

**NORTH BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP |
MINUTES....**

**REGULAR MEETING
January 21, 2025**

A regular meeting of the North Brunswick Township Council was held on Tuesday January 21, 2025 at 7:02 pm at the Township of North Brunswick Municipal Complex Court Room located at 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey.

Mayor Womack called the meeting to order.

Roll call:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson, Messrs. Chedid, Mehta, Davis, Socio, Ms. Guadagnio

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent:

Marilu Ruiz announced that the notice requirements of the law have been satisfied. Notices were sent by certified mail on January 14, 2025 to the following:

- a) The Home News Tribune

Notice receipts are on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office at the Municipal Complex.

Councilman Davis lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Also present: Township Attorney Ronald Gordon, Business Administrator Justine Progebin, Chief Financial Officer Cavel Gallimore, Director of DPW Steve Bloyed, Director of DPRCS, Lou Ann Benson, Director of Community Development Michael Hritz, Public Safety Chief Joe Battaglia, and Administrative Secretary Marilu Ruiz.

Mayor Womack asked council members if any items are to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Councilman Socio asked that items s, w, y and z be pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve item 4a-4r, 4t-4v, 4x, 4aa-4ab on the consent agenda. Motion made by Councilman Socio second by Councilman Chedid.

Roll call:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson, Messrs. Chedid, Mehta, Davis, Socio, Ms. Guadagnio

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent:

Councilman Socio had questions on why items s, w, y and z changed/amendments and payments. Mr. Bloyed, Mr. Hritz and Ms. Progebin explained. Chief Battaglia explained the unforeseen problems to the governing body. Mayor Womack ask about further request to change order. Mr. Bloyed explained. Mr. Hritz explained the DCA & cost.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve item 4s on the consent agenda. Motion made by Councilman Davis second by Councilman Mehta.

Consent Agenda

- a. NJ State Fireman's Association Application / Chelsie M. Repka Fire Co. #3
- b. NJ State Fireman's Association Application / Charol Pelaez / Fire Co. #2
- c. NJ State Fireman's Association Application / Arman O. Purohit / Fire Co. #1
- d. 42-1.25 Approving applicants for Taxi Owner's License
- e. 43-1.25 Authorizing and confirming the appointment of Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers
- f. 44-1.25 Item of revenue in budget (Body Armor Replacement, State Allocation \$6,003.99
- g. 45-1.25 Determining the form and other details of not exceeding \$10,000,000 Bonds of the Township of North Brunswick, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, and providing for their sale to the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank and the State of New Jersey and further authorizing the execution of various agreements, all pursuant to the New Jersey Water Bank
- h. 46-1.25 Authorizing the advertisement for Receipt of Bids under the Department of Public Safety for BID25004 - Provision of Detective Vehicles (3)
- i. 47-1.25 Authorizing an agreement with Fred Beans for the purchase of Two 2025 Chevrolet Tahoes for the Police Department under the Cranford Cooperative Pricing Agreement
- j. 48-1.25 Authorizing the acceptance of the Sale of Auctioned Abandoned Motor Vehicles
- k. 49-1.25 Authorizing the Advertisement for Receipt of Bids under the Department of Public Works for BID25003 - Fuel Pump Station
- l. 50-1.25 Authorizing an application for funding for Basketball Court Resurfacing to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs
- m. 51-1.25 Authorizing an amendment to Contract BID24004 with Municipal Maintenance Company for Maintenance and Repair of Sewer Lift Stations
- n. 52-1.25 Authorizing an amendment to Contract BID22012 with Maaco East Brunswick under the Department of Public Works with Auto Body Collision Repair
- o. 53-1.25 Authorizing an agreement with Frank's Truck Center for the purchase of one 2024 GMC Sierra Crew Cab Pick - Up for the Sewer Department under ESCNJ Contract
- p. 54-1.25 Authorizing an Agreement with Hogan Security Group for the supply and installation of doors and hardware in the Municipal Complex Basement
- q. 55-1.25 Authorizing Award of Contract BID25002 to Robert Griggs Plumbing & Heating, LLC for provision of Plumbing Services

