

**Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council March 23, 2026**  
**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**

**Roll Call**

Councilperson:  
Calderone – Present  
Marino - Absent  
Matro - Present  
R, Rodio - Present  
S. Rodio – Present  
Scipione – Present  
Mayor Furgione – Present

**PRESENT ALSO**

Michael Malinsky, Town Solicitor

**EXECUTIVE SESSION Resolution #056-2026**

Motion by Council Person R. Rodio Second Matro  
Executive Session

Motion by Council Person Calderone Second R. Rodio  
Close Executive Session

**RESUME REGULAR MEETING-ROLL CALL**

**Roll Call**

Councilperson:  
Calderone – Present  
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Matro - Present  
R, Rodio - Present  
S. Rodio – Present  
Scipione – Present  
Mayor Furgione – Present

**PRESENT ALSO**

Michael Malinsky, Town Solicitor  
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**

No one desired to be heard

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Regular Minutes February 23, 2026  
Executive Minutes February 23, 2026  
Special Meeting Minutes March 11, 2026

Motion by Council Person Scipione Second Matro  
Approval of minutes

**Roll Call**

**Councilperson:**  
Calderone – Yes  
Marino - Absent  
Matro - Yes  
R, Rodio - Yes  
S. Rodio – Yes  
Scipione – Yes  
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

**PRESENTATION**

**Food Drive Mary Anne Sacco 426 Passmore Ave** - obtained permission for food drive it will be 10 am to 4pm on April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.

Motion by Council Person Rodio Second Scipione  
Approval of food drive

**Roll Call**

**Councilperson:**  
Calderone – Yes  
Marino - Absent  
Matro - Yes  
R, Rodio - Yes  
S. Rodio – Yes  
Scipione – Yes  
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

**Lakeview Gardens** – Given by Rich Rehmman, he spoke about the project and reviewed the handouts that were given to residents. The issue is PFAS contamination that may be in the area.

**Mayor Furgione** spoke about the funding that may be available for the residents.

**John Dominica 556 Moss Mill Road** – Question about running the water line to the homes. Will the Town be paying for this or will the homeowner? Not sure currently. We have wait to hear about financing.

**Anthony 118 Popular Street** – If funding is available how long will it take to get? At least 10 to 12 months.

**Bill Oliva 133 Cypress Court** - We have to speed up the project. Make sure you have your wells tested.

**Ian Fisher 4 Moss View Lane** – Do residents have to connect if we get the grant. Yes

**Food Truck Deanna Falcone 373 White Horse Pike** - They will be selling coffee and danish. Deanna handed out a pamphlet explaining the location and how the operations will run. This location is in the area that is prohibited by the Town ordinance. That is the reason she is making a request to the council to approve the food truck in this location. Approval was given.

Motion by Council Person Scipione Second S. Rodio

Approval of food truck on white horse pike to sell coffee and pastries

**Roll Call**

**Councilperson:**

Calderone – Yes

Marino - Absent

Matro - Yes

R, Rodio - Yes

S. Rodio – Yes

Scipione – Yes

Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

**Packard / Bellevue Tree removal for a 4-house development –**

Jenn Gannon from DR Horton the contractor for the homes, spoke. She explained what type of houses are going to be built. They will make the change to the house on the corner, it will face Bellevue Ave. They will plant trees on the lot and if additional ones are needed, they will plant them as well.

**Mayor Furgione** - explained the type of homes that will be built in that location.

**Lisa Howell** – She has an issue with the tree removal. The trees benefit all of us and she is very upset that Were taken down. She questioned the ordinance and process that was used.

**Mike Malinsky Town Solicitor** – explained the process of a subdivision and who this project followed the correct procedures.

**James Sasanno 447 Bellevue Ave** – He was the original owner of the house. He purchased the piece of property on Packard and had it subdivided to sell it. He took down 11 trees that were diseased or in bad condition and removed them. He is a tree person and understands the concerns, but the trees that were taken down were not in good condition.

**Frank Chappine 442 Bellevue Ave** – Thanked council and trusts the system. He gave a speech about the old trees that were there and the homes that used to be on Bellevue. He feels that some of the regulations may not have been followed.

