

Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council July 27, 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 –

Marino -

Matro -

R, Rodio -

S. Rodio –

Scipione -

Mayor Furgione –

PRESENT ALSO

Michael Malinsky, Town Solicitor

EXECUTIVE SESSION Resolution #116-2026

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 June 22, 2026

Executive Minutes June 22, 2026

Special Meeting Minutes June 29, 2026

PRESENTATION

- Bagliani's Market
- Route 54 Water Main Project - Murphy Pipeline
- Triad Associates - Green Committee Project
- Developer to present possible upgrades to Block 4108 lot 1, block 4109, lot 1, 2 & 3 on the White Horse Pike

DISPENSE WITH REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration - Councilman Marino

Business & Industry – Councilwoman R. Rodio

Quality of Life – Councilman Calderone

Education – Councilman Scipione

Public Works & Transportation Councilman S. Rodio

Law & Order – Mayor Furgione

Water & Sewer - Councilman Matro

ENGINEER'S REPORT

ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Route 54 Water Main Replacement Project II – Funding Support (ARH #P2026.0167)**

The Town is planning the replacement of the public water main along Bellevue Avenue from Central Avenue to First Road. 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 \$18,575.00.

2. **2026 Green Acres Lake Park Design (ARH #P2026.0471)**

ARH will support the Town and their grants consultants with design and construction bidding services related to the planned improvements including in the 2026 Green Acres funding request.

Action Item

Approve ARH's proposal for Engineering services for an amount not to exceed \$129,590.00.

ROADWAY & TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS:

NJDOT & NJ Transit Coordination (ARH #1101110.01):

100% Complete

This project was for 2025 activities which have been completed. We continue to support the Town to work through the NJDOT and NJ Transit open items on other, related projects.

Hammonton Bike Path Connector – Phase II (ARH #1140052.09):

95% Complete

We met with the NJDOT to discuss the revised routing. We are producing the preliminary information for the 9th Street crossing that NJDOT and NJ Transit need for to create their revised cost estimates.

Thirteenth Street Drainage (ARH #1106001.03):

90% Complete

We are preparing a response to the NJDOT's design document comments, and that will be submitted after property easement items are resolved.

NJDOT FY2023 Safe Streets to Transit: Front St. (ARH #1140063.01):

85% Complete

We met with the Town to discuss design alternative options to account for the tight spacing and minimize impacts to adjacent property owners.

NJDOT FY2026 West End Ave Paving (ARH #1140064.01):

80% Complete

We submitted our design to the NJDOT for review and expect to hear back from them in a few weeks.

SEWER/WATER INFORMATION ITEMS:

Route 54 Water Main Replacement Project – Phase I (ARH #1130167.06):

100% Complete

The Town awarded the construction contract for this phase of work, and we are transitioning into construction administration and inspection.

Route 54 Water Main Replacement Project – Phase II (ARH #1130167.07):

98% Complete

We submitted our design and funding application materials to NJDEP I-Bank (H2Loans) ahead of the July 1 opening date to get at the top of the review queue. We have been in close contact with them to maintain emphasis on timelines.

Lakeview Gardens Water Main Extension (ARH #1130172.01):

98% Complete

The design and bidding tasks of this project are on hold until the NJDEP I-Bank (H2Loans) application process is completed.

Sanitary Sewer Study & Rehabilitation Program (ARH #1150146.01):

95% Complete

The Contractor was at the Liberty Pump Station to gather information ahead of finalizing their proposal.

Lead Service Line Replacement (ARH #1130170.02):

80% Complete

We continue to coordinate with the Town and funding agency to develop the materials to support the initiation and management of the lead line replacement program. The work on this project has had a positive impact on other utility projects.

Lakeview Gardens Watermain – Funding Support (ARH #1130172.02):

35% Complete

We met with the Town to review the scope to adjust the design based on the funding source requirements. We have coordinated with the NJDEP I-Bank (H2Loans), and the application will be submitted in the next month.

