# NORTH BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP | MINUTES....

REGULAR MEETING July 14, 2025

A regular meeting of the North Brunswick Township Council was held on Monday, July 14, 2025 at 7:00 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:

Present: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Absent: Mr. Davis

Also present: Township Attorney Ronald Gordon, Business Administrator Justine Progebin, Chief Financial Officer Cavel Gallimore, Chief of Police Joe Battaglia, Director of Department of Public Works Steven Bloyed, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services Lou Ann Benson, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Brian Zychowski, Municipal Clerk Lisa Russo and Deputy Municipal Clerk Monica Orlando

Ms. Russo announced that the notice requirements of the law have been satisfied. Notices were sent by email on May 23, 2025 to the following:

a) The Home News Tribune b) The Star Ledger

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

Deputy Clerk Monica Orlando lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve item 4 on the agenda of <u>Regular Meeting/ June 9, 2025</u> so moved by Councilman Socio, second by Councilwoman Guadagnino.

Roll call:

Yays: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: Abstain:

Absent: Mr. Davis

#### **Ordinances / First Reading / Introduction:**

**a.**) #25-17 – Amending and Supplementing Chapter 227 "Parking for the Handicapped" of the Code of the Township of North Brunswick

Mayor Womack called for a motion to introduce <u>Ordinance #25-17.</u> So moved by Councilman Socio, second by Councilman Mehta. Second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on July 28, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the Municipal Complex Court Room, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey following Legal Publication in the July 18, 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: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Davis

# **Ordinances/Second Reading/Public Hearing**

#25-10 – Ordinance to Amend the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, to Delete Chapter 212, Licensed Occupations, and Add Chapter 183, General Business Licensing

Mayor Womack opened the Public Hearing.

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

## Roll call:

Yays: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Davis

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adopt Ordinance #25-10 so moved by Councilman Socio, second by Councilwoman Hutchinson that Ordinance #25-10 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the July 18, 2025 issue of the Home News Tribune according to the Law. Ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey and copies are available upon request.

## Roll call:

Yays: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Davis

#25-11 – Ordinance to Amend Chapter 427, Swimming Pools, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey

Mayor Womack opened the Public Hearing.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to close Public Hearing, so moved by Councilman Socio second by Councilwoman Hutchinson.

#### Roll call:

Yays: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Davis

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adopt Ordinance #25-11 so moved by Councilman Socio, second by Councilwoman Guadagnino that Ordinance #25-11 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the July 18, 2025 issue of the Home News Tribune according to the Law. Ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey and copies are available upon request.

#### Roll call:

Yays: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Davis

#25-12 – Ordinance to Amend Chapter 416, Retail Food Establishments, Subsection 416-8, Fee Schedule for Retail Food Establishment Reinspections and Retail Food Establishment Initial Plan Review, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey

Mayor Womack opened the Public Hearing.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to close Public Hearing, so moved by Councilwoman Hutchinson second by Councilman Mehta.

#### Roll call:

Yays: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Davis

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adopt Ordinance #25-12 so moved by Councilwoman Hutchinson, second by Councilman Rich that Ordinance #25-12 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the July 18, 2025 issue of the Home News Tribune according to the Law. Ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey and copies are available upon request.

#### Roll call:

Yays: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Davis #25-13 – Ordinance to Amend Chapter 143, Canvassing and Soliciting, Subsection 143-1, Permit Required, and Subsection 143-2, Application for Permit, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey

Mayor Womack opened the Public Hearing.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to close Public Hearing, so moved by Councilman Mehta second by Councilwoman Guadagnino.

#### Roll call:

Yavs:

Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Davis

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adopt Ordinance #25-13 so moved by Councilman Mehta, second by Councilwoman Hutchinson that Ordinance #25-13 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the July 18, 2025 issue of the Home News Tribune according to the Law. Ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey and copies are available upon request.

#### Roll call:

Yays: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Davis

#25-14 – Ordinance to Amend Chapter 254, Fees for Copies, Subsection 254-3, Certified Copies of Vital Statistics, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey

Mayor Womack opened the Public Hearing.