**Angela Donio Tilton Street** – Spoke about the master plan that they worked on in the past. Builders now put up cookie cutter homes; you have pockets of homes that do not fit the neighborhood all over town.

**DISPENSE WITH REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Resolution #057- 2026- approval of temporary Capital Budget**

**WHEREAS**, the need has arisen to introduce a bond ordinance to provide funds for West End Avenue and Thirteenth Street Roadway and Drainage 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**

<b>1) <u>Purpose</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>Debt Authorized</u></b>	<b><u>Grants</u></b>	<b><u>CIF Downpayment</u></b>
West End Avenue Roadway & Drainage Improvements	\$ 322,728	\$ 43,225	\$277,228 (a)	\$ 2,275
Thirteenth Street Roadway & Drainage Improvements	<u>\$ 275,190</u>	<u>\$ 43,700</u>	<u>\$ 229,190 (a)</u>	<u>\$ 2,300</u>
	<u>\$ 597,918</u>	<u>\$ 86,925</u>	<u>\$ 506,418</u>	<u>\$ 4,575</u>

(a) New Jersey Department of Transportation

**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**

West End Avenue Roadway & Drainage Improvements \$ 322,728  
 Thirteenth Street Roadway & Drainage Improvements \$ 275,190

- 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.

Motion by Council Person Scipione Second S. Rodio  
 Resolution #057-2026 is adopted

**Roll Call**

**Councilperson:**

- Calderone – Yes
- Marino - Absent
- Matro - Yes
- R, Rodio - Yes
- S. Rodio – Yes
- Scipione – Yes
- Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Administration - Councilman Marino- given by Frank Zuber**

- Construction office and court office are accepting application until March 27.

### **Business & Industry – Councilwoman R. Rodio**

- New Business will be announced in the coming months
- Sound system upgrade on Bellevue Ave is in process
- April 11<sup>th</sup> is the Mainstreet Gala
- 250<sup>th</sup> committee is working hard on events for the celebration

### **Quality of Life – Councilman Calderone**

- Veterans Memorial – we will be collecting names from 1970 to present. The veterans will be scheduled to attend the next council meeting.
- The presentation at the canoe club went very well. Thanks to the presenters.
- This Saturday there will be the lake cleanup

### **Education – Councilman Scipione**

- Reviewed the school board meeting. They received an additional 1.3 million in aid
- 3 teachers are retiring
- ECEC project is ahead of schedule

### **Public Works & Transportation Councilman S. Rodio**

- No action items
- The highway department took down the tree that was hanging on the line on Egg Harbor Road today.

### **Law & Order – Mayor Furgione- Given by Chief Friel**

- The new officer from the academy is now on the street
- This Friday is the fish fry at fire company #2
- Green Community cleanup this Saturday at Lake Park
- Easter egg event this Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup>
- April 2<sup>nd</sup> at Napa there will be free vehicle inspections
- April 25<sup>th</sup> medication collection

### **Water & Sewer - Councilman Matro**

- Post cards for eh 2026 water report are available on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor tax officer
- WQAA capital improvement report was filed with the NJDEP
- Please call and make an appointment to get your water meter replaced

## **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

#### **1. Lakeview Gardens Watermain – Funding Support (ARH #P2026.0001)**

The Town is planning an extension of the public water system to the Lakeview Gardens section. ARH will support the Town and their grants consultant in the pursuit of FY2027 funding from the NJDEP (I-Bank) to support the project.

#### **Action Item**

Approve ARH's proposal for engineering services for an amount not to exceed \$33,365.00.

Motion by Council Person Matro Second Scipione

PO to ARH in the amount of \$33,365.00 is approved

## **Roll Call**

**Councilperson:**

Calderone – Yes  
Marino - Absent  
Matro - Yes  
R, Rodio - Yes  
S. Rodio – Yes  
Scipione – Yes  
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

2. **West End Ave Roadway Improvements (ARH #P2025.0444)**

The Town received funding from the NJDOT FY 2026 Municipal Aid Program to resurface West End Avenue. ARH will provide professional surveying and engineering services to execute the project, manage the NJDOT PMRS process, and coordinate all work with the current development along the roadway.

