

*BOROUGH OF HAMBURG*

*COUNTY OF SUSSEX*

*REPORT OF AUDIT*

*2025*

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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
PART I  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND  
SUPPLEMENTARY DATA  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

## Independent Auditors' Report

The Honorable Mayor and Members  
of the Borough Council  
Borough of Hamburg  
Hamburg, New Jersey

### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### ***Opinions***

We have audited the financial statements – *regulatory basis* - of the various funds and account group of the Borough of Hamburg, in the County of Sussex (the "Borough") as of and for the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

#### ***Unmodified Opinions on Regulatory Basis of Accounting***

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of each fund and account group of the Borough as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and the results of operations and changes in fund balance, where applicable, of such funds and account group, thereof for the years then ended in accordance with the accounting practices prescribed or permitted, as described in Note 1, by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division").

#### ***Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles***

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles section of our report, the accompanying financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of each fund and account group of the Borough as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, or the changes in financial position or where applicable, cash flows thereof for the years then ended.

#### ***Basis for Opinions***

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS), audit requirements prescribed by the Division and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Borough, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### ***Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles***

As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by the Borough on the basis of the financial reporting provisions prescribed or permitted by the Division, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to meet the requirements of the Division's regulatory basis of accounting and the budget laws of New Jersey.

The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

### ***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division") to demonstrate compliance with the Division's regulatory basis of accounting, and the budget laws of New Jersey. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### ***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* and audit requirements prescribed by the Division will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* and audit requirements prescribed by the Division, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Borough's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

***Supplementary Information***

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements of the various funds and account group that collectively comprise the Borough's financial statements. The supplementary data schedules listed in the table of contents and the schedules of expenditures of federal and state awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* ("Uniform Guidance") and New Jersey's OMB Circular 25-12, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid*, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the various fund and account group financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the various fund and account group financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the various fund and account group financial statements or to the various fund and account group financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary data schedules and the schedules of expenditures of federal and state awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the various fund and account group financial statements as a whole.

***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 15, 2026, on our consideration of the Borough's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Borough's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Mount Arlington, New Jersey  
May 15, 2026

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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
COUNTY OF SUSSEX  
2025  
CURRENT FUND

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS

	Ref.	December 31,	
		2025	2024
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Regular Fund:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents:			
Treasurer	A-4	\$ 2,422,579.33	\$ 2,733,205.71
Petty Cash		50.00	50.00
Change Fund		370.00	370.00
Court Card		89.08	
Procurement Card		590.98	636.59
		<u>2,423,679.39</u>	<u>2,734,262.30</u>
Due from State of New Jersey:			
Senior Citizen and Veteran Deductions		16,326.09	16,076.09
		<u>16,326.09</u>	<u>16,076.09</u>
		<u>2,440,005.48</u>	<u>2,750,338.39</u>
Receivables and Other Assets With Full Reserves:			
Delinquent Property Taxes Receivable	A-6	124,884.08	179,694.42
Tax Title Liens Receivable	A-7	869,187.27	778,927.66
Revenue Accounts Receivable	A-8	2,925.17	3,832.55
Local School Taxes Prepaid	A-10	58,545.00	
Due from Federal and State Grant Fund	A		100,704.92
Due from Animal Control Fund	B		2.98
Due from Other Trust Funds - Open Space	B	7,671.03	
Due from General Capital Fund	C	853.19	
Due from Water/Sewer Utility Operating Fund	D		70,579.09
Due from Payroll Account		443.22	101.58
Total Receivables and Other Assets With Full Reserves		<u>1,064,508.96</u>	<u>1,133,843.20</u>
Deferred Charges:			
Overexpenditure of Appropriations	A-3	125.01	25,305.00
Special Emergency Authorization (NJSA 40A:4-53)		200,000.00	
		<u>200,125.01</u>	<u>25,305.00</u>
Total Regular Fund		<u>3,704,639.45</u>	<u>3,909,486.59</u>
Federal and State Grant Fund:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	A-5	62,653.15	43,777.63
Due From Current Fund	A	114,915.12	
Due From General Capital Fund	C	42,642.96	126,958.18
Grants Receivable	A-12	4.43	46,601.54
Total Federal and State Grant Fund		<u>220,215.66</u>	<u>217,337.35</u>
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>		<u>\$ 3,924,855.11</u>	<u>\$ 4,126,823.94</u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS  
(Continued)

	Ref.	December 31,	
		2025	2024
<u>LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Regular Fund:			
Appropriation Reserves:			
Unencumbered	A-3;A-9	\$ 96,327.63	\$ 52,296.86
Prepaid Taxes		172,640.66	119,744.47
County Taxes Payable			6,616.94
Regional School Taxes Payable	A-10	30.20	30.00
Local School Taxes Payable	A-10		66,189.00
Tax Overpayments		26,156.72	11,999.38
Due to Federal and State Grant Fund	A	114,915.12	
Due to Other Trust Funds	B	16,891.74	26,474.23
Due to Other Trust Funds - Open Space	B		15,427.19
Due to Animal Control Funds	B	1.53	
Due to General Capital Fund	C		180,443.96
Due to Water/Sewer Utility Operating Fund	D	5,962.77	
Due to State of New Jersey:			
Marriage License Fees			250.00
Reserve for:			
Third Party Tax Title Liens		9.04	7,316.27
Revaluation		33,800.00	
Sale of Municipal Assets		61,448.04	84,057.07
Pending Tax Appeals		105,814.30	100,814.30
		<u>633,997.75</u>	<u>671,659.67</u>
Reserve for Receivables and Other Assets	A	1,064,508.96	1,133,843.20
Fund Balance	A-1	2,006,132.74	2,103,983.72
		<u>633,997.75</u>	<u>671,659.67</u>
Total Regular Fund		<u>3,704,639.45</u>	<u>3,909,486.59</u>
Federal and State Grant Fund:			
Due to Current Fund	A		100,704.92
Appropriated Reserve for Grants	A-14	167,258.90	115,461.21
Unappropriated Reserve for Grants	A-13	52,956.76	1,171.22
Total Federal and State Grant Fund		<u>220,215.66</u>	<u>217,337.35</u>
		<u>\$ 3,924,855.11</u>	<u>\$ 4,126,823.94</u>

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS STATEMENT

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS

	Ref.	Year Ended December 31,	
		2025	2024
<u>Revenue and Other Income Realized</u>			
Fund Balance Utilized		\$ 434,666.00	\$ 560,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue Anticipated		758,309.09	941,977.43
Receipts from:			
Delinquent Taxes		170,706.74	185,568.55
Current Taxes		12,982,445.27	12,466,719.47
Nonbudget Revenue		31,030.17	141,562.78
Other Credits to Income:			
Unexpended Balance of Appropriation Reserves		22,495.39	173,351.83
Tax Overpayments Cancelled		107.33	
Due to State Marriage License Cancelled		250.00	
Interfunds Returned		171,388.57	224,758.50
Total Income		<u>14,571,398.56</u>	<u>14,693,938.56</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>			
Budget Appropriations:			
Municipal Purposes		4,059,091.16	4,033,077.41
County Taxes		1,939,467.10	1,772,072.82
Local School District Taxes		5,916,240.00	5,864,404.00
Regional School District Taxes		2,443,935.00	2,224,198.00
Municipal Open Space Tax Levy		7,712.85	7,704.11
Prepaid Local School District Taxes		58,545.00	
Prior Year Senior Citizens' Deductions Disallowed		750.00	500.00
Interfunds Advanced		8,967.44	171,388.57
Total Expenditures		<u>14,434,708.55</u>	<u>14,073,344.91</u>
Excess in Revenue		136,690.01	620,593.65
Adjustment to Excess Before Fund Balance:			
Expenditures included above which are by Statute			
Deferred Charges to Budget of Succeeding Year:			
Special Emergency Appropriation		200,000.00	
Overexpenditure of Appropriations		125.01	25,305.00
Statutory Excess to Fund Balance		336,815.02	645,898.65
<u>Fund Balance</u>			
Balance January 1		2,103,983.72	2,018,085.07
		<u>2,440,798.74</u>	<u>2,663,983.72</u>
Decreased by:			
Utilized as Anticipated Revenue		434,666.00	560,000.00
Balance December 31	A	<u>\$ 2,006,132.74</u>	<u>\$ 2,103,983.72</u>

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS STATEMENT

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
STATEMENT OF REVENUE - REGULATORY BASIS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Added by N.J.S.A.40A:4-87</u>	<u>Realized</u>	<u>Excess or Deficit *</u>
Fund Balance Anticipated	\$ 434,666.00		\$ 434,666.00	
Miscellaneous Revenue:				
Alcoholic Beverage Licenses	1,899.00		1,899.00	
Municipal Court - Fines and Costs	40,000.00		49,284.96	\$ 9,284.96
Interest on Investments and Deposits	150,000.00		174,741.24	24,741.24
Interest and Costs on Taxes	28,400.00		32,100.28	3,700.28
Utility Operating Surplus of Prior Year	131,962.00		131,962.00	
Rental of Cell Tower	41,976.00		41,976.12	0.12
Energy Receipts Tax	228,618.00		228,618.34	0.34
Reserve for Sale of Municipal Assets	28,000.00		28,000.00	
Emergency Management Agency Assistance		\$ 10,000.00	10,000.00	
Reserve for Body Armor Grant	1,171.22		1,171.22	
Stormwater Assistance Grant		50,000.00	50,000.00	
Clean Communities Grant		8,555.93	8,555.93	
Total Miscellaneous Revenue	<u>652,026.22</u>	<u>68,555.93</u>	<u>758,309.09</u>	<u>37,726.94</u>
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	<u>170,000.00</u>		<u>170,706.74</u>	<u>706.74</u>
Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget:				
Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	<u>2,887,218.00</u>		<u>3,025,090.32</u>	<u>137,872.32</u>
Budget Totals	<u>4,143,910.22</u>	<u>68,555.93</u>	<u>4,388,772.15</u>	<u>176,306.00</u>
Nonbudget Revenue			<u>31,030.17</u>	<u>31,030.17</u>
	<u>\$ 4,143,910.22</u>	<u>\$ 68,555.93</u>	<u>\$ 4,419,802.32</u>	<u>\$ 207,336.17</u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
STATEMENT OF REVENUE - REGULATORY BASIS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025  
(continued)

Allocation of Current Tax Collections:		
Revenue from Collection of Current Taxes		\$ 12,982,445.27
Allocated to School and County Taxes	\$ 10,299,642.10	
Allocated to Municipal Open Space Tax Levy	7,712.85	
		10,307,354.95
Balance for Support of Municipal Budget		2,675,090.32
Add: Appropriation "Reserve for Uncollected Taxes"		350,000.00
		3,025,090.32
Realized for Support of Municipal Budget		\$ 3,025,090.32
Interest on Investments and Deposits:		
Cash Collected by Treasurer		\$ 170,982.80
Interest Earned Due from:		
Other Trust Fund	\$ 1,659.76	
General Capital Fund	1,808.18	
Federal and State Grant Fund	189.83	
Payroll Account	99.22	
Animal Control Fund	1.45	
		3,758.44
		\$ 174,741.24
Analysis of Nonbudget Revenue:		
Treasurer:		
Vacant Property Registration	\$ 12,000.00	
Administration Fee - Veterans and Senior Citizens Deductions	390.00	
Cable Television Franchise Fee	12,233.00	
Tax Collector Receipts	656.15	
FEMA Reimbursement	3,409.88	
Other Miscellaneous	1,895.56	
		\$ 30,584.59
Due from Payroll Account		445.58
		\$ 31,030.17