Boyer Ave Sanitary Sewer Improvements – Phase 2 (ARH #1150058.32):

15% Complete

We remain on hold until Phase 1 hook-ups are completed to ensure the existing is free of issues and has the needed capacity.

GENERAL SITE AND RECREATION INFORMATION ITEMS:

Lake Park Pavilion Enhancements (ARH #1190035.01):

90% Complete

The Town has received notice of award for 2026 Green Acres funding. This project is tied to that funding, and it will be restarted soon.

11th St Recreation Area Engineering (ARH #1101065.12):

85% Complete

We are progressing with Phase 2 of the site design. Construction of this project is contingent on funding.

Jake's Law Park (ARH #1190037.01):

85% Complete

We are updating the Town's Recreation and Open Space Inventory (ROSI) to address a contingency of the Town's agreement with NJDEP Green Acres. Once the agreement is finalized, we will be in good position to get the project out to bid. We will continue to coordinate with the Town, Triad, and the Little League on scheduling.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND REMEDIATION PROJECTS:

K&K Linens Property / 224 Vine Street (ARH #1101094.09):

Ongoing

We continue to execute the project tasks, staying in close coordination with the Town and NJDEP. We are submitting a reimbursement application for approximately \$106,000 on behalf of the Town to help defray the overall costs of the project.

Mazza Muffler Site / 104 S. Egg Harbor Road (ARH #1101102.04):

Ongoing

We continue to work with the site LSRP performing site investigation and monitoring. We are submitting a reimbursement application for approximately \$15,000 on behalf of the Town to help defray the overall costs of the project.

Skinner Property / 317 N. Egg Harbor Road (ARH #P2022.0424):

Ongoing

We continue to execute the project tasks, staying in close coordination with the Town and NJDEP. We are submitting a reimbursement application for approximately \$67,000 on behalf of the Town to help defray the overall costs of the project.

Celona Site Remediation - 130 Railroad Avenue (ARH #1101054.06):

Ongoing

We continue to execute the project tasks, staying in close coordination with the Town and NJDEP.

Octagon Oil/Vine Street Parking Lot (ARH #1101060.23):

Ongoing

We are preparing a proposal to perform additional work based on DEP's RAP application review.

SOLICITOR REPORT

MAYOR REPORT

Public Works Report

Town Public Works Schedule for August

Bulky waste pickup – will be from August 3rd through the 7th.

Brush pickup – will be August 10th through the 14th.

The County Recycling pickup – August 3rd through the 7th and August 17th through the 21st and August 31st.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

- 1) Accept the resignation of Justin Day from his position in the Highway Department effective July 9, 2026. Approve payment of remaining accrued vacation and personal time according to the contract.
- 2) Approval to promote Michael Zielinski to Heavy Truck Driver in the Highway Department, as per Blue Collar Contract. Effective July 20, 2026.
- 3) Approval to Hire Andrew Wehner as a Class II Police officer effective August 17, 2026. Hourly rate to follow current contract.
- 4) Approval of hiring Autumn R. Garcia- Costa as a Part-Time Public Telecommunicator 19 to 26 hours per week, hourly rate of \$18.00, no benefits.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #117-2026- Approval to extend Due Date for 3rd Quater Proerty Taxes

Extending Due Date for 3rd Qtr Property Tax

WHEREAS, the 2026/2027 preliminary tax bills will be mailed late due to a delay in receiving the established tax rate from county;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton to authorize and direct the tax collector to extend the due date for the third quarter taxes to be due on Monday August 31, 2026, or at least 25 days from date of mailing (certification to follow);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that payments received after August 31, 2026, will accrue interest back to the Due date of August 1, 2026.