**Action Item**

Approve ARH's proposal for Engineering services for an amount not to exceed \$28,860.00.

Motion by Council Person S. Rodio Second Matro

PO to ARH in the amount of \$28,860.00 is approved. Contingent upon final adoption and passage of Ordinance #004-2026

**Roll Call**

**Councilperson:**

Calderone – Yes  
Marino - Absent  
Matro - Yes  
R, Rodio - Yes  
S. Rodio – Yes  
Scipione – Yes  
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

**SOLICITOR REPORT**

Motion by Council Person R. Rodio Second Scipione

**Introduction of Ordinance #005-2026**

**Roll Call**

**Councilperson:**

Calderone – Yes  
Marino - Absent  
Matro - Yes  
R, Rodio - Yes  
S. Rodio – Yes  
Scipione – Yes  
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

Motion by Council Person Scipione Second Matro  
Approval of amendment to Hammonton Exchange – name change

**Roll Call**

**Councilperson:**

Calderone – Yes  
Marino - Absent  
Matro - Yes  
R, Rodio - Yes  
S. Rodio – Yes  
Scipione – Yes  
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

Motion by Council Person Matro Second Scipione  
Approval to renew Buena Vista code enforcement agreement

**Roll Call**

**Councilperson:**

Calderone – Yes  
Marino - Absent  
Matro - Yes  
R, Rodio - Yes  
S. Rodio – Yes  
Scipione – Yes  
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

**MAYOR REPORT**

- Kawanis Club and Kramer Beverage have donated benches for 11<sup>th</sup> Street recreation park
- Detour for Weymouth Road is a work in process
- We have applied for an airport grant in the amount of 5.3 million
- We will be reviewing the SS4 grant this coming Friday

**Public Works Report**

**Lake Park Tot Lot Swing Set Equipment-** The Town will be purchasing the new equipment to replace the old Tot lot swing set that was removed. This purchase will be completed by the end of April.

**Lake Park walkways-** We will be adding additional Bollards along the concrete walking path to protect the pedestrians and the new walkways that were installed.

**SS4 Project update-** We met with NJDOT regarding the scope of the project. Since some of the work on the original application has been completed, we have been given permission to submit a scope alteration to the project. We are working with our professionals to accomplish by the end of April.

**Town Public Works Schedule April 2026**

**Bulky waste pickup** – for the Month of April will be from the 6<sup>th</sup> through the 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Brush pickup** – for the month of March will be the 13<sup>th</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Trash Collection for the Easter Holiday**- Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup> will be collected on Thursday April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Monday April 6<sup>th</sup> collection will be on Tuesday April 7<sup>th</sup>.

**The County Recycling pickup** – for April will be March 30<sup>th</sup> to April 3<sup>rd</sup> and April 13<sup>th</sup> to the 17<sup>th</sup>.

**TOWN CLERK REPORT**

1) Approve the finalized wording of both the Blue Collar (Highway) and the Radio (Dispatch) contracts.

Motion by Council Person S. Rodio Second Matro  
Items 1 above is approved

**Roll Call**

Councilperson:  
Calderone – Yes  
Marino – Absent  
Matro - Yes  
R, Rodio - Yes  
S. Rodio – Yes  
Scipione – Yes  
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

**APPROVAL OF BILL LIST**

Motion by Council Person Calderone Second Matro  
Approval of Bill list

**Roll Call**

Councilperson:  
Calderone – Yes  
Marino - Absent  
Matro - Yes  
R, Rodio - Yes  
S. Rodio – Yes  
Scipione – Yes  
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Introduction of Ordinance 004-2026- Bond Ordinance for Road Improvements West End Ave and 13<sup>th</sup> Street**

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS ROADWAY AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, BY AND IN THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$597,918 THEREFOR (INCLUDING STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANTS TOTALING \$506,418) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$86,925 IN 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 \$597,918, which sum includes grants in the amounts of \$229,190 and \$277,228, respectively, expected to be received from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation (the "2025 DOT Grant", and the "2026 DOT Grant" and sometimes hereinafter referred to as the "DOT Grants"), and \$4,575 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 \$597,918 appropriation not provided for by application hereunder of the DOT Grants and said down payments, negotiable bonds of the Town are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$86,925 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 \$86,925 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:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Authorization</u>	<u>Down Payment</u>	<u>Useful Life</u>
(i) Various roadway and drainage improvement along the entire length or portions thereof Thirteenth Street; and	\$275,190 (including the 2025 DOT Grant)	\$43,700	\$2,300	10 years

