

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

**REGULAR MEETING
January 12, 2026**

A regular meeting of the North Brunswick Township Council was held on Monday, January 12, 2026 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.

Council President Rich called the meeting to order

Roll call:

Present: Ms. Hutchinson, Messrs. Mehta, Davis, Rich and Ms. Guadagnino
Absent: Mayor Womack, Mr. Socio

Also present: Township Attorney Ronald Gordon, Business Administrator Justine Progebin, Chief Financial Officer Cavel Gallimore, Director of Department of Public Works Steve Bloyed, Police Director Joe Battaglia, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services Lou Ann Benson, Director of Community Development Michael Hritz, Deputy Chief Brian Hoiberg, Captain Cory Harris and Municipal Clerk Lisa Russo

Ms. Russo announced that the notice requirements of the law have been satisfied. Notices were sent by certified mail on December 18, 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.

Councilman Davis lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Administration of Oath: Police Officer Matthew Abode.

Police Director Joseph Battaglia said a few words about Matthew Abode and welcomed him to the North Brunswick Township Police Department.

Superior Court Judge Thomas Abode administered the Oath of Office to his son Matthew. Holding the bible was his mother Maria and his brother Tommy.

Council President Rich asked for a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of December 15, 2025. Motion by Councilman Davis, second by Councilwoman Hutchinson.

Roll call:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson, Messrs. Mehta and Davis, Ms Guadagnino and Mr. Rich
Nays:
Abstain:
Absent: Mr. Socio

Ordinances / First Reading / Introduction:

#26-01 – Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 205, “Land Use” of the Code of the Township of North Brunswick

Council President Rich called for a motion to introduce **Ordinance #26-01**. So moved by Councilwoman Guadagnino, second by Councilman Mehta. Second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on January 26, 2026 at 7:00 pm in the Municipal Complex Court Room, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey following Legal Publication in the January 16, 2026 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. Mehta and Davis, Ms Guadagnino and Mr. Rich
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mr. Socio

#26-02 – Ordinance to amend the Code of the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, transferring the responsibility of Ethics Complaints to the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, Local Finance Board

Council President Rich called for a motion to introduce **Ordinance #26-02**. So moved by Councilman Mehta, second by Councilman Davis. Second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on January 26, 2026 at 7:00 pm in the Municipal Complex Court Room, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey following Legal Publication in the January 16, 2026 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. Mehta and Davis, Ms Guadagnino and Mr. Rich
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mr. Socio

Council President Rich called for a motion to approve ***item 7a. to 7af.*** on the consent agenda. Motion made by Councilwoman Hutchinson second by Councilman Mehta.

Roll call:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson, Messrs. Mehta and Davis, Ms Guadagnino and Mr. Rich
Nays:
Abstain:
Absent: Mr. Socio

Consent Agenda

- a) **RESOLUTION 056-1.26** - Authorizing the Application and Acceptance for a Middlesex County Department on Aging Grant Congregate Meal
- b) **RESOLUTION 057-1.26** - Authorizing Requesting Approval of Chapter 159 Insertion in SFY2026 Municipal Budget Pursuant to NJSA 40a:4-87 - Office of Aging and Disabled Services Congregate Meals – \$ 10,000.00
- c) **RESOLUTION 058-1.26** - Authorizing the Application and Acceptance for a Middlesex County Department on Aging Grant Senior Transportation
- d) **RESOLUTION 059-1.26** - Authorizing Requesting Approval of Chapter 159 Insertion in SFY2026 Municipal Budget Pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-87 - Office of Aging and Disabled Services Senior Transportation – \$ 10,000.00
- e) **RESOLUTION 060-1.26** - Authorizing Requesting Approval of Chapter 159 Insertion in SFY2026 Municipal Budget Pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-87 – Bristol Meyers Squibb Corporate Giving – 90145091 For the Execution of Proactively Orchestrating Ways to Empower and Restore Youth Mentoring Program (The P.O.W.E.R. Initiative) - \$20,000.00
- f) **RESOLUTION 061-1.26** - Authorizing the Application and Acceptance for a Middlesex County DWI Check Point Grant
- g) **RESOLUTION 062-1.26** - Authorizing Requesting Approval of Chapter 159 Insertion in SFY2026 Municipal Budget Pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-87 – Middlesex County DWI Check Point Grant – \$ 3,360.00
- h) **RESOLUTION 063-1.26** - Authorizing Requesting Approval of Chapter 159 Insertion in SFY2026 Municipal Budget Pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-87 – Middlesex County Safer Travel Initiative – \$ 20,160.00
- i) **RESOLUTION 064-1.26** - Authorizing the Application and Acceptance for 2025-2026 Operation Helping Hands
- j) **RESOLUTION 065-1.26** - Authorizing Requesting Approval of Chapter 159 Insertion in SFY2026 Municipal Budget Pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-87 – 2025-2026 Operation Helping Hands – \$1,984.56
- k) **RESOLUTION 066-1.26** - Authorizing Requesting Approval of Chapter 159 Insertion in SFY2026 Municipal Budget Pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-87 – National Opioid Settlement Grant – \$337.28
- l) **RESOLUTION 067-1.26** - Authorizing the Application and Acceptance - NJDOT - Aaron Road Roadway Improvement Project
- m) **RESOLUTION 068-1.26** - Authorizing Requesting Approval of Chapter 159 Insertion in SFY2026 Municipal Budget Pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-87 – NJDOT Aaron Road Roadway Improvement Project – \$ 403,444.00
- n) **RESOLUTION 069-1.26** - Authorizing the Advertisement for Receipt of Bids Under the Police Department for BID26002 - Procurement of A Van for Opioid Recovery Outreach Programs
- o) **RESOLUTION 070-1.26** - Authorizing Private Improvements Bond Release - Panera Bread, LLC 301 Grand Avenue, B146 L46.01