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS STATEMENT

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

	Appropriations		Expended By		Unexpended Balance Cancelled
	Budget	Budget After Modification	Paid or Charged	Reserved	
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</b>					
Administrative & Executive:					
Salaries & Wages	\$ 29,700.00	\$ 29,625.00	\$ 29,623.77	\$ 1.23	
Other Expenses	28,400.00	21,900.00	21,899.90	0.10	
Municipal Clerk:					
Salaries & Wages	62,000.00	60,400.00	60,342.85	57.15	
Other Expenses	13,150.00	9,400.00	8,999.32	400.68	
Financial Administration:					
Salaries & Wages	48,700.00	51,300.00	51,262.52	37.48	
Other Expenses	9,100.00	5,100.00	4,982.00	118.00	
Audit Services	20,000.00	22,675.00	22,672.50	2.50	
Collection of Taxes:					
Salaries & Wages	34,500.00	36,100.00	34,420.60	1,679.40	
Other Expenses	8,000.00	7,800.00	7,583.93	216.07	
Assessment of Taxes:					
Other Expenses (N.J.S.A 40A:4-53 + \$200,000.00)	26,500.00	226,725.00	226,722.22	2.78	
Legal Services and Costs:					
Other Expenses	70,000.00	108,000.00	106,758.14	1,241.86	
Engineering Services and Costs:					
Other Expenses	37,500.00	14,905.00	14,304.26	600.74	
Economic Development Agency:					
Other Expenses	500.00				
Historical Preservation:					
Salaries & Wages	1,875.00	1,875.00	1,862.52	12.48	
Other Expenses	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,486.00	14.00	
Municipal Land Use Law (N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1):					
Municipal Land Use Board:					
Salaries & Wages	10,530.00	10,480.00	10,462.92	17.08	
Other Expenses (N.J.S.A 40A:4-48)	10,000.00	4,300.00	4,113.80	186.20	

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

(Continued)

	Appropriations		Expended By		Unexpended Balance Cancelled
	Budget	Budget After Modification	Paid or Charged	Reserved	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT (continued):					
Affordable Housing Administration:					
Other Expenses	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,927.50	\$ 72.50	
PUBLIC SAFETY FUNCTIONS:					
Police:					
Salaries & Wages	1,238,450.00	1,178,070.00	1,163,009.24	15,060.76	
Other Expenses	98,756.00	132,756.00	132,751.86	4.14	
Crossing Guard:					
Salaries & Wages	37,000.00	37,150.00	37,275.01		\$ 125.01
Other Expenses	50.00	800.00	409.98	390.02	
Office of Emergency Management/"911":					
Salaries & Wages	12,200.00	12,200.00	12,200.00		
Other Expenses	5,200.00	5,200.00	4,751.26	448.74	
Aid to Volunteer Fire Company	32,000.00	32,000.00	30,268.38	1,731.62	
Dispatching Agreement:					
Other Expenses	63,863.00	63,863.00	63,863.00		
Streets and Roads:					
Road Repairs and Maintenance:					
Salaries & Wages	91,000.00	92,950.00	92,935.03	14.97	
Other Expenses	65,200.00	84,200.00	56,594.26	27,605.74	
Public Buildings and Grounds:					
Other Expenses	56,950.00	51,950.00	51,813.50	136.50	
HEALTH AND WELFARE FUNCTIONS:					
Board of Health:					
Other Expenses	200.00				
Dog Regulation:					
Other Expenses	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00		

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025  
(Continued)

	Appropriations		Expended By		Unexpended Balance Cancelled
	Budget	Budget After Modification	Paid or Charged	Over- expenditure	
<b>PARK AND RECREATION FUNCTIONS:</b>					
Recreation and Education:					
Other Expenses	\$ 8,900.00	\$ 15,400.00	\$ 8,647.98	\$ 6,752.02	
Other Expenses - Littel Center	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00		
Celebration of Public Events:					
Other Expenses	2,000.00	5,000.00	1,748.19	3,251.81	
<b>UTILITIES:</b>					
Utilities	206,000.00	218,600.00	210,767.15	7,832.85	
<b>Insurance:</b>					
Other Insurance Premiums	85,000.00	71,325.00	71,321.70	3.30	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	43,150.00	41,330.00	41,327.00	3.00	
Group Insurance for Employees	230,000.00	220,000.00	213,307.43	6,692.57	
Health Benefit Waiver	20,000.00	18,325.00	18,311.33	13.67	
<b>Municipal Court:</b>					
Other Expenses	78,285.00	78,285.00	78,284.56	0.44	
<b>Health and Safety Occupational Act:</b>					
Hepatitis B Vaccine	500.00				
<b>Construction Code Official:</b>					
Other Expenses	10,000.00	11,120.00	11,113.30	6.70	
<b>Zoning Official:</b>					
Other Expenses	21,500.00	22,850.00	22,601.76	248.24	
<b>UNCLASSIFIED:</b>					
Accumulated Leave Compensation	5,000.00	25,000.00	5,000.00	20,000.00	
<b>Total Operations Within "CAPS"</b>	<b>2,847,659.00</b>	<b>3,043,959.00</b>	<b>2,949,226.67</b>	<b>94,857.34</b>	<b>\$ 125.01</b>
<b>Detail:</b>					
Salaries & Wages	1,570,955.00	1,510,150.00	1,493,394.46	16,880.55	
Other Expenses	1,276,704.00	1,533,809.00	1,455,832.21	77,976.79	

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025  
(Continued)

	Appropriations		Expended By		Over- expenditure	Unexpended Balance Cancelled
	Budget	Budget After Modification	Paid or Charged	Reserved		
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures:						
Deferred Charges:						
Overexpenditure of Appropriations	\$ 25,305.00	\$ 25,305.00	\$ 25,305.00			
Contribution to:						
Public Employees' Retirement System	50,418.00	50,418.00	50,418.00			
Social Security System (O.A.S.I.)	122,000.00	122,000.00	121,285.05	\$ 714.95		
Police and Firemen's Retirement System	354,207.00	354,207.00	354,207.00			
Unemployment Compensation Insurance	7,300.00	7,900.00	7,727.00	173.00		
Defined Contribution Retirement Program	1,850.00	2,450.00	2,378.94	71.06		
Total Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal Within "CAPS"	561,080.00	562,280.00	561,320.99	959.01		
Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes Within "CAPS"	3,408,739.00	3,606,239.00	3,510,547.66	95,816.35	\$ 125.01	
Operations Excluded from "CAPS":						
Refund of Tax Appeals:						
Other Expenses	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00			
State and Federal Programs Offset by Revenues:						
Clean Communities Grant (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 + \$8,555.93)		8,555.93	8,555.93			
Emergency Management Agency Assistance (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 + \$10,000.00)		10,000.00	10,000.00			
Stormwater Assistance Grant (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 + \$50,000.00)		50,000.00	50,000.00			
Reserve for Body Armor Grant	1,171.22	1,171.22	1,171.22			
Matching Funds for Grants	4,000.00	4,000.00	500.00			
Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS"	10,171.22	78,727.15	75,227.15			\$ 3,500.00
						\$ 3,500.00

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025  
(Continued)

	Appropriations		Expended By		Unexpended Balance Cancelled
	Budget	Budget After Modification	Paid or Charged	Reserved	
Operations Excluded from "CAPS": Detail:					
Other Expenses	\$ 10,171.22	\$ 78,727.15	\$ 75,227.15		\$ 3,500.00
Capital Improvements - Excluded from "CAPS":					
Capital Improvements Fund	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00		
Road Improvements (Limekiln Rd)	128,000.00	128,000.00	127,737.57	\$ 262.43	
Municipal Facilities Improvements	22,000.00	22,000.00	21,825.04	174.96	
Equipment Purchases	75,000.00	77,500.00	77,426.11	73.89	
Total Capital Improvements - Excluded from "CAPS"	375,000.00	377,500.00	376,988.72	511.28	
Total General Appropriations - Excluded from "CAPS"	385,171.22	456,227.15	452,215.87	511.28	3,500.00
Subtotal General Appropriations	3,793,910.22	4,062,466.15	3,962,763.53	96,327.63	\$ 125.01
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	350,000.00	350,000.00	350,000.00		
Total General Appropriations	\$ 4,143,910.22	\$ 4,412,466.15	\$ 4,312,763.53	\$ 96,327.63	\$ 125.01

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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025  
(Continued)

	<u>Ref.</u>	Analysis of	
		Budget After Modification	Paid or Charged
Adopted Budget		\$ 4,143,910.22	
Added by:			
Special Emergency Appropriation (N.J.S.A 40A:4-53)		200,000.00	
N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87		68,555.93	
		\$ 4,412,466.15	
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes			\$ 350,000.00
Due to Federal and State Grant Fund:			
Appropriated Grant Reserves			69,727.15
Local Match			500.00
Payment on Behalf of Current Fund			1,791.65
Deferred Charges:			
Overexpenditure of Appropriations			25,305.00
Reserve for:			
Pending Tax Appeals			5,000.00
Revaluation			200,000.00
Cash Disbursed			3,849,366.04
			4,501,689.84
Less: Refunds			188,926.31
			\$ 4,312,763.53

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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
COUNTY OF SUSSEX  
2025  
TRUST FUNDS

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET - TRUST FUNDS - REGULATORY BASIS

	Ref.	December 31,	
		2025	2024
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Animal Control Fund:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	B-1	\$ 110.18	\$ 5.34
Due from Current Fund		1.53	
		<u>111.71</u>	<u>5.34</u>
Open Space Trust Fund:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	B-1	50,883.11	26,076.27
Due from Current Fund	A		15,427.19
		<u>50,883.11</u>	<u>41,503.46</u>
Other Trust Funds:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	B-1	785,077.39	739,096.47
Due from Current Fund	A	16,891.74	26,474.23
		<u>801,969.13</u>	<u>765,570.70</u>
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>		<u>\$ 852,963.95</u>	<u>\$ 807,079.50</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND RESERVES</u>			
Animal Control Fund:			
Reserve for Animal Control Expenditures	B-2	\$ 111.71	\$ 2.36
Due to Current Fund	A		2.98
		<u>111.71</u>	<u>5.34</u>
Open Space Trust Fund:			
Reserve for Open Space Trust	B-2	43,212.08	41,434.96
Due to Current Fund	A	7,671.03	
Due to General Capital Fund	C		68.50
		<u>50,883.11</u>	<u>41,503.46</u>
Other Trust Funds:			
Reserve for:			
State Unemployment Insurance		19,756.12	29,821.97
Developer's Escrow		314,630.49	303,241.65
Accumulated Absences		67,868.07	62,868.07
Recreation		944.76	405.32
Tax Sale Premium		73,100.00	46,400.00
Parking Offenses Adjudication Act		78.69	60.69
Small Cities Block Grant		272,906.21	272,906.21
LEA Fire Safety		18,499.83	18,999.83
Storm Recovery		33,934.96	30,866.96
Hometown Heroes		250.00	
		<u>801,969.13</u>	<u>765,570.70</u>
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES</u>		<u>\$ 852,963.95</u>	<u>\$ 807,079.50</u>

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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
COUNTY OF SUSSEX  
2025  
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS

	Ref.	December 31,	
		2025	2024
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	C-2	\$ 527,012.90	\$ 251,509.53
Due from Current Fund	A		180,443.96
Due from Open Space Trust Fund	B		68.50
NJ Department of Transportation Grant Receivable		78,613.97	113,546.47
Local Recreation Improvement Grant Receivable		50,000.00	50,000.00
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>		\$ 655,626.87	\$ 595,568.46
 <u>LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Improvement Authorizations:			
Funded	C-5	\$ 159,069.20	90,548.76
Due to Current Fund	A	853.19	
Due to Federal and State Grant Fund	A	42,642.96	126,958.18
Capital Improvement Fund	C-6	220,519.84	145,519.84
Reserve for Equipment Purchases		14,620.62	14,620.62
Reserve for Municipal Facilities Improvement		21,181.43	21,181.43
Reserve for Police Building		50,000.00	50,000.00
Fund Balance	C-1	146,739.63	146,739.63
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE</u>		\$ 655,626.87	\$ 595,568.46

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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND  
STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2024	C	\$ 146,739.63
Balance December 31, 2025	C	<u>\$ 146,739.63</u>

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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
COUNTY OF SUSSEX  
2025  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY FUND

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS

	Ref.	December 31,	
		2025	2024
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Operating Fund:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents		\$ 2,524,329.43	\$ 3,506,842.77
Due from Current Fund	A	5,962.77	
Receivables with Full Reserves:			
Consumer Accounts Receivable	D-6	348,569.57	272,596.52
Sewer Liens Receivable	D-7	3,609.10	3,609.10
Total Receivables with Full Reserves		<u>352,178.67</u>	<u>276,205.62</u>
Deferred Charges:			
Overexpenditure of Appropriations		19,711.14	
Total Deferred Charges		<u>19,711.14</u>	
Total Operating Fund		<u>2,902,182.01</u>	<u>3,783,048.39</u>
Capital Fund:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	D-4	1,841,002.38	907,548.29
NJ Environmental Infrastructure Loan Receivable			378,287.00
Due from Water/Sewer Utility Operating Fund	D	48,777.23	538,457.85
Fixed Capital	D-8	11,859,270.13	10,999,378.17
Fixed Capital Authorized and Uncompleted	D-9	350,868.62	1,185,868.62
Total Capital Fund		<u>14,099,918.36</u>	<u>14,009,539.93</u>
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>		<u>\$ 17,002,100.37</u>	<u>\$ 17,792,588.32</u>
<u>LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Operating Fund:			
Appropriation Reserves:			
Unencumbered	D-3;D-10	\$ 599,774.72	\$ 527,023.04
Overpayment of Water/Sewer Rents		38,318.61	12,987.10
Accrued Interest on Loans		12,257.37	5,595.19
Due to Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund	D	48,777.23	538,457.85
Due to Current Fund	A		70,579.09
Reserve for Water/Sewer Connection Fees		47,758.75	47,758.75
		<u>746,886.68</u>	<u>1,202,401.02</u>
Reserve for Receivables	D	352,178.67	276,205.62
Fund Balance	D-1	1,803,116.66	2,304,441.75
Total Operating Fund		<u>2,902,182.01</u>	<u>3,783,048.39</u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY FUND  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS  
(Continued)

	Ref.	December 31,	
		2025	2024
<u>LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Capital Fund:			
NJ Environmental Infrastructure Trust Loan Payable:			
Trust Loan	D-15	\$ 162,000.00	\$ 191,000.00
Fund Loan	D-15		6,365.53
NJ Infrastructure Bank Loan Payable:			
Nano Loan	D-15A	110,000.00	115,000.00
Fund Loan	D-15A/B	434,385.23	110,959.61
Trust Loan	D-15B	365,835.00	
Construction Financing Loan	D-15B		828,199.00
Improvement Authorizations:			
Funded	D-11	52,920.84	33,545.34
Unfunded	D-11		139,518.45
Capital Improvement Fund	D-12	836,878.97	836,878.97
Reserve for Amortization	D-13A	10,787,049.90	10,576,053.03
Deferred Reserve for Amortization	D-13	350,868.62	300,868.62
Reserve for Debt Service		78,227.96	78,227.96
Reserve for Purchase of Equipment		269,531.00	248,720.00
Reserve for Future Capital Outlay		645,942.42	537,925.00
Fund Balance	D-1A	6,278.42	6,278.42
Total Capital Fund		<u>14,099,918.36</u>	<u>14,009,539.93</u>
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE</u>		<u>\$ 17,002,100.37</u>	<u>\$ 17,792,588.32</u>

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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND  
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE -  
REGULATORY BASIS

	<u>Ref.</u>	<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>	
		<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
<u>Revenue and Other Income Realized</u>			
Fund Balance Utilized		\$ 939,251.00	\$ 834,500.00
Rents		1,708,288.34	1,851,217.53
Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated		199,994.85	259,567.60
Other Credits to Income:			
Unexpended Balance of Appropriation Reserves		361,604.72	418,887.79
Total Income		<u>3,209,138.91</u>	<u>3,364,172.92</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>			
Budget Expenditures:			
Operating		2,020,000.00	1,965,000.00
Capital Improvements		475,000.00	326,500.00
Debt Service		81,711.14	85,847.46
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures		82,251.00	72,599.00
Total Expenditures		<u>2,658,962.14</u>	<u>2,449,946.46</u>
Excess in Revenue		550,176.77	914,226.46
Adjustment to Income Before Fund Balance:			
Expenditures Included above Which are by Statute			
Deferred Charges to Budget of Succeeding Year:			
Overexpenditure of Appropriations		19,711.14	
Statutory Excess to Fund Balance		569,887.91	914,226.46
<u>Fund Balance</u>			
Balance January 1		2,304,441.75	2,324,715.29
		<u>2,874,329.66</u>	<u>3,238,941.75</u>
Decreased by:			
Utilized as Anticipated Revenue		939,251.00	834,500.00
Surplus Anticipated in Current Fund		131,962.00	100,000.00
Balance December 31	D	<u>\$ 1,803,116.66</u>	<u>\$ 2,304,441.75</u>

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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND  
STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2024	D	\$ 6,278.42
Balance December 31, 2025	D	<u>\$ 6,278.42</u>

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND  
STATEMENT OF REVENUE - REGULATORY BASIS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

	<u>Anticipated</u>	<u>Realized</u>	<u>Excess or Deficit *</u>
Fund Balance Anticipated	\$ 939,251.00	\$ 939,251.00	
Water and Sewer Rents	1,700,000.00	1,708,288.34	\$ 8,288.34
Total Anticipated Revenue	<u>2,639,251.00</u>	<u>2,647,539.34</u>	<u>8,288.34</u>
Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated		199,994.85	199,994.85
	<u>\$ 2,639,251.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,847,534.19</u>	<u>\$ 208,283.19</u>

Analysis of Water and Sewer Rents

Water and Sewer Rents	\$ 1,689,762.07
Water and Sewer Rents - Due from Current Fund	5,825.24
Overpayments of Water and Sewer Applied	<u>12,701.03</u>
	<u>\$ 1,708,288.34</u>

Analysis of Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated

Interest on Rents	\$ 3,157.61
Refund of Prior Year Expenses:	
Due from Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund	11,790.58
Interest on Investments:	
Collected in Water/Sewer Utility Operating Fund	116,318.32
Due from Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund	<u>68,728.34</u>
	<u>\$ 199,994.85</u>

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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND  
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

	Appropriations		Expended		Over- expenditure	Unexpended Balance Cancelled
	Budget	Budget After Modification	Paid or Charged	Reserved		
Operating:						
Salaries and Wages	\$ 495,000.00	\$ 495,000.00	\$ 433,004.53	\$ 61,995.47		
Other Expenses	1,525,000.00	1,525,000.00	1,321,357.81	203,642.19		
Capital Improvements:						
Capital Improvement Fund	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00			
Capital Outlay	175,000.00	175,000.00	945.96	174,054.04		
Purchase of Equipment	250,000.00	250,000.00	104,944.00	145,056.00		
Debt Service:						
Payment of Loan Principal	47,000.00	47,000.00	56,252.91		\$ 9,252.91	
Interest on Loans	15,000.00	15,000.00	25,458.23		10,458.23	
Statutory Expenditures:						
Contribution to:						
Public Employees' Retirement System	41,251.00	41,251.00	41,251.00			
Social Security System (O.A.S.I.)	38,000.00	38,000.00	25,114.40	12,885.60		
Unemployment Compensation Insurance	3,000.00	3,000.00	858.58	2,141.42		
	<u>\$ 2,639,251.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,639,251.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,059,187.42</u>	<u>\$ 599,774.72</u>	<u>\$ 19,711.14</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>

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Analysis of Paid or Charged

Cash Disbursed	\$ 2,033,261.46
Due to Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund	467.73
Accrued Interest on Notes	<u>25,458.23</u>
	<u>\$ 2,059,187.42</u>

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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
COUNTY OF SUSSEX  
2025  
GENERAL FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT GROUP

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
GENERAL FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT GROUP  
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS

		December 31,	
		2025	2024
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Land		\$ 1,605,600.00	\$ 1,605,600.00
Buildings		1,396,300.00	1,396,300.00
Machinery and Equipment		3,690,350.23	3,584,928.00
TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 6,692,250.23	\$ 6,586,828.00
<u>RESERVES</u>			
Reserve for General Fixed Assets		\$ 6,692,250.23	\$ 6,586,828.00

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

Except as noted below, the financial statements of the Borough of Hamburg include every board, body, officer or commission supported and maintained wholly or in part by funds appropriated by the Borough of Hamburg, as required by N.J.S. 40A:5-5. Accordingly, the financial statements of the Borough of Hamburg do not include the operations of the volunteer fire department and first aid squad.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Codification Section 2100, "Defining the Financial Reporting Entity" establishes standards to determine whether a governmental component unit should be included in the financial reporting entity. Component units are legally separate organizations for which the elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable. In addition, component units can be other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with a primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading. The primary government is financially accountable if it appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing body and (1) it is able to impose its will on that organization or (2) there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the primary government. A legally separate, tax-exempt organization should be reported as a component unit of a reporting entity if all of the following criteria are met: (1) The economic resources received or held by the separate organization are entirely or almost entirely for the direct benefit of the primary government, its component units, or its constituents. (2) The primary government, or its component units, is entitled to, or has the ability to otherwise access, a majority of the economic resources received or held by the separate organization. (3). The economic resources received or held by an individual organization that the specific primary government, or its component units, is entitled to, or has the ability to otherwise access, are significant to that primary government. As the financial reporting entity was established in accordance with New Jersey statutes, the requirements of GASB Codification Section 2100 were not followed and, accordingly, the reporting entity could be different from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

B. Description of Funds

The accounting policies of the Borough of Hamburg conform to the accounting practices applicable to municipalities which have been prescribed or permitted by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division"). Such practices are designed primarily for determining compliance with legal provisions and budgetary restrictions and as a means of reporting on the stewardship of public officials with respect to public funds. Under this method of accounting, the Borough of Hamburg accounts for its financial transactions through the following separate funds:

Current Fund - Resources and expenditures for governmental operations of a general nature, including federal and state grant funds.

Trust Funds - Receipts, custodianship and disbursement of funds in accordance with the purpose for which each reserve was created.

General Capital Fund - Receipt and disbursement of funds for the acquisition of general capital facilities, other than those acquired in the Current Fund.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

B. Description of Funds (Cont'd)

Water/Sewer Utility Operating and Capital Funds - Account for the operations and acquisition of capital facilities of the municipally owned Water/Sewer Utility.

General Fixed Assets Account Group - Estimated value of land, buildings and certain fixed assets of the Borough as discussed in Note 1E.

C. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenue and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The more significant accounting policies in New Jersey follow.