<u>Description</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Authorization</u>	<u>Down Payment</u>	<u>Useful Life</u>
(ii) Various roadway and drainage improvements along the entire length of portions thereof of West End Avenue.	\$322,728 (including the 2026 DOT Grant)	\$43,225	\$2,275	10 years
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$597,918</b>	<b>\$86,925</b>	<b>\$4,575</b>	

(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 \$86,925.

(d) The aggregate estimated cost of said improvements or purposes is \$597,918, the excess amount thereof over the said DOT Grants and the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, is the aggregate down payments for said purposes in the amount of \$4,575.

Motion by Council Person S. Rodio Second Scipione  
Ordinance #004-2026 has passed 1<sup>st</sup> reading and is approved for Publication

**Roll Call**

Councilperson:  
Calderone – Yes  
Marino - Absent  
Matro - Yes  
R, Rodio - Yes  
S. Rodio – Yes  
Scipione – Yes  
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

**RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolution #058-2026- Approval of various refunds**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON  
AUTHORIZING VARIOUS REFUNDS**

**BE IT RESOLVED** BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY that the following refunds/close out of accounts are authorized as approved by the respective Department Heads of the Town of Hammonton:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Berenato, Joseph	380 S, Chew Rd	\$ 600.00	Refund Rental Fee
Hammonton Youth Wrestling	PO Box 805	\$280.00	Refund Escrow

**Resolution #059- 2026 – Approving Hammonton Community Market**

**AUTHORIZING THE HAMMONTON COMMUNITY MARKET**

**WHEREAS**, The Hammonton Green Committee and MainStreet Hammonton Organization shall collaborate to promote the Town of Hammonton with scheduled Community Market events in the downtown business district; and

**WHEREAS**, Mayor and Council shall support the efforts of The Hammonton Green Committee in collaboration with MainStreet Hammonton; and

**WHEREAS**, the Hammonton Green Committee of Hammonton will host this Community Market event, which will feature sustainability themed agriculture, arts and craft vendors, and environmental conservation demonstrations; and

**WHEREAS**, The Hammonton Community Market attracts residents and visitors to the town and therefore enhanced the growing reputation of Hammonton's Downtown, and

**WHEREAS**, Friday June 26th, 2026 is the scheduled date for the first of three Hammonton Community Market events, during the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; and

**WHEREAS**, additional dates of **July 24 & September 25** will repeat the Community Market during the hours of 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

**Resolution #060-2026- Appoint a Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA)**

**RESOLUTION FOR INCREASING BID THRESHHOLD AND APPOINTING A QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9(a)**

**WHEREAS**, 40A:11-9(a) permits a municipal governing body to authorize its purchasing agent to award contracts that do not exceed in a contract year the annual limit as established by the Governor, and

**WHEREAS**, local governing bodies have been advised by the Local Finance Board through (LFN 2025-13) that the Governor has authorized the following bid and quotation thresholds effective July 1, 2025:

	<u>Bid Threshold</u>	<u>Quotation Threshold</u>
With Qualified Purchasing Agent	\$53,000	\$7,950

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton desires to appoint Frank Zuber as the Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Town of Hammonton.

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton desires to increase its bid and quotation thresholds as provided in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(a);

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, in the County of Atlantic, in the State of New Jersey hereby increase its bid threshold to \$53,000 for QPA and its quotation threshold to \$7,950; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton hereby appoints Frank Zuber as the Qualified Purchasing Agent to exercise the duties of a purchasing agent pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9(a), with specific relevance to the authority, responsibility, and accountability of the purchasing activity of the Town of Hammonton.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, **June 26, July 24, & September 25** are approved for the Hammonton Community Market event.

