREAS, The premier fundraising event, “Second Annual Harvest Concert 2025” featuring the band GoodMan Fiske is planned for Saturday, October 11, 2025 from 5pm-10pm at the Mt Carmel Grounds that will include a beer/distillery garden and food trucks and

WHEREAS, The HCEAB has been approved by the Mt Carmel Society for the use of the Mt Carmel grounds and is working with the Police Chief to determine security requirements to ensure safety measures and

WHEREAS, The HCEAB Fundraising Committee is requesting the closure of half of French Street from N 3rd St up to and including Mt Carmel Lane from 12noon-11:30pm on October 11, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that the Second Annual Harvest Concert Fundraiser on October 11, 2025 and the requested road closures are acknowledged and endorsed.

Resolution #075-2025- Approval of the annual food truck festival

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TENTH ANNUAL HAMMONTON FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL EVENT

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton Organization has and continues to promote the Town of Hammonton with scheduled events in the downtown business district; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council has and continues to support the efforts of MainStreet Hammonton; and

WHEREAS, The Hammonton’s Tenth Annual Food Truck Festival is a widely popular event attracting many new people to the town and therefore generates increased business for the entire town, and

WHEREAS, Saturday, June 7, 2025 is the scheduled date for the Tenth Annual Hammonton Food Truck Festival event during the hours of 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton has requested the following street closures for this event between the hours of 2:00 pm. to 11:00 p.m.:

Central Ave (Route 542) between Bellevue Ave to Vine Street;

South Second Street between Bellevue Ave and Vine Street;

Front Street between 12th Street and Passmore Ave.

Horton Street between and Bellevue Ave Orchard Street

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton has requested appropriate Police Parking Control signs to be posted early in the day noting NO PARKING AFTER 2:00 pm and the reservation of the following parking spaces for safer traffic access and the Food Trucks to park and set up:

North-Western side of Route 54 between Third Street and N. Egg Harbor Road;

Both sides of S. 2nd Street between Bellevue Ave and Vine Street

Both sides of Central Avenue between Bellevue Ave and Vine Street;

Both sides of Front Street between 12th St. and Passmore;

Both sides of Horton Avenue between Bellevue Avenue and Orchard Street,

WHEREAS, Main Street Hammonton has met with the Police Chief and been approved for seven Police Officers to assist with crowd control and direct traffic at the intersections due to increased event related pedestrian and vehicular traffic on State Route 54, and crossing the railroad tracks at Egg Harbor Rd. and;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that June 7, 2025 is approved for the Tenth Annual Hammonton Food Truck Festival"" event, including the above requests for street closures, reservation of parking spaces, posting of "NO PARKING" signs and five police officers are acknowledged, approved and endorsed;

Resolution #076-2025- Approval Tax/ Water Sewer Refunds

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON AUTHORIZING TAX / WATER / SEWER REFUNDS

Whereas, the following accounts need to have amounts credited, transferred, cancelled, refunded or changed

<u>Block / Lot</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
3703/2	Town of Hammonton	648 S Egg Harbor Rd	\$334.37	Cancel/Tax Exempt

Whereas, the above amounts have been corrected in the Edmunds Billing system for the Utilities and or tax module showing the correct amounts.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY that the above refunds are authorized, as approved by the Tax Collector of the Town of Hammonton:

Resolution # 077-2025- Authorize renewal of Conflict Liquor License

**County of Atlantic
Resolution Authorizing NJ ABC to Renew Conflict Liquor License**

WHEREAS, the following liquor license holders have applied for renewal of July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses:

	License #	License Name	License Holder	Location
0113 33 006		DiDonato's Bowling Center	Stephen DiDonato	1151 WHP

WHEREAS, the applicant is a member of the governing body of the Town of Hammonton, which also acts as the ABC issuing authority, the subject license is a "conflict" license. Accordingly, said renewal application will be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control for consideration pursuant to N.J.S.A. 33:1-20 and N.J.A.C. 13:2-4.1; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 13:2-4.6 requires the issuing authority to submit to the Director a certified Resolution setting forth that the issuing authority has no objection to the renewal of the subject license and consents thereto, and, furthermore, is not aware of any circumstances or provisions of law or local ordinance which would prohibit the renewal of the subject licenses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey that the Governing Body has no objection to the renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption License and consents thereto, and, furthermore, is not aware of any circumstances or provisions of law or local ordinance which would prohibit the renewal of the subject licenses.

PUBLIC HEARD

MEETING ADJOURNED