

Minutes of the June 9, 2026 Township Committee Meeting of the Township of Hillsborough, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, held in the Municipal Complex at 7:30 PM on June 9, 2026.

CALL OF THE ROLL

Upon call of the roll, the following Committee members were recorded present: Mayor Catherine Payne, Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, Committeeman Robert Britting, Jr., Committeewoman Jill Gomez and Committeewoman Samantha Hand. Also in attendance were Township Administrator Anthony Ferrera, Township Clerk Sarah Brake and Township Attorney Matthew Tantum.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

MAYOR STATES

Please be advised that in accordance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, of the Public Laws of 1975, notice of this meeting was made by the posting on the bulletin board at the Hillsborough Township Municipal Complex and notifying the officially designated newspapers that this meeting would take place at the Hillsborough Township Municipal Complex at Tuesday, June 9, 2026. Executive Session, if deemed necessary, to begin at 6:30 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b) (1-9), Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee is of the opinion that such circumstances exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matters.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - o Affordable Housing
3. The Township Committee may take official action on those items discussed in Executive Session upon completion of the Executive Session.
4. The minutes of the discussions shall be made available to the public as soon as the matters under discussion are no longer of a confidential or sensitive nature.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Upon a motion by Committeewoman Samantha Hand, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, a Resolution Authorizing Executive Session the aforesaid resolution was unanimously approved upon call of the role. The Township Committee went into Executive Session at 6:35 pm.

Upon a motion by Committeeman Robert Britting, seconded by Committeewoman Samantha Hand, the public meeting was re-opened at 7:25 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES APRIL 28, 2026

Upon a motion by Committeeman Robert Britting, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, the Executive Meeting Minutes of April 28, 2026 were approved upon the call of the roll.

2. REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MAY 12, 2026

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2026 were approved upon the call of the roll. Committeeman Robert Britting abstained.

3. EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES MAY 12, 2026

Upon a motion by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, seconded by Committeeman Robert Britting, the Executive Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2026 were approved upon the call of the roll. Committeeman Robert Britting abstained.

4. EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES MAY 26, 2026

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, the Executive Meeting Minutes of May 26, 2026 were approved upon the call of the roll.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE LIAISONS, AND RECEIPT OF REPORTS, PETITIONS OR COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Payne

Mayor Payne invited all to take part in the Blood Drive hosted by the RWJBarnabas Health Somerset on Tuesday, June 16th, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Mayor Payne announced that the registration for the fire hydrant painting initiative is officially closed. Details regarding do it yourself painting will be provided shortly.

Mayor Payne advised residents that starting at 5:00 PM, there will be a reenactment by Boy Scout Troop 1776, plus performances by the West Jersey Artillery Brigade's Fife and Drum, Jersey Harmony Chorus, and Somerville School of Rock. There will also be a commemorative photo booth, special souvenirs, food, games, and fireworks.

Mayor Payne relayed that Hillsborough Township is organizing its social services, transit, and recreation into a single, coordinated system. With a senior population of 10,048, the Township is updating its current services to focus directly on healthy aging, everyday mobility, and community connection.

Mayor Payne informed residents that income-qualified homeowners age 62 and older can access up to ten thousand dollars in federal USDA housing grants to fix safety hazards, including total roof replacements. New Jersey offers several ways to lower monthly bills, including the Lifeline utility credit for seniors, winter heating relief through LIHEAP, and the Comfort Partners program, which covers the full cost of energy efficiency upgrades like solar preparation, insulation, and cooling repairs.

Mayor Payne stated that the Rotary Club of Hillsborough is bringing back "Flags for Heroes" at the Municipal Complex from June 27th through July 11th. The display raises funds directly for local veterans and community projects.

Mayor Payne reported that there were two off-site proclamations recently. The Mayor thanked Chris Weniger for

his 36 years of service and welcomed Ryan Giordano as the new Fire Chief of Hillsborough. Committeewoman Hand represented Hillsborough at his farewell lunch and presented him with a proclamation in honor of his service.

Mayor Payne congratulated all the local Girl Scouts and stated she was grateful to be invited back to their annual awards ceremony. At this year's ceremony, 324 girls and 77 adults were recognized through a proclamation for their dedication.

Mayor Payne also congratulated all the Hillsborough graduates who received scholarships this week, and to everyone getting ready to cross the stage in just a few short weeks.

PROCLAMATIONS / APPOINTMENTS

1. MORGAN HODOROWSKI - FULLBRIGHT SCHOLAR

WHEREAS, Morgan Hodorowski, a recent Hamilton College graduate and 2022 Hillsborough High School graduate, has been awarded the prestigious Fulbright English Teaching Assistant Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Morgan Hodorowski received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Hamilton College in May 2026 majoring in English Literature and minoring in Chinese and Philosophy; and

WHEREAS, Morgan Hodorowski studied English Literature abroad for 6 months during her junior year at Oxford University and was then elected to the Hamilton Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa in 2026; and

WHEREAS, Morgan Hodorowski graduated Summa Cum Laude from Hamilton College and interned at the Library of Congress since January 2026; and

WHEREAS, Morgan Hodorowski volunteered at a local library during high school and was in charge of the reading buddy program; and

WHEREAS, Morgan Hodorowski will be teaching English in Taiwan for the upcoming 2026-2027 academic year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Mayor and the Hillsborough Township Committee, do hereby recognize and extend our sincere congratulations to Morgan Hodorowski for being awarded a Fulbright Scholarship, an honor for both her and for those who have guided her. We wish Morgan all the best in her future endeavors.

PRESENTATIONS

1. WILDLIFE PRESENTATION

Tom Ross provided the Wildlife presentation for the 2025-2026 season.

PERSONNEL ITEMS/APPOINTMENTS

1. RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING SARAH BRAKE, RMC, TOWNSHIP CLERK AND PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER, EFFECTIVE JUNE 14, 2026

WHEREAS, Sarah Brake was appointed to the position of Township Clerk and Public Information Officer for an initial three-year term effective June 14, 2023; and

WHEREAS, said initial three-year term is scheduled to expire on June 13, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Brake is a Registered Municipal Clerk (RMC) in good standing with the State of New Jersey, holding Certificate No. #C-2056; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough desires to reappoint Sarah Brake to the position of Township Clerk and Public Information Officer for a new three-year term.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Sarah Brake is hereby reappointed as the Township Clerk and Public Information Officer of the Township of Hillsborough for a new term commencing June 14, 2026.
2. This reappointment is made pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:9-133 and the municipal code of the Township of Hillsborough.
3. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) within the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs as required by law.

2. RESOLUTION TO RATIFY AND CONFIRM THE HIRING OF MICHAEL CORCORAN, CONNOR ZAKOWSKI AND LANDON HORESCO For The Clean Communities Summer Help Positions In The Public Works and Parks Departments

WHEREAS, there exist 8 positions for Clean Communities Summer Help funded by a NJ Clean Communities Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works recommends the rehiring of Michael Corcoran as Clean Communities Summer Help for the 8th year, effective May 26, 2026, at an hourly rate of \$18.00, not to exceed 40 hours per week; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works recommends the rehiring of Connor Zakowski as Clean Communities Summer Help for the 2nd year, effective May 26, 2026, at an hourly rate of \$17.00, not to exceed 40 hours per week; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Parks and Recreation recommends the rehiring of Landon Horesco as Clean Communities Summer Help for the 2nd year, effective June 1, 2026, at an hourly rate of \$17.00, not to exceed 40 hours per week.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Director of Public Works and Director of Parks and Recreation are authorized to hire Michael Corcoran, Connor Zakowski and Landon Horesco as Clean Communities Summer Help for the 2026 season.

3. RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE ADJUSTED ANNUAL SALARIES & WAGES OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the annual salaries and wages of the following elected officials will be temporarily reduced as follows for the period June 1, 2026, to December 31, 2026: (1) Mayor \$0.00; (2) Deputy Mayor \$0.00; and (3) Committeepersons \$0.00.

4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP TO ACCEPT THE GREATER RARITAN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD SUMMER YOUTH WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS AND FILL THE APPROVED POSITIONS

WHEREAS, the Township of Hillsborough applied for the Greater Raritan Workforce Development Board (GRWDB) 2026 Summer Youth Work Experience Program, which facilitates work training opportunities between New Jersey employers and Somerset or Hunterdon County residents, between the ages of 16 and 24; and

WHEREAS, the GRWDB program is funded by a grant from the NJ Department of Labor, and the Township would be awarded up to \$13,600.00 in these funds for up to 4 participants for our Recreation Department summer

programs, each receiving a \$3,400 stipend for their completion of the program's 180 work hours on specific projects and 20 hours of GRWDB career-readiness training requirement; and

WHEREAS, GRWDB program participants were interviewed by the Director of Human Resources, Director of Parks & Recreation, and Assistant Director of Recreation, and the recommendation is to bring on Ethan Diogene and Emily Margelis, each receiving a \$3,400 stipend for their completion of the program requirements, starting 6/3/2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that: (1) the Township is authorized to accept the award for up to \$13,600.00 and (2) to hire Ethan Diogene and Emily Margelis to support the projects and fulfill the Township's participation in the GRWDB program with a 6/3/2026 starting date.

5. RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE 2026 ANNUAL SALARIES AND WAGES OF TEAMSTERS LOCAL 469 BLUE COLLAR UNIT MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, the annual salaries and wages of Teamsters Local 469 Blue Collar Unit Municipal Employees, effective January 1, 2026, need to be established in accordance with the Bargaining Unit agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the annual salaries and wages of the following employees are to be adjusted as listed below, effective January 1, 2026:

Employee	Title	2026 Annual Salary	1/1/2026 to date
Burke, David	Equipment Operator 2 - DPW	\$82,894.32	current
Caputo, Nicholas	Public Works Worker 4	\$69,933.76	current
Conover, Michael	Arborist	\$71,207.00	current
Dabek, Rafal	Public Works Worker 4	\$69,134.00	current
Deroner, Blair	Sign Shop Operator	\$79,854.32	current
DiFabrizio, Anthony	Public Works Worker 4	\$72,062.00	current
Dos Santos Jr, Wilmar	Public Works Worker 4 - Parks	\$66,962.00	current
Dowches, Robert	Public Works Worker 4- Parks	\$75,534.16	current
Droumbakis, Johnathan	Mechanic 2	\$82,010.00	current
Fritzinger, Garth	Public Works Worker 4	\$72,318.96	5/31/2026
Gilleece, Alex	Public Works Worker 1	\$41,119.00	5/29/2026
Gilpin, Sammy	Public Works Worker 4	\$67,224.00	current
Gonzalez, Ernesto	Public Works Worker 4 - Parks	\$85,744.41	current
Granja, Richard	Public Works Worker 4	\$68,712.00	current
Hartmann, Justin	Public Works Worker 2	\$48,936.00	current
Holodinski, Michael	Public Works Worker 4 - Parks	\$66,962.00	current
Krause, Gary	Mechanic 2	\$77,625.00	current
Lowry, Kevin	Public Works Worker 4	\$66,962.00	current
Mackenzie, Chris	Public Works Worker 4	\$70,590.00	current

Maturin, Joseph	Equipment Operator 2 - Parks	\$13,612.80	2/25/2026
Nill, Ronald	Mechanic 2	\$88,597.51	current
Puleio, Vincent	Public Works Worker 1	\$41,119.00	current
Rodriguez, Jorge	Public Works Worker 4	\$72,490.00	current
Rogalski, Michael	Public Works Worker 4	\$6,279.22	1/31/2026
Staats, Brian	Public Works Worker 4 - Parks	\$70,394.00	current
Strothers, Michael	Public Works Worker 4	\$72,982.00	current
Tenore, Fredrick	Public Works Worker 4	\$74,440.08	current
Trimmer, Kyle	Metal Fabricator/Welder II	\$2,155.95	1/9/2026
Winters, Jay	Public Works Worker 4 - Parks	\$70,551.00	current
Woodrick, Cody	Public Works Worker 4 - Parks	\$69,727.20	current
Zaliwski, Anthony	Public Works Worker 4 - Parks	\$69,640.48	current

6. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO EXECUTE THE 2026-2029 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH AND TEAMSTERS LOCAL 469 BLUE COLLAR UNIT

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that: (1) the 2026-2029 Collective Bargaining Agreement between Hillsborough Township and Teamsters Local 469 Blue Collar Unit is acceptable and approved; and (2) the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized to execute the Agreement.

Mayor Payne stated: "We are going to hear all the comments. After that, if any committee member would like to take one of the personnel items separately for voting purposes, I will give you the opportunity to do so. There is no need to take items separately for commenting or questioning.

Committeeman Britting stated Ms. Brake has been fantastic as the Township Clerk.

Administrator Ferrera stated Ms. Brake is invaluable as the Township Clerk, Public Information Officer, behind the scenes IT and everything else. If he could vote he would. The reappointment is for the Clerk position only. Ms. Brake voluntarily agreed to also be the Public Information Officer.

Committeewoman Hand asked if the Clerk and PIO positions were always together and what the implication was around reappointing regarding the issue of tenure.

Attorney Tantom stated that if reappointed, Ms. Brake will receive tenure.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeeman Robert Britting, the Personnel Resolutions were approved upon the call of the roll.

OATH OF OFFICE

1. REAPPOINTING SARAH BRAKE, RMC AS HILLSBOROUGH TOWNSHIP CLERK

Mayor Payne administered the oath to Sarah Brake who was accompanied by her family.

CONSENT

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FY27 NJDOT MUNICIPAL AID GRANT PROGRAM FOR BLOOMINGDALE DRIVE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, each year the Township submits a grant application to receive funding from New Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Program; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineering Director recommends the submission of a grant application to receive funding from the New Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Program for the project “Bloomingdale Drive Roadway Improvements” application ID “MA-2027-Bloomingdale Drive Improvements-00160.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that: (1) the Township Committee approves the submission of a grant application for the above-stated project; (2) the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2027-Bloomingdale Drive Improvements-00160 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of Hillsborough Township; and (3) the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of Hillsborough Township and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement.

2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector indicates tax overpayments have been received as indicated below and recommends refunds be issued for such overpayments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to refund the amounts set forth below for tax overpayments.

Block	Lot	Qualifier	Name	Amount	Qtr	Year
11	21		Unity Bank	\$14,919.55	2	2026
150.03	28		Corelogic	\$4,019.82	2	2026
151.09	182		Corelogic	\$4,307.90	2	2026
151.20	1	C0302	Corelogic	\$1,970.01	2	2026
152.03	1		Corelogic	\$2,462.53	2	2026
163.04	11		Corelogic	\$2,630.94	2	2026
163.05	1.05	C3011	Corelogic	\$1,501.89	2	2026
163.21	4	C0108	Corelogic	\$1,919.05	2	2026
163.21	7	C3613	Corelogic	\$2,242.59	2	2026
163.22	45	C3609	Corelogic	\$1,331.26	2	2026
175.09	8		Corelogic	\$3,558.34	2	2026
177.02	48		Corelogic	\$4,174.39	2	2026
178.01	64		Corelogic	\$2,021.54	2	2026
199	144		Corelogic	\$3,782.16	2	2026
200.13	1		Corelogic	\$3,016.53	2	2026

207	1.01	Q0035	Corelogic	\$79.22	2	2026
177.11	20		Argen	\$3,678.00	2	2026

3. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO HOLD AN ELECTRONIC TAX SALE OF UNPAID 2025 TAXES AND OTHER MUNICIPAL CHARGES THROUGH NJ TAX LIEN INVESTORS/REAL AUCTION.COM

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, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has promulgated rules and regulations for electronic tax sales; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has approved NJ Tax Lien Investors/RealAuction.com to conduct electronic tax sales; 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; and

WHEREAS, based on the recommendation of the Qualified Purchasing Agent and Tax Collector, the Township of Hillsborough wishes to hold an electronic tax sale for unpaid 2025 taxes and other municipal charges.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is authorized to hold an electronic tax sale for unpaid 2025 taxes and other municipal charges through NJ Tax Lien Investors/Real Auction.com.

4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO DEER CARCASS REMOVAL SERVICE FOR REMOVAL OF DEBRIS AT THE AUTEN ROAD SITE

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has determined there is a need for the removal of debris at the Auten Road Site; and

WHEREAS, Deer Carcass Removal Service was awarded a contract through the Morris County Cooperative which the Township is a member; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works and Qualified Purchasing Agent recommend the award of a contract to Deer Carcass Removal Service in an amount not to exceed \$14,500.00 for the removal of debris at the Auten Road site through MCCPC Contract #49; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer certifies there are sufficient funds in account #01-201-26-775-290 (requisition #2314249) for these services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that a contract is hereby awarded to Deer Carcass Removal in an amount not to exceed \$14,500.00 for the removal of debris at the Auten Road site.

5. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF CASH ESCROW IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200.00 FOR HILLSBOROUGH CROSSINGS, LLC

WHEREAS, a cash escrow was posted from Hillsborough Crossings, LLC, for handicap work to be done; and

WHEREAS, the Engineering Director certifies that all work has been satisfactorily completed; and

WHEREAS, the Engineering Director recommends the Township Committee authorize the release of the cash escrow in the amount of \$200.00 to Hillsborough Crossings, LLC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the recommendation of the Engineering Director is hereby accepted and approved.

6. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF RECREATION PROGRAM FEES

WHEREAS, there are refunds due from Recreation program fees; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has received proof of such refunds being due and payable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, tha the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to refund said amounts as detailed below.

Hannah Fortin	\$210.00
Leigh Brodsky-Schubert	\$350.00

7. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REPAIRS TO VEHICLE #604 FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has requested authorization for the repair of vehicle #604; and

WHEREAS, the services are available from Niro's Auto Body through Somerset County Cooperative Contract #CC-0029-24 in an amount not to exceed \$11,353.38; and

WHEREAS, funds are available and have been certified as such by the Chief Finance Officer through Account #01-201-25-745-880 (Requisition #2314332).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that it hereby authorizes the repairs to vehicle #604 for the Police Department from Niro's AutoBody in an amount not to exceed \$11,353.38.

8. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT TO SOLICIT A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR GRANT WRITING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the current Grant Writing Services contract will expire on August 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, these professional grant writing services provide significant time savings for the research and application process for grants; and

WHEREAS, the Township's Qualified Purchasing Agent requests authorization to solicit a Request for Proposals

for professional grant writing services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Township Qualified Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to advertise for Grant Writing Services.

9. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE 2026-2027 SEASON

WHEREAS, Township Ordinance 183-7 requires the Wildlife Management Commission to report annually to the Township Committee and recommend a Wildlife Management Plan for the upcoming year; and

WHEREAS, the Commission reports that the last deer hunting season on public properties in Hillsborough was again safe and successful; and

WHEREAS, Township Ordinance 183-4 provides that the hunting, shooting, killing and removal of white-tailed deer and other wildlife, as approved by the State of New Jersey, on municipally-owned land shall be allowed for the purpose of reducing and managing the Township's deer and other wildlife population, but only with the possession of and under the provisions of a municipal game management permit for such activity; and

WHEREAS, Township Ordinance 183-4 provides that the number of municipal game management permits issued each year for the culling of white-tailed deer, and other wildlife, and the properties for which such permits shall be issued, shall be determined annually by resolution of the Township Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Wildlife Management Commission has recommended, in its proposed Wildlife Management Plan for the upcoming hunting season, and the Police Chief has concurred, that nineteen (19) properties be made available for permitted hunting; and

WHEREAS, based upon the recommendation of the Township Health Department, the culling of coyote shall be permitted again in this year's wildlife management program, as part of a pilot program designed to reduce the spread of mange and rabies throughout the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Wildlife Management Commission also recommends that in the lottery of available permits, preference be granted first to Hillsborough residents, next to Somerset County residents and finally to New Jersey residents and that three (3) alternate permits be allowed to create a substitute list if an original permit holder is unable to hunt; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further recommends that it be mandatory for all hunters to wear a safety harness while in their tree stands, that all hunters be limited to one (1) fixed style tree stand, that all hunters are to sign a consent form for a NJ Fish and Wildlife license check and that the program for processing and donating harvested deer be continued; and

WHEREAS, the Wildlife Management Commission also recommends that the limited number of days available to hunt with a firearm in Areas 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 16, and 21 coincide with all season dates set forth by the NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further recommends that licensed hunters who were permitted to hunt on public properties last season be able to have, if desired, that permit extended on the same terms and conditions for the upcoming season on the same property, without submitting to a lottery; and

WHEREAS, the Commission believes the permit extension privilege provides an added safety feature because continuity of hunters in hunting areas allows those hunters to become more familiar with the property and its

boundaries, with deer habits, and with each other's habits, thereby increasing safety; and

WHEREAS, the Commission also recommends that additional steps be taken to provide non-lethal means of deer damage control.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that deer hunting in accordance with all state and local statutes, rules, regulations, codes and Township Ordinance 183-1 et seq., and as recommended by the Wildlife Management Commission in their proposed Wildlife Management Plan for the 2026-2027 season, is hereby authorized on the following public properties:

Area	Location	Block & Lot	
Area 1	Montgomery Road and Pschorn Lane	Block 169, Lots 27 & 30	
Area 2	Davids Lane	Block 171, Lots 14C, 14L, 14Z & 112.01	
Area 3	Wertsville Road	Block 171, Lot 6	
Area 4	Auten Road	Block 151, Lot 1	Bow Hunting Only
Area 5	Montgomery Road and Amwell Road	Block 166, Lots 1 & 3.02 Block 167, Lot 8 and Block 167, lot 10.01	Bow Hunting Only
Area 6	Dutchtown Zion Road	Block 174, Lot 200	
Area 7	East Mountain Rd (PID Property)	Block 12, Lots 26.01, 33, 47	
Area 8	ELIMINATED FROM PROGRAM		
Area 9	Scott Drive	Block 203, Lot 22 Block 203-5, Lot 1	Bow Hunting Only
Area 10	River Road (Old Main Road)	Block 8, Lot 9	Bow Hunting Only
Area 11	Surrey Drive and Mulford Lane	Block 207.01, Lot 36	Bow Hunting Only
Area 12	River Road and Norz Drive	Block 13.01, Lot 14.18	Bow Hunting Only
Area 13	Horseshoe Drive	Block 205.11, Lots 41 & 58	Bow Hunting Only

Area 14	Raddel Court	Block 205.15, Lot 38	Bow Hunting Only
Area 15	ELIMINATED FROM PROGRAM		
Area 16	Montgomery Road between Wertsville and Amwell	Block 167 Lots 13.01, 13.02 & 13.03 and Block 167 Lots 9 & 12.04	
Area 17	South Branch Road	Block 149.08 Lots 81, 82 & 83	Bow Hunting Only
Area 18	Brooks Blvd.	Block 65, Lot 22	Bow Hunting Only
Area 19	Daval Road	Block 174.04 Lots 48 and 84	Bow Hunting Only
Area 20	River Road East	Block 11, Lot 13.02	Bow Hunting Only
Area 21	Hamilton Road	Block 198, Lot 2	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to the recommendation of the Wildlife Management Commission in its proposed 2025-2026 Wildlife Management Plan, the following steps are taken to provide non-lethal means of deer damage control: Continue to plot all road-killed deer from motor vehicle accidents on a map of the Township to locate where additional signage may be needed; Continue the replacement of worn deer crossing road signs and/or an increase of signs at key points around the Township; Continue the trimming of brush on public properties further back from the road to allow motorists improved vision of deer at the roadside; Provide “Wildlife Tips” throughout the year on the Township’s website on such topics relating to deer such as deer-resistant plants, leaving wildlife alone in the wild, driving tips during peak times when deer are most active and the negative issues of feeding deer and other wildlife issues; Make available a detailed list that can be obtained at the Townships Clerk’s office on landscape plants rated by deer resistance.

10. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HILLSBOROUGH TOWNSHIP TAX COLLECTOR TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO EXCEED THE 105% CALCULATION OF ESTIMATED BILLING AND TO PREPARE AND MAIL ESTIMATED TAX BILLS

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.2 permits the Tax Collector to issue an estimated tax bill for the third installment of taxes in a calendar year when the tax rate has not yet been certified; and

WHEREAS, the County Tax Board of Taxation has not certified the tax rate at this time and the Tax Collector will be unable to mail the tax bills on a timely basis; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector, in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer, has computed an estimated tax levy in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.3; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 72, P.L. 1994, the Township Committee request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the estimated tax levy since it exceeds the 105% allowable range; and

WHEREAS, approval of the estimated tax levy will enable the Township to meet its financial obligations, maintain the tax collection rate, and provide uniformity for tax payments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that:

1. The Hillsborough Township Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and issue estimated tax bills for the Township for the third installment of 2026 taxes;
2. The Tax Collector shall proceed upon approval from the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, and take such actions as are permitted and required by P.L. 1994, c. 72 (N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.2 and 54.4-66.3);
3. The entire estimated tax levy for 2026 is hereby set at \$218,255,553.42 and the estimated tax rate is set at 2.288;
4. In accordance with the law, the third installment of 2026 taxes shall not be subject to interest until the later of August 10th or the twenty-fifth calendar day after the date the estimated tax bills are mailed; and
5. Certified copies of this Resolution shall be filed with the New Jersey Division of Local Government Services and with the Somerset County Board of Taxation.

11. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH EPLUS FOR RENEWAL OF SECURITY SERVICES PROFICIO

WHEREAS, there exists a need for continued security services for the Township's Technology Department; and

WHEREAS, EPlus currently provides this security service to the Township and offers the renewal in the amount of \$9,655.00; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Technology and Qualified Purchasing Agent recommend the award of a contract to EPlus for continued security service of the Township's Technology Department in an amount not to exceed \$9,655.00 for the period 12 months, per the sales agreement signed on August 15, 2025; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the 2026 Budget through account #01-201-20-709-290 in an amount not to exceed \$9,655.00 certified as such by the Chief Finance Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that a contract in an amount not to exceed \$9,655.00 is hereby awarded to EPlus for the provision of continued security services for Hillsborough Technology Department is hereby authorized.

Mayor Payne stated: "We are going to hear all the comments first. After that, if any committee member would like to take an item from the consent agenda for separate voting, I will give you the opportunity to do so. There is no need to take items separately for commenting or questioning."

Committeeman Britting stated applying for grants allows the township to continue to pave roads at a reduced cost to taxpayers.

Deputy Mayor Lipani stated they started applying for grants for the larger roads in the township to offset the cost to taxpayers.

Committeewoman Hand asked for backup and explanations on resolution 3 and 10. Mayor Payne explained the process as provided by the Finance Department for #10. Administrator Ferrera explained the tax liens are very low, the tax collection rate is at approximately 99.3%.

Susan Gulliford, Hunt Club Road asked the role of the Deer Carcass Removal service.

Deputy Mayor Lipani explained that the name is confusing. The company is used to remove debris.

Upon a motion by Committeeman Robert Britting, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, the consent agenda was unanimously approved upon the call of the roll.

BUDGET

1. RESOLUTION AMENDING THE APPROVED 2026 BUDGET. FURTHER CONSIDERATION AND PUBLIC HEARING ON JUNE 23, 2026.

WHEREAS, the local municipal budget for the year 2026 was approved on April 28, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing on said Budget was held as advertised on May 26, 2026; and

WHEREAS, it is desired to amend said approved budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the following amendments to the approved Budget of 2026 be made:

3. Miscellaneous Revenues-Section G: Special Items of Revenue Anticipated With Prior Written Consent Director Of Local Government Services-Other Special Items:

Contribution from Somerville Business Park	600,000.00	640,000.00
Total Section G: Special Items of Revenue Anticipated With Prior Written Consent Director Of Local Government Services-Other Special Items	1,573,397.00	1,613,397.00

Summary of Revenues:

3. Miscellaneous Revenues		
Total Section G: Special Items of Revenue Anticipated With Prior Written Consent Of Director Of Local Government Services-Other Special Items	1,573,397.00	1,613,397.00

Total Miscellaneous Revenues	9,870,286.04	9,910,286.04
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Subtotal General Revenues	12,270,286.04	12,310,286.04
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6. Amount To Be Raised By Taxes For Support Of Municipal Budget

A) Local Tax For Municipal Purposes Including Reserve For Uncollected Taxes		
Total Amount To Be Raised By Taxes For Support Of Municipal Budget	30,792,776.73	30,755,397.33

7. Total General Revenues	43,063,062.77	43,065,948.77
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	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
8. General Appropriations:		
a. Operations Within "CAPS":		
Fire Hydrant Service	967,000.00	952,500.00

Contribution to Fire District	0.00	14,500.00
Solid Waste - (Recycling)	455,000.00	440,898.69
Contribution to Senior Citizens Organizations	0.00	1.00
Total Operations (Items 8 (A)) Within "CAPS"	29,426,924.41	29,412,824.10
Total Operations Including Contingent - Within "CAPS"	29,426,924.41	29,412,824.10
Detail:		
Other Expenses	12,622,835.91	12,608,735.60
Deferred Charges and Other Statutory Expenditures:		
Deferred Charges		
Prior Years Bills		
Hillsborough Fire District	0.00	14,101.31
Total Deferred Charges and Other Statutory Expenditures	5,705,487.00	5,719,588.31
H-1. Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes Within "CAPS"	35,132,411.41	35,132,412.41
(E) Deferred Charges - Excluded From "CAPS"		
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation - Ordinance 2009-15	0.00	200,000.00
Deficit in Assessment Budget	197,115.00	0.00
Total Deferred Charges-Excluded From "CAPS"	328,671.72	331,556.72
(H-2) Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes Excluded From "CAPS"	6,462,023.64	6,464,908.64
(O) Total General Appropriations-Excluded From "CAPS"	6,462,023.64	6,464,908.64
(L) Subtotal General Appropriations {Items (h-1) and (o)}	41,594,435.05	41,597,321.05
9. TOTAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS	43,063,062.77	43,065,948.77

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be filed forthwith in the Office of the Director of Local Government Services for his certification of the local municipal budget so amended.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this complete amendment or summary, has been published in accordance with the State of New Jersey L. 2025 c.72: on the designated legal notice webpage located on the Hillsborough Township website <https://www.hillsboroughnj.gov> on the following date: June 10, 2026, and that a public hearing on said amendment will be held at the Municipal Building on June 23, 2026 at 7:30 (p.m., at which time and place objections to this amendment resolution for the year 2026 may be presented by any interested party.

It is hereby certified that this is a true copy of a resolution amending the budget, adopted by the governing body on the 9th day of June, 2026.

Certified by me

June 9, 2026

Sarah Brake, Municipal Clerk

Upon a motion by Committeeman Robert Britting, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, on the Resolution introducing an Amendment to the Approved 2026 Budget. Further consideration and Public Hearing on June 23, 2026, the motion was unanimously approved upon the call of the roll.

CFO Christaan Bushell read the amendment in full into the record.

Committeeman Britting read a statement surrounding the senior population and services offered to them.

Committeewoman Hand asked why \$1 was added for the senior chapter clubs.

Administrator Ferrera explained the \$1 allotment is there as a place holder to allow for money to be potentially placed back in at the end of the year. The legal/illegality of providing money is no longer the issue.

Mayor Payne stated the Township is no longer solely focused on Chapters A and B but the entire senior population of over 10,000 individuals.

Committeewoman Hand stated she cannot support the introduction of the amended budget for the second time. Her decision is based upon the concerns of the immediate impact on residents and the long-term budget issues.

Committeewoman Hand also disagreed with the elimination of funding for the senior chapters.

Mayor Payne asked what Committeewoman Hand would propose.