**Resolution #061-2026- Approve Good Friday Procession**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE “SPANISH COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY PROCESSION”**

**WHEREAS**, St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Parish/St. Joseph’s Church continues to promote the Town of Hammonton with their annual “Spanish Community Good Friday Procession”; and

**WHEREAS**, **Friday April 3, 2026 at 4:30 p.m.** is the scheduled date for the Spanish Community Good Friday Procession; and

**WHEREAS**, St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Parish/St. Joseph’s Church has requested assistance of the Town of Hammonton Police Department for this scheduled event and closure of the following streets in the Town of Hammonton for stations of the cross and procession:

From N. Third St.  
To French St.  
To Second St.  
To Pleasant St.  
To Tilton St.  
To French  
To N. Third St.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that the Spanish Community Good Friday Procession is approved by the Town of Hammonton; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the necessary certificate of insurance has been filed with the Town Clerk.

**Resolution #062-2025- Appoint Recycling Coordinator**

**RESOLUTION NAMING  
CERTIFIED RECYCLING PROFESSIONAL,  
AND AUTHORIZING GRANT APPLICATION  
FOR RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT FOR YEAR 2025**

- WHEREAS,** The Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L. 1987, c.102, has established a recycling fund from which tonnage grant may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and
- WHEREAS,** It is the intent and the spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs and to continue and to expand existing programs; and
- WHEREAS,** The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has promulgated recycling regulations to implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and
- WHEREAS,** The recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and
- WHEREAS,** A resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for such tonnage grants will memorialize the commitment of the municipality to recycling and to indicate the assent of the Town of Hammonton to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulations; and
- WHEREAS,** Scott Rivera Certified Recycling Professionals, is herein designated as the individual authorized to ensure that the application is properly completed and timely filed.

**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 the Town of Hammonton hereby endorses this submission of the Recycling Tonnage Grant Application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and therefore designates Scott Rivera Certified Recycling Professional, to ensure that the application is properly filed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the monies received from the Recycling Tonnage Grant be deposited in a dedicated Recycling Trust Fund to be used solely for the purpose of recycling; and

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor, Town Clerk, Scott Rivera Certified Recycling Professional, are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in furtherance of this Resolution

**Resolution #063-2026- Approve Petty Cash for Joint Municipal Court**

**RESOLUTION CHANGE IN PETTY CASH AMOUNT**

**WHEREAS,** N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund, and,

**WHEREAS,** it is the desire of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic that the petty cash fund for the Hammonton Joint Municipal Court be increased to \$300.00 for the year 2026.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic hereby authorizes such action and two copies of this resolution be filed with the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approval.

**Resolution #064-2026- Authorize food truck festival**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE 11th ANNUAL HAMMONTON FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL**

**WHEREAS,** MainStreet Hammonton 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 annual Hammonton Food Truck Festival is a widely popular event attracting thousands of visitors to the town, many of whom are visiting for the first time, and therefore generates increased business & exposure for the entire town, and

**WHEREAS**, Saturday, June 13, 2026 (rain date June 14, 2026) is the scheduled date for the 11th Annual Hammonton Food Truck Festival event during the hours of 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.; and

**WHEREAS**, MainStreet Hammonton has requested the following street closures for this event between the hours of 12:00 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;
- Horton Street between Bellevue Ave and Orchard Street;
- Front Street between 12th Street and Passmore Ave.

**WHEREAS**, MainStreet Hammonton has requested appropriate Police Parking Control signs to be posted early in the day noting NO PARKING AFTER 1:00 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 Central Avenue between Bellevue Ave and Vine Street;
- Both sides of Horton Avenue between Bellevue Avenue and Orchard Street,
- Both sides of S. 2nd Street between Bellevue Ave. and Vine Street
- Both sides of Front Street between 12th St. and Passmore Ave.