Had the Borough's financial statements been prepared under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, encumbrances would not be considered as expenditures; appropriation reserves would not be recorded; revenue susceptible to accrual would have been reflected without offsetting reserves; Federal and State grants and assistance would be recognized when earned, not when awarded; inventories would not be reflected as expenditures at the time of purchase, fixed assets purchased by the Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund would be depreciated and investments would generally be stated at fair value, lease receivables and deferred lease resources as well as the related revenue would be recorded for leases for which the Borough is a lessor, and the Borough's net pension liability and related deferred inflows and outflows would be recorded.

Expenditures are charged to operations based on budgeted amounts. Exceptions to this general rule include:

1. Accumulated unpaid vacation, sick pay and other employee amounts are not accrued.
2. Prepaid expenses, such as insurance premiums applicable to subsequent periods, are charged to current budget appropriations in total.
3. Principal and interest on long-term debt are recognized when due.

Expenditures, if any, in excess of appropriations, appropriation reserves or ordinances become deferred charges which must be raised by future taxes. Outstanding encumbrances at December 31 are reported as a cash liability in the financial statements and constitute part of the statutory appropriation reserve balance. Appropriation reserves covering unexpended appropriation balances are automatically created at December 31 of each year and recorded as liabilities, except for amounts which may be cancelled by the governing body. Appropriation reserves are available, until lapsed at the close of the succeeding year, to meet specific claims, commitments or contracts incurred during the preceding fiscal year. Lapsed appropriation reserves are recorded as income.

The cash basis of accounting is followed in the Trust and the Capital Funds.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

D. Deferred Charges to Future Taxation – The General Capital Fund balance sheet includes both funded and unfunded deferred charges. Funded means that bonds have been issued and are being paid off on a serial basis. Unfunded means that debt has been authorized but not permanently financed. A municipality can eliminate an unfunded deferred charge by raising it in the budget, by collecting a grant, by selling bonds, by loans or by financed purchases agreements.

E. Other significant accounting policies include:

Management Estimates – The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents – Amounts include petty cash, change funds, amounts on deposit, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Investments – Investments are stated at cost.

Grants Receivable – Grants receivable represent total grant awards less amounts collected to date. Because the amount of grants funds to be collected are dependent on the total costs eligible for reimbursement, the actual amount collected may be less than the total amount awarded.

Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts – No allowance for uncollectible accounts has been recorded as all amounts are considered collectible.

Compensated Absences – Expenditures relating to unused vested accumulated vacation and sick pay are not recorded until paid.

Foreclosed Property - Foreclosed Property is recorded in the Current Fund at the assessed valuation when such property was acquired and is fully reserved.

Interfunds - Interfund receivables in the Current Fund are recorded with offsetting reserves which are created by charges to operations. Income is recognized in the year the receivables are liquidated. Interfund receivables in the other funds are not offset by reserves.

Inventories of Supplies - The cost of inventories of supplies for all funds are recorded as expenditures at the time individual items are purchased. The cost of inventories is not included on the various balance sheets.

General Fixed Assets - General fixed assets are recorded at historical or estimated historical cost. Infrastructure assets are not included in general fixed assets, as per state directive. Major renewals and betterments are charged to the asset accounts; maintenance and minor repairs and replacements, which do not improve or extend the lives of the respective assets, are expensed currently. Donated fixed assets are valued at their fair market value on the date donated. No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets. The total value recorded for general fixed assets is offset by a "Reserve for General Fixed Assets". When properties are retired or otherwise disposed of, the asset and the reserve are adjusted accordingly. Assets recorded in the General Fixed Assets Account Group may also be recorded in the Current Fund, the General Capital Fund and the Water/Sewer Utility Fund. The values recorded in the General Fixed Assets Account Group and the Current, General Capital and Water/Sewer Utility Funds may not always agree due to differences in valuation methods, timing of recognition of assets and the recognition of infrastructures. Fixed assets are reviewed for impairment.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

E. Other significant accounting policies include: (Cont'd)

General Fixed Assets (Cont'd) - Property and equipment purchased by the Water/Sewer Utility Fund are recorded in the Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund at cost and are not adjusted for dispositions and abandonments. The amounts shown do not purport to represent replacement costs or current value. Contributions in aid of construction are not capitalized. The balance in the Reserve for Amortization account in the Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund represents charges to operations for the cost of acquisitions of property, equipment and improvements. The Water/Sewer Utility does not record depreciation on fixed assets.

F. Budget/Budgetary Control – Annual appropriated budgets are usually prepared in the first quarter for Current operating, utility and Open Space Trust Funds. The budgets are submitted to the governing body and the Division of Local Government Services. Budgets are prepared using the cash basis of accounting. The legal level of budgetary control is established at the line item accounts within each fund. Line item accounts are defined as the lowest (most specific) level of detail as established pursuant to the flexible chart of accounts referenced in N.J.S.A. 40A. All budget amendments/transfers must be approved by the Borough during the year.

Note 2: Long-Term Debt

The Local Bond Law governs the issuance of bonds to finance general Borough capital expenditures. All bonds are retired in serial installments within the statutory period of usefulness. All bonds issued by the Borough are general obligation bonds. The Borough's full faith and credit and taxing power has been pledged to the payment of the general obligation debt principal and interest.

Summary of Municipal Debt

	December 31,		
	2025	2024	2023
<u>Issued</u>			
General:			
Bonds and Notes			\$ 220,000.00
Water and Sewer Utility:			
Loans and Notes	\$ 1,072,220.23	\$ 1,251,524.14	1,322,915.56
Net Debt Issued	<u>1,072,220.23</u>	<u>1,251,524.14</u>	<u>1,542,915.56</u>
<u>Authorized but not Issued</u>			
Water and Sewer Utility:			
Bonds and Notes		56,801.00	56,801.00
Total Authorized but not Issued		<u>56,801.00</u>	<u>56,801.00</u>
Less: Reserve to Pay Debt Service:			
Water and Sewer Utility	78,227.96	78,227.96	78,227.96
Net Bonds, Notes and Loans Issued and Authorized but not Issued	<u>\$ 1,150,448.19</u>	<u>\$ 1,386,553.10</u>	<u>\$ 1,677,944.52</u>

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Note 2: Long-Term Debt (Cont'd)

Summary of Statutory Debt Condition – Annual Debt Statement

The summarized statement of debt condition, which follows, is prepared in accordance with the required method of setting up the Annual Debt Statement and indicates a statutory net debt of 0.000%.

	<u>Gross Debt</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Net Debt</u>
Local School Debt	\$ 3,515,000.00	\$ 3,515,000.00	
Regional High School Debt	779,292.58	779,292.58	
Water and Sewer Utility Debt	1,072,220.23	1,072,220.23	
	<u>\$ 5,366,512.81</u>	<u>\$ 5,366,512.81</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>

Net Debt \$-0- divided by Equalized Valuation Basis per N.J.S. 40A:2-2 as amended, \$435,985,807.67= 0.000%.

Borrowing Power Under N.J.S. 40A:2-6 As Amended

3-1/2% Average Equalized Valuation of Real Property	\$ 15,259,503.27
Net Debt	<u>-0-</u>
Remaining Borrowing Power	<u>\$ 15,259,503.27</u>

Calculation of "Self-Liquidating Purpose", Water/Sewer Utility Per N.J.S. 40A:2-45

Cash Receipts from Fees, Rents or Other Charges for Year	\$ 2,847,534.19
Deductions:	
Operating and Maintenance Costs	\$ 2,102,251.00
Debt Service	<u>81,711.14</u>
	<u>2,183,962.14</u>
Excess in Revenue	<u>\$ 663,572.05</u>

Note: If there is a deficit in revenue, then the utility debt is not deductible to the extent of twenty times such deficit amount.

The foregoing information is in agreement with the Annual Debt Statement filed by the Chief Financial Officer.

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Note 2: Long-Term Debt (Cont'd)

Summary of Municipal Debt Issued and Outstanding – Current and Prior Years

	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/2024</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/2025</u>
Loans:				
Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund	\$ 1,251,524.14	\$ 705,148.00	\$ 884,451.91	\$ 1,072,220.23
Total	<u>\$ 1,251,524.14</u>	<u>\$ 705,148.00</u>	<u>\$ 884,451.91</u>	<u>\$ 1,072,220.23</u>
	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/2023</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/2024</u>
Bond Anticipation Notes:				
General Capital Fund	\$ 220,000.00		\$ 220,000.00	
Loans:				
Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund	1,322,915.56		71,391.42	\$ 1,251,524.14
Total	<u>\$ 1,542,915.56</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 291,391.42</u>	<u>\$ 1,251,524.14</u>

Analysis of Debt Issued and Outstanding at December 31, 2025

Water/Sewer Utility Capital NJ Environmental Infrastructure (NJEIT)/  
NJ Infrastructure Bank (NJIB) Loans Payable

<u>Description</u>	<u>Final</u> <u>Maturity</u>	<u>Interest</u> <u>Rate</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>Dec. 31, 2025</u>
Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades:			
Trust Loan	08/01/30	5.00%	\$ 162,000.00
Water Storage Tank Rehabilitation and Related Asset Management Plan:			
Fund Loan	08/01/41	0.00%	104,432.59
Nano Loan	08/01/41	3.25%-5.00%	110,000.00
Trust Loan	08/01/39	3.71%-5.00%	365,835.00
Fund Loan	08/01/39	0.00%	329,952.64
			<u>\$ 1,072,220.23</u>

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Note 2: Long-Term Debt (Cont'd)

New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust (NJEIT) and Infrastructure Bank (NJIB) Loans

In 2010, the Borough entered into a loan agreement with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection in the amount of \$666,000 for the Fund Loan portion and \$620,000 for the Trust Loan portion which represents direct obligations of the Borough. The loan agreements were obtained to finance a pump station at Heritage Lake.

At December 31, 2016, the Borough had borrowed or “drawn down” \$860,130 for this project, \$72,261.56 of the “Trust” loan had been cancelled and \$112,000.00 of the “Trust” loan and \$196,821.00 of the “Fund” loan had been defeased through refunding. The unexpended proceeds of the “Trust” loan will be retired by New Jersey Infrastructure Trust from funds on hand, and the unexpended proceeds of the “Fund” will be reduced from future debt service payments. Principal payments to the Fund commenced on August 1, 2011, and will continue on a semiannual basis over 15 years at zero interest. Principal payments to the “Trust” commenced on February 1, 2012, and will continue on a semiannual basis over 18 years at 5.00% interest. It is expected that interest will be paid from trust bond proceeds on deposit in the capitalized interest account (as defined in the bond resolution transferred to such capitalized interest account. The Borough will nonetheless be responsible for all such interest payments to the extent such trust bond proceeds and interest earnings are not available from the capitalized interest account. Also, an annual administrative fee of fifteen one hundredths of one percent (.15%) of the initial principal amount of the loan or such lesser amount, if any, as the Trust may approve from time to time is payable on these loans.

In 2022, the Borough entered into a loan agreement with the NJIB in the amount of \$125,000 for the Nano Loan portion and \$128,365 for the Fund Loan portion which represents direct obligations of the Borough. The loan agreement was obtained to finance the preparation of the water asset management system and the related rehabilitation of three water storage tanks. At December 31, 2022, the Borough had borrowed or “drawn down” \$586,054 for this project. The difference between the amount drawn down and the loan issued was forgiven by NJIB. Principal payments to the Fund commenced on August 1, 2022, and will continue on a semiannual basis over 19 years at zero interest. Principal payments to the “Nano” loan commenced on February 1, 2023 and will continue on a semiannual basis over 18 years at 3.25% to 5.00% interest.