Committeewoman Gomez stated she shares Committeewoman Hand's concerns, and clarified that she did not advocate for the removal of funding for the senior chapters. Committeewoman Gomez stated she reached out to Congresswoman Coleman and the Rotary Club as potential funding sources.

Deputy Mayor Lipani stated that Committeewoman Gomez ran her campaign on affordability yet taxes were increased, lost employees, cut social services, and took money away from the senior groups. Deputy Mayor Lipani stated there is no extra spending going on, no work on any roads unless through grants, no purchases of any trucks, and no capital spending budget. He further stated that he took exception to Committeewoman Gomez taking credit for the Rotary Club donation. As a Rotarian, Deputy Mayor Lipani quietly reached out to the Administration office 3 weeks ago without any intention of announcing it to the public.

Committeewoman Hand stated the committee should look at fees paid to consultants and legal fees to save money. Mayor Payne stated she agreed with her.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

INTRODUCTION OF NEW ORDINANCES

None

CLAIMS LIST

1. CLAIMS LIST 26-10

Mayor Payne asked to approve Claims List 2026-09.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeeman Robert Britting, Claims List 2026-09, was approved upon the call of the roll.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NEW BUSINESS AND MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Township Clerk Sarah Brake stated the following. The Township Committee now opens the floor for public comment. To ensure a productive and civil environment for all, please approach the microphone, state your name and address, and spell your name for the record.

The Township of Hillsborough maintains a strict standard of decorum; please ensure your remarks remain respectful and focused on township business. Each speaker is limited to a single three-minute allotment. This is a forum for public comment rather than a dialogue. Please address all remarks directly to the Mayor. We thank you in advance for your cooperation and for treating your neighbors, Township employees and this committee with courtesy.

Georgann Valis, 208 S. Branch Road stated she has never seen any notices about services offered and suggested a newsletter.

Township Brake encouraged seniors to check out the Mayor's enewsletter and to sign up on the website.

Michael Izzo, 102 Roycebrook Road corrected Committeeman Britting stating that any resident could join Chapter A, no one is excluded.

Philomena Cellilli, 24 Roycebrook Road stated she is concerned and disappointed about the budget and the conduct of the Township Committee members on the dais.

Maria Janucik, 720 E Frech Ave, Manville NJ stated her property record card for her 3-family house in Hillsborough is incorrect, and it is preventing her from selling her house now.

Mayor Payne stated she would call her at 8am tomorrow morning.

John Ciccarelli, 14 Southland Drive, former Mayor, stated that in 2024 was the first municipality enrolled in age-accessible communities through AARP. He inquired into the status of the Pennoni report and urged the committee to advocate for a repeal of the gas tax.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion by Committeeman Robert Britting, seconded by Committeewoman Samantha Hand, the meeting duly adjourned at 8:57 pm. Said motion was unanimously carried upon voice vote.

Attested:



Sarah Brake
Township Clerk

Minutes of the May 12, 2026 Township Committee Meeting of the Township of Hillsborough, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, held in the Municipal Complex at 7:30 PM on May 12, 2026.

CALL OF THE ROLL

Upon call of the roll, the following Committee members were recorded present: Mayor Catherine Payne, Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, Committeeman Robert Britting, Jr., Committeewoman Jill Gomez and Committeewoman Samantha Hand. Also in attendance were Township Clerk Sarah Brake and Township Attorney William Willard.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b) (1-9), Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee is of the opinion that such circumstances exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matters.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - o Litigation - Affordable Housing
3. The Township Committee may take official action on those items discussed in Executive Session upon completion of the Executive Session.
4. The minutes of the discussions shall be made available to the public as soon as the matters under discussion are no longer of a confidential or sensitive nature.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

MAYOR STATES

Please be advised that in accordance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, of the Public Laws of 1975, notice of this meeting was made by the posting on the bulletin board at the Hillsborough Township Municipal Complex and notifying the officially designated newspapers that this meeting would take place at the Hillsborough Township Municipal Complex at Tuesday, May 12, 2026. Executive Session, if deemed necessary, to begin at 6:30 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES JANUARY 27, 2026

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, Executive Session Minutes January 27, 2026, were approved upon the call of the roll.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES MARCH 10, 2026

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, Executive Session Minutes March 10, 2026, were approved upon the call of the roll.

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES MARCH 24, 2026

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeewoman Samantha Hand, Executive Session Minutes March 24, 2026, were approved upon the call of the roll.

4. REGULAR MEETING MINUTES APRIL 28, 2026

Upon a motion by Committeeman Robert Britting, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, Regular Meeting Minutes April 28, 2026, were approved upon the call of the roll.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE LIAISONS, AND RECEIPT OF REPORTS, PETITIONS OR COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Payne

Mayor Payne announced that the Township will transition its daily food pantry services to regional partners, Feeding Hands and The Food Bank Network of Somerset County, effective July 24, 2026, to focus municipal resources on holiday distributions and financial stability services. Mayor Payne also announced a partnership with New Jersey American Water and Sherwin-Williams to paint 60 fire hydrants in patriotic designs for America's Semi-quincentennial.

PROCLAMATIONS

1. MADISON CAMPBELL- WRESTLER

WHEREAS, Madison Campbell, a seventh grader at Hillsborough Middle School has an exemplary wrestling career thus far; and

WHEREAS, Madison Campbell is a three time New Jersey Girls Youth Wrestling State Champion winning in 2024, 2025, and 2026; and

WHEREAS, Madison Campbell was the 2026 Jersey Girl Wrestling League All-Star Match Champion and the 2026 Middle School Wrestling Co-ed End of Year League Champion and Outstanding Wrestler award winner; and WHEREAS, Madison Campbell is a member of the Hillsborough Middle School Varsity Wrestling and Soccer teams and also plays Central Jersey flag football.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Mayor and the Hillsborough Township Committee, do hereby recognize and extend our sincere congratulations to Madison Campbell for achieving the 2026 New Jersey Girls Youth Wrestling State Champion title, an honor for both her and for those who have guided her. We wish Madison all the best in her future endeavors.

2. ALYSSA PAROLA- GOLD AWARD

WHEREAS, Alyssa Parola, a senior at Hillsborough High School and member of Girl Scout Troop 60243, has earned her Gold Award; and

WHEREAS, the Hillsborough Township Committee recognizes the many hours Alyssa devoted to earning her Girl Scout Gold Award, working with diligence to achieve this highly coveted recognition; and

WHEREAS, Alyssa Parola's Gold Award project educated the community on environmental sustainability and how one can take action to help reduce climate anxiety through cleanups, workshops, and seminars. The project took 95 hours to complete with the assistance of 10 people; and

WHEREAS, Alyssa Parola is a two-time Presidential Service Award recipient, a Girl Scout National Delegate, and a Hillsborough High School Cheerleader; and

WHEREAS, Alyssa Parola is an intern in the Hillsborough Township Administration Office and volunteers as a Junior Coach for Hillsborough Dukes Youth Cheerleading; and

WHEREAS, Alyssa Parola serves as an example to the youth of Hillsborough Township through her achievements, leadership, and community service. We are very proud that Alyssa is a member of our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Mayor and the Hillsborough Township Committee, do hereby recognize and extend our sincere congratulations to Alyssa Parola for having earned her Girl Scout Gold Award, an honor for both her and for those who have guided her. We wish Alyssa all the best in her future endeavors.

3. PARKINSON'S AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Parkinson's disease is a chronic, progressive, neurological disease and is the second most common neurodegenerative disease in the United States after Alzheimer's disease; and

WHEREAS, Parkinson's disease is currently estimated to affect approximately one million people in the United States and 90,000 new cases of Parkinson's disease are expected to be diagnosed this year; and

WHEREAS, research suggests that the cause of Parkinson's disease is a combination of genetic and environmental factors and lifestyle influences. The primary risk factor for developing Parkinson's disease is age. The exact cause and progression of the disease is still unknown, and while there are treatments options for the symptoms of Parkinson's disease, there is no cure; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of Parkinson's disease vary from person to person and can include tremors, slowness of movement and rigidity, impaired balance and coordination, difficulty swallowing, chewing, and speaking, and a variety of other non-motor symptoms; and

WHEREAS, programs like Rock Steady Boxing and other therapeutic interventions provide invaluable resources and opportunities for individuals living with Parkinson's to improve their physical health, gain a sense of community, and enhance their quality of life through exercise and support; and

WHEREAS, this year Rock Steady Boxing took part in the international Sit to Stand challenge on April 11. Their two locations (Hillsborough and West Windsor) had a friendly competition. Between the two locations, including coaches, Rock Steady Boxing totaled 14,117 sit to stands to raise awareness for Parkinson's.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that we, the Mayor and Hillsborough Township Committee, hereby recognize April as National Parkinson's Awareness Month and continue to urge residents to support the search for a cure and assist those individuals and families who deal with this devastating illness on a daily basis.

4. EHLERS-DANLOS SYNDROMES AND HYPERMOBILITY SPECTRUM DISORDERS AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Ehlers-Danlos syndromes (EDS) are a group of 13 heritable connective tissue disorders that affect 1 in 5000 people with symptoms such as joint hypermobility, skin hyperextensibility, and tissue fragility; and

WHEREAS, hypermobility spectrum disorders (HSD) are connective tissue disorders that cause joint hypermobility, instability, injury, and pain; and

WHEREAS, there is no cure for any type of EDS or HSD, only a management of symptoms by a variety of medical specialists; and

WHEREAS, lack of awareness about EDS and HSD in Hillsborough and across the world stands in the way of diagnosis, management, and research of these conditions; and

WHEREAS, awareness by both medical professionals and the general public can help improve the lives of people living with EDS and HSD; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that we, the Mayor and Hillsborough Township Committee, do hereby declare May as Ehlers-Danlos Syndromes and Hypermobility Spectrum Disorders Awareness Month.

5. NATIONAL WATER SAFETY MONTH

WHEREAS, swimming and aquatic-related activities contribute to positive physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all people; and

WHEREAS, education regarding the topic of water safety plays a vital role in the prevention of drownings and recreational water-related injuries; and

WHEREAS, the recreational water industry composed of community organizations, aquatic professionals, swim schools, and safety advocates, is dedicated to developing safe swimming facilities, public beaches, and home pools;

and
WHEREAS, the New Jersey Recreation and Park Association is committed to educating the public on pool, beach, and aquatic safety issues; and
WHEREAS, these essential programs and water safety legislation provide healthy environments for our citizens to learn, grow, and build self-esteem, significantly enhancing the overall quality of life in our communities.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that we, the Mayor and Hillsborough Township Committee, do hereby declare May 2026 as National Water Safety Awareness Month, and urge all residents to recognize the importance of water safety education.

PRESENTATIONS

PERSONNEL ITEMS/APPOINTMENTS

CONSENT

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT TO SOLICIT REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS THROUGH THE FAIR AND OPEN SELECTION PROCESS FOR BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT ATTORNEY FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2026

WHEREAS, the Hillsborough Township Committee has chosen the Fair and Open process for the selection of professionals which requires the public solicitation on the Township's website of a request for proposals from any interested party for the various professional services and the Township Committee used the process again in 2026; and

WHEREAS, as of July 31, 2026, the Board of Adjustment Attorney position will be vacant and the Township seeks to fill the position for the remainder of 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Township Qualified Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to solicit Requests for Proposals through the Fair and Open Selection Process for the position of Board of Adjustment Attorney for the remainder of 2026.

2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE MUNICIPAL COURT PROSECUTORS

WHEREAS, on February 10, 2026, the Township Committee adopted a Resolution appointing Rachel Campbell of the law firm of DiFrancesco, Bateman, Kunzman, Davis, Lehrer & Flaum, P.C., as Municipal Prosecutor; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to name Alternate Municipal Prosecutors in the event Ms. Campbell is unable to appear for a scheduled Municipal Court session; and

WHEREAS, the following attorneys at the law firm of DiFrancesco, Bateman, Kunzman, Davis, Lehrer & Flaum, P.C., are experienced Municipal Court Prosecutors and able to cover Municipal Court sessions in the event of Ms. Campbell is unable to appear: David Hummel; Brian Davis, Kevin Hewitt, Michael DiFazio, Matthew Dorsi, Richard Guss and Stephen Davis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the following individuals of the law firm of DiFrancesco, Bateman, Kunzman, Davis, Lehrer & Flaum, P.C., are hereby appointed as Alternate Municipal Prosecutors in the event Rachel Campbell is unable to appear for a scheduled Municipal Court session: David Hummel; Brian Davis, Kevin Hewitt, Michael DiFazio, Matthew Dorsi, Richard Guss and Stephen Davis.

3. RESOLUTION APPROVING REQUEST FROM THE SOMERSET VALLEY YMCA - HILLSBOROUGH BRANCH TO HOLD THE HILLSBOROUGH HOP 5K IN HILLSBOROUGH TOWNSHIP ON SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2026

WHEREAS, Somerset Valley YMCA - Hillsborough Branch has requested permission to hold the Hillsborough Hop 5K on Saturday, June 6, 2026, in Hillsborough Township; and

WHEREAS, Somerset Valley YMCA - Hillsborough Branch has produced a certificate of insurance naming the Township of Hillsborough as an insured; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police and Hillsborough Township Police Department's Traffic Safety Bureau has reviewed the request and has no objection to its approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Somerset County YMCA - Hillsborough Branch is hereby authorized to hold a race in Hillsborough Township on June 6, 2026.

4. RESOLUTION MOVING ROBERT WAGNER FROM SEAT #2 TO SEAT #6 AND JASON FLAGG FROM SEAT #6 TO SEAT #2 ON THE PLANNING BOARD

Mayoral Appointments

Planning Board

Seat #2	Jason Flagg	Expiring 12/31/2026
Seat #6	Robert Wagner	Expiring 12/31/2026

Mayor Payne stated, "We are going to hear all the comments first. After that, if any committee member would like to take an item from the consent agenda for separate voting, I will give you the opportunity to do so. There is no need to take items separately for commenting and questioning.

Deputy Mayor Lipani congratulated Mr. Anderson on his retirement and thanked him for his many years of service.

Committeewoman Hand suggested they address the significance of switching Planning Board seats #2 and #6, and clarifying the implications of that.

Deputy Mayor Lipani explained that seat #2 pertained to a seat within the Municipality, while seat #6 was held by a resident. Switching the seats reflected Mr. Wagner's change in Employment and reflected Mr. Flagg's seat on the Environmental Commission, and a member of the Environmental Commission should be sitting in a Class 2 seat per the Land Use law.

Committeewoman Hand asked if Mr. Wagner was going to Environmental.

Deputy Mayor responded that Mr. Flagg was staying in Environmental.

Upon a motion by Committeeman Robert Britting and seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, Consent Agenda Items #1 - 4 were unanimously approved upon a call of the roll.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

INTRODUCTION OF NEW ORDINANCES

1. [CLICK HERE TO VISIT ENGAGE HILLSBOROUGH TO VIEW AND COMMENT ON INTRODUCED ORDINANCES](#)

CLAIMS LIST

1. CLAIMS LIST 26-08

Mayor Payne asked to approve Claims List 26-08.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeeman Robert Britting, Claims List 26-08, was approved upon the call of the roll. Mayor Payne asked to approve Claims List 26-08.

Mayor Payne asked to approve Claims List.

Committeewoman Hand inquired about a discrepancy pointed out at the previous meeting regarding legal fees and a change in Mr. Bernstein's invoice. She stated that she couldn't tell if that was corrected.

Clerk Brake said this would be addressed during Public Comment.

Judy Haas 2 Titus Court said she wanted to point out that the Claims List was printed out on Friday, May 8th, and it would be lovely, since it was printed, if it could be put on the website so people could have time to look at the contents then instead of a couple of hours before the meeting.

Ms Haas also stated that there were two items that had to do with the Mindell Property that didn't look like they have anything to do with the Mindell Property. One of them is a Board of Adjustment matter and the other is a Penoni Associates bill for a Beekman's Gardens flood application.

Deputy Mayor Lipani said they would look into it.

Ms. Haas also pointed out an item called "pilot" and has a Penoni Associates bill and a disbursement for another Board of Adjustment matter. Aren't Pilots collected by the town as opposed to disbursed? Why would any bill go against a Pilot line?

Deputy Mayor Lipani said he would look for the answer for her.

Miss Haas said this is another reason why people should see the bill list before the meeting. She said she just caught the end of an \$18,000 legal bill and wanted to know if that was accurate.

Mayor Payne said she would address that later.

Ms. Haas said that it was on the bill list as about to be paid.

Mayor Payne asked if Ms. Haas was referring to a new charge.

Committeewoman Hand stated that there were two bills totally \$18,000

Ms. Haas asked if there's a "not to exceed" limit on legal bills.

Mayor Payne confirmed that they do.

Miss Haas stated that if you do the math, \$20,000 isn't going to get them to the budget for legal expenses and that it's time for the people on the dais to start looking very carefully at the legal bills and pull them back because they are out of hand.

Committeewoman Hand stated that there were questions about the claims list. Are they going to accept the Claims List or could it say that it was "pending changes" from the CFO especially about the escrows on page 18. She further stated that there were questions asked that weren't answered.

Clerk Brake stated that those questions will be answered at the next meeting.

Committeewoman Hand stated that it doesn't feel like they should approve it without acknowledging changes.

Committeeman Lipani stated that the claims list is being paid regardless of whether it's a wrong line item.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT

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Mayor Payne read the following statements:

At the last meeting, there were some questions raised during public comment that we promised answers to:

- 1. A discussion took place about the Temporary Appropriations, including a statement that at this point last year it was 70% and this year it is only 47%. The question was asked whether the funds have been appropriated and/or added to the budget.**

The difference between last year's 70% temporary appropriation and this year's 47% does not reflect actual spending. The purpose of temporary appropriations is to keep the accounts funded and maintain operations until the budget is adopted. These temporary amounts are already included in the final budget amounts reflected in the budget document. The higher percentage used last year was simply an administrative decision to provide a larger "cushion" of

authorized funds, ensuring the Township could maintain all operations without interruption while the final budget was being prepared. This year's lower percentage doesn't mean we are spending less; it just means we opted for a smaller initial buffer. Ultimately, the town's actual day-to-day operating costs remain consistent, regardless of how much of that "safety net" was authorized upfront.

2. Clarification on the number of employees FT/PT/Seasonal

There are currently 210 full-time & part-time active employees plus 32 seasonal employees.

3. A question on a payment made to CME item from claims list.

This was a payment made for prior services, before the new Affordable Housing agent started

4. A question about a payment to Bernstein for Solar

The payment was to the correct Attorney but was charged to the incorrect line item. Finance has made a journal entry to correct it.

Committeewoman Gomez stated that she had a question and wanted to clarify. At past meetings, they asked for public comment for matters not on the agenda. At the last meeting, they allowed comments about the budget during public comment. From a consistency standpoint, is this the new procedure moving forward?

Mayor Payne stated that public comment is exactly that, and there have been at least three emails sent out in the past four months for how to answer questions and when per Roberts Rules and when it's an introduction, public comment is for public comment.

Committeewoman Gomez stated that just to clarify, they are allowing public comment for matters on the agenda.

Mayor Payne stated that public comment is for matters not on the agenda.

Attorney Willard said that residents can use their three minutes however they want. The purpose of having public comment earlier is to allow the public to comment before a matter is voted on. During open public comment at the end of the meeting, residents can comment on anything they want.

Susan Gulliford of Hunt Club Road stated that regarding Fox Chase Pond, the funds that were provided by the DEP to upgrade and restore the pond and the funds have to be used by December 31, 2026. Based on what she read online, failure to meet that obligation would result in having to return the unused portion. Are they planning on doing the work for the pond over the summer in order to meet this obligation? Also, the people who were cutting in that area cut out some of the plants that were planted by neighbors. She also stated that they may need to meet with someone because they have a no-mow zone due to the goose droppings.

Ms. Gulliford also stated that regarding federal property, the township has no authority over federal property located within the township. She asked if federal property was sold to a private owner, do we have an ordinance ready to

oversee the zoning and uses of the property and/or the buildings on the property, and can the federal government as the seller make any representations to the buyer about the uses of the property that can override any regulations that Hillsborough has in place or may put into place to cover that property?

Ms Gulliford also asked if we need to tighten any existing ordinances to oversee AI businesses and ICE detention centers and applications for these businesses because there is a "grandfather" problem for these businesses in New Jersey.

Ms Gulliford also stated that it would be helpful if Board of Adjustment meetings would also be added to the meetings that are video taped and available to the public. Over the past year she really had to way to follow it or answer people's questions about Board of Adjustment matters.

Mayor Payne asked to clarify Ms Gulliford's federal property question so that she can properly respond to it at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Attested:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Sarah Brake', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Sarah Brake
Township Clerk

Minutes of the April 28, 2026 Township Committee Meeting of the Township of Hillsborough, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, held in the Municipal Complex at 7:30 PM on April 28, 2026.

CALL OF THE ROLL

Upon call of the roll, the following Committee members were recorded present: Mayor Catherine Payne, Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, Committeeman Robert Britting, Jr., Committeewoman Jill Gomez and Committeewoman Samantha Hand. Also in attendance were Township Administrator Anthony Ferrera, Township Clerk Sarah Brake and Township Attorney William Willard.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

MAYOR STATES

Please be advised that in accordance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, of the Public Laws of 1975, notice of this meeting was made by the posting on the bulletin board at the Hillsborough Township Municipal Complex and notifying the officially designated newspapers that this meeting would take place at the Hillsborough Township Municipal Complex at Tuesday, April 28, 2026. Executive Session, if deemed necessary, to begin at 6:30 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b) (1-9), Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee is of the opinion that such circumstances exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matters.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - o Litigation - Affordable Housing
 - o Sunnymeade Landfill Redevelopment
3. The Township Committee may take official action on those items discussed in Executive Session upon completion of the Executive Session.
4. The minutes of the discussions shall be made available to the public as soon as the matters under discussion are no longer of a confidential or sensitive nature.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Upon a motion by Committeewoman Samantha Hand, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, the aforesaid resolution was unanimously approved upon call of the roll. The Township Committee went into Executive Session at 6:33 pm.

Upon a motion by Committeewoman Samantha Hand, seconded by Committeeman Robert Britting, the public meeting was re-opened at 7:30 pm.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE LIAISONS, AND RECEIPT OF REPORTS, PETITIONS OR COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Payne

Mayor Payne shared that Hillsborough has once again been named a Healthy Town by the New Jersey Health Care Quality Institute through the Mayors Wellness Campaign. This is the fourth year in a row the Township has received this recognition.

Mayor Payne advised that on April 6th she stopped by Shoprite to congratulate the team for raising over \$13,000 with the help of their loyal and generous customers. This enabled a \$2,500 donation to Feeding Hands.

Mayor Payne relayed that on the evening of April 18th, she participated in a fun line dancing night hosted by Boy Scout Troop 1776.

Mayor Payne reported that on April 20th, she participated in a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the Hillsborough Library's renovations.

Mayor Payne stated that on April 20th, she visited Norz Hill Farm to meet one of Hillsborough's newest four-legged residents, Luna the water buffalo.

Mayor Payne informed residents that on April 21st, she attended an informative presentation by Local Historian Gregory Gillette at Flounder Brewing. The presentation was part of the New Jersey Studies Academic Alliance's "Talks on Tap" series.

Mayor Payne shared that April 23rd was Take Your Child to Work Day and children of the Township staff enjoyed a fun, informative morning at the Municipal Building.

Mayor Payne announced that on behalf of the Mayors Wellness Program and in conjunction with the Recreation Department, the Township is promoting an initiative to walk 250 miles for America's 250th birthday. In conjunction with the Hillsborough Rotary Club, the township is hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, May 5th, at the Municipal Building.

Mayor Payne explained that the Hillsborough community comes together to honor the service and sacrifice of Hillsborough veterans and Active Duty personnel during the Annual Salute to Military Service Breakfast, Memorial Day Parade, and Garden of Honor Commemoration Program.

Deputy Mayor Lipani

Deputy Mayor Lipani reported that Hillsborough is proud to celebrate America's 250th Anniversary through the generous support of the community. All commemorative activities are funded entirely by private donations, ensuring these events come at no cost to taxpayers. Deputy Mayor Lipani thanked the following businesses: Hillsborough Rotary Club, York Fence Construction Company, Central Jersey Nurseries, Konkus Corp., Hillsborough Republican Club, HudMed USA, Sherwin Williams, NJ American Water, and Avalon Assisted Living.

Deputy Mayor Lipani advised residents that letters have been mailed to residents with outstanding open permits, providing instructions for closure.

Deputy Mayor Lipani reported that a permit is required for all tree removals in Hillsborough Township under Ordinance 2024-16.

Deputy Mayor Lipani relayed that Hillsborough is updating its Master Plan, a "roadmap" for a vibrant community covering land use, transportation, and open space. Following the first two surveys, the latest questionnaire focuses

on identifying and protecting current and future open space throughout the Township. The Planning and Zoning Team is hosting an Interactive Master Plan Workshop on Wednesday, May 13th at 7:00 pm.

Committeeman Britting

Committeeman Britting explained that Autism is a pervasive developmental disorder affecting social, learning, and behavioral skills that currently impacts 1 in 36 children nationally and 1 in 35 in New Jersey. While the condition is diagnosed in boys four times more often than in girls, it transcends all racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic boundaries.

Committeeman Britting stated that May is Mental Health Awareness Month, and the 2026 theme, "More Good Days, Together," focuses on defining what a "good" day looks like for individuals and communities.

Committeeman Britting reported that the Hillsborough Parks and Recreation Department rents out its two park pavilions on a first-come/first-serve basis. Both parks feature a playground, heated restrooms, and a covered pavilion area with tables.

Committeeman Britting announced that registration is open for the annual Salute to Military Service Breakfast, taking place on Saturday, May 23rd.

Committeeman Britting relayed that all youth-based organizations and local non-profits are invited to participate in the Memorial Day parade by creating a float, marching, and showcasing one's red, white, and blue spirit.

Committeeman Britting advised that the Senior Activities Room, located in the Municipal Building, is available for use by clubs whose members are Hillsborough residents aged 60 and over.

Committeeman Britting recognized the Hillsborough school district for being recognized as one of the best communities for musical education.

Committeeman Britting gave a shout out to Liam Roartry and Juliette Brouillette named as Skyland Conference Scholar-Athletes in April.

Committeeman Britting highlighted that the Rotary and Hillsborough Youth Sports and Cheer recognized Bill Murphy for having a flag football team for children with intellectual and physical disabilities.

Committeewoman Gomez

Committeewoman Gomez provided important primary election dates, including: the ballot box at the Municipal Building is currently open for mail-in ballots, the voter registration deadline for the primary is May 12th, sample ballots will be mailed on May 20th, early voting will take place from May 26th through 31st at the Municipal Building, there is no voting on Monday, June 1st, Primary Election Day is Tuesday, June 2nd.

Committeewoman Gomez reported that the Hillsborough Business Association and Somerset County Business Partnership will be hosting a networking event on Monday, May 11, 2026, from 4:00–5:30 PM at Flounder Brewing Company.

Committeewoman Hand

Committeewoman Hand congratulated Coach Scott Roarke for being recognized as one of the first NJ girls flag football team coaches of the week.

Committeewoman Hand gave a shout-out to Scott and Drew as the new State Thespian Officers representing Troupe 10385 at Hillsborough High School theater.

Committeewoman Hand congratulated Liam Roarty and Julia Brouillette as well.

Committeewoman Hand reported that Somerset Votech High School student and Hillsborough resident, Aidan Yoder, will be competing in Skills USA in Atlanta.

Committeewoman Hand explained that the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program educates residents on disaster preparedness and trains them in essential response skills to assist their community when professional responders are not immediately available.

Committeewoman Hand reminded drivers to be mindful of walkers and bikers and to be aware of their surroundings.

Mayor Payne added that she hosted lunch with some students at Woodfern Elementary School today.

PROCLAMATIONS

1. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING TEACHERS AND EDUCATIONAL PROFESSIONALS OF THE YEAR

WHEREAS, Katina DeKranis, a fourth grade teacher, has the honor of being named Amsterdam Elementary School's Governor's Educator of the Year for the 2025-2026 school year because of her dedication and service to the Hillsborough School District; and

WHEREAS, Katina DeKranis has been a member of the Hillsborough School District faculty for 7 years; and
WHEREAS, Katina DeKranis prioritizes creating a learning environment where students feel comfortable, safe, and ready to learn. Katina co-orchestrates the monthly pep rallies and plans the annual Day of Play; and

WHEREAS, Katina DeKranis leads the schoolwide March Book Madness tournament every year and is an active member of the committees dedicated to Read Across America Week, the 100th Day of School, and the Veterans Day celebration; and

WHEREAS, Amsterdam Elementary School proudly names Katina DeKranis as their Teacher of the Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Mayor and Hillsborough Township Committee, further commend Katina DeKranis for being recognized as Amsterdam Elementary School's Teacher of the Year and we thank her for all her work and dedication to Hillsborough's youth.

WHEREAS, Lucinda Ferreri, a Literacy Coach and Interventionist, has the honor of being named Hillsborough Middle School's Governor's Educator of the Year for the 2025-2026 school year because of her dedication and service to the Hillsborough School District; and

WHEREAS, Lucinda Ferreri has been a member of the Hillsborough School District faculty for 27 years; and
WHEREAS, Lucinda Ferreri collaborates with the Literacy Department to address the diverse learning needs of struggling students and to improve and revise boys' writing with school-wide goals; and

WHEREAS, Lucinda Ferreri has been the TOPS (Together Our Peers Succeed) advisor since 2001 designing, organizing, and sustaining meaningful opportunities for students to lead, serve, and belong. TOPS created the HMS Hideaway, a boutique-style space that repurposes donated clothing and essentials for students in need and also supports the Hillsborough Police Department by providing "blue" refreshments during Law Enforcement Appreciation month; and

WHEREAS, Hillsborough Middle School proudly names Lucinda Ferreri as their Educational Services Professional of the Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Mayor and Hillsborough Township Committee, further commend Lucinda Ferreri for being recognized as Hillsborough Middle School's Educational Services Professional of the Year and we thank her for all her work and dedication to Hillsborough's youth.

WHEREAS, Linda Hook, a second-grade instructional assistant, has the honor of being named Hillsborough Elementary School's Governor's Educator of the Year for the 2025-2026 school year because of her dedication and service to the Hillsborough School District; and

WHEREAS, Linda Hook has been a member of the Hillsborough School District faculty for 15 years; and

WHEREAS, Linda Hook works with the classroom teacher to ensure that the physical and behavioral needs of all

students are met, providing one-on-one and small group support to reinforce classroom lessons; and WHEREAS, Linda Hook redirects and guides students for harmonious classroom interaction, assists the classroom teacher with clerical tasks, and maintains proactive communication regarding student progress to ensure a safe and supportive learning environment; and

WHEREAS, Linda Hook has been working part-time for the past 23 years at the Hillsborough YMCA. She is also a member of the Sunshine Committee, Hillsborough Elementary School Staff Holiday Party Planning Committee, STEM Night, and the PICTO fundraiser event; and

WHEREAS, Hillsborough Elementary School proudly names Linda Hook as their Educational Services Professional of the Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Mayor and Hillsborough Township Committee, further commend Linda Hook for being recognized as Hillsborough Elementary School's Educational Services Professional of the Year, and we thank her for all her work and dedication to Hillsborough's youth.

