A regular meeting of the North Brunswick Township Mayor and Council was held at the Township of North Brunswick Municipal Building Court Room on October 6, 2025. Mayor Womack called the meeting to order at 7:04pm

# **Roll Call and Attendance**

Present: Hutchinson, Mehta, Davis, Socio, Guadagnino

Absent: Rich

Also present: Attorney Ron Gordon, Business Administrator Justine Progebin, Chief Financial Officer Cavel Gallimore, Director of Parks, Recreation, & Community Services Luann Benson, Police Director Joseph

Battaglia, Deputy Clerk Monica Orlando, Director of Public Works Steven Bloyed

Deputy Clerk Monica Orlando read the following statement: Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as required under Chapter 231, PL 1975, Specifying the time, date, and location by posting a copy of the notice on the Municipal Building, Municipal Website, providing a copy of the Annual Meeting Notice to the official newspapers of the Township and is on file in the Clerk's office.

Councilman Davis led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

Councilman Davis spoke about the Veteran Street naming program.

Councilwoman Hutchinson and Council President Guadagnino presented a Proclamation to the North Brunswick Woman's Club commemorating their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary or service to the community. Councilman Socio presented a Proclamation for Breast Cancer Awareness.

The Domestic Violence Response Team have a presentation about their efforts to spread awareness during the month of October.

#### Minutes for Approval

Motion to approve the minutes from the July 14, 2025 Budget Meeting by Council President Guadagnino. Second by Councilman Socio.

Ayes: Hutchinson, Mehta, Socio, Guadagnino

Navs: None Abstain: Davis Absent: Rich

Motion to approve the minutes from the July 15, 2025 Budget Meeting by Councilwoman Hutchinson. Second by Councilman Mehta.

Ayes: Hutchinson, Mehta, Socio, Guadagnino

Navs: None Abstain: Davis Absent: Rich

Motion to approve the minutes from the July 17, 2025 Budget Meeting by Councilman Mehta. Second by Councilwoman Hutchinson.

Ayes: Hutchinson, Mehta, Socio, Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: Davis Absent: Rich

Motion to approve the minutes from the July 28, 2025 Regular Meeting and Executive Session by Councilwoman Hutchinson. Second by Councilman Socio.

Ayes: Hutchinson, Mehta, Socio

Nays: None

Abstain: Davis, Guadagnino

Absent: Rich

Motion to approve the minutes from the September 8, 2025 Regular Meeting by Councilman. Second by Socio Councilwoman Hutchinson.

Ayes: Hutchinson, Mehta, Davis, Socio

Nays: None

Abstain: Guadagnino

Absent: Rich

# **Second Reading/Public Hearing Ordinance**

Ms. Orlando read Ordinance 25-24 by Title: Ordinance 25-24 - Bond Ordinance Providing for Improvements to the Water Treatment Plant and Distribution System in and by the Township of North Brunswick, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, Appropriating \$2,000,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance Of \$2,000,000 Bonds or Notes of The Township for Financing the Cost Thereof, to Be Funded in Part Through The New Jersey Infrastructure Bank Financing Program.

Mayor Womack open this portion of the meeting to the Public for comment on Ordinance 25-24. Seeing none, Mayor Womack asked for a motion to close the Public Portion. Motion Councilman Socio. Second by Councilwoman Hutchinson. All in favor.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 25-24 by Councilman Socio. Second by Councilman Davis.

Ayes: Hutchinson, Mehta, Davis, Socio, Guadagnino

Nays: None Absent: Rich

### **Consent Agenda**

Mayor Womack asked if any Councilmembers would like to have any resolutions removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and vote.

Seeing none, Mayor Womack requested a motion and second to approve the Consent Agenda Items A-O Motion made by Councilman Socio to adopt Resolutions A-O. Second by Councilwoman Hutchinson.

Ayes: Hutchinson, Mehta, Davis, Socio, Guadagnino

Nays: None Absent: Rich

- a) Resolution 311-10.25 Authorizing the Ninth Amendment to the Agreement with the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA) Concerning Payment In Lieu Of Taxes and Other Matters
- b) Resolution 312-10.25 Authorizing the Sale of Abandoned Vehicles
- c) Resolution 313-10.25 Authorizing the Advertisement for Receipt of Bids Under the Department of Public Safety for Bid25016 Provision of One (1) Detective Vehicle
- **d) Resolution 314-10.25** Authorizing Amendment to PSA with T&M Associates for Design Services for the Green Acres Field House Project at Sabella Park
- e) Resolution 315-10.25 Authorizing an Amendment to Contract Bid24004 with Municipal Maintenance Company for Maintenance and Repair of Sewer Lift Stations
- **f) Resolution 316-10.25** Authorizing an Amendment to Contract Bid22012 with Maaco East Brunswick Under the Department of Public Works for Auto Body Collision Repairs
- **g) Resolution 317-10.25** Authorizing the Issuance of Requests for Proposals for Professional and Consulting Services for Calendar Year 2026
- h) Resolution 318-10.25 Authorizing an Agreement with Standard Insurance Company
- i) Resolution 319-10.25: Approving Membership to North Brunswick Fire Company #2 Adam Moore
- j) Resolution 320-10.25: Approving Membership to North Brunswick Fire Company #2 Michael T. Rampacek
- k) Resolution 321-10.25: Approving Membership to North Brunswick Fire Company #2 Raymond P. Quabeck
- I) Resolution 322-10.25: Approving Membership to North Brunswick Fire Company #2 Robert J. Pahlck
- m) Resolution 323-10.25: Approving Membership to North Brunswick Fire Company #3 Max Wei
- n) Resolution 324-10.25: Approving Membership to North Brunswick Fire Company #2 Jesse Rosario
- o) Resolution 325-10.25 Approving Bill Pay