**WHEREAS**, Main Street Hammonton has met with the Police Chief and been approved for 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 Saturday, June 13, 2026 (rain date June 14, 2026) is approved for the 11th 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 #065-2026- Approval of request for time extension for NJDOT Bike Path Grant**

**Requested time extension for NJDOT Grant-L.A. – 2022 Bike, Hammonton Town, Veteran’s Place Bicycle Path Connector Phase II – 00035**

**Resolution Requesting a Six (6) Month Time Extension for Project Award for use of the NJDOT Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Funds**

**Whereas**, the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Hammonton desire to use the NJDOT Municipal Aid project funds, and

**Whereas**, the Town has received the following funding allotments from the NJDOT Municipal Aid program: FY-2022, \$745,000.00 dated February 16, 2022, and

**Whereas**, the requirements for project award of the NJDOT Municipal Aid fund is two (2) years from the receipt of letter related to project funding allotment as listed within the NJDOT, PMRS date of 2/16/24, and

**Whereas**, the Town has endeavored to comply with the project deadline standards as established by the NJDOT, and

**Whereas**, certain circumstances have caused delays in the project survey, design work, and obtaining easements required for project completion which are listed as follows:

- Coordination with NJDOT regarding a proposed railroad crossing which requires upgrades to existing signalization, concrete path and a safety gate.

**Furthermore**, The Town planned to bid and award the Phase II Bike Path Connector – 00035 construction projects during the summer of 2024 and be compliant with the NJDOT requirements for award of the FY-2022, \$745,000.00 funds.

However, to be safe we are requesting a six (6) month extension on the award for the FY-2022 project funds until August 16, 2026.

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton that the adoption of this resolution be approved and forwarded to the NJDOT, Local Aid District IV Office for review and approval consideration for the reasons as stated above.

**Resolution #066-2026- Approval of State Contract purchase for Lake Park Tot Lot**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT TO AWARD  
THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF TOT LOT EQUIPMENT LAKE PARK**

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need to purchase and install Tot Lot Playground Equipment at lake park; and

**WHEREAS**, after comparing the prices, a contract be to be awarded to MRC Recreation, PO Box 106, Spring Lake, NJ 07762, to purchase and install the Tot Lot Playground Equipment and subsurface under state contracts ESCNJ #ESCNJ 24/25/-01 & #24—Food-118185, in the amount not to exceed \$94,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, funds are available in ordinance #006-2025 for the purchase; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1-et seq. requires that the resolution awarding the contract without competitive bidding and the contract 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 MRC Recreation, PO Box 106, Spring Lake, NJ 07762,

**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 Contracts ESCNJ #ESCNJ 24/25/-01 & #24—Food-118185; and

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

**Resolution #067-2026- Approval to apply for New Jersey Environmental Trust Loan**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON TO APPLY FOR NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL  
INFRASTRUCUTRE TRUST LOAN FOR  
N.J.S.H ROUTE 54 WATER INFRASTRUCUTRE PROJECT – PHASE 2  
FROM CENTRAL AVENUE TO FIRST ROAD**

**WHEREAS**, The Town of Hammonton 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 "ROUTE 54 WATER INFRASTRUCUTRE PROJECT – PHASE 2", 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 Central to First Road, along with service lateral replacements to comply with safe drinking water standards to remove lead from service lines.

**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, Phone Number: 609-567-4300; ext: 121.**

**Resolution #068-2026- Approval of budget transfers**

**TRANSFER OF BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, and State of New Jersey, that there be and hereby is authorized the following transfer from the 2025 Budget appropriations reserves:

**CURRENT FUND**

From: Administration – Operating Expense	\$ 1,000.00
From: Computer - Operating Expense	\$ 4,400.00
From: State Fire - Operating Expense	\$ 1,600.00
From: Police – Operating Expense	\$ 1,800.00
From: Recreation – Salary & Wages	\$ 200.00
To: Road Repairs & Maint - Operating Expense	\$ 9,000.00

Motion by Council Person Scipione Second Calderone  
Resolutions #058 to #068 are approved

**Roll Call**

Councilperson:  
Calderone – Yes  
Marino - Absent  
Matro - Yes  
R, Rodio - Yes  
S. Rodio – Yes  
Scipione – Yes  
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

**PUBLIC HEARD**

**Dianna Grasso 643 North Chew Road** – Would like to do a public health revision for children with cancer. Requests that the NJ Department of Health do a cluster review on N. Chew Road.

**Councilman Calderone**- The new historical Society picture of the Town is now hanging in Town Hall.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

Motion by Council Person S. Rodio Second Matro