In 2019, the Borough entered into a short-term loan agreement with NJIB in the amount of \$85,000 for the preparation of the Sewer System Asset Management Plan “AMP” (S340149-03 SS-AMP). In 2023, the Borough entered into a short-term loan agreement with NJIB in the amount of \$743,199 for improvements to the sewer pump station (S340149-04). The short-term loans related to these projects had a maturity date of June 30, 2026 and were converted to long-term loans during 2025 upon project completion and closeout.

In 2025, the Borough entered into a loan agreement with the NJIB in the amount of \$365,835 for the Trust Loan portion and \$339,313 for the Fund Loan portion which represents direct obligations of the Borough. The loan agreement was obtained to permanently finance the preparation of the sewer asset management plan (S340149-03 SS-AMP) and the related improvements to the sewer pump station (S340149-04). At December 31, 2025, the Borough had borrowed or “drawn down” \$754,002 for this project. The difference between the amount drawn down and the loan issued was forgiven by NJIB. Principal payments to the Fund commenced on August 1, 2025, and will continue on a semiannual basis over 15 years at zero interest. Principal payments to the Trust loan commenced on August 1, 2026 and will continue on a semiannual basis over 18 years at 3.71% to 5.00% interest.

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Note 2: Long-Term Debt (Cont'd)

Schedule of Annual Debt Service for Principal and Interest for the Next Five Years and Thereafter for Loans Issued and Outstanding

<u>Year</u>	<u>Fund Loan</u>	<u>Nano Loan</u>		<u>Trust Loan</u>	
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2026	\$ 29,927.92	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,406.26	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 25,269.48
2027	29,927.92	5,000.00	4,156.26	55,000.00	22,769.48
2028	29,927.92	5,000.00	3,906.26	58,000.00	20,169.48
2029	29,927.92	5,000.00	3,656.26	58,000.00	17,434.48
2030	29,927.92	5,000.00	3,406.26	25,000.00	14,699.48
2031-2035	149,639.87	25,000.00	13,368.80	156,000.00	47,647.40
2036-2040	128,578.47	50,000.00	6,962.50	125,835.00	14,317.92
2041	6,527.29	10,000.00	350.00		
	<u>\$ 434,385.23</u>	<u>\$ 110,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 40,212.60</u>	<u>\$ 527,835.00</u>	<u>\$ 162,307.72</u>

Note 3: Fund Balances Appropriated

Fund balances at December 31, 2025 which were included in the adopted budget as appropriated and as anticipated revenue for the year ending December 31, 2026 budget were as follows:

Current Fund	\$ 390,469.00
Water/Sewer Fund	\$ 830,634.00

Note 4: Pension Plans

Borough employees participate in one of the two contributory, defined benefit public employee retirement systems: the State of New Jersey Public Employee's Retirement System (PERS) or the State of New Jersey Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS); or the Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP), a tax-qualified defined contribution money purchase pension plan under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) 401(a).

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

Plan Description

The State of New Jersey, Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits (the Division). For additional information about the PERS, please refer to the Division's annual financial statements which can be found at [www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/annual-reports.shtml](http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/annual-reports.shtml).

Benefits Provided

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A. PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service.

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Note 4: Pension Plans (Cont'd)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Cont'd)

Benefits Provided (Cont'd)

Tier	Definition
1	Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
3	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
4	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
5	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of 1/55<sup>th</sup> of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to Tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60<sup>th</sup> of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and to Tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to Tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, to Tiers 3 and 4 with 25 or more years of service credit before age 62 and Tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

Contributions

The contribution policy for PERS is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. State legislation has modified the amount that is contributed by the State. The State's pension contribution is based on an actuarially determined amount, which includes the employer portion of the normal cost and an amortization of the unfunded accrued liability. Funding for noncontributory group insurance benefits is based on actual claims paid. For fiscal year 2024, the State's pension contribution was more than the actuarially determined amount.

The local employers' contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate, which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. Chapter 19, P.L. 2009 provided an option for local employers of PERS to contribute 50% of the normal and accrued liability contribution amounts certified for payments due in State fiscal year 2009. Such employers were credited with the full payment and any such amounts were not included in their unfunded liability. The actuaries have determined the unfunded liability of those retirement systems, by employer, for the reduced normal and accrued liability contributions provided under this law. This unfunded liability is being paid by the employer in level annual payments over a period of 15 years beginning with the payments due in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012 and is adjusted by the rate of return on the actuarial value of assets.

Borough contributions to PERS amounted to \$91,669 for 2025. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the State of New Jersey contributed \$2,951 to the PERS for normal pension benefits on behalf of the Borough.

The employee contribution rate was 7.50% effective July 1, 2018.

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Note 4: Pension Plans (Cont'd)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Cont'd)

Special Funding Situation

Under N.J.S.A. 43:15A-15, local participating employers are responsible for their own contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed that legally obligated the State if certain circumstances occurred. The legislation, which legally obligates the State, is Chapter 366, P.L. 2001 and Chapter 133, P.L. 2001. The amounts contributed on behalf of the local participating employers under the legislation is considered to be a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under the legislation directly to the plan (except for employer specific financed amounts), there is no net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows of resources to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers related to the legislation. However, the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers must disclose the portion of the nonemployer contributing entities total proportionate share of the collective net pension liability that is associated with the local participating employer. In addition, each local participating employer must recognize pension expense associated with the employers in an amount equal to the nonemployer contributing entities total proportionate share of the collective pension expense associated with the local participating employer.

Pension Liabilities and Pension Expense

At June 30, 2024, the Borough's liability was \$915,389 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2024, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2023 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2024. The Borough's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Borough's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2024, the Borough's proportion was 0.0067%, which was an increase of .00007% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2023. The Borough has rolled forward the net pension liability with no adjustments. The State of New Jersey Public Employee's Retirement System's (PERS) valuation cycle is July 1 instead of December 31. The roll forward methodology puts them a year in arrears in terms of valuation. The Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Services, State of New Jersey is permitting municipalities and counties to include the June 30, 2024 information in the Notes to the Financial Statements as the June 30, 2025 has not been released as of the date of this audit.

There was no state proportionate share of net pension liability attributable to the Borough as of June 30, 2024. For the year ended December 31, 2025, the Borough recognized actual pension expense in the amount of \$91,669.

Actuarial Assumptions

The collective total pension liability for the June 30, 2024 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2023 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2024. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation Rate:	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%
Salary Increases	2.75 – 6.55% based on years of service
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%

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Note 4: Pension Plans (Cont'd)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Cont'd)

Actuarial Assumptions (Cont'd)

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee Mortality Table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and a 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2023 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.

Long Term Expected Rate of Return

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2024) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the Board of Trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS' target asset allocation as of June 30, 2024 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
U.S. Equity	28.00%	8.63%
Non-U.S. Developed Market Equity	12.75%	8.85%
International Small Cap Equity	1.25%	8.85%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.50%	10.66%
Private Equity	13.00%	12.40%
Real Estate	8.00%	10.95%
Real Assets	3.00%	8.20%
High Yield	4.50%	6.74%
Private Credit	8.00%	8.90%
Investment Grade Credit	7.00%	5.37%
Cash Equivalents	2.00%	3.57%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	3.57%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	7.10%

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Note 4: Pension Plans (Cont'd)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Cont'd)

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2024. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity will be based upon 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments in determining the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Borough's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the Borough's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability as of June 30, 2024 calculated using the discount rate as disclosed below, as well as what the Borough's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	June 30, 2024		
	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
Borough's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 1,216,327	\$ 915,389	\$ 659,293

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PERS financial statements.

B. Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)

Plan Description

The State of New Jersey, Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS), is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits (the Division). For additional information about the PFRS, please refer to the Division's annual financial statements which can be found at [www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/annual-reports.shtml](http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/annual-reports.shtml).

Benefits Provided

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A. The PFRS provides retirement as well as death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except disability benefits which vest after 4 years of service.

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Note 4: Pension Plans (Cont'd)

B. Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (Cont'd)

Benefits Provided (Cont'd)

The following represents the membership tiers for PFRS:

<u>Tier</u>	<u>Definition</u>
1	Members who were enrolled prior to May 22, 2010
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
3	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits are available at age 55 and are generally determined to be 2% of final compensation for each year of creditable service up to 30 years plus 1% for each year of service in excess of 30 years. Members may seek special retirement after achieving 25 years of creditable service, in which benefits would equal 65% (tiers 1 and 2 members) and 60% (tier 3 members) of final compensation plus 1% for each year of creditable service over 25 years but not to exceed 30 years. Members may elect deferred retirement benefits after achieving ten years of service, in which case benefits would begin at age 55 equal to 2% of final compensation for each year of service.

Contributions

The contribution policy for PFRS is set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A and requires contributions by active members and contributing members. State legislation has modified the amount that is contributed by the State. The State's contribution amount is based on an actuarially determined rate, which includes the normal costs and unfunded accrued liability. For fiscal year 2024, the State contributed an amount more than the actuarially determined amount.

The employers in the Local Group contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate, which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. Chapter 19, P.L. 2009 provided an option for employers in the Local Group of PFRS to contribute 50% of the normal and accrued liability contribution amounts certified for payments due in State fiscal year 2009. Such employers were credited with the full payment and any such amounts were not included in their unfunded liability. The actuaries have determined the unfunded liability by employer, for the reduced normal and accrued liability contributions provided under this law. This unfunded liability is being paid by the employer in level annual payments over a period of 15 years beginning with the payments due in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012 and is adjusted by the rate of return on the actuarial value of the assets.

Special Funding Situation

Under N.J.S.A. 43:16A-15, local participating employers are responsible for their own contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed which legally obligated the State if certain circumstances occurred. The legislation, which legally obligates the State, is as follows: Chapter 8, P.L. 2000, Chapter 318, P.L. 2001, Chapter 86, P.L. 2001, Chapter 511, P.L. 1991, Chapter 109, P.L. 1979, Chapter 247, P.L. 1993 and Chapter 201, P.L. 2001. The amounts contributed on behalf of the local participating employers under this legislation is considered to be a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity.

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Note 4: Pension Plans (Cont'd)

B. Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (Cont'd)

Special Funding Situation (Cont'd)

Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the plan (except for employer specified financed amounts), there is no net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows of resources to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers related to this legislation. However, the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers must disclose the portion of the nonemployer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective net pension liability that is associated with the local participating employer. In addition, each local participating employer must recognize pension expense associated with the employer as well as revenue in an amount equal to the non employer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective pension expense associated with the local participating employer. In addition, each local participating employer must recognize pension expense associated with the employer as well as revenue in an amount equal to the nonemployer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective pension expense associated with the local participating employer.

Borough contributions to PFRS amounted to \$354,207 for the year ended December 31, 2025. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the State of New Jersey contributed \$59,974 to the PFRS for normal pension expense on behalf of the Borough, which is the same as the contractually required contribution.

The employee contributions for PFRS are 10.00% of employees' annual compensation, as defined.

Pension Liabilities and Pension Expense

At June 30, 2024, the Borough's liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability was \$2,644,339. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2024, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2023 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2024. The Borough's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Borough's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2024, the Borough's proportion was 0.0256%, which was an increase of 0.0022% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2023. The Borough has rolled forward the net pension liability as of June 30, 2024 with no adjustments. The State of New Jersey Police and Fireman's Retirement System's (PFRS) valuation cycle is July 1 instead of December 31. The roll forward methodology puts them a year in arrears in terms of valuation. The roll forward methodology puts them a year in arrears in terms of valuation. The Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Services, State of New Jersey is permitting municipalities and counties to include the June 30, 2024 information in the Notes to the Financial Statements as the June 30, 2025 has not been released as of the date of this audit.