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

#### Roll call:

Yays: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Davis

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adopt Ordinance #25-14 so moved by Councilwoman Guadagnino, second by Councilman Mehta that Ordinance #25-14 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the July 18, 2025 issue of the Home News Tribune according to the Law. Ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey and copies are available upon request.

Roll call:

Yays: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Davis

#25-15 – Ordinance Amending Chapter 352, Water Utility, Subsection 352-22, Water rates and fees; bulk water, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of North Brunswick

Mayor Womack opened the Public Hearing.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to close Public Hearing, so moved by Councilwoman Guadagnino second by Councilwoman Mehta.

#### Roll call:

Yays: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Davis

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adopt Ordinance #25-15 so moved by Councilwoman Guadagnino, second by Councilman Mehta that Ordinance #25-15 be approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the July 18, 2025 issue of the Home News Tribune according to the Law. Ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey and copies are available upon request.

#### Roll call:

Yays: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Davis

#25-16 - Ordinance Amending Chapter 276, Sewers, Subsection 276-7, Sewer Rentals, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of North Brunswick

Mayor Womack opened the Public Hearing.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to close Public Hearing, so moved by Councilman Mehta second by Councilwoman Guadagnino.

#### Roll call:

Yays: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Davis Mayor Womack called for a motion to adopt Ordinance #25-16 so moved by Councilwoman Guadagnino, second by Councilman Mehta that Ordinance #25-16 be approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the July 18, 2025 issue of the Home News Tribune according to the Law. Ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey and copies are available upon request.

#### Roll call:

Yays: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Davis

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve *item 7a to 7k* on the consent agenda. Motion made by Councilman Socio second by Councilman Rich.

- a) Resolution 234-7.25: Authorizing the Cancellation of Taxes for a 100% Disabled Veteran
- **b) Resolution 235-7.25:** Authorizing and Confirming the Appointment of Andrew Heuer to the Position of Class II Special Law Enforcement Officer
- c) Resolution 236-7.25: Authorizing and Confirming the Appointment of Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers
- **d)** Resolution 237-7.25: Authorizing the Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Aaron Road Roadway Improvement Project
- e) Resolution 238-7.25: Authorizing Adjustment to Township Customer Water/Sewer Utility Account
- f) Resolution 239-7.25: Approving Membership to North Brunswick Fire Company #2
- g) Resolution 240-7.25: Approving Membership to North Brunswick Fire Company #2
- h) Resolution 241-7.25: Approving Membership to North Brunswick Fire Company #2
- i) Resolution 242-7.25: Authorizing the Renewal of Liquor Licenses for the 2025-2026 Licensing Term
- j) Resolution 243-7.25: Amending Resolution 220-6.25 to Issue a Credit/Refund to Correct Account
- k) Resolution 244-7.25: Approving Bill Pay

#### Roll call:

Yays: Messrs. Rich, Mehta and Socio, Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Guadagnino

Nays: Abstain:

Absent: Mr. Davis

# Reports from Mayor, Council, Administrator, CFO

Mr. Socio announced Tunes at Twilight – August 7, 2025 "The Verdict" Reggae music at Community Park, Rt 130, North Brunswick

Mr. Socio departs the meeting at 7:15.

Mayor Womack opened the Public Hearing at 7:18 pm.

Mr. Alterman questioned the Main Street Train Station, the chain restaurants in the front of the property, the Transit component development of the Transit Village and mentioned it doesn't have a "small town feel"

Dr. Zychowski spoke of the French Revolution and then thanked the Mayor and Council for his 15 years of service as school superintendent and is happy to be back. He also thanked the Mayor and Council for always staying focused on the schools.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to close Public Hearing at 7:24 pm, so moved by Councilman Rich, second by Councilman Mehta.

#### Roll call:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson, Messrs. Rich, Mehta, Davis and Guadagnino

Nays: Abstain:

Absent: Mr. Davis Mr. Socio

The Mayor and Town Council relocated to the Council Room for an Agenda Workshop to discuss items for the next Town Council Meeting. No formal action was taken

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adjourn, so moved by Council President Guadagnino second by Councilman Rich.

Adjourn 7:25 pm

Lisa Russo Municipal Clerk