- p) **RESOLUTION 071-1.26** - Authorizing an Amendment to Contract PRO25074 With Pioneer Pole Buildings, Inc. For the Construction of a Pole Barn at the DPW Garage – NTE \$3,000.00.
- q) **RESOLUTION 072-1.26** - Authorizing an Agreement with LBJ Interior Solutions LLC For the Installation of Flooring in The Resiliency Center Under ESCNJ Contract – NTE \$141,664.40
- r) **RESOLUTION 073-1.26** - Authorizing an Agreement with Nickerson NJ LLC For the Purchase of Display Cabinets for The Resiliency Center Under ESCNJ Contract - NTE \$61,542.73
- s) **RESOLUTION 074-1.26** - Authorizing an Application for Funding for Various Recreational Improvements to The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs
- t) **RESOLUTION 075-1.26** - Authorizing Change Orders Under Contract BID25011 With G Meyer Group for Supplemental Work to the Resiliency Center - NTE \$19,803.87
- u) **RESOLUTION 076-1.26** - Authorizing a Change in Scope to The Professional Service Agreement with CME Associates Appointed as the 2026 Township Consulting Engineering Firm to Include Construction Phase Professional Services for The Sewer Force Main Improvements in Sabella Park - NTE \$81,550.00
- v) **RESOLUTION 077-1.26**: Authorizing a Change in Scope to The Professional Service Agreement with CME Associates Appointed as the 2026 Township Consulting Engineering Firm to Include Design Through Bid Phase Professional Services for The Bank Stabilization at West Lawrence Street Pump Station - NTE \$150,519.00
- w) **RESOLUTION 078-1.26** - Authorizing the Purchase of Goods and Services from Vendors Approved Under Cooperative Purchasing Agreements
- x) **RESOLUTION 079-1.26** - Authorizing Purchases from Vendors Approved Under State Contract
- y) **RESOLUTION 080-1.26** - Authorizing an Amendment to the Shared Service Agreement with Freehold Township for Information Technology Consulting Services to Include Project Management of the Township's Migration to Office 365 - NTE \$23,760.00
- z) **RESOLUTION 081-1.26** - Authorizing an Adjustment to Township Customers for their Water-Sewer Utility Account
- aa) **RESOLUTION 082-1.26** - Approving Membership to North Brunswick Fire Company #3 – Dante Murphy
- ab) **RESOLUTION 083-1.26** - Approving Membership to North Brunswick Fire Company #3 – Joel L. Simpson II
- ac) **RESOLUTION 084-1.26** - Authorizing A Structured Settlement Agreement for With Former Police Officer Dimitrios Katsoulis
- af) **RESOLUTION 085-1.26** – Approving Bill Pay

Reports from Mayor, Council, Administrator, CFO

Councilwoman Guadagnino announced there will be a free Rabies Clinic this Saturday, January 17, 2026 from 9:00 am – 11:00 am at 45 Quarry Lane. Also, the Municipal Clerk's Office will be open that same day from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm to license your dog or cat.

Councilman Davis- announced the town is taking nominations for Veteran's Street namings.

Council President Rich announced on January 16, 2026 6:30 pm 15 Linwood Place will be the Dr. Martin Luther King Ceremony.

Council President Rich opened Public Hearing:

Mr. Tony Nastus-wished everyone a Happy New Year. He asked for updates on the following:

497 Georges Road

Graffiti on Livingston Ave, bridge

Hermann Road – trees overhanging sidewalk

777 Adams Lane – there is a boat in the backyard and a convertible car on the front lawn

958 Bergen Ave. commercial trucks (Temp, Masters) parked in the street and at least 4 cars in the driveway.

984 Bergen Ave, - When will the yard be cleaned up?

Thalia Street – fire hydrant needs to be cleared. Should be the responsibility of the home owner.

Council President Rich called for a motion to close Public Hearing, so moved by Councilwoman Guadagnino, second by Councilman Davis.

Roll call:

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

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Mr. Socio

Council President 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

Adjourn 7:48 pm

Lisa Russo
Municipal Clerk