Additionally, the State's proportionate share of the net pension liability attributable to the Borough is \$521,326 as of June 30, 2024. The net pension liability was measured as of July 1, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2023 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2024. The State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the Borough was based on a projection of the Borough's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined.

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Note 4: Pension Plans (Cont'd)

B. Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (Cont'd)

Pension Liabilities and Pension Expense (Cont'd)

At June 30, 2024, the State's proportion was 0.0256%, which was an increase of 0.0022% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2023 which is the same proportion as the Borough's.

Borough's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 2,644,339
State's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Associated with the Borough	<u>521,326</u>
Total Net Pension Liability	<u>\$ 3,165,665</u>

For the year ended December 31, 2025, the Borough recognized total pension expense of \$354,207.

Actuarial Assumptions

The collective total pension liability for the June 30, 2024 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2023 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2024. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation Rate:	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%
Salary Increases	3.25 – 16.25% based on years of service
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%

Employee mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Safety Employee amount-weighted mortality table (sex specific) projected generationally from 2010 with Scale MP-2021 mortality projection. For healthy annuitants, mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Safety Retiree Below Median amount-weighted mortality table (sex-specific), projected generationally from 2010 with Scale MP-2021 mortality projection. Disability rates were 144% of the Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Retiree amount-weighted mortality table for males and 100% of the Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Retiree amount-weighted mortality table for females, projected generationally from 2010 with Scale MP-2021 mortality projection.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2023 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.

Long Term Expected Rate of Return

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2024) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the PFRS Board of Trustees, the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the Board of Trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

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Note 4: Pension Plans (Cont'd)

B. Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (Cont'd)

Long Term Expected Rate of Return (Cont'd)

Best estimates of arithmetic rates of return for each major asset class included in PFRS' target asset allocation as of June 30, 2024 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
U.S. Large-Cap Equity	24.00%	6.90%
U.S. Small/Mid Cap Equity	4.00%	7.40%
Non- U.S. Developed Large-Cap Equity	9.50%	6.70%
Non- U.S. Developed Small Cap Equity	2.00%	7.50%
Emerging Markets Large- Cap Equity	6.00%	9.60%
Emerging Markets Small- Cap Equity	1.50%	9.60%
U.S Treasury Bond	7.00%	4.10%
U.S. Corporate Bond	5.00%	5.90%
U.S. Mortgage-Backed Securities	5.00%	4.40%
Global Multisector Fixed Income	6.00%	6.50%
Cash	2.00%	3.40%
Real Estate Core	3.00%	5.10%
Real Estate Non-Core	4.00%	6.50%
Infrastructure	3.00%	7.00%
Private Debt/Credit	8.00%	9.10%
Private Equity	10.00%	10.10%

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2024. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity will be based upon 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the employers in the State Group and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the employers in the Local Group. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments in determining the total pension liability.

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Note 4: Pension Plans (Cont'd)

B. Police and Firemen’s Retirement System (PFRS) (Cont'd)

Sensitivity of the Total Net Pension Liability (including the State’s proportionate share of the net pension liability attributable to the Borough) to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the total net pension liability (including the State’s proportionate share of the net pension liability attributable to the Borough) as of June 30, 2024 calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above, as well as what the collective net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	June 30, 2024		
	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
Borough's proportionate share of the NPL and the State's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability associated with the Borough	\$ 4,523,007	\$ 3,165,648	\$ 2,035,266

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position - PFRS

Detailed information about the PFRS's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PFRS financial statements.

C. Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP)

Prudential Financial jointly administers the DCRP investments with the NJ Division of Pensions and Benefits. If an employee is ineligible to enroll in the PERS or PFRS, the employee may be eligible to enroll in the DCRP. DCRP provides eligible members with a tax-sheltered, defined contribution retirement benefit, along with life insurance and disability coverage. Vesting is immediate upon enrollment for members of the DCRP.

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements and required supplementary information of the DCRP. The financial reports may be obtained by writing to the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, PO Box 295, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625-0295.

Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. Employee contributions are based on percentages of 5.50% for DCRP of employees’ annual compensation, as defined. The DCRP was established July 1, 2007, under the provisions of Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007 and expanded under the provisions of Chapter 89, P.L. 2008. Employee contributions for DCRP are matched by a 3% employer contribution.

For DCRP, the Borough recognized pension expense of \$2,378.94 for the year ended December 31, 2025. Employee contributions to DCRP amounted to \$3,230.82 for the year ended December 31, 2025.

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Note 5: Local and Regional School Districts Taxes

Regulations provide for the deferral of not more than 50% of the annual levy when school taxes are raised for a school year and have not been requisitioned by the respective school district. The Borough of Hamburg has elected not to defer school taxes.

Note 6: Accrued Sick and Vacation Benefits

The Borough permits employees to accrue a limited amount of unused vacation and sick pay, which may be taken as time off or paid at a later date at an agreed-upon rate. This amount is not reported as an expenditure or liability. As of December 31, 2025, the Borough has a reserve for accumulated absences in the Other Trust Funds of \$67,868.07 for future accumulated absences claims.

Balance at December 31, 2024	\$ 80,219.56
Net Change	<u>6,169.44</u>
Balance at December 31, 2025	<u><u>\$ 86,389.00</u></u>

Note 7: Selected Tax Information

Property taxes are levied as of January 1 on property values assessed as of the previous calendar year. The tax levy is divided into two billings. The first billing is an estimate of the current year's levy based on the prior year's taxes. The second billing reflects adjustments to the current year's actual levy. The final tax bill is usually mailed on or before June 14th along with the first half estimated tax bills for the subsequent year. The first half estimated taxes are divided into two due dates, February 1 and May 15. The final tax bills are also divided into two due dates, August 1 and November 1. A ten-day grace period is usually granted before the taxes are considered delinquent and the imposition of interest charges. A penalty may be assessed for any unpaid taxes in excess of \$10,000 at December 31 of the current year. Unpaid taxes of the prior year may be placed in lien at a tax sale held after April 1 and through December 31. Unpaid taxes of the current year may be placed in lien at a tax sale held after December 10.

Comparative Schedule of Tax Rate Information

	2025	2024	2023
<u>Tax Rate</u>	\$ 5.135	\$ 4.958	\$ 4.769
<u>Apportionment of Tax Rate</u>			
Municipal	1.123	1.102	1.079
Municipal Open Space	.003	.003	.003
County	.756	.692	.688
Local School	2.302	2.292	2.233
Regional High School	.951	.869	.766
<u>Assessed Valuations</u>			
2025	<u>\$ 256,949,600</u>		
2024		<u>\$ 255,846,400</u>	
2023			<u>\$ 253,654,800</u>

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Note 7: Selected Tax Information (Cont'd)

Comparison of Tax Levies and Collection Currently

A study of this tabulation could indicate a possible trend in future tax levies. A decrease in the percentage of current collection could be an indication of a probable increase in future tax levies.

Year	Tax Levy	Currently	
		Cash Collections	Percentage of Collection
2025	\$ 13,201,661.12	\$ 12,982,445.27	98.33%
2024	12,732,063.50	12,466,719.47	97.91%
2023	12,214,034.96	11,952,395.14	97.85%

Also, increases in future tax levies can also be warranted if revenue sources outside of those directly generated by the municipality, such as federal or state aid, should decline without corresponding decreases in budgeted expenditures.

Note 8: Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents include petty cash, change funds, amounts in deposits, money market accounts, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Investments are stated at cost. The Borough classifies certificates of deposit which have original maturity dates of more than three months but less than twelve months from the date of purchase, as investments.

GASB requires disclosure of the level of custodial credit risk assumed by the Borough in its cash, cash equivalents and investments, if those items are uninsured or unregistered. Custodial risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the government’s deposits may not be returned.

Interest Rate Risk – In accordance with its cash management plan, the Borough ensures that any deposit or investments matures within the period that approximates the prospective need for the funds, deposited or invested, so that there is not a risk to the market value of such deposits or investments.

Credit Risk – The Borough limits its investments to those authorized in its cash management plan which are permitted under state statutes as detailed in the section of this note on investments.

Custodial Credit Risk – The Borough’s policy with respect to custodial credit risk requires that the Borough ensures that Borough funds are only deposited in financial institutions in which NJ municipalities are permitted to invest their funds.

Deposits:

New Jersey statutes require that municipalities deposit public funds in public depositories located in New Jersey which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or by any other agency of the United States that insures deposits made in public depositories. Municipalities are also permitted to deposit public funds in the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

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Note 8: Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments (Cont'd)

Deposits: (Cont'd)

New Jersey statutes require public depositories to maintain collateral for deposits of public funds that exceed insurance limits as follows:

The market value of the collateral must equal 5% of the average daily balance of collected public funds on deposit.

In addition to the above collateral requirement, if the public funds deposited exceed 75% of the capital funds of the depository, the depository must provide collateral having a market value at least equal to 100% of the amount exceeding 75%.

All collateral must be deposited with the Federal Reserve Bank, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board or a banking institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve System and has capital funds of not less than \$25,000,000.

Investments:

New Jersey statutes permit the Borough to purchase the following types of securities:

- (1) Bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America;
- (2) Government money market mutual funds;
- (3) Any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress, which security has a maturity date not greater than 397 days from the date of purchase, provided that such obligation bears a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or other external factor;
- (4) Bonds or other obligations of the local unit or bonds or other obligations of school districts of which the local unit is a part or within which the school district is located;
- (5) Bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, issued by New Jersey school districts, municipalities, counties, and entities subject to the "Local Authorities Fiscal Control Law" P.L. 1983, c. 313 (C.40A:5A-1 et seq.) Other bonds or obligations having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase may be approved by the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs for investment by local units;
- (6) Local government investment pools;
- (7) Deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund established pursuant to section 1 of P.L. 1977, c.281 (C.52:18A-90.4); or

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Note 8: Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments (Cont'd)

Investments: (Cont'd)

- (8) Agreements for the repurchase of fully collateralized securities if:
  - (a) (the underlying securities are permitted investments pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3) of this subsection a. or are bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, issued by New Jersey school districts, municipalities, counties and entities subject to the “Local Authorities Fiscal Control Law”, P.L. 1983 c.313 (C.40A:5A-1 et seq.);
  - (b) the custody of collateral is transferred to a third party;
  - (c) the maturity of the agreement is not more than 30 days;
  - (d) the underlying securities are purchased through a public depository as defined in section 1 of P.L. 1970, c.236 (C.17:9-41); and
  - (e) a master repurchase agreement providing for the custody and security of collateral is executed.

As of December 31, 2025, cash and cash equivalents of the Borough consisted of the following:

Fund	Cash on Hand	Checking Accounts	NJ Cash Management Fund	Totals
Current	\$ 420.00	\$ 1,365,464.63	\$ 1,057,794.76	\$ 2,423,679.39
Federal and State Grant Fund		62,653.15		62,653.15
Animal Control		110.18		110.18
Other Trust		835,960.50		835,960.50
General Capital		527,012.90		527,012.90
Water/Sewer Utility Operating		907,293.37	1,617,036.06	2,524,329.43
Water/Sewer Utility Capital		1,841,002.38		1,841,002.38
	<u>\$ 420.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,539,497.11</u>	<u>\$ 2,674,830.82</u>	<u>\$ 8,214,747.93</u>

During the period ended December 31, 2025, the Borough did not hold any investments. The carrying amount of the Borough's cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2025, was \$8,214,747.93 and the bank balance was \$8,874,624.86. The \$2,674,830.82 in the NJ Cash Management Fund is uninsured and unregistered.