Resolution #118-2026- Approval of 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>
2201/25	Bongiovanni,Valentina	319 Fairview Ave	\$ 6,730.40	Cancel/exempt veteran
3715/4.03	Baker, Dean	505 S 1 st Rd.	\$ 7,902.40	Cancel/exempt veteran
3904/112	Williams, Kenneth	34 Golf Dr	\$11,587.59	Cancel/exempt veteran
1102/29	Akin, D.E. Jr.	50 N Chew Rd	\$1,148.56	Refund/change in assessment
3402/26	Corelogic	656 Peach St	\$2,863.88	Refund/change in assessment
3402/26	SJS Title	656 Peach St	\$2,650.00	Refund/Overpayment
3715/19	Community Options	966 S Grand St	\$4,900.17	Refund/Exempt Property

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 #119-2026- Approval of the transfer place to place and person to Person Liquor license

**Transfer Person to Person &
Place to Place Liquor License**

WHEREAS, an application has been filed for a person to person and place to place transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption License 0113-33-028-006;

WHEREAS, the submitted application form is complete in all respects, transfer fees have been paid, and the license has been properly renewed for the current license term;

WHEREAS, a police background check was completed. The applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all standards established by Title 33 of the New Jersey Statutes, regulations promulgated thereunder, as well as pertinent local ordinances and conditions consistent with Title 33;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton does hereby approve the Person to Person and the Place to Place transfer of the aforesaid Plenary Retail Consumption License owned Lynne Lucca at 774 Woodlawn Ave Hammonton, NJ 08037. The Transfer from in Pocket to The Monarch Room LLC 620 S. White Horse Pike Hammonton and from Lynn Lucca to the Monarch Room LLC at 620 S. White Horse Pike Hammonton, NJ 08037, and does hereby direct the Town Clerk to endorse the license certificate as follows: "this license, subject to all its terms and conditions, is hereby transferred from in pocket to the location at 620 S. White Horse Pike and from Lynn Lucca to the Monarch Room LLC.

Resolution #120-2026- Award Contract DY Consultants Apron Rehab

**RESOLUTION AWARDING A PRELIMINARY DESIGN CONTRACT
FOR THE NORTH, MIDDLE & SOUTH APRON
AT THE HAMMONTON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT**

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton is authorizing a contract to DY Consultants for the preliminary Design of the North, Middle and South Apron at the Hammonton Municipal Airport: and

WHEREAS, this authorization is required to complete the rehabilitation of the apron: and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, ATLANTIC COUNTY, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY that a contract be awarded to DY Consultants in the amount not to exceed \$183,000.00 for preliminary design of the North, Middle and South Apron at the Hammonton Municipal Airport.

Resolution #121-2026- Award State Contract for Installation of Airport Jet A Fuel Tank

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT TO AWARD
FOR THE INSTALLATION OF FUEL TANK AT THE
HAMMONTON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT**

WHEREAS, there exists a need to install new Jet A Fuel Tank at the Hammonton Municipal Airport;
and

WHEREAS, after comparing the prices, a contract be to be awarded to Spark Contractors, Dorothy, NJ, to install a new Jet A Fuel under state contracts A42263, T-0849, in the amount not to exceed \$255,585.07; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in ordinance #011-2026 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 Spark Contractors, Dorothy, NJ: 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 Contract # A42263, T-0849; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract is subject to the mutual acceptance of the appropriate contract documentation between Spark Contractors, and the Town of Hammonton

Resolution #122-2026- Authrozing application for NJEIT Loan for Phase II of Route 54 Water Main Project

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN FOR HAMMONTON TO APPLY FOR NEW JERSEY
ENVIRONEMNTAL INFRASTRUCUTRE TRUST LOAN FOR
PHASE II - ROUTE 54 (BELLEVUE AVENUE) WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT**

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 "Project Loan No. 0113001-013, Town of Hammonton Phase II - Route 54 (Bellevue Ave.) Water Main Replacement", The project scope will consist of the replacement of approximately 3,470 LF of potable water main, replacement fire hydrants, service laterals, and related site work along a portion of 12th Street (NJSH Route 54) within the Town of Hammonton; specifically, between First Road & Central Avenue. The project also involves individual water services replacement that contains lead or galvanized pipes for approximately 50 residents/businesses.