The following are the resolutions approved as part of consent agenda typed in full

# **Council Reports**

Councilman Socio announced Halloween Happenings and the Halloween House Decorating Contest information. Councilman Mehta announced the Senior Center Octoberfest event planned for 10/20, a senior photoshoot planned for 10/14 and 10/21, Flu shot clinics scheduled for 10/7, 10/15, and 10/27. He spoke of the success of Heritage Day and invited all to the Diwali Gala event on 10/12.

Councilwoman Hutchinson spoke about the Heritage Day event.

#### **Township Official Reports**

Ms. Orlando reminded all that the General Election is Tuesday November 4. She advised that mail in ballots have been mailed out by the County and the Drop Boxes is open in front of the Municipal Building. October 14<sup>th</sup> is the deadline to become a registered voter. Early voting will be held from October 25 – November 2, and Middlesex County residents are able to go to any early voting location within the county. Ms. Orlando gave information on where to find more Voting information on the Township Website. She also stated poll workers are still needed.

#### **Public Comment**

Mayor Womack opened the meeting to comments from the Public.

Gene Goundry, resident, stated the town has done a good job on the list he provided of trees that needed to be cleaned up. He provided an updated list. He also spoke about a program through Optimum that offers senior discounts if their municipality participates, and encouraged officials to look into this for residents.

Tony Nastas, resident, asked for updates on complaints he previously submitted. He stated the branch at Route 27/Seneca has not been address. Director Hritz stated a violation was issued and he will follow up. Mr. Nastas provided more violations he has found around the Township.

Seeing no one else wishing to comment, Mayor Womack asked for a motion to close this portion. Motion by Councilman Socio. Second by Council President Guadagnino. All in favor. None opposed.

Mayor Womack called for a brief recess to move to the Council Room for Workshop Agenda meeting at 7:52pm. Council reconvened at 7:56pm.

Department Heads spoke regarding the following resolutions for consideration at the next Council meeting:

### **Mayor Womack**

**1. Resolution** - Authorizing the Municipal Contribution to Youth Sports Organizations and Memorializing Support Related to the 2025 Youth Sports Festival

#### Cavel Gallimore - Chief Financial Officer

- **1. Resolution** Authorizing Requesting Approval of Chapter 159 Insertion in SFY2026 Municipal Budget Pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-87 National Opioid Settlement Grant
- **2. Resolution** Authorizing Requesting Approval of Chapter 159 Insertion in SFY2026 Municipal Budget Pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-87 Safer Travel Initiative

# LouAnn Benson – Director of Parks, Recreation, and Community Services

1. Breast Cancer Awareness Month - Tie the Town Pink

# Joseph Battaglia - Police Director

- **1. Resolution** Authorizing Acceptance of Grant Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office Safer Travel Initiative
- **2. Resolution** Authorizing a New Software and Maintenance Contract with Watch Guard Under State Contract for The Police Department's Body Worn Camera System
- **3. Resolution** Authorizing an Amendment to Contract Pro21056 With Watch Guard for Police Camera Software and Equipment Under State Contract #23-FLEET-33791 NTE \$21,142.40

# Michael Hritz – Director of Community Development

1. Resolution - Authorizing Award of Contract to Hertrich Fleet Services, Inc. - New Jersey State Contract No. 20-FLEET-01387 - Procurement of Two 2026 Chevrolet Traverse AWD for the Department of Community Development – NTE \$83,611.00

# **Steven Bloyed - Director of Public Works**

- Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract to Hertrich Fleet Services, Inc. New Jersey State Contract No. 20-FLEET-01387 - Procurement of One 2026 Chevrolet Traverse AWD for the Sewer Department – NTE \$41,805.50
- **2. Resolution** Authorizing an Amendment to the 2025 Professional Service Agreement with USA Architects for Services Related to Resiliency Center Design Through Construction Administration
  - Council asked for more information on the drastic increase in price. Councilman Socio asked for this
    resolution to be tabled until Director Bloyed could meet with USA Architects and get more information.

### **Monica Orlando – Deputy Municipal Clerk**

- 1. Resolution Approving Membership to North Brunswick Fire Company #2- Santiago Araujo
- 2. Minutes for Approval: September 22, 2025

Mayor Womack asked for a motion to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 8:17pm. Motion by Councilman Socio. Second by Councilwoman Hutchinson. All in favor. None opposed.

Respectfully submitted,	
Monica Orlando RMC Deputy Township Clerk	Francis M. Womack III, Mayor
Approved:	