Note 9: Risk Management

The Borough is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Borough maintains commercial insurance coverage for property and liability. Health benefits are provided to employees through the State of New Jersey Health Benefits Plan.

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Note 9: Risk Management (Cont'd)

The Borough of Hamburg is a member of the Statewide Insurance Fund, (the "Fund"). The Fund provides its members with workers' compensation insurance and surety bond coverage. The Fund is a risk-sharing public entity risk pool that is both an insured and self-administered group of municipalities established for the purpose of providing low-cost insurance coverage for their members in order to keep local property taxes at a minimum.

As a member of the Fund, the Borough could be subject to supplemental assessments in the event of deficiencies. If the assets of the Fund were to be exhausted, members would become responsible for their respective shares of the Fund's liabilities.

The Fund can declare and distribute dividends to members upon approval of the State of New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance. These distributions are divided amongst the members in the same ratio as their individual assessment relates to the total assessment of the membership body.

The December 31, 2025 audit report of the Statewide Insurance Fund is not filed as of the date of this audit. Selected financial information for the Fund as of December 31, 2024 is as follows:

Total Assets	\$ 52,029,337
Net Position	\$ 6,502,450
Total Revenue	\$ 38,819,002
Total Expenses	\$ 44,169,063
Change in Net Position	\$ (5,350,061)
Member Dividends	\$ -0-

Financial statements for the Fund are available at the office of the Fund's Executive Director:

Statewide Insurance Fund  
One Sylvan Way  
Parsippany, New Jersey 07054

New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance

The Borough has elected to fund its New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance under the "Benefit Reimbursement Method". Under this plan, the Borough is required to reimburse the New Jersey Unemployment Trust Fund for benefits paid to its former employees and charged to its account with the State. The Borough is billed quarterly for amounts due to the State. The following is a summary of Borough and employee contributions, interest earned and reimbursements to the State for benefits paid and the ending balance of the Borough's expendable trust fund for the current and previous two years:

Year	Employee Contributions	Interest Earned	Amount Reimbursed	Ending Balance
2025	\$ 3,430.43	\$ -0-	\$ 13,496.28	\$ 19,756.12
2024	3,126.48	-0-	27,477.69	29,821.97
2023	2,866.97	-0-	1,475.87	54,173.18

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Note 10: Interfund Receivables and Payables

The following interfund balances remained on the balance sheet at December 31, 2025:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Interfund Receivable</u>	<u>Interfund Payable</u>
Current Fund	\$ 8,967.44	\$ 137,771.16
Federal and State Grant Fund	157,558.08	
Animal Control Fund	1.53	
Other Trust Fund	16,891.74	7,671.03
General Capital Fund		43,496.15
Water/Sewer Utility Operating Fund	5,962.77	48,777.23
Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund	48,777.23	
Payroll Account		443.22
	<u>\$ 238,158.79</u>	<u>\$ 238,158.79</u>

The interfund receivable in the Federal and State Grant Fund reflects the grant expenses paid by Current Fund, local match and grant receipts due from Current Fund, December 2025 interest not yet turned over, net of interfund advanced Current Fund and improvement authorization expenses paid on behalf of the General Capital Fund. The interfund receivable in the Animal Control Fund reflects December interest 2024 turned over to Current Fund twice, net of December 2025 interest due to Current Fund. The interfund receivable in the Other Trust Fund reflects December 2024 interest turned over to Current Fund twice in error and appropriation reserve due from Current Fund; offset by December 2025 interest not yet turned over to Current Fund. The interfund payable in the Other Trust Fund reflects 2024 open space tax levy turned over from Current Fund twice in error, net of 2025 added/omitted open space tax levy due from Current Fund. The interfund payable in the General Capital Fund reflects December 2025 interest not yet turned over to Current Fund as well as improvement authorization expenses paid by Grant Fund, net of December 2024 interest turned over to Current Fund twice. The interfund receivable in the Water/Sewer Utility Operating Fund is utility receipts collected in the Current Fund. The interfund payable in the Water/Sewer Utility Operating Fund comprises of budget appropriations not turned to the Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund, offset by current year interest due from the Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund and expenses paid by the Utility Capital Fund on behalf of the Utility Operating Fund. The interfund payable in the Payroll Account is December 2025 interest and prior year excess funds due to the Current Fund.

Note 11: Contingencies

The Borough is periodically involved in various lawsuits arising in the normal course of business, including claims for disputes over contract awards. In the opinion of management, the ultimate outcome of these lawsuits will not have a material adverse effect on the Borough’s financial position as of December 31, 2025.

Amounts received or receivable from grantors, principally the federal and state governments are subject to regulatory requirements and adjustments by the agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts previously recognized by the Borough as revenue would constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantors cannot be determined at this time, although Borough officials expect such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

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Note 12: Economic Dependency

The Borough receives a substantial amount of its support from federal and state governments. A significant reduction in the level of support, if this were to occur, may have an effect on the Borough’s programs and activities.

Note 13: Open Space Trust Fund

The Borough created an Open Space Trust Fund with a tax levy of \$.002 per \$100 of assessed valuation in 2001. The funds collected are used to acquire and maintain open space property in the Borough. The balance of the Open Space Trust Fund at December 31, 2025 was \$43,212.08.

Note 14: Pending Tax Appeals

The municipality has been advised that certain tax appeals have been filed. The Borough expects to vigorously defend the original assessments. The Borough has also been advised that certain tax appeals have been settled, which resulted in reduction of the related assessment. The Borough has established a reserve in the amount of \$105,814.30 to provide for this contingency which it believes is sufficient.

Note 15: Fixed Assets

The following is a summarization of general fixed assets for the year ended December 31, 2025:

	Balance Dec. 31, 2024	Additions	Deletions	Balance Dec. 31, 2025
Land	\$ 1,605,600.00			\$ 1,605,600.00
Buildings	1,396,300.00			1,396,300.00
Machinery and Equipment	3,584,928.00	\$ 105,422.23		3,690,350.23
	\$ 6,586,828.00	\$ 105,422.23	\$ -0-	\$ 6,692,250.23
	Balance Dec. 31, 2023	Additions	Deletions	Balance Dec. 31, 2024
Land	\$ 1,605,600.00			\$ 1,605,600.00
Buildings	1,396,300.00			1,396,300.00
Machinery and Equipment	3,458,739.00	\$ 126,189.00		3,584,928.00
	\$ 6,460,639.00	\$ 126,189.00	\$ -0-	\$ 6,586,828.00

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025  
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Note 16: Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions (OPEB)

State Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan

General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan Description

The State Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan (the Plan) is a cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan with a special funding situation. It covers employees of local government employers that have adopted a resolution to participate in the Plan. For additional information about the Plan, please refer to the State of New Jersey (the State), Division of Pensions and Benefits' (the Division) annual financial statements, which can be found at <https://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml>.

Benefits Provided

The Plan provides medical and prescription drug coverage to retirees and their covered dependents of the participating employers. Under the provisions of Chapter 88, P.L. 1974 and Chapter 48, P.L. 1999, local government employers electing to provide postretirement medical coverage to their employees must file a resolution with the Division. Under Chapter 88, local employers elect to provide benefit coverage based on the eligibility rules and regulations promulgated by the State Health Benefits Commission. Chapter 48 allows local employers to establish their own age and service eligibility for employer paid health benefits coverage for retired employees. Under Chapter 48, the employer may assume the cost of postretirement medical coverage for employees and their dependents who: 1) retired on a disability pension; or 2) retired with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 3) retired and reached the age of 65 with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 4) retired and reached age 62 with at least 15 years of service with the employer. Further, the law provides that the employer paid obligations for retiree coverage may be determined by means of a collective negotiations agreement.

In accordance with Chapter 330, P.L. 1997, which is codified in N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.32i, the State provides medical and prescription coverage to local police officers and firefighters, who retire with 25 years of service or on a disability from an employer who does not provide postretirement medical coverage. Local employers were required to file a resolution with the Division in order for their employees to qualify for State-paid retiree health benefits coverage under Chapter 330. The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L. 1989.

Contributions

Pursuant to Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, future retirees eligible for postretirement medical coverage who have less than 20 years of creditable service on June 28, 2011 will be required to pay a percentage of the cost of their health care coverage in retirement provided they retire with 25 or more years of pension service credit. The percentage of the premium for which the retiree will be responsible will be determined based on the retiree's annual retirement benefit and level of coverage.

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
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YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025  
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Note 16: Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions (OPEB) (Cont'd)

State Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan (Cont'd)

Special Funding Situation

Under Chapter 330, P.L. 1997, the State shall pay the premium or periodic charges for the qualified local police and firefighter retirees and dependents equal to 80 percent of the premium or periodic charge for the category of coverage elected by the qualified retiree under the State managed care plan or a health maintenance organization participating in the program providing the lowest premium or periodic charge. The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L. 1989.

Therefore, these employers are considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 75 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. For New Jersey local governments who report under the regulatory basis of accounting, the net OPEB liability and related deferred inflows are not recorded in the financial statements and there is only a note disclosure of this information. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the plan, there is no net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources, or deferred inflows of resources to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers related to this legislation. However, the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers must disclose the portion of the nonemployer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability that is associated with the local participating employer.

Allocation Methodology

GASB Statement No. 75 requires participating employers in the Plan to recognize their proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability, collective deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows of resources, and collective OPEB (benefit)/expense. The special funding situation's and nonspecial funding situation's net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and OPEB expense are based on separately calculated total OPEB liabilities. The nonspecial funding situation's net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and OPEB (benefit)/expense are further allocated to employers based on the ratio of the plan members of an individual employer to the total members of the Plan's nonspecial funding situation during the measurement period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. Employer and nonemployer allocation percentages were rounded for presentation purposes; therefore, amounts presented in the schedule of OPEB amounts by employer and nonemployer may result in immaterial differences.

OPEB Expense

The Borough has rolled forward the net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2024 with no adjustments. The Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, is permitting municipalities and counties to include the June 30, 2024 OPEB information in the Notes to the Financial Statements as the June 30, 2025 information has not been released as of the date of this report.

The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2024 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2023, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2024.

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025  
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Note 16: Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions (OPEB) (Cont'd)

State Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan (Cont'd)

OPEB Expense (Cont'd)

The State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability attributable to the Borough at June 30, 2024 was \$4,033,424. At June 30, 2024, the State's proportion related to the Borough was 0.0827% which was a decrease of 0.0036% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2023. This is the percentage of the total State Share of the net OPEB liability of the Plan. During the year ended June 30, 2024, the State of New Jersey's OPEB benefit related to the Borough was \$390,771.

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs

The actuarial assumptions vary for each plan member depending on the pension plan the member is enrolled in. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement.

Salary Increases\*:

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

Rate for all future years                      2.75% - 6.55% based on years of service

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)

Rate for all future years                      3.25% to 16.25% based on years of service

\* - Salary increases are based on years of service within the respective plan.

Pre-Retirement Healthy Mortality

Pre-retirement mortality rates for PERS were based on the PUB-2010 General classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021. Preretirement mortality rates for PFRS were based on the PUB-2010 Safety classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021.

Post-Retirement Healthy Mortality

Post-retirement mortality rates for Chapter 330 retirees were based on the PUB-2010 Safety classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021. Post-retirement mortality rates for other retirees is based on the PUB-2010 General classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021.

Disabled Retiree Mortality

Disabled retiree mortality rates for PERS future disabled retirees were based on the PUB-2010 General classification headcount-weighted disabled mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021. Disabled retiree mortality rates for PFRS future disabled retirees were based on the PUB-2010 Safety classification headcount-weighted disabled mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021.