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**.

Resolution #123-2026- Award Emergency Contract for repair and replacement of Well 4 Pump

**RESOLUTION AWARDING AND CONFIRMING
EMERGENCY CONTRACT AWARD FOR SERVICES TO
THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON
BY A.C. SCHULTES**

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law permits the award of emergency contracts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6, subject to certain criteria; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton's Utility Superintendent, Anthony DeCicco, has certified an emergency existed for the repair and replacement of the pump for Well #4; and

WHEREAS, the Utility Superintendent executed an emergency contract in the amount of \$78,113.00 for, repair and replacement the pump for well #4; and

WHEREAS, the emergency services are set forth on the Contract with A.C. Schultes, 664 S. Evergreen Ave, Woodbury Heights, NJ 08097 (attached as Exhibit A) and were utilized for the replacement / repairs; and

WHEREAS, the Business Administrator/ Municipal Clerk has certified the funds are available for the emergency in the Capital Fund of the Utility (Ordinance #009-2025)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, approve and confirm the contract and award for emergency services per N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6, A.C. to Schultes, 664 S. Evergreen Ave, Woodbury Heights, NJ 08097 with in the amount of \$78,113.00 as attached exhibit A.

Resolution #124-2026- Approve Place to Place transfer of Frog Rock Golf & Country Club Inc

**Resolution approving a Place-to-Place transfer of Liquor License
For Frog Rock Golf & Country Club Inc. 0113-33-008-003**

WHEREAS, an application has been filed for a place-to-place transfer of a Distribution License, 0113-33-008-003 for Frog Rock Golf and Country Club: and

WHEREAS, the submitted application form is complete in all respects, transfer fees have been paid, and the license has been properly renewed for the current license term;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton does hereby approve the place to place transfer of the aforesaid Distribution License for the Frog Rock Golf & Country Club Inc. located at 420 Boyer Ave Hammonton, NJ and does hereby direct the Town Clerk to endorse the license certificate as follows: "this license, subject to all its terms and conditions, is hereby approved for the place to place transfer.

Resolution #125-2026- Authorizing 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>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Digiovannangelo, Dominic	\$ 380.00	Refund Escrow

Resolution #126-2026- Approval of Amusement Gaming License DiDonato's Bowling Center

**Amusement Games for Stephen DiDonato Doing Business as
DiDonato's Bowling Center**

WHEREAS, the individual(s) designated hereunder applied for a license for Amusement Games for The stipulated period set forth in said application; and

WHEREAS, the police have conducted the necessary investigation and approved issuance of license(s);
and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Hammonton have found that the application is in order and that the proper fees have been duly paid to the Town of Hammonton.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLED BY THE DEPUTY MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, ATLANTIC COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, that the following license(s) are issued to the

individual(s) designated herein to operate the specific amusement game set forth herein and the issuance of said license be and the same are hereby approved for the individual and Amusement Games as hereinafter designated:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Town Fee</u>	<u>Game</u>
Stephen DiDonato	1151 S. White Horse Pike Hammonton, NJ 08037	\$3,150.00	See Attached

Resolution #127-2026- Authorizing Electronic Tax Sale

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to hold an Electronic Tax Sale

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-19, requires that the Tax Collector hold a tax sale once a year for unpaid property taxes and other municipal charges; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-19.1 authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations promulgated by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

WHEREAS, an electronic tax sale is innovative and provides a greater pool of potential lien buyers, thus creating the environment for a more complete tax sale process;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, and State of New Jersey that the Tax Collector is authorized to hold an electronic tax sale.