- r. 56-1.25 Authorizing Change Order No.1 with Brockwell and Carrington Contractors, Inc. for the Municipal Complex Fire Alarm Replacement Project
- s. 57-1.25 Authorizing Change Orders 19, 20 and 21 with Brockwell and Carrington Contractors, Inc. for Supplemental Work as part of the Restoration Phase of the Municipal Complex
- t. 58-1.25 Authorizing an amendment to the PSA with USA Architects for service related to the restoration of the Municipal Complex
- u. 59-1.25 Authorizing a PSA with Heyer, Gruel & Associate for Redevelopment Agency Consulting Services
- v. 60-1.25 Amending Contract BID22011 with Halecon, Inc. for the North Brunswick Community Park Trail Improvement Project Closeout Change Order (\$50,894.28)
- w. 61-1.25 Authorizing an amendment to Contract BID22015 with Brownfield Redevelopment Solutions, Inc. for Grant Writing Services **(Pulled from Consent Agenda)**
- x. 62-1.25 Consenting to the appointment of Samantha Lau as Deputy Court Administrator for the Municipal Court of the Township of North Brunswick
- y. 63-1.25 Authorizing a PSA with James. R Shamy, Esq. to serve as Public Defender **(Pulled from Consent Agenda)**
- z. 64-1.25 Awarding a Non-Fair and Open Professional Services Contract with to serve as Municipal Prosecutor **(Pulled from Consent Agenda)**
- aa. 65-1.25 Authorizing an Adjustment to a Township Customer for their Water-Sewer Utility Account
- ab. 66-1.25 Bill List

Closed Session

Mayor Womack called for a motion to enter into closed session motion made by Councilman Davis second by Councilwoman Hutchinson.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adjourn closed session motion made by Councilman Socio second by Council President Guadagnino.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve item 6a on the consent agenda motion made by Councilman Davis second by Councilwoman Hutchinson.

- a. 67-1.25 Adopting its present need and prospective need for the Fourth Round of Affordable Housing Obligations pursuant to P.L. 2024, C.2 and Fair Housing Act N.J.S.A. 52:27d-302

Roll call:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson, Messrs. Chedid, Mehta, Davis, Socio, Ms. Guadagnino
Nays:
Abstain:
Absent:

Regular Council Meeting reconvened at 7:53 pm

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve item 7a on the agenda Approval of Workshop Meeting Minutes December 9, 2024 so moved by Councilman Davis second by Councilman Socio.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve item 7b on the agenda of Regular Council Meeting Minutes December 16, 2024 so moved by Councilman Davis second by Councilman Socio.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve item 7c on the agenda of Reorganization Meeting Minutes January 2, 2025 so moved by Councilman Davis second by Councilman Socio.

Ordinances/First Reading/Introduction

#25-01 - An Ordinance of the Township of North Brunswick amending the Code of the Township of North Brunswick Chapter 3, Article II, Section 9 entitled Administration of Government to update Meeting Schedule for Township Council Meetings

Mayor Womack called for a motion to introduce Ordinance #25-01 so moved by Councilman Socio second by Councilwoman Hutchinson second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on Monday February 3, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the North Brunswick Municipal Complex 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey following Legal Publication on the February 6, 2025 of the Home News Tribune according to the Law. This Ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex, Municipal Clerk's Office at 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey and copies are available upon request.

Roll call:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson, Messrs. Chedid, Mehta, Davis, Socio, Ms. Guadagnino
Nays:
Abstain:
Absent:

Reports from Mayor, Council, Administrator, CFO

Councilman Socio announced the following:

- Swim Testing Saturday February, 1st & February 8th North Brunswick Township High School Pool
- Township of North Brunswick DPRCS Blood Drive Friday, February 28, 2025 12pm-5pm (for additional questions and information, please contact DPRCS at 732-247-0922 ext. 475)

Councilman Socio announced the passing of Dave Rosenthal our condolences are with his family. It's a sad day today, Dave was a great guy.

Mayor Womack opens the Public Hearing.

No one for public hearing.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to close Public Hearing, so moved by Councilman Socio second by Council President Guadagnino.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adjourn the meeting so moved by Councilwoman Hutchinson second by Councilman Socio.

Adjourn 7:59 pm

Lisa Russo
Municipal Clerk

**North Brunswick Department of Parks,
Recreation & Community Services**

SWIM TESTING

**Saturday February 1st & February 8th
North Brunswick Township High School Pool**

Swim Testing times are scheduled by appointment only. All participants are required to phone the DPRCS office at 732 247 0922 ext. 475 to schedule a swim testing day and time. Participants will be scheduled between the hours of 10:30-1:15 pm. Participants will be assigned a time to report for testing. Please do not report to the pool without a confirmation assigned time from the office.