WHEREAS, Megan Jadro, a general music teacher, has the honor of being named Sunnymeade Elementary School's Governor's Educator of the Year for the 2025-2026 school year because of her dedication and service to the Hillsborough School District; and

WHEREAS, Megan Jadro has been a member of the Hillsborough School District faculty for 28 years; and

WHEREAS, Megan Jadro has orchestrated approximately 250 student performances. Her curriculum shows the connection of history, math, science, reading and writing with music; and

WHEREAS, Megan Jadro and another colleague began an after school strings program which received high honors at adjudications and led to the program being part of the in school curriculum. Megan has also worked with the NJ Symphony Orchestra as an educator, written original songs to enhance her curriculum, and has brought her fourth graders to perform the National Anthem at the Somerset Patriots Stadium each year; and

WHEREAS, Megan Jadro plays the oboe in numerous groups in the tri-state area and has played at Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall; and

WHEREAS, Sunnymeade Elementary School proudly names Megan Jadro as their Teacher of the Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Mayor and Hillsborough Township Committee, further commend Megan Jadro for being recognized as Sunnymeade Elementary School's Teacher of the Year and we thank her for all her work and dedication to Hillsborough's youth.

WHEREAS, Nicole Januik, a fifth grade teacher, has the honor of being named Auten Road Intermediate School's Governor's Educator of the Year for the 2025-2026 school year because of her dedication and service to the Hillsborough School District; and

WHEREAS, Nicole Januik has been a member of the Hillsborough School District faculty for 13 years; and

WHEREAS, Nicole Januik has been a fifth grade Literacy/Social Studies/ and REACH (when the program existed) teacher for all of her 13 years with the district always fostering a supportive work environment. Nicole initiated the Auten Road Intermediate School Mini-Raider Shark Tank and is starting an Invention Convention; and

WHEREAS, Nicole Januik is in charge of organizing the fifth grade class trips of over 600 participants and has served on various committees that strive to improve school climate for the staff and students. Nicole has also created virtual field trips that enhance the curriculum; and

WHEREAS, Auten Road Intermediate School proudly names Nicole Januik as their Teacher of the Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Mayor and Hillsborough Township Committee, further commend Nicole Januik for being recognized as Auten Road Intermediate School's Teacher of the Year and we thank her for all her work and dedication to Hillsborough's youth.

WHEREAS, Julia Libeskind, a Speech Therapist, has the honor of being named Amsterdam Elementary School's Governor's Educator of the Year for the 2025-2026 school year because of her dedication and service to the Hillsborough School District; and

WHEREAS, Julia Libeskind has been a member of the Hillsborough School District faculty for 16 years; and

WHEREAS, Julia Libeskind is known for her innovative, student-centered approach to therapy with projects such as a magic show or competing in the "Potato Olympics"; and

WHEREAS, Julia Libeskind developed a mentorship program that connected elementary and high school students who stutter, fostering confidence, advocacy, and meaningful peer connection; and

WHEREAS, Amsterdam Elementary School proudly names Julia Libeskind as their Educational Services Professional of the Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Mayor and Hillsborough

Township Committee, further commend Julie Libeskind for being recognized as Amsterdam Elementary School's Educational Services Professional of the Year and we thank her for all her work and dedication to Hillsborough's youth.

WHEREAS, Cristina McKeever, a first and second grade Language and Learning Disabilities Special Education teacher, has the honor of being named Woodfern Road Elementary School's Governor's Educator of the Year for the 2025-2026 school year because of her dedication and service to the Hillsborough School District; and

WHEREAS, Cristina McKeever has been a member of the Hillsborough School District faculty for 21 years; and

WHEREAS, Cristina McKeever has been a special education teacher for all of her 21 years with the district collaborating with colleagues to lead initiatives such as Family Science Night and Neurodiversity Week; and

WHEREAS, Cristina McKeever works to create a supportive and inclusive classroom where students build confidence and succeed at their own pace while providing individualized support. Cristina volunteers with the Woodfern Home and School Association throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, Woodfern Road Elementary School proudly names Cristina McKeever as their Teacher of the Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Mayor and Hillsborough Township Committee, further commend Cristina McKeever for being recognized as Woodfern Road Elementary School's Teacher of the Year and we thank her for all her work and dedication to Hillsborough's youth.

WHEREAS, Doriann Scimeme Palagyi, an Instructional Assistant, has the honor of being named Sunnymead Elementary School's Governor's Educator of the Year for the 2025-2026 school year because of her dedication and service to the Hillsborough School District; and

WHEREAS, Doriann Scimeme Palagyi has been a member of the Hillsborough School District faculty for over a decade; and

WHEREAS, Doriann Scimeme Palagyi supports students with IEP's and 504 plans ensuring their special needs are met including physical, learning and communication challenges. Doriann also serves as an indispensable resource to the teacher identifying patterns of struggle, preparing materials, and reinforcing classroom and behavior management plans; and

WHEREAS, Doriann Scimeme Palagyi has volunteered in the past for Sunnymead Elementary's Holiday Craft Night and Wood Road School's Family Math and Science Nights. Doriann is also enrolled in the Pre-service Course for the Alternate Route to Teaching program; and

WHEREAS, Sunnymead Elementary School proudly names Doriann Scimeme Palagyi as their Educational Services Professional of the Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Mayor and Hillsborough Township Committee, further commend Doriann Scimeme Palagyi for being recognized as Sunnymead Elementary School's Educational Services Professional of the Year and we thank her for all her work and dedication to Hillsborough's youth.

WHEREAS, Stephanie Preisler, a math specialist, has the honor of being named Woodfern Elementary School's Governor's Educator of the Year for the 2025-2026 school year because of her dedication and service to the Hillsborough School District; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Preisler has been a member of the Hillsborough School District faculty for 23 years; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Preisler has been a math specialist for the past 3 years supporting her students by both pushing into classrooms during math time and working with students in small groups. Stephanie participates in monthly pupil progress meetings with the principal and teachers, is part of Woodfern's Intervention and Referral Services committee, and is a member of the School Climate and School Improvement Panel committees; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Preisler co-runs Woodfern's Family Math Nights. Stephanie also volunteers at Woodfern Home and School sponsored events, was a guest reader at Barnes & Noble Nights, a celebrity scooper at Rita's, and an evaluator at science fairs; and

WHEREAS, Woodfern Elementary School proudly names Stephanie Preisler as their Teacher of the Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Mayor and Hillsborough Township Committee, further commend Stephanie Preisler for being recognized as Woodfern Elementary School's Teacher of the Year and we thank her for all her work and dedication to Hillsborough's youth.

WHEREAS, Eric Puma, an AP Language and Composition Teacher, has the honor of being named Hillsborough High School's Governor's Educator of the Year for the 2025-2026 school year because of his dedication and service to the Hillsborough School District; and

WHEREAS, Eric Puma has been a member of the Hillsborough School District faculty for 29 years; and

WHEREAS, Eric Puma prides himself on helping students develop real-world analysis and argumentative skills. Eric Puma has also served as advisor to the Senior Class, Peer Mentor Program and for the past two years has been a committee member of the School Improvement Panel; and

WHEREAS, Eric Puma has also been the Hillsborough High School Boys Varsity Soccer Head Coach for 24 years enjoying the opportunity to help young athletes develop and mature beyond the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Hillsborough High School proudly names Eric Puma as their Teacher of the Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Mayor and Hillsborough Township Committee, further commend Eric Puma for being recognized as Hillsborough High School's Teacher of the Year and we thank him for all his work and dedication to Hillsborough's youth.

WHEREAS, Kimberly Wright, a second grade teacher, has the honor of being named Hillsborough Elementary School's Governor's Educator of the Year for the 2025-2026 school year because of her dedication and service to the Hillsborough School District; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly Wright has been a member of the Hillsborough School District faculty for 19 years; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly Wright assisted in putting chick hatching into the kindergarten science curriculum in 2007 so that all Hillsborough schools could have the same life cycle experience and initiated bringing senior citizens from Bridgeway Nursing Home into the second grade classes once a month to do art projects, play games, and have multi-generational experiences; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly Wright co-chaired the Character Ed Committee collaborating with colleagues and inviting them to have their classes participate in assemblies and offering suggestions they could implement in their own classrooms; and

WHEREAS, Hillsborough Elementary School proudly names Kimberly Wright as their Teacher of the Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Mayor and Hillsborough Township Committee, further commend Kimberly Wright for being recognized as Hillsborough Elementary School's Teacher of the Year and we thank her for all her work and dedication to Hillsborough's youth.

WHEREAS, Connie Zeng, a Computer Resource Teacher, has the honor of being named Auten Road Intermediate School's Governor's Educator of the Year for the 2025-2026 school year because of her dedication and service to the Hillsborough School District; and

WHEREAS, Connie Zeng has been a member of the Hillsborough School District faculty for 14 years; and

WHEREAS, Connie Zeng works with both students and staff troubleshooting computer and hardware issues, introducing educators to emerging technologies in education such as the integration of artificial intelligence. She co-teaches lessons that incorporate technology into instruction and provides lessons on internet safety; and

WHEREAS, Connie Zeng is an active member of the Rutgers Community Christian Church supporting local food banks, assisting with fundraising efforts for those in need, and coordinating small group activities fostering community engagement; and

WHEREAS, Auten Road Intermediate School proudly names Connie Zeng as their Educational Services Professional of the Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the Mayor and Hillsborough Township Committee, further commend Connie Zeng for being recognized as Auten Road Intermediate School's Educational Services Professional of the Year and we thank her for all her work and dedication to Hillsborough's youth.

PRESENTATIONS

1. WASHINGTON ROCHAMBEAU PRESENTATION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MARCH 24, 2026

Upon a motion by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 24, 2026 were approved upon the call of the roll.

PERSONNEL ITEMS/APPOINTMENTS**1. RESOLUTION TO RATIFY AND CONFIRM THE PROMOTION OF MARK MCLAIN TO THE POSITION OF IT ASSISTANT MANAGER**

WHEREAS, due to the reorganization of the Township and Police IT Departments, there exists a vacancy in the position of IT Assistant Manager; and

WHEREAS, the Director of IT and the Township Administrator recommend the promotion of Mark McLain as IT Assistant Manager, at a salary of \$50,000, effective 3/30/2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the recommendation of the Director of IT and Township Administrator is hereby accepted and approved.

2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYORAL APPOINTMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Mayor wishes to make the following appointment:

Environmental Commission

George Grabowich Seat #5 Unexpired Term 12/31/2026

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the above recommendations be and hereby are accepted and approved.

3. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF TAYLOR MUDD TO FILL A VACANCY IN THE POSITION OF BUILDING INSPECTOR IN THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, there exists a need for a Building Inspector in the Building Department; and

WHEREAS, the Construction Official recommends the hiring of Taylor Mudd to fill this position at an annual salary of \$77,000.00, effective June 1, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the recommendation of the Construction Official is hereby accepted and approved and Taylor Mudd is hired for the position of Building Inspector in the Building Department, effective June 1, 2026, at an annual salary of \$77,000.00.

4. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE HIRING AND REHIRING OF ADDITIONAL PART-TIME POSITIONS TO SUPPORT HILLSBOROUGH 2026 SPRING RECREATION PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, there exists a need to hire part-time staff to support the Hillsborough Township 2026 Spring Recreation programs; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Parks & Recreation and the Assistant Director of Recreation have recommended the rehiring and hiring of the following individual(s) to support the Hillsborough Township Recreation Programs:

2026 Spring Programs					
Last Name	First Name	Position	Rate	New Hire	Rehire
Agarhwal	Ansh	Tots Sports Instructor	\$20.00		Yes

Fritzing	David	Softball Umpire	\$50.00		Yes
Henderson	Emily	Tots Sports Instructor	\$20.00		Yes
McCann	Taylor	Soccer Supervisor	\$17.00		Yes
Sena	Denise	Soccer Official	\$50.00	4/11/2026	

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the recommendation of the Director of Parks & Recreation and Assistant Director of Recreation is hereby ratified and approved.

Upon a motion by Committeeman Robert Britting, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, the Personnel Resolutions were approved upon the call of the roll.

Committeewoman Gomez congratulated the promotion of Mark McLain, and George Grabowich on the Mayoral appointment.

Administrator Ferrera congratulated the new hire and promotion.

Mayor Payne thanked all the volunteers on boards and commissions and congratulated and welcomed the new hire and promotion.

CONSENT

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF RECREATION PROGRAM FEES

WHEREAS, there are refunds due from Recreation program fees; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has received proof of such refunds being due and payable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to refund said amounts as detailed below.

Lynne Wolff	\$125.00
Nicole Lyles	\$140.00
Nita Patel	\$140.00

2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COMPRESSOR REPLACEMENT OF RTU-30 FROM BINSKY THROUGH THE BERGEN COUNTY COOPERATIVE CONTRACT #CK04

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Public Works has requested authorization for the replacement of the Compressor of RTU-30; and

WHEREAS, Binsky provides this service through the Bergen County Cooperative Contract #CK04, of which the Township of Hillsborough is a member, for an amount not to exceed \$8,181.90; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer certifies there are sufficient funds in account #01-201-26-772-280 (requisition #2313648) for these services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough,

County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the replacement of the compressor for RTU-30 from Binsky through the Bergen County Cooperative Contract #CK04 in an amount not to exceed \$8,181.90 is hereby authorized.

3. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIGITALIZATION OF CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT RECORDS BY FOVEONICS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$150,016.23

WHEREAS, the Township Construction Department has identified a need to have records digitalized; and

WHEREAS, Foveonics will provide these services through the ESCNJ Coop Contract #22/23-11, of which the Township of Hillsborough is a member, for an amount not to exceed \$150,016.23; and

WHEREAS, funding is available through the Capital account 04-215-55-250-402 and funds have been certified as such by the Chief Finance Officer (Requisition #2313683).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that Foveonics is hereby authorized to provide records digitalization services for the Construction Department in an amount not to exceed \$150,016.23.

4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WAIVER OF ESCROW FEE FOR AN APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY THE SOMERSET COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY FOR A STREET SWEEPING COLLECTION FACILITY AT 360 ROYCEFIELD ROAD, BLOCK 142, LOT 23.02, HILLSBOROUGH, NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the Somerset County Improvement Authority has submitted an application to the Planning Board for a Street Sweeping Collection Facility at 360 Roycefield Road, Block 142, Lot 23.02, Hillsborough, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Somerset County Improvement Authority has requested the Township waive the escrow fees associated with the Application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that it hereby authorizes the waiver of the escrow fees pertaining to the Somerset County Improvement Authority's Application to the Planning Board for a Street Sweeping Collection Facility at 360 Roycefield Road, Block 142, Lot 23.02, Hillsborough, New Jersey.

5. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF EARNED AMOUNTS FROM THE SUBDIVISION AND SITE PLAN ENGINEERING TRUST ACCOUNTS TO THE TREASURER'S ACCOUNT

WHEREAS, the Engineering Director indicates inspections and engineering work have been completed for the indicated projects and recommends funds be transferred from the Engineering Inspection Escrow Accounts to the Treasurer's Account as set forth below; and

WHEREAS, each of the project line items have been verified against the Treasurer's Office account records to ensure that sufficient funds are available for these transfers of unanticipated revenues.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the funds set forth herein be transferred from the Engineering Escrow Accounts into the Treasurer's Account.

Name	ID	Balance
Tollprivin	20-286-56-1103-99	\$1061.37
Lynn Court	20-286-56-1284-99	\$225.00
Lynn Court	20-286-56-1269-99	\$1814.95
Campusonin	20-286-56-1115-99	\$162.55
Gateway929	20-286-56-1192-99	\$540.07

Grand Total

-\$3,803.94

6. RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING THE PURCHASE OF INTERNAL NETWORK CABLING FROM TURN-KEY TECHNOLOGIES THROUGH ESCNJ CO-OP FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT EXPANSION

WHEREAS, the Township Technology Director had determined there was a need for Internal Network Cabling for the Police Department expansion; and

WHEREAS, Turn-Key Technologies offered the Internal Network Cabling and was awarded a contract through the ESCNJ Co-Op Contract #22/23-38 which the township is a member of; and

WHEREAS, the Township Technology Director and Qualified Purchasing Agent recommended the Internal Network Cabling be purchased from Turn-Key Technologies for an amount not to exceed \$28,857.50; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer certified there were sufficient funds in Capital Account #04-215-55-250-302 for the amount of \$28,857.50 (requisition #2313807)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that it hereby ratifies and confirms the purchase of Internal Network Cabling for the Police Department expansion from Turn-Key Technologies in an amount not to exceed \$28,857.50 through ESCNJ Co-Op Contract #22/23-38.

7. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF A SPECIAL EVENTS LICENSE TO EMILY CHRISTIANA FOR AN OPEN AIR MARKET AT THE LANDING

WHEREAS, an application for a Special Events License has been filed by Emily Christiana, to hold an open air market at The Landing, 311 Amwell Road, Hillsborough, New Jersey, on the following dates/times: May 8, 2026; June 12, 2026; July 10, 2026; August 14, 2026; and September 11, 2026; from 3:00PM - 9:00PM; and

WHEREAS, the submitted application is complete.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that it hereby approves the issuance of a Special Events License to Emily Christiana to hold an Open Air Market at the Landing, 311 Amwell Road, Hillsborough, New Jersey, on the following dates/times: May 8, 2026; June 12, 2026; July 10, 2026; August 14, 2026; and September 11, 2026; from 3:00PM - 9:00PM.

8. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM PLANNING/BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT ESCROW ACCOUNTS TO THE TREASURER'S ACCOUNT

WHEREAS, the Township Planner indicates review work has been completed for the indicated projects and recommends funds be transferred from the Planning/Board of Adjustment Escrow Accounts to the Treasurer's Account as set forth below; and

WHEREAS, each of the project line items has been verified against the Treasurer's Office account records to ensure that sufficient funds are available for these transfers of unanticipated revenues.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the funds set forth herein be transferred from the Planning/Board of Adjustment Escrow Accounts into the Treasurer's Account.

<u>Application Name</u>	<u>Application #</u>	<u>Escrow Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
480 Hillsborough RD LLC	25-PB-10-SV	480LUTZKYPL	\$212.40
Angras, Sukhdev and Ruchika	21-PB-13-MSV (2025)	ANGRASPL	\$185.85
Beard, William & Jenna	BA-25-08	JWBEARDPB	\$15.19
Chick-fil-A	BA-24-05	CHICKFILPB	\$273.51
Costello, Jeffrey	BA-25-10	JCOSTELPB	\$60.77
Dukes Parkway East LLC (Crane Farm LLC)	24-PB-11-MSPV	CRANEFARPL	\$159.30
Green Care Farms LLC	24-PB-09-MSV	GRNCAREPB	\$238.95
PA 206 LLC	26-PB-02-INF	PA206INFPL	\$212.40
Railsedge Management LLC	BA-25-12	BNRAILPB	\$45.58
Valley Road Realty LLC	25-PB-04-SPV	VALLEYRDPL	\$106.20
Veerapaneni, Bhavani	BA-25-06	BHAVVEERP	\$243.12
			\$1,753.27

9. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF EQUIPMENT AT THE 2026 SOMERSET COUNTY SPRING AUCTION TO BE HELD FROM MAY 13, 2026 TO MAY 20, 2026

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough hereby declares that the following items identified in this resolution are no longer needed for a public purpose and are surplus property which may be sold at public auction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, Count of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the following unneeded items are authorized to be sold at the 2026 Somerset County Spring Auction to be held from May 13, 2026 to May 20, 2026:

UNIT #	YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	VIN	DEPT
81	1999	GMC	DUMP TRUCK	1GDP7H1C5XJ505646	ROADS
307	2009	FORD	ESCAPE	1FMCU93GX9KA17822	TAX
	2013	CHEVY		2G1WA5E31E1110955	PD
654	2015	FORD	EXPLORE	1FM5K8AR1FGC26913	PD
656	2015	FORD	EXPLORE	1FM5K8ARXFGC26912	PD
318	2010	FORD	ESCAPE	1FMCU9D76AKC13064	TAX
606	2018	FORD	INTERCEPTOR	1FAHP2MK1JG123696	PD

SRO		FORD	INTERCEPTOR	1FAHP2M8XDC204575 PD
655	2016	FORD	EXPLORE	1FM5K8AROGGB36850 PD
99/93/89	2002	FORD	F250PU	1FTNF21L02EB99484 ROADS
76/54	2002	FORD	F250PU	1FTNF21L42EB55925 PARKS
85	2003	FORD	F250PU	3FTNX21LX3MB28348 PARKS
67	2004	FORD	F550	1FDAF57P64EC28527 ROADS
655		FORD	INTERCEPTOR	1FMK8ABOLGC02228 PD
656	2014	FORD	INTERCEPTOR	1FAHP2MK7EG127936 PD

UNIT #	YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	VIN #	DEPT
				purchased from County—returning to County	
P-3	1991	INT	GARBAGE TRUCK	1HTSDNZR2MH390315	DPW
	2005	ARIENS 936 PM	926502 BROOM	242	ROADS
76	2002	MEYERS	8FT C8 SNOWPLOW		ROADS
93	2002	MEYERS	8FT C8 SNOWPLOW		ROADS
67	2004	MEYERS	9 FT SNOWPLOW		ROADS
68	2004	MEYERS	9 FT SNOWPLOW		ROADS

10. RESOLUTION AWARDDING CONTRACT TO DELL FOR OFFICE 365 AND EMAIL LICENSE RENEWALS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT THROUGH STATE CONTRACT #20-TELE-01510

WHEREAS, the Director of Information Technology has determined there is a need to renew Office 365 and email licenses for the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Dell was awarded a contract through New Jersey State Contract #20-TELE-01510 (T3121) for such goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Information Technology and Qualified Purchasing Agent recommend the award of a contract to Dell in an amount not to exceed \$22,486.64 for Office 365 and email license renewals; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer certifies there are sufficient funds in the 2025 budget through account #01-201-25-745-238 (requisition #2313954) for these services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that a contract through New Jersey State Contract #20-TELE-01510 (T3121) is hereby awarded to Dell in an amount not to exceed \$22,486.64.

11. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF EXISTING CONTRACT WITH RESULTANT FOR CLOUD PLATFORM EMAIL AND FILE STORAGE LICENSING

WHEREAS, in 2024, the Township solicited quotes for cloud platform email and file storage licensing for the Township's Technology Department and awarded a three (3) year contract to Resultant; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Technology and Qualified Purchasing Agent recommend the renewal of the contract with Resultant for the period March 2026 through February 2027 per the terms of the existing agreement in an amount not to exceed \$33,508.00; and

WHEREAS, funds will be available in the 2026 budget through account #01-201-20-709-290 in an amount not to exceed \$33,508.00 certified as such by the Chief Finance Officer. (requisition #2313913)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that: (1) it hereby authorizes the renewal of the contract with Resultant for cloud platform email and file storage licensing for the Township's Technology Department for the period March 2026 through February 2027 per the terms of the existing agreement in an amount not to exceed \$33,508.00; and (2) Resultant shall submit a Political Contribution Disclosure form and all alternate procurement documents required by the Township Qualified Purchasing Agent.

12. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF DEVELOPMENT REVIEW ESCROW FOR FILE 20-PB-14-MSPV

WHEREAS, a development review escrow was established for the JS Masonry, LLC, application, File 20-PB-14-MSPV in November, 2020, under the Employer Identification Number of the Applicant's Attorney, Vella, Singer & Associates, PC, for Block 142, Lot 20; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Director indicates all development review work pertaining to File 20-PB-14-MSPV has been completed and recommends the release of the remaining cash escrow in the amount of \$766.20 to Vella, Singer & Associates, PC, as per the instructions in the letter of David J. Singer, Esq., dated April 13, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, the recommendation of the Planning Director is hereby accepted and approved.

13. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE UTILIZATION OF VENDORS FOR 2026 RECREATION PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, the Township of Hillsborough solicited proposals for Recreation Programs resulting in the following vendor designations:

- Bollywood Dance Instruction — Bollybeats USA Dance & Fitness (Aditi Jaisia)
- Bollywood Strength Instruction — Bollybeats USA Dance & Fitness (Aditi Jaisia)
- Line Dancing Lessons — Line Dancing with Apri (April Edwards-Thompson)

WHEREAS, the Director of Parks & Recreation and the Township Qualified Purchasing Agent recommend the vendor designations for the Recreation Programs as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that it hereby authorizes the designation of vendors for the Recreation Programs as recommended by the Director of Parks & Recreation and the Township Qualified Purchasing Agent as set forth herein.

14. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF PROPRIETARY MOWER REPAIR EQUIPMENT FROM DIAMOND MOTORS FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Public Contract Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13(d), require, with regard to a contract, the furnishing of any "brand name," but may in all cases require "brand name or equivalent," except that if the goods or services to be provided or performed are proprietary, such goods or services may be purchased by stipulating the proprietary goods or services in which the resolution authorizing the contract so indicates, and the special need for such proprietary goods or services is directly related to the performance, completion or undertaking of the purchase of which the contract is awarded; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has requested authorization to purchase mower repair equipment for the repair of two mowers; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A 40:11-6.1, the township solicited quotes for the equipment needed to repair the two mowers; and

WHEREAS, Diamond Mowers, LLC., is the manufacturer of the mowers and is the manufacturer and distributor of the parts for repairs, and provided the goods as the most advantageous vendor, therefore is able to provide the township with the repair equipment, in an amount not to exceed \$22,746.00; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the 2026 municipal budget and have been certified as such by the Chief Finance Officer through Account #01-201-26-767-551 (requisition #2313685).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Purchase of Mower Repair Equipment from Diamond Motors, in an amount not to exceed \$22,746.00 is hereby authorized.

15. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WAIVER OF CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND INSPECTION FEES FOR AN EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A PATIO AND SITTING AREA AT THE CHRISTIAN NURTURING CENTER AT NESHANIC REFORMED CHURCH

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts organization is a local non-profit; and

WHEREAS, Joe Cridge is a member of the Boy Scouts organization and a Hillsborough resident; and

WHEREAS, as part of his Eagle Scout project, Joe Cridge is building a patio and sitting area for the Christian Nurturing Center at the Neshanic Reformed Church and has requested the Township waive the permit and inspection fees associated with the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that it hereby authorizes the waiver of the permit and inspection fees pertaining to Joe Cridge's Eagle Scout project for the construction of a patio and sitting area for the Christian Nurturing Center at Neshanic Reformed Church.

Upon a motion by Committeeman Robert Britting, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, the consent agenda was unanimously approved upon the call of the roll.

Committeewoman Hand asked if consent #3 went out to bid and if consent # 13 was a self-paying expenditure. Attorney Willard stated Foveonics is in the co-op for advantage pricing. Administrator Ferrera stated the Recreation Department funds itself.

Committeeman Britting recognized the crucial police expansion in consent # 6 and explained the permit waiver in

consent # 15 is for an Eagle Scout and totals \$35.

Deputy Mayor Lipani stated Foveonics is paid through bonds and this will save thousands a month for off-site storage and retrieval/return of documents for opora requests.

BUDGET

1. 2026-05 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE 2026 MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK. FURTHER CONSIDERATION AND PUBLIC HEARING ON MAY 26, 2026.

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

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

WHEREAS, the Township Committee finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2026 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee hereby determines that a 3.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$508,337.58 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee hereby determines that any amount authorized herein above that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as a cap exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, a majority of the full authorized membership of the Township Committee affirmatively concurring, that in the CY 2026 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Hillsborough shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$1,186,121.02 and that the CY 2026 municipal budget for the Township of Hillsborough be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

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

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

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

Upon a motion by Committeeman Robert Britting, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, to introduce the Ordinance to Exceed the 2026 Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits was approved upon the call of the roll. Committeewoman Hand voted no.

Committeewoman Gomez asked if the public could ask questions on the budget.

Mayor Payne responded no, as this is an introduction of an ordinance.

Upon a motion by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, seconded by Committeewoman Samantha Hand, to allow public questions on the budget presentation was not approved upon the call of the roll. Mayor Payne, Deputy Mayor Lipani, and Committeeman Britting voted no. Committeewomen Gomez and Hand voted yes.

Attorney Willard stated there is a comment period at the end of the meeting in which they can comment on anything.

2. 2026 BUDGET PRESENTATION

Hillsborough Township 2026 Municipal Budget Presentation

CFO Busnell provided a presentation on the budget.

Mayor Payne asked what happens if the budget is not introduced tonight.

Busnell stated the State requires a budget to be introduced by March 30th or the first scheduled meeting after March 30th. If not, each member of the committee will be fined \$100 a day.

3. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INTRODUCTION OF THE 2026 MUNICIPAL BUDGET AND SETTING THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR MAY 26, 2026

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Budget be published on the Public Notices page of the Township Website on April 29, 2026.

The Governing Body of the Township of Hillsborough does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 2026.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

SUMMARY OF CURRENT FUND SECTION OF APPROVED BUDGET

	YEAR 2026
General Appropriations For: (Reference to item and sheet number should be omitted in advertised budget)	XXXXXXXXXX
1. Appropriations within "CAPS" -	XXXXXXXXXX
(a) Municipal Purposes ((Item H-1, Sheet 19)(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.2))	35,132,411.41
2. Appropriations excluded from "CAPS" -	XXXXXXXXXX
(a) Municipal Purposes ((Item H-2, Sheet 28)(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53.3 as amended))	6,462,023.64
(b) Local District School Purposes in Municipal Budget (Item K, Sheet 29)	-
Total General Appropriations excluded from "CAPS" (Item O, Sheet 29)	6,462,023.64
3. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes (Item M, Sheet 29) Based on Estimated 99.29% Percent of Tax Collections	1,468,627.72
Building Aid Allowance 2026 - \$	
for Schools-State Aid 2025 - \$	
4. Total General Appropriations (Item 9, Sheet 29)	43,063,062.77
5. Less: Anticipated Revenues Other Than Current Property Tax (Item 5, Sheet 11) (i.e. Surplus, Miscellaneous Revenues and Receipts from Delinquent Taxes)	12,270,286.04
6. Difference: Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget (as follows)	XXXXXXXXXX
(a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes (Item 6(a), Sheet 11)	30,792,776.73
(b) Addition to Local District School Tax (Item 6(b), Sheet 11)	-
(c) Minimum Library Tax	-

Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was introduced by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, on April 28, 2026. A hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at the Township of Hillsborough Peter J. Biondi Municipal Building, Courtroom, 379 South Branch Road, Hillsborough, New Jersey, on May 26, 2026, at 7:30 pm, at which time objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

Upon a motion by Committeeman Robert Britting, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, to introduce the Resolution Authorizing The Introduction Of The 2026 Municipal Budget and Setting the Public Hearing for May 26, 2026, the motion was approved upon the call of the roll.

Committeewoman Hand voted no.