Resolution #128-2026- Authorizing contract for the electronic tax sale

Resolution authorizing execution of a contract with ROK Industries, Inc. d/b/a NJTaxLienInvestor.com and Real auction .com for electronic tax sale

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has requested the town to authorize a contract for an Electronic Tax Sale for the Tax Collector's office; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has issued requests for quotes for this project; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton wishes to enter into a contract with ROK Industries, Inc. d/b/a/ NJTaxLienInvestor.com and Realauction.com for the electronic tax sale;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, and State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Town Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an agreement with ROK Industries, Inc. d/b/a/ NJTaxLienInvestor.com and Realauction.com for the Electronic Tax Sale for the Tax Collector's Office, in the total maximum contract not to exceed \$20.00 per line item.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds to pay the above stated amount will be realized through the tax sale costs collected as part of the electronic tax sale.

Resolution #129-2026- Approving the 2nd annual Cornhole Tournament

Resolution Authorizing the MainStreet Hammonton Cornhole Tournament

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton continues to promote the Town of Hammonton through events that support local businesses and attract visitors to various areas of the downtown; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council have historically supported the efforts of MainStreet Hammonton in organizing inclusive, family-friendly community events; and

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton has proposed the **2nd Annual Cornhole Tournament** to take place on **Saturday, October 17, 2026, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** on **Lincoln Street**, an event designed to attract visitors to a historically less-trafficked part of town and support businesses "on the other side of the tracks" during a slower time of year; and

WHEREAS, this event is intended to activate Lincoln Street with friendly competition, community engagement, and increased foot traffic to adjacent businesses; and

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton has requested permission to **host two food trucks on-site** during the event to enhance the attendee experience and support local food vendors, with no road closures required; and

WHEREAS, the presence of food trucks will require coordination and approval by the appropriate departments for safety, access, and adherence to town regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, that **October 17, 2026**, is approved for the **MainStreet Hammonton Cornhole Tournament**, including the request to host **two food trucks** on Lincoln Street as part of the event, and that the event is endorsed as a positive addition to the community calendar.

Resolution #130-2026- Authorize National Night Out Event

AUTHORIZE NATIONAL NIGHT OUT EVENT & FIREWORKS DISPLAY

WHEREAS, Friday August 7, 2026, is the scheduled date for the National Night Out Event in the Town of Hammonton; and

WHEREAS, this year's event will include fireworks display to be held at Hammonton High School located on Old Forks Road in Hammonton;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, that the National Night Out Event and Fireworks Display is authorized along with assistance from Hammonton Police Department and other town departments as deemed necessary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to sign Atlantic County License Agreement and any other paperwork that is necessary for this event; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED approval is contingent upon the filing of the necessary certificate of insurance with the Municipal Clerk.

Resolution #131-2026- Approval of the Hamm-o-ween Event

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE 2nd ANNUAL HAMM-O-WEEN 2026**

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, Main Street Hammonton is partnering with the Art Club of Hammonton to host this annual event which will feature live music, art vendors, two food trucks, and art crafts and demonstrations; and

WHEREAS, this 2nd Annual Hamm-O-Ween event is expected to draw a crowd comparable to last year, attracting both local residents and new visitors from outside the area, further enhancing the growing reputation of Hammonton's Arts District. and

WHEREAS, Saturday, October 03, 2026, is the scheduled date for the Hamm-O-Ween event during the hours of 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, *MainStreet Hammonton has requested the following street closure for this event between the hours of 12:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.:*

Horton Street between Bellevue Ave and Orchard Street;

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, October 03, 2025 is the approved for the Hamm-O-Ween event, including the above requests for street closure and are approved and endorsed;

Resolution #132-2026- Adopt the Community Energy Plan

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE HAMMONTON COMMUNITY ENERGY PLAN (CEP) AS PART OF THE NEW JERSEY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CEP GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) authorizes and oversees the NJCEP program and has created a Community Energy Plan Grant program for municipalities to develop a community energy plan (CEP) to meet the goals of the New Jersey's Energy Master Plan; and,