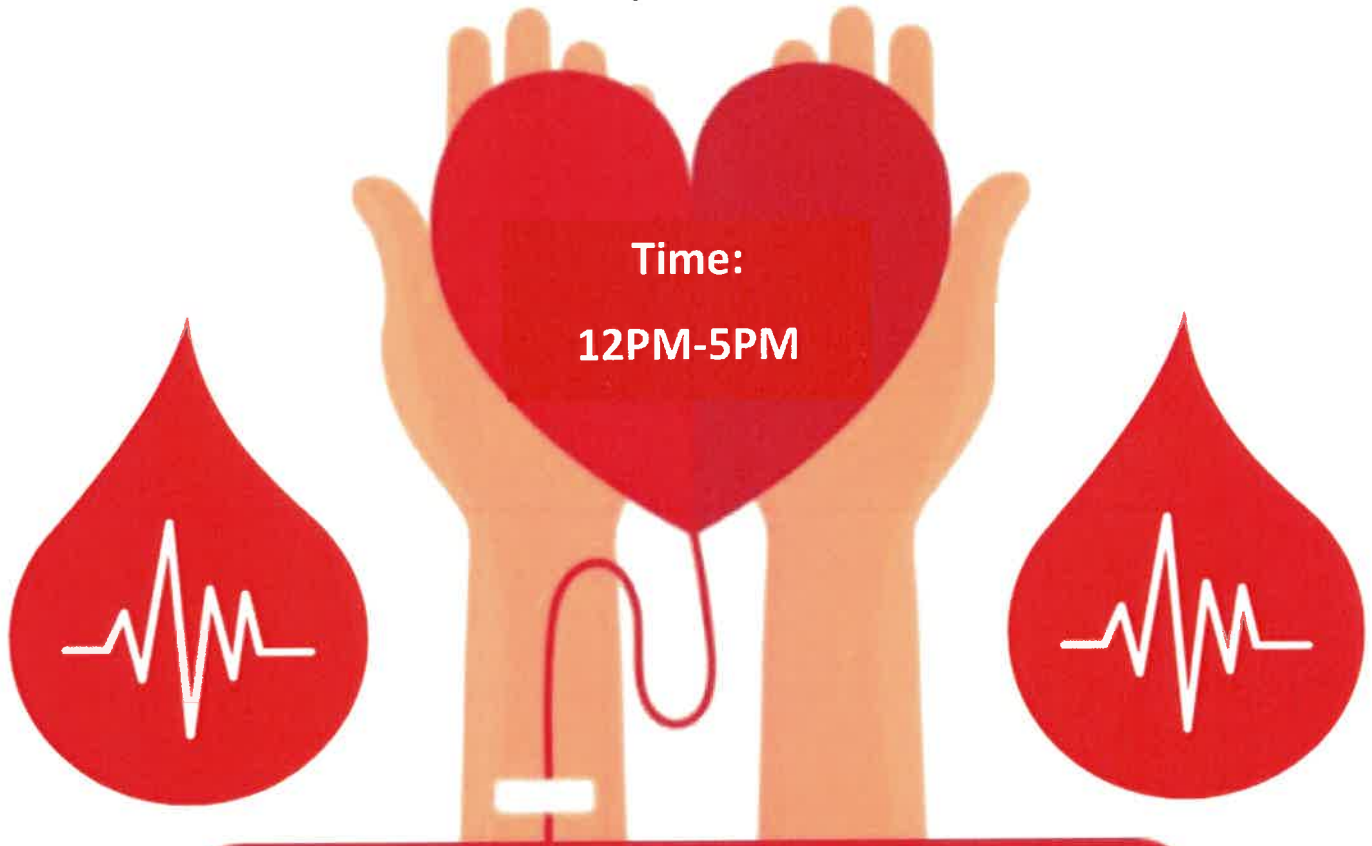
Swimmers should bring bathing suit and towels.

**Any additional questions, please contact
732 247 0922 ext. 475**

TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BRUNSWICK
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION,
AND
COMMUNITY SERVICES

BLOOD DRIVE

Give the gift of life.



Time:
12PM-5PM

Friday, February 28, 2025

The Blood Drive will be held on the first floor of The Municipal Building.

710 Herman Road, North Brunswick New Jersey 08902

- You must be at least 17 years old to donate to the general blood supply, or 16 years old with parental/guardian consent
- Regular Blood Donations may be given every 56 days (If you come to donate and it has only been 55 days you will not be able to donate that day)
- Power Red Donations may be given every 112 days (If you come to donate and it has only been 111 days you will not be able to donate that day) Done by using an automated process to separate red cells from other blood components. For any questions on Power Red Donations please visit the American Red Cross website:
www.redcrossblood.org