4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS PRIOR TO ADOPTION OF BUDGET

WHEREAS, the 2026 Budget has not been adopted and additional appropriations are required in order to provide Township services until the 2026 Budget is adopted; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 of the Local Budget Law authorizes the governing body by resolution adopted by a 2/3 vote of the full membership thereof to make emergency temporary appropriations for any purposes for which appropriations may lawfully be made for the period between the beginning of the current fiscal year and the date of the adoption of the budget for said year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the following emergency temporary appropriations be made for the year 2026:

Account Number	Description	2026 Temporary Budget	4/28/2026 ETA Request	Modified Temporary Budget
01-201-20-700-200	CENTRAL POSTAGE OE	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00
01-201-20-701-100	TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION S&W	91,669.55	25,000.00	116,669.55
01-201-20-701-200	TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION OE	9,500.00	0.00	9,500.00
01-201-20-702-100	MAYOR & COMMITTEE S&W	13,475.00	3,200.00	16,675.00
01-201-20-702-200	MAYOR & COMMITTEE OE	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
01-201-20-703-100	TOWNSHIP CLERK S&W	106,381.45	25,000.00	131,381.45
01-201-20-703-200	TOWNSHIP CLERK OE	185,000.00	0.00	185,000.00
01-201-20-704-200	ELECTIONS/ OE	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
01-201-20-705-100	FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION S&W	76,650.00	30,000.00	106,650.00
01-201-20-705-200	FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION OE	40,000.00	0.00	40,000.00
01-201-20-706-200	AUDIT SERVICES OE	50,000.00	0.00	50,000.00
01-201-20-707-100	HUMAN RESOURCES S&W	32,285.75	8,000.00	40,285.75
01-201-20-707-200	HUMAN RESOURCES OE	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
01-201-20-708-100	TAX COLLECTOR S&W	49,795.55	13,000.00	62,795.55
01-201-20-708-200	TAX COLLECTOR OE	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00
01-201-20-709-100	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	73,671.50	52,000.00	125,671.50
01-201-20-709-200	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OE	100,000.00	0.00	100,000.00
01-201-20-710-100	TAX ASSESSOR S&W	120,321.25	30,000.00	150,321.25
01-201-20-710-200	TAX ASSESSOR OE	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00
01-201-20-711-200	CENTRAL PURCHASING OE	3,000.00	2,000.00	5,000.00

01-201-20-712-200	LEGAL OE	100,000.00	0.00	100,000.00
01-201-20-713-200	HUMAN SERVICES OE	60,000.00	0.00	60,000.00
01-201-20-714-200	LEGAL OUTSIDE OE	65,000.00	-20,000.00	45,000.00
01-201-20-715-100	ENGINEERING S&W	161,311.15	40,000.00	201,311.15
01-201-20-715-200	ENGINEERING OE	40,000.00	0.00	40,000.00
01-201-20-716-200	STORMWATER ENGINEERING OE	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00
01-201-20-719-200	PUBLIC MEETING RECORDING	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
01-201-20-722-100	ECONOMIC & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT S&W	51,176.30	20,000.00	71,176.30
01-201-20-722-200	ECONOMIC & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT OE	12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00
01-201-21-720-100	PLANNING BOARD S&W	136,500.00	25,000.00	161,500.00
01-201-21-720-200	PLANNING OE	55,000.00	0.00	55,000.00
01-201-22-725-100	CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL S&W	441,000.00	15,000.00	456,000.00
01-201-22-725-200	CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL OE	25,000.00	0.00	25,000.00
01-201-23-731-000	OTHER INSURANCE OE	590,000.00	0.00	590,000.00
01-201-23-733-000	GROUP INSURANCE OE	2,200,000.00	0.00	2,200,000.00
01-201-23-734-200	UNEMPLOYMENT COMP OE	40,000.00	0.00	40,000.00
01-201-23-735-000	Employee Waivers of Benefits	50,000.00	0.00	50,000.00
01-201-25-745-100	POLICE S&W	2,996,000.00	515,000.00	3,511,000.00
01-201-25-745-200	POLICE OE	400,000.00	0.00	400,000.00
01-201-25-747-100	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT S&W	29,050.00	5,500.00	34,550.00
01-201-25-747-200	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OE	24,000.00	0.00	24,000.00
01-201-25-757-100	MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR SW	49,000.00	0.00	49,000.00
01-201-26-764-100	DPW S&W	651,454.30	75,000.00	726,454.30
01-201-26-764-200	DPW OE	100,000.00	0.00	100,000.00
01-201-26-765-200	DPW STREETS & ROADS OE	100,000.00	0.00	100,000.00
01-201-26-767-100	DPW MOTOR VEHICLES S&W	84,700.00	16,500.00	101,200.00
01-201-26-767-200	DPW MOTOR VEHICLES OE	225,000.00	0.00	225,000.00
01-201-26-768-100	DPW STORMWATER S&W	33,820.85	8,100.00	41,920.85
01-201-26-768-200	DPW STORMWATER OE	25,000.00	0.00	25,000.00
01-201-26-769-100	DPW SNOW REMOVAL S&W	157,700.00	-57,700.00	100,000.00
01-201-26-769-200	DPW SNOW REMOVAL OE	352,669.85	-252,669.85	100,000.00
01-201-26-772-200	BUILDINGS & GROUNDS OE	175,000.00	0.00	175,000.00
01-201-26-774-200	RECYCLING OE	225,000.00	10,000.00	235,000.00
01-201-26-775-100	ANNUAL CLEANUP S&W	10,500.00	0.00	10,500.00
01-201-26-775-200	ANNUAL CLEANUP OE	45,000.00	0.00	45,000.00
01-201-26-847-000	MUNICIPAL SERVICES ACT	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
01-201-27-345-100	SOCIAL SERVICES S&W	141,750.00	41,500.00	183,250.00
01-201-27-345-200	SOCIAL SERVICES OE	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00
01-201-27-785-100	BOARD OF HEALTH S&W	174,452.60	64,600.00	239,052.60
01-201-27-785-200	BOARD OF HEALTH OE	35,000.00	0.00	35,000.00
01-201-27-788-200	DOG REGULATION OE	35,000.00	12,000.00	47,000.00
01-201-27-789-200	WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT	1,000.00	1,150.00	2,150.00
01-201-28-795-100	RECREATION SALARIES & WAGES	70,000.00	0.00	70,000.00

01-201-28-795-200	RECREATION OE	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00
01-201-28-796-100	PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS S&W	294,354.90	25,000.00	319,354.90
01-201-28-796-200	PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS OE	150,000.00	0.00	150,000.00
01-201-30-797-200	CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC OE	25,000.00	5,000.00	30,000.00
01-201-31-824-000	FIRE HYDRANTS	400,000.00	0.00	400,000.00
01-201-31-825-000	ELECTRIC	400,000.00	50,000.00	450,000.00
01-201-31-828-000	WATER	75,000.00	0.00	75,000.00
01-201-31-829-200	HEATING FUELS	10,000.00	5,000.00	15,000.00
01-201-31-832-000	SEWER	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00
01-201-31-833-000	GASOLINE & DIESEL	150,000.00	0.00	150,000.00
01-201-31-836-200	CELL PHONES	14,000.00	0.00	14,000.00
01-201-31-839-000	PHONE & INTERNET SERVICE	125,000.00	0.00	125,000.00
01-201-36-844-200	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OE	1,409,975.00	0.00	1,409,975.00
01-201-36-845-200	SOCIAL SECURITY OE	600,000.00	0.00	600,000.00
01-201-36-846-200	DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN OE (DCRP)	12,500.00	0.00	12,500.00
01-201-36-847-200	POLICE & FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OE	2,954,012.00	0.00	2,954,012.00
01-201-41-700-940	STATE & FEDERAL GRANTS	12,754.12	0.00	12,754.12
01-201-41-899-000	GRANT MATCH	2,688.53	0.00	2,688.53
01-201-42-108-100	Shared Service- Misc Courts	35,000.00	205,000.00	240,000.00
01-201-42-705-100	Alexandria Shared Service S&W	10,850.00	-7,725.00	3,125.00
01-201-42-785-100	MILLSTONE INTERLOCAL S&W	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
01-201-42-855-000	MUNICIPAL COURT S&W	153,517.35	-137,017.35	16,500.00
01-201-42-855-200	MUNICIPAL COURT OE	35,000.00	0.00	35,000.00
01-201-42-856-280	SPECIAL DUTY OFFICERS FOR COURT SECURITY	18,000.00	0.00	18,000.00
01-201-45-877-285	SOMERSET CO. IA LEASE PAYMENT OE	0.00	982,600.88	982,600.88
01-201-30-430-100	Emergency Storm Costs (N.J.S.A 40A:4-46)	0.00	129,100.00	129,100.00
01-201-30-430-200	Emergency Storm Costs (N.J.S.A 40A:4-46)	0.00	191,172.00	191,172.00
TOTALS		18,156,987.00	2,155,310.68	20,312,297.68

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeeman Robert Britting, the Resolution Authorizing Emergency Temporary Appropriations was approved upon the call of the roll.

Committeewoman Hand congratulated CFO Bushnell on his work on the budget stating this emergency temporary appropriation is 47 percent of the municipal budget and last year at this time it was 70 percent of the budget.

Committeeman Britting asked Committeewoman Hand if this is money spent or money allocated. Committeewoman Hand responded that it is the temporary appropriated budget.

Committeewoman Gomez thanked the CFO for the presentation and stated it would be helpful for the public to have a follow up presentation.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. [CLICK HERE TO VISIT ENGAGE HILLSBOROUGH TO VIEW AND COMMENT ON INTRODUCED ORDINANCES](#)

2. 2026-04 Ordinance Amending Chapter 143 "Vehicles And Traffic", Article XII "Schedules", Section 143-30 "Schedule I: No Parking" Of The Code Of The Township Of Hillsborough To Prohibit Parking Along The Northbound Side Of The Roadway (Eastern Curbline) For Dickerson Road.

WHEREAS, local residents contacted the Township to express concern regarding congestion and roadway safety attributable to the parking of vehicles on both sides of Dickerson Road during events at Performance Sports Center; and

WHEREAS, the Hillsborough Police Department investigated the concerns and recommends the Township Committee amend the Township Code to prohibit parking on the northbound side of Dickerson Road from the intersection of Campbell Road to the intersection of Dukes Parkway East.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 143 "Vehicles And Traffic", Article XII "Schedules", Section 143-30 "Schedule I: No Parking" of the Code of the Township of Hillsborough is hereby amended to prohibit parking along the northbound side of Dickerson Road from the intersection of Campbell Road to the intersection of Dukes Parkway East as follows:

§143-30 Schedule I: No Parking

In accordance with the provisions of §143-6, no person shall park a vehicle at any time upon any of the following described streets or parts of streets:

<u>Name of Street</u>	<u>Side</u>	<u>Location</u>
Dickerson Road	Northbound Side	From the intersection of Campbell Road to the intersection of Dukes Parkway East

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication according to law.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeeman Robert Britting, to open the public hearing on Ordinance 2026-04. The motion was unanimously approved upon the call of the roll.

Committeewoman Hand questioned the public input tool and the process for responding. Township Clerk Brake explained that the website is monitored and comments are forwarded to the appropriate

department. FAQ's on the website are then updated based upon comments. It is not to be read into the record; it is a tool to educate and inform.

Meryl Bisberg, 22 Scarborough Road, Belle Mead asked how people can participate if they can't attend the meeting in person. She asked if there was a way to make public comment if not present at the meeting. Mayor Payne replied that residents can email the Clerk or the Mayor or comment on Engage.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeeman Robert Britting, to close the public hearing and adopt Ordinance 2026-04, the motion was approved upon the call of the roll.

Deputy Mayor Lipani stated this has been an ongoing issue with this neighborhood since he was mayor and is glad it is getting resolved.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW ORDINANCES

None

CLAIMS LIST

1. CLAIMS LIST 26-07

Mayor Payne asked to approve Claims List 2026-07.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeeman Robert Britting, Claims List 2026-07, was approved upon the call of the roll.

Licia Graber Baylis, 22 Huff Lane thanked the CFO for his presentation and then realized it was not public comment.

Meryl Bisberg, 22 Scarborough Road, Belle Mead asked about Eric Bernstein's bill regarding Solar and how that falls under affordable housing and a bill for CME, the prior affordable housing consultant. Administrator Ferrera stated those bills fall under Planning and Zoning, and he will have to look into it. Administrator Ferrera explained that the township is winding down its obligations to CME.

NEW BUSINESS

None

Committeewoman Gomez stated she wanted to clarify that there is no requirement or prohibition restricting public comment on the introduction of an ordinance and that is what the law is.

Committeewoman Hand stated there is nothing restricting public comment in the law during the introduction of an ordinance.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NEW BUSINESS AND MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Township Clerk Sarah Brake stated the following. The Township Committee now opens the floor for public comment. To ensure a productive and civil environment for all, please approach the microphone, state your name and address, and spell your name for the record.

The Township of Hillsborough maintains a strict standard of decorum; please ensure your remarks remain respectful and focused on township business. Each speaker is limited to a single three-minute allotment. This is a forum for public comment rather than a dialogue. Please address all remarks directly to the Mayor. We thank you in advance for your cooperation and for treating your neighbors, Township employees and this committee with courtesy.

Committeewoman Hand clarified residents can comment on anything on the agenda or not on the agenda. Mayor Payne stated the public may comment on matters on or not on the agenda.

Meryl Bisberg, 22 Scarborough Road, Belle Mead asked when will the budget be posted. She then stated that supportive documents to agenda are not provided in a timely matter before the meetings and not afterwards either with respect to affordable housing and then provided a list of requests to be instituted at meetings. CFO Bushnell replied the budget document will be posted tomorrow.

Roy Freiman, 31 Stillwater Road stated he was confused by the process wherein public comment cannot include questions on the budget but no commentary was allowed during the presentation of the budget. He stated it is his understanding that it is permissible to allow commentary on the introduction of ordinances.

Attorney Willard stated as set forth by the state legislature, the time for question and answer for an ordinance is at the public hearing.

Committeewoman Hand stated she thinks it's ridiculous to not allow comments on the budget presentation. Mayor Payne stated it is useless to comment on a 4 minute budget presentation without access to the budget document, which according to state legislature rules, cannot be published until tomorrow.

Lizia Graber Baylis, 22 Huff Lane thanked the CFO for the presentation and pointed out a confusing part of the presentation. She further highlighted the Municipal Alliance clean-up taking place on May 3rd.

Philomena Cellilli, 24 Royce Brook Road stated this committee is becoming very argumentative, interrupting, impatient, and very political. She is very disappointed in the interaction between the committee.

David Brook, 7 Winding Way stated the township is involved in a lawsuit with Homestead Road LLC with regard to warehouse developments. The township is preparing to settle this lawsuit and is planning to build affordable housing on this site even though it is not zoned for that. This is reducing the ability for commercial ratables, which causes resident's taxes to rise.

Nestor Pla, Jr., 18 Stagecoach Way stated 189 and 203 Homestead Road zones should not be changed from commercial to residential. The taxbase is lopsided and the town needs more commercial entities.

Emily Benadon, 169 Beekman Lane stated she is confused about comments versus questions on the budget, and that it looks as if it is an 8 percent increase. She asked why the town was under state review and commented that it is very difficult to hear committee members speak because of all the interruptions and disrespect.

Judy Haas, 2 Titus Court noted the total employees are 260 and not 216 as previously noted and asked why the MUA paid the township \$378,000 this year.

Committeewoman Hand stated the township sent a letter to the MUA asking for a 5 percent contribution, which does not happen every year.

Administrator Ferrera stated it has happened in the past, the state allows it, and the committee asked for it.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeeman Robert Britting, the meeting duly adjourned at 9:32 pm. Said motion was unanimously carried upon voice vote.

Attested:

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'S' followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

Sarah Brake
Township Clerk

Minutes of the March 24, 2026 Township Committee Meeting of the Township of Hillsborough, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, held in the Municipal Complex at 7:30 PM on March 24, 2026.

CALL OF THE ROLL

Upon call of the roll, the following Committee members were recorded present: Mayor Catherine Payne, Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, Committeewoman Jill Gomez and Committeewoman Samantha Hand. Also in attendance were Township Administrator Anthony Ferrera, Township Deputy Clerk Erica Lenzo and Township Attorney William Willard. Committeeman Britting was absent at the first roll call and then joined the meeting after the Executive Session.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

MAYOR STATES

Please be advised that in accordance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, of the Public Laws of 1975, notice of this meeting was made by the posting on the bulletin board at the Hillsborough Township Municipal Complex and notifying the officially designated newspapers that this meeting would take place at the Hillsborough Township Municipal Complex at Tuesday, March 24, 2026. Executive Session, if deemed necessary, to begin at 6:30 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b) (1-9)), Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee is of the opinion that such circumstances exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matters.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - o Litigation/Attorney Client Privilege - Affordable Housing
3. The Township Committee may take official action on those items discussed in Executive Session upon completion of the Executive Session.
4. The minutes of the discussions shall be made available to the public as soon as the matters under discussion are no longer of a confidential or sensitive nature.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Upon a motion by Committeewoman Samantha Hand, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, the aforesaid resolution was unanimously approved upon call of the role. The Township Committee went into Executive Session at 6:31 pm.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Mayor Catherine Payne, the public meeting was re-opened at 7:18 pm.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE LIAISONS, AND RECEIPT OF REPORTS, PETITIONS OR COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Payne wished all who celebrate Easter, Passover, and Eid al-Fitr a season filled with peace and reflection.

Mayor Payne reported that she attended a reception at Drumthwacket in honor of Women's History Month.

Mayor Payne relayed that she attended Read Across America at Sunnymead School.

Mayor Payne advised that on March 19th, she was joined by the entire committee for another successful networking event hosted by Hillsborough's Economic & Business Development office at Iron Peak, with Local Historian Greg Gillette as the guest speaker.

Mayor Payne stated Girl Scout Troop 60842 visited the Mayor's Office to learn more about their local government for their Democracy Badge.

Mayor Payne announced that on March 14th, the township held the quarterly Veterans' Information session.

Mayor Payne informed residents that she met with Kah-wai Lin and discussed his work with the Wild Camel Protection Foundation in both Mongolia and the United States, as well as the ways to raise public awareness about climate change in the community and possible contributions to the local Monarch butterfly project.

Mayor Payne announced that construction had begun on the front doors of the Municipal Building. The main entrance will be inaccessible for approximately two weeks.

Mayor Payne congratulated the Hillsborough High School Debate Club, which recently dominated the London YouthMUN 2026, earning eight individual awards and being crowned Best Small Delegation.

Mayor Payne reported that there will be a virtual E-Bike Safety Training on April 15 at 7:00 PM. This collaborative session features experts from RideWise, the Hillsborough Police and Fire Departments, and POP's Bike Shop.

Deputy Mayor Lipani relayed that he also participated in Read Across America at Auten Road and Sunnymead Elementary School.

Deputy Mayor Lipani advised that Hillsborough would turn the town red, white, and blue to celebrate America's 250th Anniversary with activities including a patriotic house-decorating contest and an initiative to paint fire hydrants red, white, and blue.

Deputy Mayor Lipani further advised that additional projects currently in development for the 250th anniversary include an initiative to plant a "Semiquincentennial Forest" of 250 trees and a series of interactive historic maps and digital markers to be placed at notable locations throughout the community.

Deputy Mayor Lipani reported that the Route 206 Pedestrian Bridge replacement project is progressing and that the fabrication process is extensive, taking up to 12 weeks to complete.

Deputy Mayor Lipani announced that Dukes Parkway West is scheduled for repaving the week of April 20, weather permitting.

Deputy Mayor Lipani informed residents that some applicants to Hillsborough's boards have recently been targeted by phishing emails requesting payment of an escrow balance to review their applications. These emails may include fraudulent invoices and instructions to wire funds. Hillsborough Township will never request that payments be made via wire transfer.

Deputy Mayor Lipani relayed that registration for Senior Curbside Pickup with the Department of Public Works is open through March 26th for residents aged 65 and older, who must choose between curbside and drop-off services.

Deputy Mayor Lipani announced that the final curb ramps and crosswalks for Beekman Lane, Auten Road, Raider Blvd., and the area in front of the Hillsborough Post Office will be installed once the new traffic signal work is completed.

Committeeman Britting stated that he met with Congressman Keane and discussed SALT tax changes, which are now 40,000, not 10,000. He recommended that all residents check with their accountants.

Committeeman Britting stated he also attended Read Across America at Sunnymead and Amsterdam Elementary schools.

Committeeman Britting reminded all businesses that their annual recycling tonnage information must be submitted to the Health Department by March 31, 2026.

Committeeman Britting advised that the Recreation Department is looking for youth groups and organizations to march in the 2026 Memorial Day Parade on Saturday, May 23rd. Patriotic floats and banners are welcome and encouraged as the town celebrates America's 250th anniversary.

Committeeman Britting stated that registration is open for summer camps.

Committeeman Britting reported that the Hillsborough Township Community Assistance Network (C.A.N.) will hold its annual Spring Holiday Food Distribution on March 30th.

Committeewoman Gomez stated she also participated in Read Across America.

Committeewoman Gomez relayed she attended Gigi's Playhouse Annual Gala on March 21st, World Down Syndrome Day.

Committeewoman Gomez advised that, in accordance with new public notice requirements, Hillsborough has transitioned away from publishing in print newspapers and now all official notices are hosted on a dedicated page on the township website.

Committeewoman Gomez informed the business community that may be experiencing challenges with hiring or finding qualified talent to reach out to the Township's Economic & Business Development Office for assistance and workforce connection resources.

Committeewoman Gomez announced that Hillsborough is hiring, with various available opportunities in the Building, Health, and Public Works Departments. There are also several internships available for the summer.

Committeewoman Gomez reported that the annual reassessment postcards showing a property's new 2026 assessed value were mailed on February 25, 2026.

Committeewoman Gomez stated that the Hillsborough Library has been reopened.

Committeewoman Hand gave a shout-out to the Hillsborough Lady Raiders flag football team for a great win.

Committeewoman Hand instructed residents to first report a prolonged power outage directly to the utility provider and to monitor the utility provider's website for status updates. If the outage continues for an extended period and

additional assistance is needed, then contact Hillsborough's Office of Emergency Management.

Committeewoman Hand announced that Officer John Johnson (A-Squad) and Officer David Chehade (B-Squad) have been named as the 2025 Top Cop Award recipients and will receive a commendation in their permanent files, a special award bar for their uniforms, and their names engraved on the commemorative plaque in the police headquarters lobby.

Committeewoman Hand encouraged residents to join Hillsborough Police officers for breakfast at Hillsborough Star Diner on April 19th at 9 am.

Committeewoman Hand relayed that Hillsborough Township will participate in the DEA's National Take Back Day on Saturday, April 25, from 10 am to 2 pm.

PROCLAMATIONS / APPOINTMENTS

PRESENTATIONS

1. REVOLUTIONARY HILLSBOROUGH MAP - PRESENTATION BY HILLSBOROUGH TOWNSHIP HISTORIAN GREGORY GILLETTE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MARCH 4, 2026 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Upon a motion by Committeeman Robert Britting, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, the March 4, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes were approved upon the call of the roll. Committeewoman Hand abstained.

2. MARCH 10, 2026 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Upon a motion by Committeewoman Samantha Hand, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, the March 10, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes were approved upon the call of the roll.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. 2026-02 ORDINANCE AMENDING "SALARY RANGE ORDINANCE" OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH TO SET FORTH THE SALARY RANGES FOR THE POSITIONS SET FORTH IN SAID ORDINANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Salary Ordinance of the Township of Hillsborough shall be amended as follows:

CLASSIFICATION	MIN	MAX	DEPT	
Committee persons	\$3,500	\$10,000	Administration	Non-Union
Township Administrator	\$95,000	\$220,000	Administration	Non-Union

Executive Assistant - Administration	\$42,000	\$68,000	Administration	Non-Union
Human Resources Director	\$75,000	\$100,000	Administration / HR	Non-Union
Human Resources Manager	\$55,000	\$85,000	Administration / HR	Non-Union
Part-Time Floater	\$17.00/Hr.	\$22.00/Hr.	Administration / HR	Part-Time
Township Clerk/PIO	\$75,000	\$140,000	Administration / Township Clerk	Non-Union
Deputy Clerk	\$55,000	\$85,000	Administration / Township Clerk	Non-Union
Deputy Clerk/Training Program Manager	\$55,000	\$80,000	Administration / Township Clerk	Non-Union
Office Assistant / Multimedia Specialist	\$40,000	\$52,000	Administration / Township Clerk	Non-Union
Deputy Public Information Officer	\$45,000	\$80,000	Administration / Township Clerk	Non-Union
Part-Time Receptionist	\$15.13/Hr.	\$22.00/Hr.	Administration / Township Clerk	Part-Time
IT Director	\$75,000	\$150,000	Administration / IT	Non-Union
IT Assistant Director	\$70,000	\$100,000	Administration / IT	Non-Union
Part-Time Technology Support	\$15.13/Hr.	\$30.00/Hr.	Administration / IT	Part-Time
Construction Official	\$75,000	\$155,000	Building	Non-Union
Building Sub Code Official / Supervisor	\$75,000	\$120,000	Building	Non-Union
Assistant Building Sub Code Official	\$75,000	\$100,000	Building	Non-Union
Part-Time Inspector	\$36.00/Hr	\$50.00/Hr	Building	Part-Time
Part-Time Technical Assistant	\$15.13/Hr.	\$30.00/Hr.	Building	Part-Time
Use of License in 2nd Discipline	\$2,500	\$5,000	Building	Stipend
Acting Construction Official	\$1,500	\$5,000	Building	Stipend
Economic and Business Development Director	\$75,000	\$100,000	Economic & Business Development	Non-Union
Part-Time Outreach Support Specialist	\$15.13/Hr.	\$22.00/Hr. 25.00/Hr.	Economic & Business Development	Part-Time
Director of Engineering	\$75,000	\$135,000	Engineering	Non-Union
Assistant Director of Engineering	\$70,000	\$120,000	Engineering	Non-Union
Director, Health and Environment Services	\$75,000	\$128,750	Health	Non-Union

Health Officer	\$75,000	\$128,750	Health	Non-Union
Director of Environmental Programs	\$75,000	\$110,000	Health	Non-Union
Deputy Director Envir. & Public Health Programs	\$70,000	\$85,000	Health	Non-Union
Deputy Director Environmental Programs	\$70,000	\$85,000	Health	Non-Union
Registered Environmental Health Specialist	\$50,000	\$76,839	Health	Non-Union
Millstone Health Liaison	\$2,000	\$6,000	Health	Stipend
Part-Time Property Maint/Code Enforcement/Deputy Zoning Officer	\$15.13/Hr.	\$31.00/Hr.	Health / Planning & Zoning	Part-Time
Recycling Coordinator	\$2,000	\$6,000	Health	Stipend
Assistant Recycling Coordinator	\$1,000	\$5,000	Health	Stipend
Registrar	\$1,000	\$4,000	Health	Stipend
Deputy Registrar	\$1,000	\$2,000	Health	Stipend
Court Administrator	\$75,000	\$110,000	Municipal Court	Non-Union
Deputy Court Administrator	\$70,000	\$85,000	Municipal Court	Non-Union
Municipal Judge	\$15,000	\$90,000	Municipal Court	Non-Union
Part-Time Violations Technician	\$15.13/Hr.	\$30.00/Hr.	Municipal Court	Part-Time
Municipal Prosecutor	\$10,000	\$110,000	Municipal Court / Police	Non-Union
After Hours ECDR Processing	\$2,000	\$5,000	Municipal Court	Stipend
Public Defender	\$1,000	\$25,000	Municipal Court	Stipend
Shared Court Stipend	\$2,000	\$50,000	Municipal Court	Stipend
Substitute Judge Services (regular session/excluding DWIs)	\$500	\$1,000	Municipal Court	Stipend
Special Session Compensation (including DWIs) for Municipal Prosecutor	\$600	\$1,000	Municipal Court	Stipend
Special Session Compensation (including DWIs) for Municipal Judge	\$800	\$1,000	Municipal Court	Stipend
Director of Planning & Zoning	\$75,000	\$130,000	Planning & Zoning	Non-Union
Assistant Director of Planning and Zoning / Zoning Official	\$55,000	\$100,000	Planning & Zoning	Non-Union

Assistant Planner/Sustainability Program Manager	\$55,000	\$100,000	Planning & Zoning	Non-Union
Master Plan Assistant	\$15.13/Hr.	\$25.00/Hr.	Planning & Zoning	Part-Time
Police Chief	\$125,000	\$260,000	Police	Non-Union
Police Captain	\$120,000	\$225,000	Police	Non-Union
Police Lieutenant	\$115,000	\$210,000	Police	Non-Union
Police Sergeant	\$114,006	\$165,000	Police	PBA Local 205
Police Corporal	\$106,881	\$150,000	Police	PBA Local 205
Police Officer	\$46,508	\$140,000	Police	PBA Local 205
Executive Assistant — Chief of Police	\$42,000	\$68,000	Police	Non-Union
Office Manager – Police	\$50,000	\$70,000	Police	Non-Union
Police Operations Manager	\$50,000	\$70,000	Police	Non-Union
IT Director Police Dept.	\$70,000	\$150,000	Police	Non-Union
IT Manager Police Dept.	\$50,000		Police	Non-Union
Senior Systems Engineer / Administrator	\$4,000/Mo.	\$6,000/Mo.	Police	Non-Union
Special Officers	\$15.13/Hr.	\$28.00/Hr.	Police	Part-Time
Crossing Guards	\$15.13/Hr.	\$22.00/Hr.	Police	Part-Time
Part-Time Police Support Technician	\$15.13/Hr.	\$31.00/Hr.	Police	Part-Time
Police Property Manager	\$20.00/Hr.	\$28.00/Hr.	Police	Part-Time
Part-Time Technology Support	\$15.13/Hr.	\$30.00/Hr.	Police	Part-Time
Director Public Works	\$75,000	\$145,000	Public Works	Non-Union
Supervisor of Public Works	\$55,000	\$120,000	Public Works	Non-Union
Assistant Supervisor of Public Works	\$50,000	\$100,000	Public Works	Non-Union
Assistant Supervisor of Building Maintenance	\$50,000	\$105,000	Public Works	Non-Union
Office Manager - Public Works/Parks	\$50,000	\$95,000	Public Works/Parks	Non-Union
Part-Time Building Maintenance	\$15.13/Hr.	\$28.00/Hr.	Public Works	Part-Time
Arborist	\$59,012	\$78,000	Public Works	Teamsters Local 4
Sign Shop Operator	\$59,012	\$78,000	Public Works	Teamsters Local 4

Equipment Operator/Mechanic/Journeyman/Welder (I)	\$63,253	\$85,000	Public Works/Parks	Teamsters Local 4
Equipment Operator/Mechanic/Journeyman/Welder (II)	\$69,417	\$100,000	Public Works/Parks	Teamsters Local 4
Public Works Worker 1-4	\$39,119	\$90,000	Public Works/Parks	Teamsters Local 4
Director Parks, Recreation, and Social Services	\$75,000	\$145,000	Parks / Recreation / Social Services	Non-Union
Director Recreation	\$75,000	\$125,000	Recreation	Non-Union
Director Social Services	\$75,000	\$125,000	Social Services	Non-Union
Director Parks	\$75,000	\$125,000	Recreation	Non-Union
Director Social Services and OEM	\$75,000	\$135,000	Social Services / Office of Emergency Management	Non-Union
Director Parks and Recreation	\$75,000	\$135,000	Parks/Recreation	Non-Union
Assistant Director of Recreation	\$70,000	\$100,000	Recreation	Non-Union
Assistant Director of Social Services	\$70,000	\$100,000	Social Services	Non-Union
Supervisor of Parks	\$55,000	\$120,000	Parks	Non-Union
Assistant Supervisor of Parks	\$50,000	\$100,000	Parks	Non-Union
OEM Director	\$75,000	\$100,000	Office of Emergency Management	Non-Union
OEM Coordinator	\$70,000	\$90,000	Office of Emergency Management	Non-Union
Senior Dance Instructor	\$ 25.00/Hr.	\$ 35.00/Hr.	Social Services	Part-Time
Senior Wellness Instructor	\$ 25.00/Hr.	\$ 35.00/Hr.	Social Services	Part-Time
Tax Assessor	\$75,000	\$155,000	Tax Assessor	Non-Union
Deputy Assessor	\$55,000	\$100,000	Tax Assessor	Non-Union
Assistant Manager - Tax Assessor	\$50,000	\$95,000	Tax Assessor	Non-Union
Director of Finance / CFO / Treasurer	\$75,000	\$160,000	Tax Collection / Treasurer	Non-Union
Tax Collector / Payroll Manager	\$55,000	\$125,000	Tax Collection / Treasurer	Non-Union
Part-Time Assistant to Tax Collector	\$15.13/Hr.	\$22.00/Hr.	Tax Collection / Treasurer	Part-Time

Part Time Assistant to CFO	\$15.13/Hr.	\$22.00/Hr.	Tax Collection / Treasurer	Part-Time
PACO	\$1,000	\$5,000	Tax Collection / Treasurer	Stipend
QPA	\$1,000	\$5,000	Tax Collection / Treasurer	Stipend
Class I Level 1	\$38,000	\$90,000	All Departments	AFSCME Union
Grade 12 Level 2	\$41,333	\$110,000	All Departments	AFSCME Union
Grade 11 Level 3	\$44,338	\$120,000	All Departments	AFSCME Union
Grade 10 Level 4	\$47,831	\$130,000	All Departments	AFSCME Union
Part-Time Office Assistant	\$15.13/Hr.	\$22.00/Hr. 25.00/Hr.	All Departments	Part-Time
Shared Services	\$1,000	\$2,000	All Departments	Stipend
Translation Services	\$1,000	\$1,500	All Departments	Stipend
Special Projects	\$1,000	\$5,000	All Departments	Stipend
Director	\$75,000	\$160,000	All Departments	Non-Union
Assistant Director	\$70,000	\$130,000	All Departments	Non-Union
Supervisor	\$55,000	\$100,000	All Departments	Non-Union
Manager	\$55,000	\$100,000	All Departments	Non-Union
Assistant Supervisor	\$50,000	\$100,000	All Departments	Non-Union
Assistant Manager	\$50,000	\$100,000	All Departments	Non-Union
Office Manager	\$50,000	\$100,000	All Departments	Non-Union
Program Manager	\$38,000	\$70,000	All Departments	Non-Union

Upon a motion by Committeewoman Samantha Hand, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, to open the public hearing on Ordinance 2026-02. The motion was unanimously approved upon the call of the roll.