WHEREAS, New Jersey's Energy Master Plan: Pathway to 2050 ("EMP") established that community-level action is necessary to achieve the state's goal of 100% clean energy by 2050; and,

WHEREAS, Community Energy Planning is the process by which communities collaboratively select and strategically implement emissions-reducing initiatives that fulfill the EMP goals ("Process"); and,

WHEREAS, **by way of Resolution #043-2024** the Town of Hammonton was awarded a grant from the NJBPU to formulate a Community Energy Plan, and;

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton Climate Action Plan calls for the community to achieve net zero energy by 2030 and carbon neutrality by 2050, and for municipal operations to achieve net zero energy by 2025 and carbon neutrality by 2035; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton is invested in developing a community energy plan to help the state achieve its goal of 100% clean energy by 2050; and,

WHEREAS, one stakeholder engagement meeting was held on April 30, 2026, with the Hammonton Green Team to solicit feedback on the CEP; and,

WHEREAS, the resulting Community Energy Plan will help the Town of Hammonton to plan for and invest in renewable energy and to work towards a better environment for all residents by using the state's Energy Master Plan ("EMP") as a guide to develop sustainable strategies that increase clean energy production, reduce energy use, and cut emission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Council of the Town of Hammonton officially adopts the Hammonton Community Energy Plan as the guiding document to continue to improve energy efficiency in the Town of Hammonton.

Resolution #133-2026- Approval to apply for a Loan from NJEIT for Lakeview Gardens

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN FOR HAMMONTON TO APPLY FOR NEW JERSEY
ENVIRONEMNTAL INFRASTRUCUTRE TRUST LOAN FOR
LAKEVIEW GARDENS WATER MAIN EXTENSION**

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 "Project Loan No. 0113001-014, Lakeview Gardens Water Main Extension", The project consists of the extension of the existing water main at the Hammonton Lakeview Gardens Subdivision. A total combined length of approximately 4,150 LF 8" HDPE of water main extension is proposed and will provide service to 53 existing single-family dwellings. Cypress Court, Poplar Street, Moss View Lane, and Mill Run Drive will be connected into the system and into Moss Mill Road (C.R. 561) where the water main will continue to be extended up to the intersection of Weymouth Road (C.R. 640).

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**.

Resolution #134-2026- Approval of The Puerto Rican Civic Association Festival

Resolution Approving the Puerto Rican Civic Association

Annual Festival and Procession

WHEREAS, the Puerto Rican Civic Association has and continues to promote the Town of Hammonton with their Annual Puerto Rican Festival; and

WHEREAS, the Puerto Rican Civic Association has and continues to promote cultural and community awareness in Hammonton; and

WHEREAS, the Puerto Rican Community has deep and rich heritage in Hammonton; and

WHEREAS, the Puerto Rican Festival Procession will be held on Sunday August 30, 2026 at 12 pm; and

WHEREAS, the Puerto Rican Civic Association 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:

Procession begins on Third Street at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Church to Town Hall at 100 Central Ave

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 Town of Hammonton authorizes the Puerto Rican Civic Association Annual Festival and Procession.

Resolution #135-2026- Approval of Touch a Truck Event

**AUTHORIZING AND ENDORSING
TOUCH A TRUCK EVENT WITH ROAD CLOSURE**

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 have and continues to support the efforts of MainStreet Hammonton; and

WHEREAS, Sunday August 16th, 2026, is the scheduled date for the annual 'Touch a Truck' event during the hours of 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm; and

WHEREAS, the following street closures are requested for this event between the hours of 8:00 am to 5:00 pm to parking and traffic;

Central Ave from Bellevue Avenue to Vine Street; and

WHEREAS, appropriate Police Parking Control signs are being requested to be posted noting 'NO PARKING AFTER 8:00 AM'; 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 the August 16th, 2026 'Touch a Truck' event, including the above requests for street closure and posting of 'NO PARKING' signs are acknowledged, approved and endorsed.

PUBLIC HEARD

MEETING ADJOURNED