Mayor Payne stated this is an amendment of the salary ranges to match the union contract that was just signed.

Maria Janucik, 720 E. Frech Ave, Manville, inquired about the 2 human resource positions, clerk positions, and salary range changes.

Attorney Willard explained how the changes are listed in the ordinance.

Committeewoman Hand explained the changes in salary ranges and titles.

Judy Haas, 2 Titus Court, stated the wording of the public hearing indicates the ordinance was already passed and questioned the increase in township employees over the past five years.

Mayor Payne responded that the town has grown, resulting in more cars, traffic, DPW, and housing.

Committeewoman Hand responded that the tense might need to be changed on Engage Hillsborough to make it clearer to residents regarding upcoming public hearings.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, to close the public hearing and adopt Ordinance 2026-02. The motion was approved upon the call of the roll.

2. 2026-03 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING SALE OF DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT TO THE STATE AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE FOR FARMLAND PRESERVATION OF THE PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH LOCATED AT HAMILTON ROAD AND AMWELL ROAD AND IDENTIFIED ON THE HILLSBOROUGH TAX MAPS AS BLOCK 198, LOT 2, BLOCK 198.01, LOT 1, BLOCK 198.02, LOT 1.01, AND BLOCK 199.02, LOT 1.

WHEREAS, the Township of Hillsborough is the owner of the property located at Hamilton Road and Amwell Road and identified on the Tax Maps of the Township of Hillsborough, Somerset County, New Jersey, as Block 198, Lot 2 (+/- 424.275 acres), Block 198.01, Lot 1 (+/- 4.626 acres), Block 198.02, Lot 1.01 (+/- 4.581 acres) and Block 199.02, Lot 1 (+/- 6.845 acres) (Total Combined +/- 440.327 acres) ("Property"); and

WHEREAS, the Township purchased the Property on January 6, 2022 for \$14,000,000; and

WHEREAS, the Property is presently unencumbered and unrestricted; and

WHEREAS, the Township submitted an Application to the State Agriculture Development Committee ("SADC") for farmland preservation of the Property; and

WHEREAS, the SADC has offered to purchase the development rights to the Property thereby preserving the Property as farmland as set forth in the SADC Easement Acquisition Offer attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the SADC offer contains the following material monetary provisions: (1) \$27,200 per acre based on the Statewide Farmland Preservation Formula for purchase of the development easement; (2) option for an additional \$1,700.00 per acre if the Township accepts a 10% impervious coverage restriction on the acreage outside any exception areas; (3) option for an additional \$1,700 per acre if the Township accepts a residential building size limit of 2,500 square feet of heated living space; and (4) final compensation subject to results of a title report and final surveyed acreage of the easement area; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee believes it is in the best interests of the Township and its residents to accept the SADC farmland preservation offer with both optional additional restrictions for a per acre price of \$30,600 for purchase of the development easement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows: (1) the Township accepts the SADC farmland preservation offer for the Property with both optional additional restrictions for a per acre price of \$30,600 for purchase of the development easement; (2) the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute the SADC Easement Acquisition Offer; (3) the Mayor, Clerk, Township Administrator, Township Planner and Township Attorney are authorized to execute all documents and take all actions necessary for sale of the development easement to the SADC in accordance with the SADC Easement Acquisition Offer and this Ordinance; and (4) this Ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication according to law.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeewoman Samantha Hand, to open the public hearing on Ordinance 2026-03. The motion was unanimously approved upon the call of the roll.

Deputy Mayor Lipani thanked Township Planner Kois for his work with the SADC. Efforts to acquire this land began in 2023, and Deputy Mayor Lipani thanked the SADC and the state.

Committeeman Britting commented that this is the right step for Hillsborough. This is the largest land purchase in recent history that will preserve farmland and reduce the township's debt.

Judy Haas, 2 Titus Court, inquired about property maintenance costs and commented on the original purchase price and debt service.

Deputy Mayor Lipani clarified that the county was asked to purchase the property three years ago and, by its inaction, kept the Township waiting at a cost of approximately \$1.5 million. The Township ultimately went to the state and SADC and finalized a deal within one year without using open space funds.

Attorney Willard reminded Ms. Haas that the public comment is for the purpose of approving or disapproving the adoption of this ordinance.

David Brook, 7 Winding Way, stated he was glad Hillsborough convinced the state to purchase the development rights and asked how the public can be included in the use of this public space.

Attorney Willard clarified that this is preserved farmland and not open space.

David Brook asked whether trails could be developed for the public's enjoyment.

Township Planner Kois explained that the SADC would work with the county for possible inclusion in the Rails to Trails program. About 420 acres will be preserved.

Mr. Brook asked how much was taken from the open space fund to pay for debt service. Mayor Payne stated she would get the number for him.

Meryl Bisberg, 22 Scarborough Road, Belle Mead, stated that she remembered that the down payment was taken from the open space fund.

John Ciccarelli, 14 Southland Drive, confirmed that Hillsborough still owns the property for a great deal.

Upon a motion by Committeeman Robert Britting, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, to close the public hearing and adopt Ordinance 2026-03. The motion was approved upon the call of the roll.

PERSONNEL ITEMS/APPOINTMENTS

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALARY ADJUSTMENT FOR JOSEPH DESMOND EFFECTIVE 3/2/2026

WHEREAS, the Police Department IT Director has retired effective 3/1/2026, and there is a need for the responsibilities of this role to be assumed; and

WHEREAS, the Township Administrator recommends a salary adjustment to \$53,000 annually, effective 3/2/2026, to Joseph Desmond for extending his role of Senior Systems Engineer / Administrator to perform these responsibilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the recommendations of the Township Administrator are hereby accepted and approved.

2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALARY ADJUSTMENT FOR BRITTANY YACKULICH EFFECTIVE 1/1/2026

WHEREAS, the responsibilities of the Outreach Support Specialist have grown significantly since its inception in 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Township Administrator and Director of Economic and Business Development recommend adjusting Brittany Yackulich's salary to \$25.00 per hour, effective 1/1/2026, for taking on the additional responsibilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the recommendations of the Township Administrator and Director of Economic and Business Development are hereby accepted and approved.

3. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2026 NJ CAREER ACCELERATOR INTERNSHIP GRANT AND AUTHORIZING THE HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR TO FILL PART-TIME INTERNSHIP POSITIONS AS REQUIRED TO SUPPORT THE GRANT

WHEREAS, the Township has been awarded the 2026 New Jersey Career Accelerator Internship Grant in the amount of \$24,000.00; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to hire 6 (six) part-time interns for specific department projects as required to support the Grant requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Human Resources Director requests that the Township accept the grant and authorize the hiring of six (6) interns as part of the requirements to support the Grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the 2026 New Jersey Career Accelerator Internship Grant in the amount of \$24,000.00 is hereby accepted and the Human Resources Director is authorized to hire part-time interns as required to support the Grant requirements.

4. RESOLUTION APPOINTING MICHAEL FOLLI AS CHAIRPERSON OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Township needs to appoint a Chairperson for the Environmental Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to appoint Michael Folli as Chairperson of the Environmental Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that Michael Folli be appointed Chairperson of the Environmental Commission.

5. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE HIRING AND REHIRING OF PART-TIME POSITIONS TO SUPPORT HILLSBOROUGH 2026 SPRING RECREATION PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, there exists a need to hire part-time staff to support the Hillsborough Township 2026 Spring Recreation programs; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Parks & Recreation and the Assistant Director of Recreation have recommended the rehiring and hiring of the following individual(s) to support the Hillsborough Township Recreation Programs:

Last Name	First Name	Position	Rate	New Hire	Rehire
Cooper	Leo	Certified Youth Soccer Official	\$24.00		YES
Cooper	Leo	Head Tots Sports Instructor	\$20.00		YES
Dabek	Brian	Certified Youth Soccer Official	\$24.00		YES
Docar	Owen	Soccer Coach	\$16.00	3/30	
Dominique	Justin	Soccer Official	\$50.00		YES
Dornbach	Jim	Soccer Official	\$50.00		YES
Gupta	Yatharth	Youth Soccer Official	\$19.00	4/11	
Hamilton	Randy	Soccer Official/Supervisor	\$52.00		YES
Hasting	Mark	Soccer Supervisor	\$20.00		YES
Henderson	Emily	Soccer Supervisor	\$16.00		YES
Henderson	Nicholas	Soccer Supervisor	\$16.00		YES
Houri	Ryan	Certified Youth Soccer Official	\$24.00	4/11	
Jedziniak	Matt	Head Skateboarding Instructor	\$50.00		YES
Joshi	Hardik	Soccer Coach	\$16.00	3/30	
Joshi	Parth	Youth Soccer Official	\$19.00	4/11	
Kafka	Timothy	Tots Sports Instructor	\$20.00		YES
Kafka	Timothy	Youth Soccer Official	\$19.00		YES
Keenan	Riley	Soccer Coach	\$16.00	3/30	
Kisiel	Alex	Youth Soccer Official	\$19.00	4/11	
Kottala	Venkat	Soccer Coach	\$16.00	3/30	
McCann	Taylor	Soccer Supervisor	\$16.00		YES
McCann	Taylor	Tots Sports Instructor	\$20.00		YES
Medawar	Abed	Soccer Official	\$50.00		YES
Mehta	Riyan Tapan	Youth Soccer Official	\$19.00		YES
Mellone	Michael	Soccer Coach	\$16.00	3/30	
Modesto	Briana	Soccer Official	\$50.00		YES

Napier	Kaitlyn	Certified Youth Soccer Official	\$24.00		YES
Neilan	Luke	Certified Youth Soccer Official	\$24.00		YES
Ramirez	David	Youth Soccer Official	\$19.00		YES
Sasso	Mass	Various Programs	\$22.00		YES
Shah	Aman	Youth Soccer Official	\$19.00	4/11	
Shende	Ojas	Soccer Coach	\$16.00	3/30	
Small	David	Soccer Coach	\$16.00	3/30	
Solt	Troy	Soccer Official	\$50.00		YES
Watson	Ryley	Tots Sports Instructor	\$20.00		YES
Wehner	Steve	Soccer Official	\$50.00		YES
Wehner	Matt	Youth Soccer Official	\$19.00		YES
Wehner	Nick	Youth Soccer Official	\$19.00		YES
Zhang	Joshua	Soccer Coach	\$16.00	3/30	

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the recommendation of the Director of Parks & Recreation and Assistant Director of Recreation is hereby ratified and approved.

6. RESOLUTION APPOINTING GEORGE GRABOWICH TO SEAT ALTERNATE #2 OF THE SUSTAINABLE HILLSBOROUGH STEERING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, there currently exists a vacancy for the position of Seat Alternate #2 on the Township of Hillsborough Sustainable Hillsborough Steering Committee; and

WHEREAS, George Grabowich of the Township of Hillsborough has indicated his willingness to serve on the Sustainable Hillsborough Steering Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that George Grabowich is hereby appointed to Seat Alternate #2 on the Township of Hillsborough Sustainable Hillsborough Steering Committee.

7. RESOLUTION APPOINTING RYAN BOCHINSKI TO SEAT ALTERNATE #1 OF THE SUSTAINABLE HILLSBOROUGH STEERING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, there currently exists a vacancy for the position of Seat Alternate #1 on the Township of Hillsborough Sustainable Hillsborough Steering Committee; and

WHEREAS, Ryan Bochinski of the Township of Hillsborough has indicated his willingness to serve on the Sustainable Hillsborough Steering Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough,

County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that Ryan Bochinski is hereby appointed to Seat Alternate #1 on the Township of Hillsborough Sustainable Hillsborough Steering Committee.

Mayor Payne stated, "We will hear all comments first. After that, if any committee member would like to vote on any of the Personnel Items separately, I will give you the opportunity to do so. There is no need to take items separately for the purpose of commenting or questioning."

Committeewoman Gomez congratulated the new members of the sustainable steering committee.

Maria Janucik, 720 E. Frech Ave, Manville, inquired regarding consent 1: why they are not identified by their resolution number; consent 1 regarding the pay for Joseph Desmond; and the current pay for Brittany Yackulich. Administrator Ferrera explained the reason for the salary range amendment and then the salary increase resolution. Deputy Mayor Lipani stated that Brittany's job requires more obligations than before, so the hourly pay has increased by \$3 per hour.

Committeewoman Hand asked about Mr. Desmond's salary increase and stated that it was accurate.

Judy Haas, 2 Titus Court, asked regarding consent #5, the recreation employees' rate of pay, and stated that it appears there is no cap on hours worked.

Administrator Ferrera stated rates are generally hourly for the camps for high school and college kids. He stated that, as a former administrator, she should know that the recreation fund was short during the COVID-19 period and not afterward. Administrator Ferrera provided a clarification regarding the history of the recreation fund and the typical hourly rates for seasonal student employees.

Upon a motion by Committeeman Robert Britting, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, the personnel and appointment items were unanimously approved upon the call of the roll.

CONSENT

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT OFFICE TO HOST A HILLSBOROUGH BUSINESS ASSOCIATION AWARDS AND NETWORKING EVENT AT ROYCE BROOK GOLF CLUB ON OCTOBER 29, 2026

WHEREAS, the Township of Hillsborough Economic and Business Development Office ("EBDO") seeks to host a Hillsborough Business Association award and networking event at Royce Brook Golf Club, 201 Hamilton Road, Hillsborough, New Jersey, on Thursday, October 29, 2026, between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, the EBDO proposes to charge a registration fee in the amount of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) per attendee to cover the costs of the event; and

WHEREAS, all registration fees collected shall be deposited into Account No. 01-192-08-105-710 (Fees & Permits – Economic & Business Development) and shall be utilized for expenditures supporting EBDO sponsored events and related programming.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that: (1) the Economic and Business Development Office is hereby authorized to host a Hillsborough Business Association awards and networking event at Royce Brook Golf Club, 201 Hamilton Road, Hillsborough, New Jersey, on Thursday, October 29, 2026, between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.; (2) the EBDO is authorized to charge a \$30.00 registration fee per attendee to cover the costs of the event; and (3) the Township Chief Financial Officer is authorized and directed to deposit the funds received into Account No. 01-192-08-105-710 (Fees & Permits – Economic & Business Development) and is further authorized to utilize the funds so deposited for expenditures supporting EBDO sponsored events and related programming.

2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT OFFICE TO HOST A HILLSBOROUGH BUSINESS ASSOCIATION NETWORKING EVENT AT FLOUNDER BREWING CO. ON MAY 11, 2026

WHEREAS, the Township of Hillsborough Economic and Business Development Office (“EBDO”) seeks to host a Hillsborough Business Association networking event at Flounder Brewing Co., 2 Clerico Lane, Hillsborough, New Jersey, on Monday, May 11, 2026, between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, the EBDO proposes to charge a registration fee in the amount of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) per attendee to cover the costs of the event; and

WHEREAS, all registration fees collected shall be deposited into Account No. 01-192-08-105-710 (Fees & Permits – Economic & Business Development) and shall be utilized for expenditures supporting EBDO sponsored events and related programming.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that: (1) the Economic and Business Development Office is hereby authorized to host a Hillsborough Business Association networking event at Flounder Brewing Co., 2 Clerico Lane, Hillsborough, New Jersey, on Monday, May 11, 2026, between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.; (2) the EBDO is authorized to charge a \$20.00 registration fee per attendee to cover the costs of the event; and (3) the Township Chief Financial Officer is authorized and directed to deposit the funds received into Account No. 01-192-08-105-710 (Fees & Permits – Economic & Business Development) and is further authorized to utilize the funds so deposited for expenditures supporting EBDO sponsored events and related programming.

3. Resolution Ratifying And Confirming The Discontinuation Of The Shared Services Agreement With The Township Of Alexandria For The Provision Of Chief Financial Officer Services, Including Payroll, Accounts Payable, And Qualified Purchasing Agent Services

WHEREAS, the Township of Hillsborough and the Township of Alexandria entered into a Shared Services Agreement November 18, 2024, for the provision of a Chief Financial Officer, including the services of Payroll, Accounts Payable and a Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, said Shared Service Agreement signed by the Mayor's of the Township of Hillsborough and the Township of Alexandria was to be for five (5) years with a stipulation that either party may terminate said Agreement at any time by providing written notice to the other party of its intention to terminate with said notice to be provided ninety (90) days prior to the date of termination; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Hillsborough Administrator advised the Township of Alexandria Administrator that said Shared Service Agreement between the two Townships would be terminated due to the workload of the Township of Alexandria being too much for the CFO and their support staff to accommodate the Shared Services Agreement any further with an effective date of termination being February 10, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Alexandria has appointed a Chief Financial Officer and support staff for the roles of Payroll and Accounts Payable, effective January 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Alexandria was advised that the Township of Hillsborough would support the Township during this transition period.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to sign the Discontinuation of the Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Alexandria for Chief Financial Officer services including payroll, accounts payable and Qualified Purchasing Agent services.

4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING KERMESSE SPORT TO HOLD THE L'ENFER D'HUNTERDON BICYCLE RIDE IN HILLSBOROUGH ON MARCH 29, 2026

WHEREAS, Kermesse Sport has requested permission to hold the L'Enfer D'Hunterdon Bicycle Ride in Hillsborough on March 29, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the planned route, Certificate of Liability Insurance and Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement have been provided for this event; and

WHEREAS, the Hillsborough Police Department has reviewed the request and has expressed no objections to its approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that Kermesse Sport is granted permission to hold the L'Enfer D'Hunterdon Bicycle Ride in Hillsborough on March 29, 2026

5. RESOLUTION AMENDING R-151-2025 TO REFLECT THE REVISED ADDRESS FOR LIQUOR LICENSE 1810-32-002-010

WHEREAS, resolution R-151-2025 was adopted on June 24, 2025 renewing Liquor License 1810-32-002-010; and

WHEREAS, resolution R-151-2025 reflects the address of the corporation for license 1810-32-002-010; and

WHEREAS, the Alcoholic Beverage Commission (ABC) has reviewed and recommended updating the resolution to reflect the physical address of the establishment for license 1810-32-002-010 from Hillsborough Group, LLC 8 Independence Way, Jersey City, NJ 07035 to Hillsborough Group, LLC 315 Route 206, Unit 12, Hillsborough, NJ 08844.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that Plenary Retail Consumption License 1810-32-002-010 shall be amended to reflect the physical address of the establishment, Hillsborough Group, LLC, 315 Route 206, Unit 12, Hillsborough, NJ 08844.

License No	Establishment	Licensee
1810-32-002-010	Vineborough Lounge & Liquors	Hillsborough Group LLC 315 ROUTE 206, UNIT 12 HILLSBOROUGH, NJ 08844

6. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH MURRAY CONTRACTING AND HOMESTEAD CORNER, LLC

WHEREAS, Murray Contracting and Homestead Corner, LLC (collectively "Murray") are the owners and/or contract purchasers of certain property located in the Township, commonly known as 279 Homestead Road, Hillsborough, New Jersey, proximate to the intersection of Homestead Road and NJ State Route 206, and designated as Block 200.02, a portion of Lot 12, and Lots 12.01 and 16 on the official tax maps of the Township ("Property"); and,

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2025, the Township filed a Fourth Round Declaratory Judgment Complaint captioned In the Matter of the Application of the Township of Hillsborough and bearing Docket No. SOM-L-148-25, seeking a Certification of Compliance from the Affordable Housing Dispute Resolution Program ("Program") pursuant to

the Amended Fair Housing Act (“Amended FHA”) and Administrative Directive #14-24 (“Directive #14-24”); and,

WHEREAS, on June 25, 2025, the Township filed its proposed Fourth Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan (“HEFSP”), which was designed to help meet the fair share obligations for Round 4; and,

WHEREAS, on August 28, 2025, pursuant to the Amended FHA, Murray filed an Answer/Challenge objecting to the Township’s proposed HEFSP; and,

WHEREAS, the Program thereafter conducted multiple Settlement Conferences, as well as between the parties themselves, pursuant to the Amended FHA and Directive #14-24, with said Settlement Conferences resulting in an amicable agreement between the Township and Murray resolving the claims raised in said Answer/Challenge, which terms are reflected in the proposed Settlement Agreement, a copy of which is annexed hereto, along with Murray’s withdrawal as an objector to the Township’s HEFSP with prejudice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Township Committee hereby authorizes the execution by the Mayor and Township Clerk of the Settlement Agreement with Murray Contracting and Homestead Corner, LLC, a copy of which is annexed hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, Township Clerk and Special Counsel to the Township are hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all other documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

Mayor Catherine Payne

By my signature below, I, Sarah Brake, RMC, Township Clerk for the Township of Hillsborough do hereby certify that this is a true copy of a Resolution memorializing an action of the Hillsborough Township Committee, which occurred at a meeting of the Hillsborough Township Committee held on the 24th day of March.

Sarah Brake, RMC
Township Clerk of the Township of Hillsborough

7. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING BOARD AND DESIGNATING BLOCK 182, LOT 6, (SUNNYMEAD ROAD) AS A NON-CONDEMNATION AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT AND EXPANDING THE SUNNYMEAD LANDFILL REDEVELOPMENT AREA

Whereas, the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, et seq., authorizes municipalities to determine whether certain parcels of land in the municipality constitute areas in need of redevelopment; and

Whereas, Sunnymead Ventures, LLC, is the owner of the property identified as Sunnymead Road, Block 182, Lot 7.02, Hillsborough, New Jersey, consisting of approximately 10.71 acres (“Property”); and

Whereas, the Property is the site of a former landfill which requires closure in accordance with applicable law; and

Whereas, on September 25, 2007, the Township Committee adopted a Resolution designating the Property as an

area in need of redevelopment pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5; and

Whereas, in September 2009, the Township publicly solicited Statements of Interest for closure of the landfill and redevelopment of the Property; and

Whereas, in response to the publicly solicited Statements of Interest, Sunnymead Ventures offered to assume responsibility for closure and monitoring of the landfill in consideration for the Township transferring title to the Property to Sunnymead Ventures and the Township adopting a mutually agreeable Redevelopment Plan for the Property; and

Whereas, since 2009, Township and Sunnymead Ventures collectively pursued with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection a mutually agreeable closure and monitoring plan for the Property; and

Whereas, the Township installed a passive methane mitigation system at the Property and engaged in gas monitoring; and

Whereas, Sunnymead Ventures installed complements to the passive methane mitigation system at the Property and engaged in gas monitoring; and

Whereas, on June 27, 2023, the Township and Sunnymead Ventures entered into a Redevelopment and Property Sale Agreement for the Property and title to the Property has since been transferred to Sunnymead Ventures in accordance therewith; and

Whereas, the Redevelopment and Property Sale Agreement contemplated Sunnymead Ventures acquiring adjacent property identified as Sunnymead Road, Block 182, Lot 6, Hillsborough, New Jersey, consisting of approximately 4.37 acres, to be considered for designation as an area in need of redevelopment and included in the redevelopment area; and

Whereas, on August 13, 2024, the Township Committee adopted Resolution R-255-2024 authorizing the Planning Board to conduct a preliminary investigation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6 to determine whether the property identified as Sunnymead Road, Block 182, Lot 6, consisting of approximately 4.37 acres (“Study Area”), should be designated as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment; and

Whereas, the Planning and Zoning Department prepared a report entitled “Amended Sunnymead Landfill Redevelopment Area Preliminary Investigation Report – Addition of Block 182, Lot 6,” analyzing the property’s existing land uses, site conditions, and planning context; and

Whereas, the Planning Board conducted a duly noticed public hearing on January 22, 2026, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6 to consider the findings of the investigation report and hear testimony and public comment regarding whether the Study Area should be designated as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment; and

Whereas, testimony and evidence presented at the public hearing demonstrated that the property has remained vacant and underutilized for more than fifty (50) years and exhibits conditions consistent with Criterion “e” of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5, which applies where property exhibits a growing or total lack of proper utilization resulting in a stagnant or unproductive condition of land; and

Whereas, the Planning Board determined that inclusion of Block 182, Lot 6, within the existing Sunnymead Landfill Redevelopment Area would facilitate implementation of a comprehensive redevelopment strategy for the area; and

Whereas, the Planning Board adopted a Resolution on February 5, 2026, recommending that the Township Committee designate Block 182, Lot 6, as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment pursuant to N.J.S.A.

40A:12A-6; and

WHEREAS, after review of the report and recommendation of the Planning Board, the Township Committee has determined that the Study Area satisfies the statutory criteria of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5 and should be designated as an area in need of redevelopment.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows: (1) the Township Committee hereby accepts the findings and recommendation of the Planning Board and designates the property identified as Sunnymead Road, Block 182, Lot 6, Hillsborough Township, New Jersey as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment and that said property be incorporated into and made part of the Sunnymead Landfill Redevelopment Area; (2) the boundary of the Sunnymead Landfill Redevelopment Area shall consist of Block 182, Lot 7.02, and Block 182, Lot 6, as shown in the investigation report and Planning Board Resolution; (3) the Township Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs for review pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6; (4) the Township Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to all record property owners within the delineated redevelopment area and upon each person who may have filed a written objection thereto and stated upon written submission an address to which notice may be sent; and (5) the Township Planning Director is hereby authorized to prepare a redevelopment plan for the Redevelopment Area in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7 which plan shall be referred to the Planning Board for review upon introduction.

8. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF FIRST AMENDMENT TO SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH VALLEY ROAD REALTY, LLC.

WHEREAS, Valley Road Realty, LLC (“Valley”) is the owner of certain property located in the Township of Hillsborough (“Township”), County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, known and designated as Block 151.09, Lot 227 on the Official Tax Map of the Township, which is located on Valley Road, and consisting of approximately forty-four point fifty-three (44.53) acres (“Property”); and,

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the Township entered into a settlement agreement (“Settlement Agreement”) with Valley in the Township’s declaratory judgment action entitled In the Matter of the Township of Hillsborough Compliance with Third Round Mount Laurel Affordable Housing Obligation, Docket No. SOM-L-900-15, to resolve the Township’s Third Round affordable housing obligations pursuant to In re N.J.A.C. 5:96 and 5:97, 221 N.J. 1 (2015) (Mount Laurel); and,

WHEREAS, Valley has applied to the Township’s Planning Board to develop the Property with a multifamily inclusionary housing project pursuant to the Settlement Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, Valley and the Township now seek to revise said Settlement Agreement by reducing the number of market rate residential units downward and changing the market rate residential unit structure on the Property, while maintaining the affordable housing obligation on the Property as previously agreed upon.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Township Committee hereby authorizes the execution by the Mayor and Township Clerk of the First Amendment to the Settlement Agreement with Valley Road Realty, LLC, a copy of which is annexed hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, Township Clerk and Special Counsel to the Township are hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all other documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

Mayor Catherine Payne

By my signature below, I, Sarah Brake, RMC, Township Clerk for the Township of Hillsborough do hereby certify that this is a true copy of a Resolution memorializing an action of the Hillsborough Township Committee, which occurred at a meeting of the Hillsborough Township Committee held on the 24 th day of March.

Sarah Brake, RMC
Township Clerk of the Township of Hillsborough

9. RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING THE PURCHASE OF SIX (6) DELL PRO COMPUTERS AND ACCESSORIES FROM SHI INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION THROUGH THE BERGEN COUNTY CO-OP THROUGH GRANT FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Township Health Officer had determined there was a need for six (6) computer and accessories replacements for the Health Department; and

WHEREAS, the Health Department has a Sustaining Local Public Health Grant that allows for purchasing of equipment; and

WHEREAS, SHI International Corporation offered the Dell Pro 14s and accessories and was awarded a contract through the Bergen County Co-Op Contract #CK-04 Subcontract 24-38; and

WHEREAS, the Township Health Officer and Qualified Purchasing Agent recommended the six (6) Dell Pro 14s be purchased from SHI International Corporation for an amount not to exceed \$10,117.21; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer certified there were sufficient funds in Grant Account #02-213-24-363-785-280 for the amount of \$10,117.2 (requisition #2313599)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that it hereby ratifies and confirms the purchase of six (6) Dell Pro 14s and accessories for the Health Department from SHI International Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$10,711.21 through Bergen County Co-Op Contract #CK-04 Subcontract 24-38 is hereby authorized and approved.

10. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIGITALIZATION OF CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT RECORDS BY FOVEONICS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$17,397.00

WHEREAS, the Township Construction Department has identified a need to have records digitalized; and

WHEREAS, Foveonics will provide these services through the ESCNJ Coop Contract #22/23-11 of which the Township of Hillsborough is a member, for an amount not to exceed \$17,397.00; and

WHEREAS, funding is available through the Capital account 04-215-55-250-402 and funds have been certified as such by the Chief Finance Officer (Requisition #2313535).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that Foveonics is hereby authorized to provide records digitalization services for the Construction Department in an amount not to exceed \$17,397.00.

11. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR THE DEMOLITION OF THE OLD MUNICIPAL BUILDING

WHEREAS, the the former municipal building needs to be demolished; and

WHEREAS, the Township's Qualified Purchasing Agent requests authorization to solicit bids for the Demolition of the Old Municipal Building.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Township Qualified Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to advertise and solicit bids for Demolition of the Old Municipal Building.

12. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2026 FORD T350 MED ROOF PASSENGER WAGON RWD THROUGH STATE CONTRACT #T2006/24-FLEET-85679

WHEREAS, the Director of Social Services has requested authorization for the purchase of a 2026 FordT350 Med Roof Passenger Wagon RWD to help in the transportation of senior residents; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 Ford T350 Med Roof Passenger Wagon RWD is available for purchase from Ciocca Ford through the NJ State Contract #T2006/24-FLEET-85679 of which the Township is a member at an amount not to exceed \$55,508.50; and

WHEREAS, funds are available and have been certified as such by the Chief Finance Officer through Capital Account #04-215-55-250-700 (in an amount of \$50,000.00) and the Public Assistance Trust Account #16-295-56-345-940 (in an amount of \$5,508.50) (requisition #2313611).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that it hereby authorizes and approves the purchase of a 2026 Ford T350 Med Roof Passenger Wagon RWD from Ciocca Ford through the NJ State Contract #T2006/24-FLEET-85679 in an amount not to exceed \$55,508.50.

13. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH ROBERTSON DOUGLAS GROUP, INC.

WHEREAS, Robertson Douglas Group, Inc. (“RDG”) is the contract purchaser of certain property located in the Township located along Mountainview Road and designated as Block 175, Lots 25 and 41 on the official tax maps of the Township (“Property”); and,

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2025, the Township filed a Fourth Round Declaratory Judgment Complaint captioned In the Matter of the Application of the Township of Hillsborough and bearing Docket No. SOM-L-148-25, seeking a Certification of Compliance from the Affordable Housing Dispute Resolution Program (“Program”) pursuant to the Amended Fair Housing Act (“Amended FHA”) and Administrative Directive #14-24 (“Directive #14-24”); and,

WHEREAS, on June 25, 2025, the Township filed its proposed Fourth Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan (“HEFSP”), which was designed to meet the fair share obligations established by the aforesaid April 23, 2025 Order; and,

WHEREAS, on August 29, 2025, pursuant to the Amended FHA, RDG filed an Answer/Challenge objecting to the Township’s proposed HEFSP; and,

WHEREAS, the Program thereafter conducted Settlement Conferences, pursuant to the Amended FHA and Directive #14-24, with said Settlement Conferences resulting in an amicable agreement between the Township and RDG resolving the claims raised in said Answer/Challenge, which terms are reflected in the proposed Settlement Agreement, a copy of which is annexed hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Township Committee hereby authorizes the execution by the Mayor and Township Clerk of the Settlement Agreement with Robertson Douglas Group, Inc., in a form substantially as that which is annexed hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, Township Clerk and Special Counsel to the Township are hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all other documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

Mayor Catherine Payne

By my signature below, I, Sarah Brake, RMC, Township Clerk for the Township of Hillsborough do hereby certify that this is a true copy of a Resolution memorializing an action of the Hillsborough Township Committee, which occurred at a meeting of the Hillsborough Township Committee held on the 24th day of March.

Sarah Brake, RMC
Township Clerk of the Township of Hillsborough

Mayor Payne stated, "We are going to hear all comments first. After that, if any committee member would like to take an item from the consent agenda for separate voting, I will give you the opportunity to do so. There is no need to take items separately for the purpose of commenting or questioning."

Deputy Mayor Lipani encouraged residents to attend the business social at Flounders Brewery. He also thanked Planning Director Kojs and his team for their work on the affordable housing plans.

Committeewoman Hand stated, regarding resolution 3 to discontinue the shared services with Alexandria, that the committee should ask what has been learned from this shared service and conduct more due diligence when evaluating. Regarding resolution 7, Committeewoman Hand asked what the plan is for the property. Committeewoman Hand asked if, in relation to resolution 11, the number of OPRA requests would decrease. With regard to resolutions 6,8, and 13 referring to affordable housing settlement agreements, Committeewoman Hand asked what the track record is for the lawsuits and what the township is paying in legal fees. Committeewoman Hand stated that Hillsborough is one of the few towns that have objected to the fair share numbers and is now subject to all these settlements and is not in a favorable position.

Administrator Ferrera stated that even with the township's best efforts to obtain the information in advance, sometimes the facts are not as the town has purported, and that was the case with Alexandria. After one year, it was decided that the time spent was not worth the money received.

Township Planner Kojs stated the next step is for the Township Committee to introduce the redevelopment plan for Resolution 7.

Attorney Willard stated there was a prior redevelopment plan with the owner, and now he wants to acquire more acreage to make the solar project financially feasible.

Township Deputy Clerk Lenzo stated that the digitization will aid departments in locating records for OPRA requests, reduce storage costs, and assist with redactions.

Deputy Mayor Lipani stated that, in his view, the township maintains a positive standing regarding affordable housing and has avoided builder's remedy lawsuits.

Committeeman Britting asked Committeewoman Hand what she would have done differently regarding affordable housing and whether she would have objected to the number.

Meryl Bisberg, 22 Scarborough Road, stated that in round 3, the township was charged \$50,000 in legal fees, so it makes sense that the township could be charged much more in this round. Ms. Bisberg asked that the affordable housing accounting be posted on the website.

Administrator Ferrera stated that Mr. Kois called her right after the last meeting to discuss her affordable housing issues, and they are working to resolve the questions.

Attorney Willard stated it was an odd thing that Fair Share charged almost every township that entered into a settlement agreement a sum payable to Fair Share Housing.

Township Planner Kois stated there is a new system in the state. He is currently working with the DCA to verify the information and then share it with the public.

Maria Janucik, 720 E. Frech Ave, Manville, made inquiries regarding consents 1, 3, 6, 8, and 13, specifically asking about the accompanying documents that were not available to her.

Mayor Payne provided responses.

Attorney Willard explained the various settlement agreements and the number of affordable and Fair Share housing units.

David Brook, 7 Winding Way, stated that, with regard to consent 8, this property is directly next to the railroad tracks and across from Aero Press, which handles highly explosive gases. Aero Press is designated as a super-hazardous facility and had to do a worst-case analysis for the DEP. The result was a fireball that will reach a 1/2 mile out, which could result in all the people in the adjacent proposed affordable housing dying. Mr. Brook noted that building housing next to this is a bad idea.

Mayor Payne wholeheartedly agreed and asked Mr. Brook to speak to the state.

Meryl Bisberg, 22 Scarborough Road, stated that this development by Premier at Valley Road is from Round 3.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeeman Robert Britting, the consent agenda was unanimously approved upon the call of the roll.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW ORDINANCES

1. [CLICK HERE TO VISIT ENGAGE HILLSBOROUGH TO VIEW AND COMMENT ON INTRODUCED ORDINANCES](#)

2. 2026-04 Ordinance Amending Chapter 143 "Vehicles And Traffic", Article XII "Schedules", Section 143-30 "Schedule I: No Parking" Of The Code Of The Township Of Hillsborough To Prohibit Parking Along The Northbound Side Of The Roadway (Eastern Curblin) For Dickerson Road. Further Consideration And Public Hearing On April 28, 2026.

WHEREAS, local residents contacted the Township to express concern regarding congestion and roadway safety attributable to the parking of vehicles on both sides of Dickerson Road during events at Performance Sports Center; and

WHEREAS, the Hillsborough Police Department investigated the concerns and recommends the Township Committee amend the Township Code to prohibit parking on the northbound side of Dickerson Road from the intersection of Campbell Road to the intersection of Dukes Parkway East.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 143 "Vehicles And Traffic", Article XII "Schedules", Section 143-30 "Schedule I: No Parking" of the Code of the Township of Hillsborough is hereby amended to prohibit parking along the northbound side of Dickerson Road from the intersection of Campbell Road to the intersection of Dukes Parkway East as follows:

§143-30 Schedule I: No Parking

In accordance with the provisions of §143-6, no person shall park a vehicle at any time upon any of the following described streets or parts of streets:

<u>Name of Street</u>	<u>Side</u>	<u>Location</u>
Dickerson Road	Northbound Side	From the intersection of Campbell Road to the intersection of Dukes Parkway East

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication according to law.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, to introduce Ordinance 2026-04. Further Consideration And Public Hearing On April 28, 2026., the motion was unanimously approved upon the call of the roll.

CLAIMS LIST

1. CLAIMS LIST 26-06

Mayor Payne asked to approve Claims List 2026-06.

Upon a motion by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, Claims List 2026-06, was approved upon the call of the roll.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NEW BUSINESS AND MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Township Deputy Clerk Erica Lenzo stated the following: "The Township Committee now opens the floor for public comment. To ensure a productive and civil environment for all, please approach the microphone, state your name and address, and spell your name for the record.

The Township of Hillsborough maintains a strict standard of decorum; please ensure your remarks remain respectful

and focused on township business. Each speaker is limited to a single three-minute allotment. This is a forum for public comment rather than a dialogue. Please address all remarks directly to the Mayor. We thank you in advance for your cooperation and for treating your neighbors, Township employees, and this committee with courtesy."

Meryl Bisberg, 22 Scarborough Road, expressed concerns regarding the public's ability to comment on ordinance introductions and the accessibility of information on the website.

David Brook, 7 Winding Way, stated that he is representing 3 objectors to the Homestead warehouse litigation, filed a motion to intervene, and wants to know why the township has objected to their motion.

Maria Janucik, 720 E. Frech Ave, regarding Block 86, Lot 21.02, asked whether the township has sold this property yet and inquired about the dual role of the court administrator.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Shawn Lipani, seconded by Committeewoman Jill Gomez, the meeting duly adjourned at 9:47 pm. Said motion was unanimously carried upon voice vote.

Attested:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'Sarah Brake', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Sarah Brake
Township Clerk

2026 Municipal Budget											
of the		TOWNSHIP				of		HILLSBOROUGH		County of	
		SOMERSET		for the fiscal year 2026.							
Revenue and Appropriations Summaries											
Summary of Revenues						Anticipated					
						2026		2025			
1. Surplus						1,700,000.00		1,880,000.00			
2. Total Miscellaneous Revenues						9,870,286.04		10,168,027.74			
3. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes						700,000.00		700,000.00			
4. a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes						30,792,776.73		28,424,882.10			
b) Addition to Local School District Tax											
c) Minimum Library Tax											
Tot Amt to be Rsd by Taxes for Sup of Muni Bnd						30,792,776.73		28,424,882.10			
Total General Revenues						43,063,062.77		41,172,909.84			
Summary of Appropriations						2026 Budget		Final 2025 Budget			
1. Operating Expenses:		Salaries & Wages				17,614,383.50		17,510,159.00			
		Other Expenses				14,774,056.83		13,157,246.74			
2. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations						6,086,658.72		5,448,504.10			
3. Capital Improvements						445,000.00		850,000.00			
4. Debt Service (Include for School Purposes)						2,674,336.00		3,107,000.00			
5. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes						1,468,627.72		1,100,000.00			
Total General Appropriations						43,063,062.77		41,172,909.84			
Total Number of Employees						178 FT 35 PT		188 FT 35 PT			

COMPUTATION OF APPROPRIATION:
RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES AND
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION
IN 2026 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

		YEAR 2026	YEAR 2025
1	Total General Appropriations for 2026 Municipal Budget Statement Item 8(L) (Exclusive of Reserve for Uncollected Taxes)	41,594,435.05	XXXXXXXXXXXX
2	Local District School Tax Actual		
	Estimate		XXXXXXXXXXXX
3	Regional School District Tax Actual		131,874,143.00
	Estimate	134,511,625.86	XXXXXXXXXXXX
4	Regional High School Tax Actual		
	Estimate		XXXXXXXXXXXX
5	County Tax Actual		32,887,886.98
	Estimate	33,545,644.72	XXXXXXXXXXXX
6	Special District Tax Actual		5,043,427.00
	Estimate	5,328,324.00	XXXXXXXXXXXX
7	Municipal Open Space Actual		2,537,550.00
	Estimate	2,670,602.84	XXXXXXXXXXXX
8	Municipal Arts and Culture Actual		
	Estimate		XXXXXXXXXXXX
9 Total General Appropriations & Other Taxes		217,650,632.47	
10 Less: Total Anticipated Revenues from 2026 in Municipal Budget (Item 5)		12,270,286.04	
11 Cash Required from 2026 to Support Local Municipal Budget and Other Taxes		205,380,346.43	
12 Amount of Item 11 divided by 99.29%			
equals Amount to be Raised by Taxation (Percentage used must not exceed the applicable percentage shown by Item 13, AFS Sheet 22)		206,848,974.15	
Analysis of Item 12:			
Local School District Tax (Line 2 Above)		-	
Regional School District Tax (Line 3 Above)		134,511,625.86	
Regional High School Tax (Line 4 Above)		-	
County Tax (Line 5 Above)		33,545,644.72	
Special District Tax (Line 6 Above)		5,328,324.00	
Municipal Open Space Tax (Line 7 Above)		2,670,602.84	
Municipal Arts and Culture Tax (Line 8 Above)		-	
Tax in Local Municipal Budget		30,792,776.73	
Total Amount (Line 12)		206,848,974.15	
13	Appropriation: Reserve for Uncollected Taxes (Budget Statement, Item 8(M) (Item 12, Less Item 11)	1,468,627.72	
Computation of "Tax in Local Municipal Budget"			
Item 1 - Total General Appropriations		41,594,435.05	
Item 13 - Appropriation: Reserve for Uncollected Taxes		1,468,627.72	
Subtotal		43,063,062.77	
Less: Item 10 - Total Anticipated Revenues		12,270,286.04	
Amount to Be Raised by Taxation in Municipal Budget		30,792,776.73	

Local Tax for Municipal Purpose	30,792,776.73
Addition to Local District School Tax	
Minimum Library Tax	

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH SUMMARY OF 2026 BUDGET								
				Future Budget Projections				
Total Budget		43,063,062.77	100.0%	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
Employee Costs:								
Salaries & Wages								
Sheet 17	16,804,088.50		102.00%	17,140,170.27	17,482,973.68	17,832,633.15	18,189,285.81	18,553,071.53
Sheet 25	810,295.00		102.00%	826,500.90	843,030.92	859,891.54	877,089.37	894,631.15
Total		17,614,383.50		17,966,671.17	18,326,004.59	18,692,524.69	19,066,375.18	19,447,702.68
Social Security								
Sheet 19		1,315,000.00	102.00%	1,341,300.00	1,368,126.00	1,395,488.52	1,423,398.29	1,451,866.26
Pensions etc.								
Sheet 19		1,409,975.00	102.00%	1,438,174.50	1,466,937.99	1,496,276.75	1,526,202.28	1,556,726.33
Sheet 19		2,954,012.00	105.00%	3,101,712.60	3,256,798.23	3,419,638.14	3,590,620.05	3,770,151.05
Sheet 19		-						
Sheet 20		-						
Insurance								
Sheet 14		141,495.00	106.00%	149,984.70	158,983.78	168,522.81	178,634.18	189,352.23
Direct Employee Costs		23,434,865.50	54.4%					
General Liability Insurance								
Sheet 14		-	0.0%					
Debt Service:								
Sheet 27		2,674,336.00	6.2%					
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes:								
Sheet 29		1,468,627.72	3.4%					
Capital Funds:								
Sheet 26a		445,000.00	1.0%					
Deferred Charges:								
Sheet 28		328,671.72	0.8%					
Grants:								
Sheet 25 (less Salaries & Wages above)		1,584,671.92	3.7%					
All Other Departmental OE's:								
Various Line Items		13,126,889.91	30.5% 102.00%	13,389,427.71	13,657,216.26	13,930,360.59	14,208,967.80	14,493,147.16
Projected Budget Totals				37,387,270.68	38,234,066.86	39,102,811.49	39,994,197.78	40,908,945.70

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH	
2026 BUDGET FUNDING	
Budget Funding:	
Fund Balance	1,700,000.00
Local Revenues	4,982,592.00
State Aid	3,307,586.00
Grants	1,580,108.04
Delinquent Tax	700,000.00
Local Purpose Tax	<u>30,792,776.73</u>
	<u>43,063,062.77</u>
Ratables	9,537,867,300
Tax Rate	0.323
Increase	0.009

Project Tax Results				
2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
	25,000.00	50,000.00	75,000.00	100,000.00
	150,000.00	300,000.00	450,000.00	600,000.00
37,387,270.68	38,059,066.86	38,752,811.49	39,469,197.78	40,208,945.70
37,387,270.68	38,234,066.86	39,102,811.49	39,994,197.78	40,908,945.70
9,545,867,300	9,553,867,300	9,561,867,300	9,569,867,300	9,577,867,300
0.392	0.398	0.405	0.412	0.420
0.069	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007

COMPARISON OF REVENUES & APPROPRIATIONS				
	BUDGET YEAR	PRIOR YEAR	CHANGE	%
REVENUES				
Surplus	1,700,000.00	1,880,000.00	(180,000.00)	-9.57%
Local	4,982,592.00	5,715,835.00	(733,243.00)	-12.83%
State Aid	3,307,586.00	3,307,586.00	-	0.00%
State & Federal Grants	1,580,108.04	1,144,606.74	435,501.30	38.05%
Delinquent Tax	700,000.00	700,000.00	-	0.00%
Local Purpose Tax	30,792,776.73	28,424,882.10	2,367,894.63	8.33%
Minimum Library Tax	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
School Tax (Debt Service)	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
Arts and Cultural Tax	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
TOTAL REVENUE	43,063,062.77	41,172,909.84	1,890,152.93	4.59%
APPROPRIATIONS				
Salaries & Wages	17,614,383.50	17,345,136.52	269,246.98	1.55%
Other Expenses	13,189,384.91	12,659,662.48	529,722.43	4.18%
Statutory & Deferred Charges	6,086,658.72	5,296,504.10	790,154.62	14.92%
State & Federal Grants	1,584,671.92	1,164,606.74	420,065.18	36.07%
Capital (without grants)	445,000.00	850,000.00	(405,000.00)	-47.65%
Debt Service	2,674,336.00	3,107,000.00	(432,664.00)	-13.93%
School Debt Service	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	1,468,627.72	1,100,000.00	368,627.72	33.51%
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	43,063,062.77	41,522,909.84	1,540,152.93	0.037092
Adopted Emergencies		350,000.00		

CONDITION OF SURPLUS			
	BUDGET YEAR	PRIOR YEAR	CHANGE
Available	2,904,822.24	3,062,947.08	(158,124.84)
Used to Fund Budget	1,700,000.00	1,880,000.00	(180,000.00)
Remaining Balance	1,204,822.24	1,182,947.08	21,875.16

LOCAL TAX LEVY AND ASSESSED VALUES				
	BUDGET YEAR	PRIOR YEAR	CHANGE	%
Local Purpose Tax Levy (only)	30,792,776.73	28,424,882.10	2,367,894.63	8.33%
Local Tax Rate	0.3228	0.3140	0.0088	2.82%
Assessed Valuation	9,537,867,300	9,062,678,900	475,188,400	5.24%

STATUS OF "CAPS"			
SPENDING CAP		2% LEVY CAP	
	CAP 2.00%	CAP COLA	
CAP Base from Prior Year	33,889,172.10	33,889,172.10	30,823,515.62 MAX
Rate Applied	2.00%	3.50%	30,792,776.73 ACTUAL
Allowable CAP	34,566,955.54	35,075,293.12	(30,738.89) + OR ()
Additions:			Must be zero or () to
See Sheet 3b	61,399.18	61,399.18	Introduce Budget
Other			
Total CAP Allowable	34,628,354.72	35,136,692.30	
Budget Expenditures Sheet 19	35,132,411.41	35,132,411.41	
Remaining or (Excess)	(504,056.69)	4,280.89	

% OF TAX COLLECTION			
	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHANGE
Actual Percentage of Collection	99.30%	99.38%	-0.08%
Used for Reserve for Taxes	99.29%	99.47%	-0.18%
Remaining	0.01%	-0.09%	0.10%

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2026 MUNICIPAL DATA SHEET

(MUST ACCOMPANY 2026 BUDGET)

CAP

MUNICIPALITY: TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH

COUNTY: SOMERSET

Catherine Payne	December 31, 2026
Mayor's Name	Term Expires

Municipal Officials	
Sarah Brake	{ 6/13/2023
Municipal Clerk	
April Crossen	C-2056
Tax Collector	Cert. No.
Christiaan Bushell	T-8311
Chief Financial Officer	Cert. No.
Robert Swisher	439
Registered Municipal Accountant	Lic. No.
William Willard	
Municipal Attorney	

Governing Body Members	
Name	Term Expires
Shawn Lipani	12/31/2027
Jill Gomez	12/31/2029
Samantha Hand	12/31/2026
Robert Britting, Jr.	12/31/2027

Official Mailing Address of Municipality

Peter J. Biondi Building (Municipal Complex)

379 South Branch Road

HILLSBOROUGH

Fax #: 908-369-6034

2026

MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Municipal Budget of the

TOWNSHIP

of

HILLSBOROUGH

, County of

SOMERSET

for the Fiscal Year 2026.

It is hereby certified that the Budget and Capital Budget annexed hereto and hereby made a part hereof is a true copy of the Budget and Capital Budget approved by resolution of the Governing Body on the

28th

day of

April

, 2026

and that public advertisement will be made in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-6 and N.J.A.C. 5:30-4.4(d).

Certified by me, this

28th

day of

April

, 2026

Sarah Brake

Clerk

379 South Branch Road

Address

HILLSBOROUGH

Address

908-369-4313

Phone Number

It is hereby certified that the approved Budget annexed hereto and hereby made a part is an exact copy of the original on file with the Clerk of the Governing Body, that all additions are correct, all statements contained herein are in proof, and the total of anticipated revenues equals the total of appropriations.

Certified by me, this

28th

day of

April

, 2026

Robert Swisher

Registered Municipal Accountant

308 East Broad Street

Address

Westfield, NJ 07090

Address

908-789-9300

Phone Number

It is hereby certified that the approved Budget annexed hereto and hereby made a part is an exact copy of the original on file with the Clerk of the Governing Body, that all additions are correct, all statements contained herein are in proof, the total of anticipated revenues equals the total of appropriations and the budget is in full compliance with the Local Budget Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-1 et seq.

Certified by me, this

28th

day of

April

, 2026

Christiaan T. Bushell

Chief Financial Officer

DO NOT USE THESE SPACES

CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTED BUDGET

(Do not advertise this Certification form)

It is hereby certified that the amounts to be raised by taxation for local purposes has been compared with the approved Budget previously certified by me and any changes required as a condition to such approval have been made. The adopted budget is certified with respect to the foregoing only.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Department of Community Affairs

Director of the Division of Local Government Services

Dated:

, 2026

By:

MUNICIPAL BUDGET NOTICE

Section 1.

Municipal Budget of the TOWNSHIP of HILLSBOROUGH , County of SOMERSET for the Fiscal Year 2026

Be it Resolved, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2026;

Be it Further Resolved, that said Budget be published on the offical website https://hillsboroughnj.gov/public-notice s on April 29th , 2026;

Also, if applicable, it will be advertised in the following on-line publication of on , 2026.

The Governing Body of the TOWNSHIP of HILLSBOROUGH does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 2026:

RECORDED VOTE
(Insert Last Name)

Ayes

Payne
Lipani
Gomez
Britting

Nays

Hand

Abstained

Absent

Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the COMMITTEEPERSONS of the TOWNSHIP of HILLSBOROUGH , County of SOMERSET , on April 28th , 2026.

A Hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at Peter J. Biondi Building (Municipal Complex) , on May 26th , 2026 at o'clock at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2026 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

SUMMARY OF CURRENT FUND SECTION OF APPROVED BUDGET

				YEAR 2026
General Appropriations For: (Reference to item and sheet number should be omitted in advertised budget)				XXXXXXXXXXXXX
1. Appropriations within "CAPS" -				XXXXXXXXXXXXX
(a) Municipal Purposes {(Item H-1, Sheet 19)(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.2)}				35,132,411.41
2. Appropriations excluded from "CAPS" -				XXXXXXXXXXXXX
(a) Municipal Purposes {(Item H-2, Sheet 28)(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53.3 as amended)}				6,462,023.64
(b) Local District School Purposes in Municipal Budget (Item K, Sheet 29)				-
Total General Appropriations excluded from "CAPS" (Item O, Sheet 29)				6,462,023.64
3. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes (Item M, Sheet 29) Based on Estimated	99.29%	Percent of Tax Collections		1,468,627.72
		Building Aid Allowance	2026 - \$	
		for Schools-State Aid	2025 - \$	
4. Total General Appropriations (Item 9, Sheet 29)				43,063,062.77
5. Less: Anticipated Revenues Other Than Current Property Tax (Item 5, Sheet 11) (i.e. Surplus, Miscellaneous Revenues and Receipts from Delinquent Taxes)				12,270,286.04
6. Difference: Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget (as follows)				XXXXXXXXXXXXX
(a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes (Item 6(a), Sheet 11)				30,792,776.73
(b) Addition to Local District School Tax (Item 6(b), Sheet 11)				-
(c) Minimum Library Tax				-

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT - (Continued)

SUMMARY OF 2025 APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDED AND CANCELED

	General Budget	Utility	Utility	Utility	Utility	Utility	Utility
Budget Appropriations - Adopted Budget	40,112,248.90	-	-	-	-	-	-
Budget Appropriations Added by N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87	1,060,660.94						
Emergency Appropriations	350,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Appropriations	41,522,909.84	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Expenditures:</u>							
Paid or Charged (Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes)	40,295,459.93	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reserved	817,418.60	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unexpended Balances Canceled	410,031.31	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures and Unexpended Balances Canceled	41,522,909.84	-	-	-	-	-	-
Overexpenditures *	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

		EXPLANATORY STATEMENT - (Continued)			
		BUDGET MESSAGE			
CAP CALCULATION			CAP CALCULATION		
Total General Appropriations for 2025	40,112,248.90		Allowable Operating Appropriations before		
Cap Base Adjustment:	(425,440.00)		Additional Exceptions per (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3)	34,566,955.54	
Subtotal	39,686,808.90				
Exceptions Less:			Additions:		
Total Other Operations	446,121.00		New Construction (Assessor Certification)	61,350.88	
Total Uniform Construction Code			2024 Cap Bank Available	-	
Total Interlocal Service Agreement	130,570.00		2025 Cap Bank Available	48.30	
Total Additional Appropriations					
Total Capital Improvements	850,000.00				
Total Debt Service	3,107,000.00				
Transferred to Board of Education			Total Additions	61,399.18	
Type I School Debt					
Total Public & Private Programs	103,945.80		Maximum Appropriations within "CAPS" Sheet 19 @ 2.0%	34,628,354.72	
Judgements					
Total Deferred Charges	60,000.00				
Cash Deficit			Additional Increase to COLA rate. 3.5%		
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	1,100,000.00		Amount of Increase allowable. 1.5%	508,337.58	
Total Exceptions	5,797,636.80				
Amount on Which CAP is Applied	33,889,172.10				
2.0% CAP	677,783.44		Maximum Appropriations within "CAPS" Sheet 19 @ 3.5%	35,136,692.30	
Allowable Operating Appropriations before					
Additional Exceptions per (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3)	34,566,955.54		Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes (Sheet 19, H-1)	35,132,411.41	
			Over or (Under) Appropriations Cap	(4,280.89)	

NOTE:

Sheet 3b

- MANDATORY MINIMUM BUDGET MESSAGE MUST INCLUDE A SUMMARY OF:**
- 1. HOW THE "CAP" WAS CALCULATED.** (Explain in words what the "CAPS" mean and show the figures.)
 - 2. A SUMMARY BY FUNCTION OF THE APPROPRIATIONS THAT ARE SPREAD AMONG MORE THAN ONE OFFICIAL LINE ITEM**
(e.g. if Police S & W appears in the regular section and also under "Operation Excluded from "CAPS" section, combine the figures for purposes of citizen understanding.)

		EXPLANATORY STATEMENT - (Continued)		
		BUDGET MESSAGE		
<u>RECAP OF GROUP INSURANCE APPROPRIATION</u>		<u>"2010" LEVY CAP BANKS:</u>		
Following is a recap of the Municipality's Employee Group Insurance		2023	Maximum Allowable Amount to be Raised by Taxation	
Estimated Group Insurance Costs - 2026			Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Municipal Purpose	
			Available for Banking (CY 2026)	
			Amount Used in CY 2026	
			Balance to Expire	-
Estimated Amounts to be Contributed by Employees:		2024	Maximum Allowable Amount to be Raised by Taxation	
Contribution from all eligible emp.			Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Municipal Purpose	
			Available for Banking (CY 2026 - CY 2027)	
			Amount Used in CY 2026	
			Balance to Carry Forward (CY 2027)	-
Budgeted Group Insurance - Inside CAP		2025	Maximum Allowable Amount to be Raised by Taxation	28,426,252
Budgeted Group Insurance - Utilities			Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Municipal Purpose	28,424,882
Budgeted Group Insurance - Outside CAP			Available for Banking (CY 2026 - CY 2028)	1,370
TOTAL			Amount Used in CY 2026	1,370
Instead of receiving Health Benefits, 42 employees			Balance to Carry Forward (CY 2027 - CY2028)	-
have elected an opt-out for 2026. This opt-out amount				
is budgeted separately.		2026	Maximum Allowable Amount to be Raised by Taxation	30,823,516
Health Benefits Waiver			Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Municipal Purpose	30,792,777
Salaries and Wages			Available for Banking (CY 2027 - CY 2029)	30,739
		Total Levy CAP Bank		30,739



BUDGET MESSAGE

NEW JERSEY 2010 LOCAL UNIT LEVY CAP LAW

P.L. 2007, c. 62, was amended by P.L. 2008 c. 6 and P.L. 2010 c. 44 (S-29 R1).
The last amendment reduces the 4% to 2% and modifies some of the exceptions and
exclusions. It also removes the LFB waiver. The voter referendum now requires a vote in
excess of only 50% which is reduced from the original 60% in P.L. 2007, c. 62.

SUMMARY LEVY CAP CALCULATION

LEVY CAP CALCULATION

Prior Year Amount to be Raised by Taxation	28,424,882.10
Less:	
Less: Prior Year Deferred Charges to Future Taxation Unfunded	
Less: Prior Year Deferred Charges: Emergencies	60,000.00
Less: Prior Year Recycling Tax	
Less:	
Less:	
Net Prior Year Tax Levy for Municipal Purpose Tax for CAP Calculation	28,364,882.10
Plus 2% CAP Increase	567,297.64
ADJUSTED TAX LEVY	28,932,179.74
Plus: Assumption of Service/Function	
ADJUSTED TAX LEVY PRIOR TO EXCLUSIONS	28,932,179.74

ADJUSTED TAX LEVY PRIOR TO EXCLUSIONS 28,932,179.74

Exclusions:	
Allowable Shared Service Agreements Increase	
Allowable Health Insurance Costs Increase	377,780.00
Allowable Pension Obligations Increases	416,423.00
Allowable LOSAP Increase	
Allowable Capital Improvements Increase	
Allowable Debt Service and Capital Leases Inc.	795,499.00
Recycling Tax appropriation	
Deferred Charge to Future Taxation Unfunded	198,672.00
Current Year Deferred Charges: Emergencies	450,272.00
Add Total Exclusions	2,238,646.00
Less Cancelled or Unexpended Waivers	
Less Cancelled or Unexpended Exclusions	410,031.00

ADJUSTED TAX LEVY 30,760,794.74

Additions:	
New Ratables - Increase for new construction	19,538,496
Prior Year's Local Purpose Tax Rate (per \$100)	0.314
New Ratable Adjustment to Levy	61,350.88
Amounts approved by Referendum	
Levy CAP Bank Applied	1,370.00

MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION 30,823,515.62

AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES 30,792,776.73

OVER OR (UNDER) 2% LEVY CAP (30,738.89)
(must be equal or under for Introduction)

	EXPLANATORY STATEMENT - (Continued)	
	BUDGET MESSAGE	

CURRENT FUND - ANTICIPATED REVENUES

GENERAL REVENUES	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 2025
		2026	2025	
1. Surplus Anticipated	08-101	1,700,000.00	1,880,000.00	1,880,000.00
2. Surplus Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services	08-102			
Total Surplus Anticipated	08-100	1,700,000.00	1,880,000.00	1,880,000.00
3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section A: Local Revenues	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Licenses:	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Alcoholic Beverages	08-103	40,000.00	38,000.00	48,438.00
Other	08-104	40,000.00	37,000.00	55,994.80
Fees and Permits	08-105	260,000.00	245,000.00	317,939.36
Fines and Costs:	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Municipal Court	08-110	300,000.00	285,000.00	348,727.30
Other	08-109			
Interest and Costs on Taxes	08-112	250,000.00	250,000.00	265,122.45
Interest and Costs on Assessments	08-115			
Parking Meters	08-111			
Interest on Investments and Deposits	08-113	640,000.00	775,000.00	843,655.41
Anticipated Utility Operating Surplus	08-114			

CURRENT FUND - ANTICIPATED REVENUES - (Continued)

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CURRENT FUND - ANTICIPATED REVENUES - (Continued)

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GENERAL REVENUES	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 2025
		2026	2025	
3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section A: Local Revenues (continued)				
Total Section A: Local Revenue	08-001	1,530,000.00	1,630,000.00	1,879,877.32

GENERAL REVENUES	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in
		2026	2025	Cash in 2025
3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section B: State Aid Without Offsetting Appropriations				
Transitional Aid	09-212			
Energy Receipts Tax (P.L. 1997, Chapters 162 & 167)	09-202	3,290,868.00	3,290,868.00	3,290,867.62
Garden State Trust	09-206	16,718.00	16,718.00	16,718.00
Watershed Aid	09-207			
Total Section B: State Aid Without Offsetting Appropriations	09-001	3,307,586.00	3,307,586.00	3,307,585.62

CURRENT FUND - ANTICIPATED REVENUES - (Continued)

GENERAL REVENUES	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 2025
		2026	2025	
3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section C: Dedicated Uniform Construction Code Fees Offset with Appropriations (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-36 and N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.17)	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Uniform Construction Code Fees	08-160	1,300,000.00	1,264,000.00	1,592,924.14
Special Item of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services:	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Additional Dedicated Uniform Construction Code Fees Offset with Appropriations (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3h and N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.17)	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Uniform Construction Code Fees	08-160			
Total Section C: Dedicated Uniform Construction Code Fees Offset with Appropriations	08-002	1,300,000.00	1,264,000.00	1,592,924.14

CURRENT FUND - ANTICIPATED REVENUES - (Continued)

GENERAL REVENUES	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 2025
		2026	2025	
3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section D: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated				
With Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services				
Shared Service Agreements Offset With Appropriations:	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx
Health Officer - Borough of Millstone	11-114	21,070.00	21,070.00	10,535.00
Shared Services - Municipal Court - Montgomery	11-108	186,000.00	182,412.00	182,412.00
Shared Services - Municipal Court - Manville	11-108	157,000.00	154,115.00	229,661.41
Shared Services - Municipal Court - Branchburg	11-108	212,000.00	208,080.00	208,080.00
Shared Services - Finance - Alexandria	11-104	3,125.00	75,000.00	72,763.63

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GENERAL REVENUES	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in
		2026	2025	Cash in 2025
3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section D: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated With Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services Shared Service Agreements Offset With Appropriations:	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx
Total Section D: Shared Service Agreements Offset With Appropriations	11-001	579,195.00	640,677.00	703,452.04

CURRENT FUND - ANTICIPATED REVENUES - (Continued)

GENERAL REVENUES	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 2025
		2026	2025	
3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section E: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated With Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services - Additional Revenues Offset with Appropriations (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3h):	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx
Total Section E: Special Item of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Additional Revenues	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx
	08-003	-	-	-

CURRENT FUND - ANTICIPATED REVENUES - (Continued)

GENERAL REVENUES	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 2025
		2026	2025	
3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section F: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated				
With Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and				
Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx
				-
				-
Municipal Alliance on Alcoholism and Drugs	10-506	18,255.53		-
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund	10-510	29,949.51	16,844.97	16,844.97
Safe and Secure Communities	10-503		45,150.00	45,150.00
Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Fund	10-501		6,705.80	6,705.80
Somerset County Youth Services	10-652		6,000.00	6,000.00
				-
Private Well Outreach	10-621		6,000.00	6,000.00
				-
Recycling Tonnage	10-569		27,803.73	27,803.73
Clean Communities Program	10-602		125,165.44	125,165.44
County of Somerset 2025 Historic Preservation	10-870		402,402.00	402,402.00
Somerset County Youth Services - 2025	10-652		6,000.00	6,000.00
Sustaining Local Public Health Infrastructue	10-600		24,951.00	24,951.00
NJDOT Municipal Aid - Farm Road	10-589	505,903.00		-
				-
				-
				-

CURRENT FUND - ANTICIPATED REVENUES - (Continued)

GENERAL REVENUES	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 2025
		2026	2025	
3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section F: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated				
With Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and				
Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations (Continued):	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx
				-
Office of Emergency Management	10-537		10,000.00	10,000.00
				-
NJ DOT - Camplain Road Truck Safety	10-559		375,000.00	375,000.00
				-
Strengthening Local Public Health - FY2026	10-622		64,788.00	64,788.00
NJ Career Accelerant Internship	10-660	24,000.00	16,000.00	16,000.00
Body Armor Replacement	10-505		4,795.80	4,795.80
				-
Radon Awareness Program	10-774	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
FY2026 Community Project Funding	10-526	1,000,000.00		-
				-
				-
				-
TJX Companies Law Enforcement Grant	12-501		5,000.00	5,000.00
				-
				-
Total Section F: Special Item of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx
Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues	10-001	1,580,108.04	1,144,606.74	1,144,606.74

CURRENT FUND - ANTICIPATED REVENUES - (Continued)

GENERAL REVENUES	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 2025
		2026	2025	
3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section G: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated With Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Other Special Items:	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx
Utility Operating Surplus of Prior Year	08-116			
Cable TV Franchise Fees	08-117	60,000.00	62,961.00	67,879.15
Cell Tower Lease	08-118	141,000.00	141,251.00	155,841.08
Contribution from Somerville Business Park	08-241	600,000.00	600,000.00	674,662.15
Operating Contribution - Hillsborough Promenade	08-242	42,000.00	42,303.00	42,303.92
Somerset County Library System	08-243	27,397.00	41,511.00	41,511.00
Open Space Trust Fund	08-225		868,132.00	868,132.00
Payment in Lieu of Taxes (N.J.S.A. 40:55C-40)	08-123	75,000.00	225,000.00	77,752.66

CURRENT FUND - ANTICIPATED REVENUES - (Continued)

GENERAL REVENUES	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 2025
		2026	2025	
3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section G: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated With Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Other Special Items:	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx
General Capital Fund Balance	08-228	250,000.00	200,000.00	200,000.00
MUA Surplus	08-116	378,000.00	-	
Total Section G: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Other Special Items	xxxxxxx 08-004	xxxxxxxxxxx 1,573,397.00	xxxxxxxxxxx 2,181,158.00	xxxxxxxxxxx 2,128,081.96

CURRENT FUND - ANTICIPATED REVENUES - (Continued)

GENERAL REVENUES	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 2025
		2026	2025	
Summary of Revenues	XXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX
1. Surplus Anticipated (Sheet 4, #1)	08-101	1,700,000.00	1,880,000.00	1,880,000.00
2. Surplus Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services (Sheet 4, #2)	08-102	-	-	-
3. Miscellaneous Revenues:	XXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Total Section A: Local Revenues	08-001	1,530,000.00	1,630,000.00	1,879,877.32
Total Section B: State Aid Without Offsetting Appropriations	09-001	3,307,586.00	3,307,586.00	3,307,585.62
Total Section C: Dedicated Uniform Construction Code Fees Offset with Appropriations	08-002	1,300,000.00	1,264,000.00	1,592,924.14
Total Section D: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Shared Service Agreements	11-001	579,195.00	640,677.00	703,452.04
Total Section E: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Additional Revenues	08-003	-	-	-
Total Section F: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues	10-001	1,580,108.04	1,144,606.74	1,144,606.74
Total Section G: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Other Special Items	08-004	1,573,397.00	2,181,158.00	2,128,081.96
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	13-099	9,870,286.04	10,168,027.74	10,756,527.82
4. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	15-499	700,000.00	700,000.00	1,000,994.20
5. Subtotal General Revenues (Items 1, 2, 3 and 4)	13-199	12,270,286.04	12,748,027.74	13,637,522.02
6. Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget:	XXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX
a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	07-190	30,792,776.73	28,424,882.10	XXXXXXXXXXXX
b) Addition to Local District School Tax	07-191	-	-	XXXXXXXXXXXX
c) Minimum Library Tax	07-192	-	-	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Total Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget	07-199	30,792,776.73	28,424,882.10	28,508,799.59
7. Total General Revenues	13-299	43,063,062.77	41,172,909.84	42,146,321.61

CURRENT FUND - APPROPRIATIONS

8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - within "CAPS"	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:						-		-
ADMINISTRATIVE & EXECUTIVE:						-		-
Salaries & Wages	20-103	1	273,000.00	261,913.00		262,113.00	261,913.92	199.08
Other Expenses:						-		-
Miscellaneous	20-100	2	9,555.47	9,851.00		13,351.00	13,251.96	99.04
Postage	20-100	2	6,000.00	6,000.00		6,000.00	2,614.73	3,385.27
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MAYOR AND COMMITTEE:						-		-
Salaries & Wages	20-110	1	20,600.00	38,500.00		38,600.00	38,499.96	100.04
Other Expenses	20-110	2	7,614.50	11,850.00		7,850.00	6,692.72	1,157.28
TOWNSHIP CLERK:						-		-
Salaries & Wages	20-120	1	305,627.50	303,947.00		299,447.00	297,890.41	1,556.59
Other Expenses	20-120	2	143,357.27	147,791.00		147,791.00	147,218.87	572.13
Public Meeting Recording	20-120	2	31,000.00	35,000.00		31,000.00	23,850.00	7,150.00
ELECTIONS:						-		-
Other Expenses	20-120	2	35,000.00	22,000.00		22,000.00	22,000.00	-
CENTRAL PURCHASING:						-		-
Other Expenses	20-130	2	6,000.00	6,000.00		6,000.00	5,605.47	394.53
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - within "CAPS" - (continued)	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION:						-		-
Salaries and Wages	20-130	1	251,875.00	219,000.00		218,600.00	218,594.55	5.45
Other Expenses	20-130	2	97,000.00	100,000.00		91,000.00	87,580.29	3,419.71
Audit Services	20-135	2	89,400.00	84,200.00		104,200.00	103,748.02	451.98
ASSESSMENT OF TAXES:						-		-
Salaries and Wages	20-150	1	347,000.00	343,775.00		343,975.00	343,775.76	199.24
Other Expenses	20-150	2	56,195.98	69,934.00		57,934.00	54,085.08	3,848.92
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REVENUE ADMINISTRATION (COLLECTION OF TAXES):						-		-
Salaries and Wages	20-145	1	150,000.00	142,273.00		142,573.00	142,421.20	151.80
Other Expenses	20-145	2	49,470.00	50,715.00		50,915.00	49,661.48	1,253.52
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HUMAN SERVICES:						-		-
Other Expenses	20-105	2	125,000.00	140,000.00		148,000.00	137,149.10	10,850.90
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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY:						-		-
Salaries and Wages	20-140	1	335,000.00	210,490.00		210,990.00	210,468.58	521.42
Other Expenses	20-140	2	235,685.75	192,975.00		192,975.00	190,073.34	2,901.66
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - within "CAPS" - (continued)	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
LEGAL SERVICES AND COSTS:						-		-
Other Expenses:						-		-
Miscellaneous	20-155	2	270,000.00	250,000.00		270,000.00	223,523.92	46,476.08
Outside Services	20-155	2	45,000.00	83,278.00		45,778.00	24,637.62	21,140.38
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ENGINEERING SERVICES AND COSTS:						-		-
Salaries & Wages	20-165	1	471,000.00	460,889.00		463,389.00	459,627.81	3,761.19
Other Expenses	20-165	2	43,650.00	93,185.00		40,685.00	27,608.33	13,076.67
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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:						-		-
Salaries & Wages	20-170	1	121,125.00	146,218.00		152,218.00	151,083.24	1,134.76
Other Expenses	20-170	2	20,370.00	20,565.00		15,565.00	12,757.33	2,807.67
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HUMAN RESOURCES:						-		-
Salaries & Wages	20-105	1	132,000.00	92,245.00		89,745.00	87,955.20	1,789.80
Other Expenses	20-105	2	19,400.00	20,000.00		20,000.00	13,041.02	6,958.98
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - within "CAPS" - (continued)	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
MUNICIPAL LAND USE LAW (N.J.S.A. 40:55-D-1):						-		-
PLANNING BOARD:						-		-
Salaries and Wages	21-180	1	400,000.00	390,000.00		378,000.00	376,647.69	1,352.31
Other Expenses	21-180	2	150,350.00	135,070.00		155,070.00	135,003.17	20,066.83
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INSURANCE:						-		-
Unemployment Compensation	23-225	2	59,000.00	48,000.00		49,500.00	48,516.79	983.21
General Liability and Workers Comp	23-210	2	1,043,684.14	958,940.00		958,940.00	954,863.53	4,076.47
Employee Group Health	23-220	2	3,677,440.00	2,956,887.00		3,304,887.00	3,270,729.55	34,157.45
Employee Healthcare Waivers	23-220	2	215,000.00	210,000.00		193,000.00	191,492.19	1,507.81
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - within "CAPS" - (continued)	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
PUBLIC SAFETY:						-		-
POLICE:						-		-
Salaries and Wages	25-240	1	8,474,870.00	8,560,000.00		8,246,177.52	8,241,646.65	4,530.87
Other Expenses	25-240	2	917,620.00	915,000.00		946,000.00	937,691.87	8,308.13
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MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR:						-		-
Salaries and Wages	25-275	1	52,100.00	140,000.00		140,200.00	140,000.04	199.96
Other Expenses	25-275	2	88,000.00			-		-
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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES: (OEM)						-		-
Salaries and Wages	25-252	1	89,000.00	83,000.00		81,000.00	79,310.36	1,689.64
Other Expenses	25-252	2	27,160.00	28,250.00		28,250.00	19,511.15	8,738.85
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CONTRIBUTION TO FIRE DISTRICT	25-255	2		14,500.00		-		-
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FIRE HYDRANT SERVICE	25-265	2	967,000.00	925,000.00		967,000.00	880,687.82	86,312.18
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - within "CAPS" - (continued)	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
PUBLIC WORKS:						-		-
ROAD REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE:						-		-
Salaries & Wages	26-290	1	2,040,000.00	2,103,298.00		2,057,298.00	2,053,484.72	3,813.28
Other Expenses	26-290	2	705,020.25	678,325.00		726,825.00	677,163.72	49,661.28
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SNOW REMOVAL:						-		-
Salaries & Wages	26-290	1	100,000.00	142,000.00		122,000.00	119,030.77	2,969.23
Other Expenses	26-290	2	100,000.00	275,000.00		405,000.00	308,708.19	96,291.81
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PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:						-		-
Other Expenses	26-310	2	336,590.00	347,000.00		347,000.00	345,650.44	1,349.56
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SOLID WASTE COLLECTION (RECYCLING):						-		-
Other Expenses	26-305	2	455,000.00	455,373.00		360,545.48	360,545.48	-
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SOLID WASTE COLLECTION (ANNUAL CLEANUP):						-		-
Salaries & Wages	26-305	1	33,000.00	30,000.00		27,200.00	27,182.75	17.25
Other Expenses	26-305	2	87,300.00	90,000.00		90,000.00	89,538.48	461.52
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - within "CAPS" - (continued)	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
SANITARY LANDFILL:						-		-
Other Expenses	26-305	2	100.00	100.00		100.00		100.00
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MUNICIPAL SERVICES ACT	26-325	2	30,000.00	3,000.00		27,000.00	26,891.24	108.76
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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES:						-		-
HEALTH AND WELFARE:						-		-
Salaries & Wages	27-330	1	443,930.00	498,436.00		498,436.00	496,880.77	1,555.23
Other Expenses	27-330	2	60,140.00	68,650.00		48,650.00	26,813.29	21,836.71
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ANIMAL CONTROL REGULATION:						-		-
Salaries & Wages	27-340	1				-		-
Other Expenses	27-340	2	105,000.00	64,500.00		95,000.00	93,911.00	1,089.00
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - within "CAPS" - (continued)	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
SOCIAL SERVICES:						-		-
Salaries & Wages	27-330	1	355,650.00	405,000.00		405,200.00	405,086.86	113.14
Other Expenses	27-330	2	44,620.00	41,386.00		41,386.00	37,235.07	4,150.93
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CONTRIBUTION TO SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION	27-365	2	-	31,000.00		31,000.00	31,000.00	-
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WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT:						-		-
Other Expenses	27-340	2	2,150.00	2,000.00		2,150.00	2,040.00	110.00
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - within "CAPS" - (continued)	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
PARKS AND RECREATION:						-		-
PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS:						-		-
Salaries & Wages	28-375	1	852,000.00	841,014.00		842,514.00	841,563.69	950.31
Other Expenses	28-375	2	267,686.05	275,965.00		275,965.00	257,168.59	18,796.41
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BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSIONERS (RS 40:12-1):						-		-
Salaries & Wages	28-370	1	189,000.00	137,338.00		72,338.00	68,713.60	3,624.40
Other Expenses	28-370	2	12,707.00	13,060.00		13,060.00	11,117.76	1,942.24
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MUNICIPAL COURT:						-		-
Salaries & Wages	43-490	1	16,500.00	438,621.00		421,621.00	419,768.85	1,852.15
Other Expenses	43-490	2	68,724.50	70,850.00		70,850.00	70,545.24	304.76
Court Security	43-490	1	40,000.00	35,000.00		38,000.00	37,434.38	565.62
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - within "CAPS" - (continued)	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
Uniform Construction Code - Appropriations	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Offset by Dedicated Revenues (N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.17)	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
State Uniform Construction Code								
Construction Official								
Salaries and Wages	22-195	1	1,310,810.00	1,260,000.00		1,213,000.00	1,210,746.67	2,253.33
Other Expenses	22-195	2	51,895.00	53,000.00		53,500.00	51,310.27	2,189.73
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - within "CAPS" - (continued)	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
Uniform Construction Code - Appropriations	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Offset by Dedicated Revenues (N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.17)	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - within "CAPS" - (continued)	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
UNCLASSIFIED:	xxxxxx		xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC EVENTS	30-420	2	50,000.00	60,000.00		60,000.00	58,662.88	1,337.12
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UTILITIES:						-		-
Gasoline & Diesel Fuel	31-447	2	325,000.00	315,000.00		285,000.00	251,020.76	33,979.24
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Electricity	31-435	2	1,050,450.00	986,450.00		1,050,450.00	939,022.79	111,427.21
Natural Gas	31-435	2	30,000.00	8,000.00		38,000.00	11,866.49	26,133.51
Telephones	31-440	2	220,000.00	185,000.00		230,000.00	195,837.68	34,162.32
Sewer	31-455	2	5,500.00	4,500.00		5,000.00	4,800.00	200.00
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Water	31-445	2	180,000.00	80,000.00		180,000.00	153,802.26	26,197.74
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Sick and Vacation Reserve	30-415	1	1.00	1.00		1.00		1.00
Accumulated Absences	30-415	1			350,000.00	350,000.00	350,000.00	-
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - within "CAPS" - (continued)	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
UNCLASSIFIED:	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
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Total Operations {Item 8(A)} within "CAPS"	34-199		29,426,924.41	28,926,108.00	350,000.00	29,424,808.00	28,667,975.41	756,832.59
B. Contingent	35-470	2			XXXXXXXXXX	-		-
Total Operations Including Contingent - within "CAPS"	34-201		29,426,924.41	28,926,108.00	350,000.00	29,424,808.00	28,667,975.41	756,832.59
Detail:			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Salaries & Wages	34-201	1	16,804,088.50	17,282,958.00	350,000.00	17,114,635.52	17,079,728.43	34,907.09
Other Expenses (Including Contingent)	34-201	2	12,622,835.91	11,643,150.00	-	12,310,172.48	11,588,246.98	721,925.50

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			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
(E) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal within "CAPS"	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
(1) DEFERRED CHARGES	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Emergency Authorizations	46-870				XXXXXXXXXX	-		XXXXXXXXXX
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Overexpenditure of 2024 Appropriations	46-894	2		4,343.10	XXXXXXXXXX	4,343.10	4,343.10	XXXXXXXXXX
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
(E) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal within "CAPS"	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
(1) DEFERRED CHARGES	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
(E) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal within "CAPS" - (continued)	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
(2) STATUTORY EXPENDITURES:	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Contribution to:								
Public Employees' Retirement System	36-471		1,409,975.00	1,432,006.00		1,363,006.00	1,362,283.80	722.20
Social Security System (O.A.S.I.)	36-472		1,315,000.00	1,280,000.00		1,337,000.00	1,326,872.31	10,127.69
Consolidated Police & Fireman's Pension Fund	36-474					-		-
Police and Firemen's Retirement System of NJ	36-475		2,954,012.00	2,647,155.00		2,507,155.00	2,506,712.62	442.38
Unemployment Compensation Insurance (N.J.S.A. 43:21-3 et seq.)	23-225					-		-
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Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP)	36-477		26,500.00	25,000.00		25,000.00	22,487.92	2,512.08
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Total Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal within "CAPS"	34-209		5,705,487.00	5,388,504.10	-	5,236,504.10	5,222,699.75	13,804.35
(F) Judgments	37-480					-		XXXXXXXXXX
(G) Cash Deficit of Preceding Year	46-855					-		-
(H-1) Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes within "CAPS"	34-299		35,132,411.41	34,314,612.10	350,000.00	34,661,312.10	33,890,675.16	770,636.94

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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
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General Liability	23-215	2	-	51,060.00		51,060.00	51,060.00	-
						-		-
						-		-
Employee Group Health	23-215	2	307,060.00	231,113.00		231,113.00	231,113.00	-
						-		-
SFSP (Replacement of Grant Program)		2	11,317.00	11,317.00		11,317.00	11,317.00	-
						-		-
Emergency Storm Costs N.J.S.A 40A:4-46						-		-
Salary & Wages	30-430	1	129,100.00			-		-
Other Expenses	30-430	2	191,172.00			-		-
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CURRENT FUND - APPROPRIATIONS

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CURRENT FUND - APPROPRIATIONS

8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
(A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"								
Uniform Construction Code	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Appropriations Offset by Increased Fee Revenues (N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.17)	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
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Total Uniform Construction Code Appropriations	22-999		-	-	-	-	-	-

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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
Shared Service Agreements	xxxxxx		xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
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HEALTH OFFICER - BOROUGH OF MILLSTONE	42-114	1	21,070.00	21,070.00		21,070.00	3,000.00	18,070.00
						-		-
FINANCE - TOWNSHIP OF ALEXANDRIA	42-104	1	3,125.00	31,000.00		31,300.00	31,233.47	66.53
						-		-
SHARED SERVICE COURT-MONTGOMERY	42-108	1	186,000.00	78,500.00		78,500.00	74,000.04	4,499.96
SHARED SERVICE COURT-MANVILLE	42-108	1	157,000.00			-		-
SHARED SERVICE COURT-BRANCHBURG	42-108	1	212,000.00			-		-
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CURRENT FUND - APPROPRIATIONS

8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
Shared Service Agreements	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
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CURRENT FUND - APPROPRIATIONS

8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
Additional Appropriations Offset by Revenues (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3h)	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
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Total Additional Appropriations Offset by Revenues (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3h)	34-303		-	-	-	-	-	-

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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues								
Matching Funds for Grants	41-899	2		20,000.00		20,000.00		20,000.00
Clean Communities Program	41-602	2		125,165.44		125,165.44	125,165.44	-
Alcohol Education	40-501	2		6,705.80		6,705.80	6,705.80	-
Municipal Alliance Fund:						-	-	-
County	41-506	2	18,255.53			-	-	-
Local Match	41-899	2	4,563.88			-	-	-
						-	-	-
NJ Career Accelerant Internship	41-660	2	24,000.00	16,000.00		16,000.00	16,000.00	-
						-	-	-
						-	-	-
Drunk Driving Enforcement	40-510	2	29,949.51	16,844.97		16,844.97	16,844.97	-
						-	-	-
						-	-	-
Safe and Secure Communitess Program	41-503	2		45,150.00		45,150.00	45,150.00	-
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues								
						-	-	-
Office of Emergency Management	41-537	2		10,000.00		10,000.00	10,000.00	-
Recycling Tonnage Grant	41-569	2		27,803.73		27,803.73	27,803.73	-
Radon Awareness Program	41-774	2	2,000.00	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00	-
County of Somerset 2025 Historic Preservation	41-870	2		402,402.00		402,402.00	402,402.00	-
						-	-	-
Strengthening Local Public Health FY2026	41-622	2		64,788.00		64,788.00	64,788.00	-
Sustaining Local Public Health	41-600	2		24,951.00		24,951.00	24,951.00	-
Somerset County Youth Services	41-652	2		6,000.00		6,000.00	6,000.00	-
Private Well Outreach	41-621	2		6,000.00		6,000.00	6,000.00	-
Somerset County Youth Services - Y2025	41-652	2		6,000.00		6,000.00	6,000.00	-
NJ DOT LFIF Camplain Road Truck Safety	41-559	2		375,000.00		375,000.00	375,000.00	-
FY2026 Community Project Funding - Merringer Park	41-526	2	1,000,000.00			-	-	-
NJDOT Farm Road	41-589	2	505,903.00			-	-	-
						-	-	-
TJX Companies Law Enforcement Grant	40-501	2		5,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00	-
						-	-	-

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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS" (continued)	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues (cont)	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
						-	-	-
						-	-	-
Body Armor Replacement Fund	41-505	2		4,795.80		4,795.80	4,795.80	-
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Total Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues	40-999		1,584,671.92	1,164,606.74	-	1,164,606.74	1,144,606.74	20,000.00
Total Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"	34-305		2,961,515.92	1,741,297.74	-	1,744,597.74	1,697,816.08	46,781.66
Detail:								
Salaries & Wages	34-305	1	810,295.00	227,201.00	-	230,501.00	206,864.63	23,636.37
Other Expenses	34-305	2	2,151,220.92	1,514,096.74	-	1,514,096.74	1,490,951.45	23,145.29

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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (C) Capital Improvements - Excluded from "CAPS"	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
Down Payments on Improvements	44-902					-		-
Capital Improvement Fund	44-901		200,000.00	850,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX	850,000.00	850,000.00	-
						-		-
						-		-
						-		-
	44-903	2				-		-
						-		-
Sidewalk Improvements	44-903	2	75,000.00			-		-
						-		-
Acquisition of Public Works Equipment/Vehicles	44-903	2	60,000.00			-		-
						-		-
Acquisition of Police Vehicles	44-903	2	60,000.00			-		-
						-		-
Road Improvements	44-903	2	50,000.00			-		-
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (C) Capital Improvements - Excluded from "CAPS"	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
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Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority Act	41-865					-		-
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Total Capital Improvements Excluded from "CAPS"	44-999		445,000.00	850,000.00	-	850,000.00	850,000.00	-

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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (D) Municipal Debt Service - Excluded from "CAPS"	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
Payment of Bond Principal	45-920		560,000.00			-		XXXXXXXXXX
Payment of Bond Anticipation Notes and Capital Notes	45-925			565,000.00		565,000.00	170,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX
Interest on Bonds	45-930		260,000.00	117,000.00		117,000.00	116,955.28	XXXXXXXXXX
Interest on Notes	45-935		258,336.00	825,000.00		825,000.00	814,044.13	XXXXXXXXXX
Green Trust Loan Program:	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
						-		XXXXXXXXXX
NJ Environmental Infrastructure Loan	45-943	2	136,000.00	136,000.00		136,000.00	135,435.61	XXXXXXXXXX
						-		XXXXXXXXXX
SCIA Lease	45-941	2	1,460,000.00	1,464,000.00		1,464,000.00	1,460,533.67	XXXXXXXXXX
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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS (E) Deferred Charges - Municipal - Excluded from "CAPS"	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
(1) DEFERRED CHARGES:	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Emergency Authorizations	46-870				XXXXXXXXXX	-		XXXXXXXXXX
Special Emergency Authorization - 5 Years (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-55)	46-875		130,000.00	60,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX	60,000.00	60,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX
Special Emergency Authorization - 3 Years (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-55.1 &	46-871				XXXXXXXXXX	-		XXXXXXXXXX
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation Unfunded:					XXXXXXXXXX	-		XXXXXXXXXX
Ordinance 2008-49	46-892	2	1,515.97		XXXXXXXXXX	-		XXXXXXXXXX
Ordinance 2018-14	46-892	2	40.75		XXXXXXXXXX	-		XXXXXXXXXX
Deficit in Assessment Cash	46-892	2	197,115.00		XXXXXXXXXX	-		XXXXXXXXXX
					XXXXXXXXXX	-		XXXXXXXXXX
					XXXXXXXXXX	-		XXXXXXXXXX
					XXXXXXXXXX	-		XXXXXXXXXX
					XXXXXXXXXX	-		XXXXXXXXXX
Total Deferred Charges - Municipal - Excluded from "CAPS"	46-999		328,671.72	60,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX	60,000.00	60,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX
(F) Judgments (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3cc)	37-480		52,500.00			-		XXXXXXXXXX
(N) Transferred to Board of Education for Use of Local Schools (N.J.S.A. 40:48-	29-405				XXXXXXXXXX	-		XXXXXXXXXX
					XXXXXXXXXX			XXXXXXXXXX
(G) With Prior Consent of Local Finance Board: Cash Deficit of Preceding Year	46-885				XXXXXXXXXX	-		XXXXXXXXXX
					XXXXXXXXXX			XXXXXXXXXX
(H-2) Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes Excluded from	34-309		6,462,023.64	5,758,297.74	-	5,761,597.74	5,304,784.77	46,781.66

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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS	FCOA		Appropriated				Expended 2025	
			for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
For Local District School Purposes - Excluded from "CAPS"	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
(I) Type 1 District School Debt Service	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Payment of Bond Principal	48-920					-		XXXXXXXXXX
Payment of Bond Anticipation Notes	48-925					-		XXXXXXXXXX
Interest on Bonds	48-930					-		XXXXXXXXXX
Interest on Notes	48-935					-		XXXXXXXXXX
						-		XXXXXXXXXX
						-		XXXXXXXXXX
Total of Type 1 District School Debt Service - Excluded from "CAPS"	48-999		-	-	-	-	-	XXXXXXXXXX
Deferred Charges and Statutory (J) Expenditures - Local School -	XXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Emergency Authorizations - Schools	29-406				XXXXXXXXXX	-		XXXXXXXXXX
Capital Project for Land, Building or Equipment N.J.S.A. 18A:22-20	29-407					-		XXXXXXXXXX
Total Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Local School -	29-409		-	-	-	-	-	XXXXXXXXXX
District School Purposes {Items (I) and (J) - (K) Excluded from "CAPS"	29-410		-	-	-	-	-	XXXXXXXXXX
(O) Total General Appropriations - Excluded from "CAPS"	34-399		6,462,023.64	5,758,297.74	-	5,761,597.74	5,304,784.77	46,781.66
(L) Subtotal General Appropriations {Items (H-1) and (O)}	34-400		41,594,435.05	40,072,909.84	350,000.00	40,422,909.84	39,195,459.93	817,418.60
(M) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	50-899		1,468,627.72	1,100,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX	1,100,000.00	1,100,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX
9. Total General Appropriations	34-499		43,063,062.77	41,172,909.84	350,000.00	41,522,909.84	40,295,459.93	817,418.60

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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS Summary of Appropriations	FCOA	Appropriated				Expended 2025	
		for 2026	for 2025	for 2025 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2025 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
(H-1) Total General Appropriations for	34-299	35,132,411.41	34,314,612.10	350,000.00	34,661,312.10	33,890,675.16	770,636.94
Municipal Purposes within "CAPS"	XXXXXX						
(A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"	XXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Other Operations	34-300	797,649.00	446,121.00	-	449,121.00	444,975.83	4,145.17
Uniform Construction Code	22-999	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shared Service Agreements	42-999	579,195.00	130,570.00	-	130,870.00	108,233.51	22,636.49
Additional Appropriations Offset by Revenues	34-303	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public & Private Programs Offset by Revenues	40-999	1,584,671.92	1,164,606.74	-	1,164,606.74	1,144,606.74	20,000.00
Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS"	34-305	2,961,515.92	1,741,297.74	-	1,744,597.74	1,697,816.08	46,781.66
(C) Capital Improvements	44-999	445,000.00	850,000.00	-	850,000.00	850,000.00	-
(D) Municipal Debt Service	45-999	2,674,336.00	3,107,000.00	-	3,107,000.00	2,696,968.69	XXXXXXXXXX
(E) Total Deferred Charges (Sheet 28)	46-999	328,671.72	60,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX	60,000.00	60,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX
(F) Judgments (Sheet 28)	37-480	52,500.00	-	-	-	-	XXXXXXXXXX
(G) Cash Deficit - With Prior Consent of Local Finance Board	46-885	-	-	XXXXXXXXXX	-	-	XXXXXXXXXX
(K) Local District School Purposes	29-410	-	-	-	-	-	XXXXXXXXXX
(N) Transferred to Board of Education	29-405	-	-	XXXXXXXXXX	-	-	XXXXXXXXXX
(M) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	50-899	1,468,627.72	1,100,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX	1,100,000.00	1,100,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX
Total General Appropriations	34-499	43,063,062.77	41,172,909.84	350,000.00	41,522,909.84	40,295,459.93	817,418.60

DEDICATED ASSESSMENT BUDGET

14. DEDICATED REVENUES FROM	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 2025
		2026	2025	
Assessment Cash	51-101	\$127,362.39	320,872.04	320,872.04
Deficit (General Budget)	51-885	197,115.00		
Total Assessment Revenues	51-899	324,477.39	320,872.04	320,872.04
15. APPROPRIATIONS FOR ASSESSMENT DEBT		Appropriated		Expended 2025 Paid or Charged
		2026	2025	
Payment of Bond Principal	51-920	\$324,477.39	320,872.04	320,872.04
Payment of Bond Anticipation Notes	51-925			
Total Assessment Appropriations	51-999	324,477.39	320,872.04	320,872.04

DEDICATED ASSESSMENT BUDGET UTILITY

14. DEDICATED REVENUES FROM	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 2025
		2026	2025	
Assessment Cash	52-101			
Deficit (Utility Budget)	52-885			
Total Utility Assessment Revenues	52-899	-	-	-
15. APPROPRIATIONS FOR ASSESSMENT DEBT		Appropriated		Expended 2025 Paid or Charged
		2026	2025	
Payment of Bond Principal	52-920			
Payment of Bond Anticipation Notes	52-925			
Total Utility Assessment Appropriations	52-999	-	-	-

DEDICATED ASSESSMENT BUDGET UTILITY

14. DEDICATED REVENUES FROM	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 2025
		2026	2025	
Assessment Cash	53-101			
Deficit (Utility Budget)	53-885			
Total Utility Assessment Revenues	53-899	-	-	-
15. APPROPRIATIONS FOR ASSESSMENT DEBT		Appropriated		Expended 2025 Paid or Charged
		2026	2025	
Payment of Bond Principal	53-920			
Payment of Bond Anticipation Notes	53-925			
Total Utility Assessment Appropriations	53-999	-	-	-

Dedication by Rider - (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-39) dedicated revenues anticipated during the year 2026 from Animal Control State or Federal Aid for Maintenance of Libraries Bequest, Escheat; Construction Code Fees Due Hackensack Meadowlands Development Commission; Outside Employment of Off-Duty Municipal Police Officers; Unemployment Compensation Insurance; Reimbursement of Sale of Gasoline to State Automobiles; State Training Fees - Uniform Construction Code Act; Older Americans Act - Program Contributions; Municipal Alliance on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse - Program Income:

Police Department Donations, Senior Citizen Program Donations, Hillsborough Library Branch Donations, Celebration of Public Events, Sustainable Hillsborough Program Donations, Universal Playground Donations, Accumulated Absences, Storm Recovery Trust Fund, UCC Code Enforcement Fee-3rd Party, Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Neighborhood Preservation Program Environmental Quality & Enforcement Fund, Municipal Public Defender, Open Space/Recreation/Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund, Affinity Credit Card Program, Municipal Alliance on Alcohol & Drug Abuse Program, Self Insurance Program, Community Development Block Grant Fund Act of 1974, Disposal of Forfeited Property,

are hereby anticipated as revenue and are hereby appropriated for the purpose to which said revenue is dedicated by statute or other legal requirement."

APPENDIX TO BUDGET STATEMENT

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF CURRENT FUND OPERATIONS AND
CHANGE IN CURRENT SURPLUS

CURRENT FUND BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 2025

ASSETS	
Cash and Investments	6,153,009.82
Due from State of N.J.(c. 20, P.L. 1961)	1,016.33
Federal and State Grants Receivable	
Receivables with Offsetting Reserves:	XXXXXXXX
Taxes Receivable	1,270,451.43
Tax Title Lien Receivable	430,580.48
Property Acquired by Tax Title Lien Liquidation	1,843,400.00
Other Receivables	665,640.60
Deferred Charges Required to be in 2026 Budget	130,000.00
Deferred Charges Required to be in Budgets Subsequent to 2026	280,000.00
Total Assets	10,774,098.66
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND SURPLUS	
*Cash Liabilities	3,659,203.91
Reserves for Receivables	4,210,072.51
Surplus	2,904,822.24
Total Liabilities, Reserves and Surplus	10,774,098.66

School Tax Levy Unpaid	
Less: School Tax Deferred	
*Balance Included in Above "Cash Liabilities"	-

	YEAR 2025	YEAR 2024
Surplus Balance, January 1	3,062,947.08	4,589,054.26
CURRENT REVENUE ON A CASH BASIS:	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
Current Taxes:*(Percentage Collected 2025: 99.3%, 2024: 99.4%)	199,822,280.16	178,868,363.55
Delinquent Taxes	1,000,994.20	888,319.98
Other Revenues and Additions to Income	11,533,586.77	16,970,478.90
Total Funds	215,419,808.21	201,316,216.69
EXPENDITURES AND TAX REQUIREMENTS:	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
Municipal Appropriations	40,012,878.53	44,201,453.34
School Taxes (Including Local and Regional)	131,874,143.00	115,877,655.00
County Taxes (Including Added Tax Amounts)	32,953,337.66	30,831,055.00
Special District Taxes	7,585,999.91	7,111,807.62
Other Expenditures and Deductions from Income	438,626.87	235,641.75
Total Expenditures and Tax Requirements	212,864,985.97	198,257,612.71
Less: Expenditures to be Raised by Future Taxes	350,000.00	4,343.10
Total Adjusted Expenditures and Tax Requirements	212,514,985.97	198,253,269.61
Surplus Balance, December 31	2,904,822.24	3,062,947.08

*Nearest even percentage may be used

Proposed Use of Current Fund Surplus in 2026 Budget

Surplus Balance, December 31	2,904,822.24
Current Surplus Anticipated in 2026 Budget	1,700,000.00
Surplus Balance Remaining	1,204,822.24

(Important: This appendix must be Included in advertisement of Budget.)

2026
CAPITAL BUDGET AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

This section is included with the Annual Budget pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-4. It does not in itself confer any authorization to raise or expend funds. Rather it is a document used as part of the local unit's planning and management program. Specific authorization to expend funds for purposes described in this section must be granted elsewhere, by a separate bond ordinance, by inclusion of a line item in the Capital Improvement Section of this budget, by an ordinance taking the money from the Capital Improvement Fund, or other lawful means.

CAPITAL BUDGET

- A plan for all capital expenditures for the current fiscal year.
- If no Capital Budget is included, check the reason why:

- ☐ Total capital expenditures this year do not exceed \$25,000, including appropriations for Capital Improvement Fund, Capital Line items and Down Payments on Improvements.
- ☐ No bond ordinances are planned this year.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

- A multi-year list of planned capital projects, including the current year.
- Check appropriate box for number of years covered, including current year:

- ☐ 3 years. (Population under 10,000)
- ☒ 6 years. (Over 10,000 and all county governments)
- ☐ years exceeding minimum time period.
- ☐ Check if municipality is under 10,000, has not expended more than \$25,000 annually for capital purposes in immediately previous three years, and is not adopting CIP.

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH
NARRATIVE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

IT IS A REQUIREMENT THAT A PROJECTED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BE MADE PART OF THE 2026 MUNICIPAL BUDET.
THE IMPROVEMENTS ARE ESTIMATED AND MAY BE ADJUSTED.

CAPITAL BUDGET (Current Year Action) 2026

Local Unit

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH

1 PROJECT TITLE	2 PROJECT NUMBER	3 ESTIMATED TOTAL COST	4 AMOUNTS RESERVED IN PRIOR YEARS	PLANNED FUNDING SERVICES FOR CURRENT YEAR - 2026					6 TO BE FUNDED IN FUTURE YEARS
				5a 2026 Budget Appropriations	5b Capital Improvement Fund	5c Capital Surplus	5d Grants in Aid and Other Funds	5e Debt Authorized	
Sidewalk Improvements		450,000.00		75,000.00					375,000.00
Acquisition of Public Works Equipment/Vehicles		1,110,000.00		60,000.00		50,000.00			1,000,000.00
Acquisition of Police Vehicles		1,360,000.00		60,000.00					1,300,000.00
Road Improvements		5,050,000.00		50,000.00					5,000,000.00
Information Technology Improvements		30,000.00				30,000.00			
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CAPITAL BUDGET (Current Year Action) 2026

Local Unit

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH

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CAPITAL BUDGET (Current Year Action) 2026

Local Unit

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TOTAL - ALL PROJECTS	XXXXX	8,000,000.00	-	245,000.00	-	80,000.00	-	-	7,675,000.00

Local Unit **TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH**

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6 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM - 2026 to 2031

ANTICIPATED PROJECT SCHEDULE AND FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

Local Unit

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH

1 PROJECT TITLE	2 PROJECT NUMBER	3 ESTIMATED TOTAL COST	4 Estimated Completion Time	FUNDING AMOUNTS PER BUDGET YEAR					
				5a 2026	5b 2027	5c 2028	5d 2029	5e 2030	5f 2031
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Local Unit **TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH**

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Local Unit **TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH**

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Local Unit **TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH**

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SECTION 2 - UPON ADOPTION FOR YEAR 2026

Be it Resolved by the **COMMITTEEPERSONS** **RESOLUTION** of the **TOWNSHIP**
of **HILLSBOROUGH**, County of **SOMERSET** that the budget hereinbefore set forth is hereby
adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of:

- (a) \$ 30,792,776.73 (Item 2 below) for municipal purposes, and
- (b) \$ - (Item 3 below) for school purposes in Type I School Districts only (N.J.S.A. 18A:9-2) to be raised by taxation and,
- (c) \$ - (Item 4 below) to be added to the certificate of amount to be raised by taxation for local school purposes in
Type II School Districts only (N.J.S.A. 18A:9-3) and certification to the County Board of Taxation of
the following summary of general revenues and appropriations.
- (d) \$ 2,670,602.84 (Sheet 43) Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Levy
- (e) \$ - (Sheet 44) Arts and Culture Trust Fund Levy
- (f) \$ - (Item 5 Below) Minimum Library Tax

RECORDED VOTE
(Insert last name)

Ayes

Nays

Abstained

Absent

1. General Revenues **SUMMARY OF REVENUES**

Surplus Anticipated	08-100	\$	1,700,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated	13-099	\$	9,870,286.04
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	15-499	\$	700,000.00
2. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSED (Item 6(a), Sheet 11)	07-190	\$	30,792,776.73
3. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR <u>SCHOOLS IN TYPE I</u> SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY:			
Item 6, Sheet 42	07-195	\$	-
Item 6(b), Sheet 11 (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-14)	07-191	\$	-
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR SCHOOLS IN TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY		\$	-
4. To Be Added TO THE CERTIFICATE FOR THE AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR <u>SCHOOLS IN TYPE II</u> SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY:			
Item 6(b), Sheet 11 (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-14)	07-191		
5. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION MINIMUM LIBRARY TAX	07-192	\$	-
Total Revenues	13-299	\$	43,063,062.77

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS

5. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS:	XXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Within "CAPS"	XXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
(a & b) Operations Including Contingent	34-201	\$ 29,426,924.41
(e) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal	34-209	\$ 5,705,487.00
(g) Cash Deficit	46-885	\$ -
Excluded from "CAPS"	XXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
(a) Operations - Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS"	34-305	\$ 2,961,515.92
(c) Capital Improvements	44-999	\$ 445,000.00
(d) Municipal Debt Service	45-999	\$ 2,674,336.00
(e) Deferred Charges - Municipal	46-999	\$ 328,671.72
(f) Judgments	37-480	\$ 52,500.00
(n) Transferred to Board of Education for Use of Local Schools (N.J.S.A. 40:48-17.1 & 17.3)	29-405	\$ -
(g) Cash Deficit	46-885	\$ -
(k) For Local District School Purposes	29-410	\$ -
(m) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	50-899	\$ 1,468,627.72
6. SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS - TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICT ONLY (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-13)	07-195	
Total Appropriations	34-499	\$ 43,063,062.77

It is hereby certified that the within budget is a true copy of the budget finally adopted by resolution of the Governing Body on the _____ day of _____, 2026. It is further certified that each item of revenue and appropriation is set forth in the same amount and by the same title as appeared in the 2026 approved budget and all amendments thereto, if any, which have been previously approved by the Director of Local Government Services.

Certified by me this _____ day of _____, 2026, _____, Clerk

DEDICATED REVENUES FROM TRUST FUND	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 2025	APPROPRIATIONS	FCOA	Appropriated		Expended 2025	
		2026	2025				for 2026	for 2025	Paid or Charged	Reserved
Amount to be Raised By Taxation	54-190	2,670,602.84	2,537,550.00	2,542,572.91	Development of Lands for Recreation and Conservation:		xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
					Salaries & Wages	54-385-1				-
Interest Income	54-113			366,048.23	Other Expenses	54-385-2				-
Other income				9,110.00	Maintenance of Lands for Recreation and Conservation:		xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
Reserve Funds:	54-101		4,191,487.23	4,191,487.23	Salaries & Wages	54-375-1				-
					Other Expenses	54-372-2				-
					Historic Preservation:		xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
					Salaries & Wages	54-176-1				-
					Other Expenses	54-176-2				-
					Appropriated to Current Fund for DS			868,132.00	868,132.00	-
					Acquisition of Lands for Recreation and Conservation	54-915-2				-
Total Trust Fund Revenues:	54-299	2,670,602.84	6,729,037.23	7,109,218.37	Acquisition of Farmland	54-916-2				-
Summary of Program Year Referendum Passed/Implemented: Rate Assessed: Total Tax Collected to date: Total Expended to date: Total Acreage Preserved to date: Recreation land preserved in 2025: Farmland preserved in 2025:					Down Payments on Improvements	54-902-2				-
					Debt Service:		xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
					Payment of Bond Principal	54-920-2				xxxxxxxxxx
					Payment of Bond Anticipation Notes and Capital Notes	54-925-2	169,557.00			xxxxxxxxxx
					Interest on Bonds	54-930-2				xxxxxxxxxx
					Interest on Notes	54-935-2	391,664.00			xxxxxxxxxx
					Reserve for Future Use	54-950-2	2,109,381.84	5,860,905.23	5,860,905.23	-
					Total Trust Fund Appropriations:	54-499	2,670,602.84	6,729,037.23	6,729,037.23	-

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH

ARTS AND CULTURE TRUST FUND

DEDICATED REVENUES FROM TRUST FUND	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash in 2025	APPROPRIATIONS	FCOA	Appropriated		Expended 2025	
									Paid or Charged	Reserved
		2026	2025				for 2026	for 2025		
Amount to be Raised By Taxation	56-190				xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
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Reserve Funds:	56-101									-
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Total Trust Fund Revenues:	56-299	-	-	-						-
Summary of Program Year Referendum Passed/Implemented: Rate Assessed: Total Tax Collected to date: Total Expended to date:										-
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Total Trust Fund Appropriations:					56-499		-	-	-	-

Annual List of Change Orders Approved
Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-11

Contracting Unit: TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH

Year Ending: December 31, 2025

The following is a complete list of all change orders which caused the originally awarded contract price to be exceeded by more than 20 percent. For regulatory details please consult N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.1 et seq. Please identify each change order by name of the project.

N/A

For each change order listed above, submit with introduced budget a copy of the governing body resolution authorizing the change order and an Affidavit of Publication for the newspaper notice required by N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.9(d). (Affidavit must include a copy of the newspaper notice.)

If you have not had a change order exceeding the 20 percent threshold for the year indicated above, please check here ☐ and certify below.

Date

Clerk of the Governing Body



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Resolution to Ratify and Confirm the Hiring of Michael Corcoran, Connor Zakowski and Landon Horesco For The Clean Communities Summer Help Positions In The Public Works and Parks Departments

WHEREAS, there exist 8 positions for Clean Communities Summer Help funded by a NJ Clean Communities Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works recommends the rehiring of Michael Corcoran as Clean Communities Summer Help for the 8th year, effective May 26, 2026, at an hourly rate of \$18.00, not to exceed 40 hours per week; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works recommends the rehiring of Connor Zakowski as Clean Communities Summer Help for the 2nd year, effective May 26, 2026, at an hourly rate of \$17.00, not to exceed 40 hours per week; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Parks and Recreation recommends the rehiring of Landon Horesco as Clean Communities Summer Help for the 2nd year, effective June 1, 2026, at an hourly rate of \$17.00, not to exceed 40 hours per week.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Director of Public Works and Director of Parks and Recreation are authorized to hire Michael Corcoran, Connor Zakowski and Landon Horesco as Clean Communities Summer Help for the 2026 season.

I, Sarah Brake, Township Clerk, hereby certify that the above resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough at a regular and duly convened meeting held on June 9, 2026. In witness thereof, I have set my hand and affixed the seal of the Township of Hillsborough.



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Resolution Establishing the Adjusted Annual Salaries & Wages of Elected Officials

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the annual salaries and wages of the following elected officials will be temporarily reduced as follows for the period June 1, 2026, to December 31, 2026: (1) Mayor \$0.00; (2) Deputy Mayor \$0.00; and (3) Committeepersons \$0.00.

I, Sarah Brake, Township Clerk, hereby certify that the above resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough at a regular and duly convened meeting held on June 9, 2026. In witness thereof, I have set my hand and affixed the seal of the Township of Hillsborough.



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Resolution Authorizing the Township to Accept the Greater Raritan Workforce Development Board Summer Youth Work Experience Program Grant Funds and Fill the Approved Positions

WHEREAS, the Township of Hillsborough applied for the Greater Raritan Workforce Development Board (GRWDB) 2026 Summer Youth Work Experience Program, which facilitates work training opportunities between New Jersey employers and Somerset or Hunterdon County residents, between the ages of 16 and 24; and

WHEREAS, the GRWDB program is funded by a grant from the NJ Department of Labor, and the Township would be awarded up to \$13,600.00 in these funds for up to 4 participants for our Recreation Department summer programs, each receiving a \$3,400 stipend for their completion of the program's 180 work hours on specific projects and 20 hours of GRWDB career-readiness training requirement; and

WHEREAS, GRWDB program participants were interviewed by the Director of Human Resources, Director of Parks & Recreation, and Assistant Director of Recreation, and the recommendation is to bring on Ethan Diogene and Emily Margelis, each receiving a \$3,400 stipend for their completion of the program requirements, starting 6/3/2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that: (1) the Township is authorized to accept the award for up to \$13,600.00 and (2) to hire Ethan Diogene and Emily Margelis to support the projects and fulfill the Township's participation in the GRWDB program with a 6/3/2026 starting date.

I, Sarah Brake, Township Clerk, hereby certify that the above resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough at a regular and duly convened meeting held on June 9, 2026. In witness thereof, I have set my hand and affixed the seal of the Township of Hillsborough.



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Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Grant Application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation FY27 NJDOT Municipal Aid Grant Program for Bloomingdale Drive Roadway Improvements

WHEREAS, each year the Township submits a grant application to receive funding from New Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Program; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineering Director recommends the submission of a grant application to receive funding from the New Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Program for the project “Bloomingdale Drive Roadway Improvements” application ID “MA-2027-Bloomingdale Drive Improvements-00160.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that: (1) the Township Committee approves the submission of a grant application for the above-stated project; (2) the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2027-Bloomingdale Drive Improvements-00160 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of Hillsborough Township; and (3) the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of Hillsborough Township and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement.

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Resolution Authorizing Refund Of Tax Overpayments

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector indicates tax overpayments have been received as indicated below and recommends refunds be issued for such overpayments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to refund the amounts set forth below for tax overpayments.

Block	Lot	Qualifier	Name	Amount	Qtr	Year
11	21		Unity Bank	\$14,919.55	2	2026
150.03	28		Corelogic	\$4,019.82	2	2026
151.09	182		Corelogic	\$4,307.90	2	2026
151.20	1	C0302	Corelogic	\$1,970.01	2	2026
152.03	1		Corelogic	\$2,462.53	2	2026
163.04	11		Corelogic	\$2,630.94	2	2026
163.05	1.05	C3011	Corelogic	\$1,501.89	2	2026
163.21	4	C0108	Corelogic	\$1,919.05	2	2026
163.21	7	C3613	Corelogic	\$2,242.59	2	2026
163.22	45	C3609	Corelogic	\$1,331.26	2	2026
175.09	8		Corelogic	\$3,558.34	2	2026
177.02	48		Corelogic	\$4,174.39	2	2026
178.01	64		Corelogic	\$2,021.54	2	2026
199	144		Corelogic	\$3,782.16	2	2026
200.13	1		Corelogic	\$3,016.53	2	2026
207	1.01	Q0035	Corelogic	\$79.22	2	2026
177.11	20		Argen	\$3,678.00	2	2026

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'SA' followed by a stylized flourish, positioned above a horizontal line.



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Resolution Authorizing The Tax Collector To Hold An Electronic Tax Sale Of Unpaid 2025 Taxes And Other Municipal Charges Through NJ Tax Lien Investors/Real Auction.com

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, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has promulgated rules and regulations for electronic tax sales; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has approved NJ Tax Lien Investors/RealAuction.com to conduct electronic tax sales; 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; and

WHEREAS, based on the recommendation of the Qualified Purchasing Agent and Tax Collector, the Township of Hillsborough wishes to hold an electronic tax sale for unpaid 2025 taxes and other municipal charges.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is authorized to hold an electronic tax sale for unpaid 2025 taxes and other municipal charges through NJ Tax Lien Investors/Real Auction.com.

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Resolution Authorizing Award Of Contract to Deer Carcass Removal Service For Removal Of Debris At The Auten Road Site

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has determined there is a need for the removal of debris at the Auten Road Site; and

WHEREAS, Deer Carcass Removal Service was awarded a contract through the Morris County Cooperative which the Township is a member; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works and Qualified Purchasing Agent recommend the award of a contract to Deer Carcass Removal Service in an amount not to exceed \$14,500.00 for the removal of debris at the Auten Road site through MCCPC Contract #49; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer certifies there are sufficient funds in account #01-201-26-775-290 (requisition #2314249) for these services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that a contract is hereby awarded to Deer Carcass Removal in an amount not to exceed \$14,500.00 for the removal of debris at the Auten Road site.

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Resolution Authorizing the Release of Cash Escrow in the amount of \$200.00 for Hillsborough Crossings, LLC

WHEREAS, a cash escrow was posted from Hillsborough Crossings, LLC, for handicap work to be done; and

WHEREAS, the Engineering Director certifies that all work has been satisfactorily completed; and

WHEREAS, the Engineering Director recommends the Township Committee authorize the release of the cash escrow in the amount of \$200.00 to Hillsborough Crossings, LLC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the recommendation of the Engineering Director is hereby accepted and approved.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "SA", is written over a horizontal line.



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Resolution Authorizing The Refund Of Recreation Program Fees

WHEREAS, there are refunds due from Recreation program fees; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has received proof of such refunds being due and payable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, tha the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to refund said amounts as detailed below.

Hannah Fortin	\$210.00
Leigh Brodsky-Schubert	\$350.00

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Resolution Authorizing the Repairs to Vehicle #604 for the Police Department

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has requested authorization for the repair of vehicle #604; and

WHEREAS, the services are available from Niro's Auto Body through Somerset County Cooperative Contract #CC-0029-24 in an amount not to exceed \$11,353.38; and

WHEREAS, funds are available and have been certified as such by the Chief Finance Officer through Account #01-201-25-745-880 (Requisition #2314332).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that it hereby authorizes the repairs to vehicle #604 for the Police Department from Niro's AutoBody in an amount not to exceed \$11,353.38.

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Resolution Authorizing The Qualified Purchasing Agent To Solicit a Request for Proposals for Grant Writing Services

WHEREAS, the current Grant Writing Services contract will expire on August 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, these professional grant writing services provide significant time savings for the research and application process for grants; and

WHEREAS, the Township's Qualified Purchasing Agent requests authorization to solicit a Request for Proposals for professional grant writing services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Township Qualified Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to advertise for Grant Writing Services.

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Resolution Approving the Wildlife Management Plan For The 2026-2027 Season

WHEREAS, Township Ordinance 183-7 requires the Wildlife Management Commission to report annually to the Township Committee and recommend a Wildlife Management Plan for the upcoming year; and

WHEREAS, the Commission reports that the last deer hunting season on public properties in Hillsborough was again safe and successful; and

WHEREAS, Township Ordinance 183-4 provides that the hunting, shooting, killing and removal of white-tailed deer and other wildlife, as approved by the State of New Jersey, on municipally-owned land shall be allowed for the purpose of reducing and managing the Township's deer and other wildlife population, but only with the possession of and under the provisions of a municipal game management permit for such activity; and

WHEREAS, Township Ordinance 183-4 provides that the number of municipal game management permits issued each year for the culling of white-tailed deer, and other wildlife, and the properties for which such permits shall be issued, shall be determined annually by resolution of the Township Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Wildlife Management Commission has recommended, in its proposed Wildlife Management Plan for the upcoming hunting season, and the Police Chief has concurred, that nineteen (19) properties be made available for permitted hunting; and

WHEREAS, based upon the recommendation of the Township Health Department, the culling of coyote shall be permitted again in this year's wildlife management program, as part of a pilot program designed to reduce the spread of mange and rabies throughout the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Wildlife Management Commission also recommends that in the lottery of available permits, preference be granted first to Hillsborough residents, next to Somerset County residents and finally to New Jersey residents and that three (3) alternate permits be allowed to create a substitute list if an original permit holder is unable to hunt; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further recommends that it be mandatory for all hunters to wear a safety harness while in their tree stands, that all hunters be limited to one (1) fixed style tree stand, that all hunters are to sign a consent form for a NJ Fish and Wildlife license check and that the program for processing and donating harvested deer be continued; and

WHEREAS, the Wildlife Management Commission also recommends that the limited number of days available to hunt with a firearm in Areas 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 16, and 21 coincide with all season dates set forth by the NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further recommends that licensed hunters who were permitted to hunt on

public properties last season be able to have, if desired, that permit extended on the same terms and conditions for the upcoming season on the same property, without submitting to a lottery; and

WHEREAS, the Commission believes the permit extension privilege provides an added safety feature because continuity of hunters in hunting areas allows those hunters to become more familiar with the property and its boundaries, with deer habits, and with each other's habits, thereby increasing safety; and

WHEREAS, the Commission also recommends that additional steps be taken to provide non-lethal means of deer damage control.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that deer hunting in accordance with all state and local statutes, rules, regulations, codes and Township Ordinance 183-1 et seq., and as recommended by the Wildlife Management Commission in their proposed Wildlife Management Plan for the 2026-2027 season, is hereby authorized on the following public properties:

Area	Location	Block & Lot	
Area 1	Montgomery Road and Pschorn Lane	Block 169, Lots 27 & 30	
Area 2	Davids Lane	Block 171, Lots 14C, 14L, 14Z & 112.01	
Area 3	Wertsville Road	Block 171, Lot 6	
Area 4	Auten Road	Block 151, Lot 1	Bow Hunting Only
Area 5	Montgomery Road and Amwell Road	Block 166, Lots 1 & 3.02 Block 167, Lot 8 and Block 167, lot 10.01	Bow Hunting Only
Area 6	Dutchtown Zion Road	Block 174, Lot 200	
Area 7	East Mountain Rd (PID Property)	Block 12, Lots 26.01, 33, 47	
Area 8	ELIMINATED FROM PROGRAM		
Area 9	Scott Drive	Block 203, Lot 22 Block 203-5, Lot 1	Bow Hunting Only
Area 10	River Road (Old Main Road)	Block 8, Lot 9	Bow Hunting Only
Area 11	Surrey Drive and Mulford Lane	Block 207.01, Lot 36	Bow Hunting Only
Area 12	River Road and Norz Drive	Block 13.01, Lot 14.18	Bow Hunting Only
Area 13	Horseshoe Drive	Block 205.11, Lots 41 & 58	Bow Hunting Only

Area 14	Raddel Court	Block 205.15, Lot 38	Bow Hunting Only
Area 15	ELIMINATED FROM PROGRAM		
Area 16	Montgomery Road between Wertsville and Amwell	Block 167 Lots 13.01, 13.02 & 13.03 and Block 167 Lots 9 & 12.04	
Area 17	South Branch Road	Block 149.08 Lots 81, 82 & 83	Bow Hunting Only
Area 18	Brooks Blvd.	Block 65, Lot 22	Bow Hunting Only
Area 19	Daval Road	Block 174.04 Lots 48 and 84	Bow Hunting Only
Area 20	River Road East	Block 11, Lot 13.02	Bow Hunting Only
Area 21	Hamilton Road	Block 198, Lot 2	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to the recommendation of the Wildlife Management Commission in its proposed 2025-2026 Wildlife Management Plan, the following steps are taken to provide non-lethal means of deer damage control: Continue to plot all road-killed deer from motor vehicle accidents on a map of the Township to locate where additional signage may be needed; Continue the replacement of worn deer crossing road signs and/or an increase of signs at key points around the Township; Continue the trimming of brush on public properties further back from the road to allow motorists improved vision of deer at the roadside; Provide “Wildlife Tips” throughout the year on the Township’s website on such topics relating to deer such as deer-resistant plants, leaving wildlife alone in the wild, driving tips during peak times when deer are most active and the negative issues of feeding deer and other wildlife issues; Make available a detailed list that can be obtained at the Townships Clerk’s office on landscape plants rated by deer resistance.

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