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025  
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Note 16: Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions (OPEB) (Cont'd)

State Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan (Cont'd)

Disabled Retiree Mortality (Cont'd)

Disabled retiree mortality rates for Chapter 330 current retirees were based on the PUB-2010 Safety classification headcount-weighted disabled mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021. Disabled retiree mortality rates for other current retirees were based on the PUB-2010 General classification headcount-weighted disabled mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021.

Note 17: Leases

The Borough entered into a lease agreement for the lease of space on the Borough's property for the development of the premises as a wireless communications facility including the structure, equipment and related facilities. The initial term of the lease shall be 5 years commencing in June 2007 or 60 days after the issuance of a building permit. The lessee can extend the lease for three renewal terms of five years each. The initial monthly lease payment was \$2,300 and the monthly lease payment for each renewal term will be increased 15% each term. The lease payments received in 2025 were \$41,976.12.

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG

SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
OFFICIALS IN OFFICE AND SURETY BONDS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

Name	Title	Amount of Bond	Name of Corporate Surety
Richard Krasnomowitz	Mayor		
Joyce Oehler	Councilwoman		
George Endres	Councilman		
Mark Sena	Councilman		
John Haig	Councilman		
John Burd	Councilman		
Anthony Saliba	Councilman		
Joseph Brezina	Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer	\$ 1,000,000	Statewide Insurance Fund
Regina Flammer	Tax Collector; Tax Search Official; Water/Sewer Collector (To 11/1/2025)	1,000,000	Statewide Insurance Fund
Becky Westra	Tax Collector; Tax Search Official; Water/Sewer Collector (Shared Service) (From 11/3/2025)	1,000,000	Statewide Insurance Fund
Beth Martin	Acting Borough Clerk; Registrar; Assessment Search Officer	(a)	
Jean Stephens	Administrative Assistant/Accounts Payable Clerk/Deputy Clerk/ Deputy Registrar	(a)	
Marguerite Nemeth	Recycling Coordinator	(a)	
Wendy Brick	Secretary - Land Use Board, Historic Preservation, DPW	(a)	
Jason Laliker	Tax Assessor - Shared Service Agreement with Lafayette Township	(a)	
Sparta Township	Court Administrator; Violations Clerk (Shared Service)		
Sparta Township	Magistrate (Shared Service)		
Keith Sukennikoff	Office of Emergency Management Coordinator	(a)	
Joseph Drossell	Zoning Officer	(a)	
John Perry	Water/Sewer Operator	(a)	
Richard J. Clemack	Attorney		
Mott MacDonald	Engineer		
Jason Tangorra	Police Chief	(a)	

All bonds were examined and were properly executed

(a) - There is a Public Employees Blanket Bond for \$1,000,000.00 through Statewide Insurance Fund

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
COUNTY OF SUSSEX  
2025  
CURRENT FUND

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
SCHEDULE OF CASH

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2024	A	\$ 2,733,205.71
Increased by Receipts:		
Taxes Receivable	\$ 13,012,661.49	
Prepaid Taxes	172,640.66	
Tax Overpayments	32,826.21	
Revenue Accounts Receivable	656,823.50	
Due from State of New Jersey:		
Veterans and Senior Citizens' Deductions	19,500.00	
Third Party Liens	21,246.18	
Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated	30,584.59	
Due Federal and State Grant Fund:		
Prior Year Interfund Returned	100,704.92	
Appropriated Reserves	105,153.04	
Unappropriated Reserves	7,825.33	
Interfunds Advanced	164.30	
Due General Capital Fund:		
Interfunds Advanced	954.99	
Due Trust Funds:		
Interfunds Advanced	1,626.50	
Due Animal Control Fund:		
Interfunds Advanced	2.98	
Prior Year Interfund Returned	2.98	
Due Payroll Account:		
Interfunds Advanced	101.58	
Prior Year Interfund Returned	101.58	
Due Water/Sewer Utility Operating Fund:		
Prior Year Interfund Returned	70,579.09	
Water/Sewer Receipts Collected	5,825.24	
Interfunds Advanced	137.53	
Appropriation Refunds	188,926.31	
Reserve for Sale of Municipal Assets	5,390.97	
Procurement Card	45.61	
Due to State of New Jersey:		
Marriage License Fees	500.00	
	14,434,325.58	17,167,531.29

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
SCHEDULE OF CASH  
(Continued)

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Decreased by Disbursements:		
2025 Appropriation Expenditures	\$	3,849,366.04
2024 Appropriation Reserves		12,801.47
Local School Taxes		6,040,974.00
Regional School Taxes		2,443,934.80
County Taxes		1,946,084.04
Tax Overpayments Refunded		18,315.49
Refund of Third Party Liens		28,553.41
Due Open Space Trust Fund:		
Open Space Tax Levy		7,708.49
Prior Year Interfund Returned		15,427.19
Interfunds Advanced		7,675.39
Due Other Trust Funds:		
Prior Year Interfund Returned		26,474.23
Payment on Behalf of Recreation		75.00
Due General Capital Fund:		
Prior Year Interfund Returned		180,443.96
Due from Federal and State Grant Fund:		
Payment on Behalf of Federal and State Grant Fund		329.37
Due to State of New Jersey:		
Marriage License Fees		500.00
Reserve for Revaluation		166,200.00
Court Card		89.08
		\$ 14,744,951.96
Balance December 31, 2025	A	\$ 2,422,579.33

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
SCHEDULE OF CASH - GRANT FUNDS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2024	A	\$ 43,777.63
Increased by:		
Grants Receivable	\$ 10,000.00	
Unappropriated Grants	45,131.43	
Due Current Fund:		
Interest Earned	189.83	
Due General Capital Fund:		
Prior Year Interfund Returned	126,958.18	
	<hr/>	182,279.44
		<hr/>
		226,057.07
Decreased by:		
Due Current Fund:		
Prior Year Interfund Returned	100,704.92	
Interfund Advanced	164.30	
Payment on Behalf of Current Fund	1,791.65	
Due General Capital Fund:		
Payment on Behalf of General Capital Fund	42,642.96	
Appropriated Grant Reserves	18,100.09	
	<hr/>	163,403.92
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		163,403.92
Balance December 31, 2025	A	<u>\$ 62,653.15</u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF TAXES RECEIVABLE AND ANALYSIS OF PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Year	Balance		Collections		Over- Payments Applied	State of NJ Veterans' and Senior Citizens' Deductions	Cancelled	Transferred to Tax Title Liens	Balance Dec 31, 2025
	Dec 31, 2024	2025 Levy	2024	2025					
2024	\$ 179,694.42	\$ 13,201,661.12	\$ 119,744.47	\$ 170,460.69	\$ 246.05	\$ (750.00)	\$ 4,319.44	\$ 5,418.24	\$ 124,884.08
2025	\$ 179,694.42	\$ 13,201,661.12	\$ 119,744.47	\$ 12,842,200.80	\$ 246.05	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 12,572.25	\$ 81,759.52	\$ 124,884.08
<u>Ref.</u>									
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<u>Analysis of 2025 Property Tax Levy</u>									
<u>Tax Yield:</u>									
	General Purpose Tax			\$ 13,194,365.28					
	Added and Omitted Taxes			7,295.84					
					\$ 13,201,661.12				
<u>Tax Levy:</u>									
	Local School District Taxes				\$ 5,916,240.00				
	Regional School District Taxes				2,443,935.00				
	County Taxes		\$ 1,938,429.25						
	Due County for Added and Omitted Taxes		1,037.85						
					1,939,467.10				
					10,299,642.10				
	Municipal Open Space Tax Levy		7,708.49						
	Municipal Open Space Added and Omitted Tax		4.36						
					7,712.85				
	Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Levied		2,887,218.00						
	Additional Taxes Levied		7,088.17						
					2,894,306.17				
					\$ 13,201,661.12				

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
SCHEDULE OF TAX TITLE LIENS

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2024	A	\$ 778,927.66
Increased by:		
Interest and Costs on Tax Sale	\$	3,081.85
Transfer from Taxes Receivable		<u>87,177.76</u>
		<u>90,259.61</u>
Balance December 31, 2025	A	<u>\$ 869,187.27</u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

	<u>Balance</u> <u>Dec 31, 2024</u>	<u>Accrued In</u> <u>2025</u>	<u>Received In</u> <u>2025</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>Dec 31, 2025</u>
Clerk:				
Licenses:				
Alcoholic Beverage		\$ 1,899.00	\$ 1,899.00	
Municipal Court:				
Fines and Costs	\$ 3,832.55	48,377.58	49,284.96	\$ 2,925.17
Interest and Costs on Taxes		32,100.28	32,100.28	
Interest on Investments and Deposits		170,982.80	170,982.80	
Energy Receipts Taxes		228,618.34	228,618.34	
Rental of Cell Tower		41,976.12	41,976.12	
Utility Operating Surplus of Prior Year		131,962.00	131,962.00	
	<u>\$ 3,832.55</u>	<u>\$ 655,916.12</u>	<u>\$ 656,823.50</u>	<u>\$ 2,925.17</u>

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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
SCHEDULE OF 2024 APPROPRIATION RESERVES  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

	Balance Dec 31, 2024	Balance After Modification	Paid or Charged	Balance Lapsed
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</b>				
Administrative & Executive:				
Salaries & Wages	\$ 64.88	\$ 64.88		\$ 64.88
Other Expenses	21.00	21.00		21.00
Municipal Clerk:				
Salaries & Wages	1,869.52	1,869.52		1,869.52
Other Expenses	52.67	52.67		52.67
Financial Administration:				
Salaries & Wages	49.92	49.92		49.92
Other Expenses	1,200.54	1,200.54	\$ 1,200.00	0.54
Audit Services	7,697.50	7,697.50	7,697.50	
Collection of Taxes:				
Salaries & Wages	113.36	113.36		113.36
Other Expenses	4.08	4.08		4.08
Assessment of Taxes:				
Other Expenses	9.78	9.78		9.78
Engineering Services & Costs:				
Other Expenses	3,832.85	3,832.85	1,668.60	2,164.25
Historical Preservation:				
Salaries & Wages	32.84	32.84		32.84
Other Expenses	10.00	10.00		10.00
Municipal Land Use Law (N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1):				
Municipal Land Use Board:				
Salaries & Wages	81.05	81.05		81.05
Other Expenses	40.27	40.27		40.27
Affordable Housing Administration:				
Other Expenses	397.50	397.50		397.50
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY FUNCTIONS:</b>				
Police:				
Salaries & Wages	15,784.91	15,784.91	15,784.91	
Other Expenses	1.32	1.32		1.32
Crossing Guards:				
Salaries & Wages	2,057.50	2,057.50		2,057.50
Other Expenses	29.57	29.57		29.57
Office of Emergency Management/"9-1-1":				
Salaries & Wages	49.85	49.85		49.85
<b>PUBLIC WORKS FUNCTIONS:</b>				
Road Repairs & Maintenance:				
Salaries & Wages	278.18	278.18	215.09	63.09
Other Expenses	27.17	27.17		27.17
Public Buildings and Grounds:				
Other Expenses	77.47	77.47		77.47



BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
SCHEDULE OF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TAXES PAYABLE  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

Balance December 31, 2024	\$ 66,189.00
Increased by:	
Levy - Calendar Year 2025	5,916,240.00
Decreased by:	
Payments to Local School District	<u>6,040,974.00</u>
Balance/(Prepaid) December 31, 2025	<u><u>\$ (58,545.00)</u></u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
CURRENT FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TAXES PAYABLE  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

Balance December 31, 2024	\$ 30.00
Increased by:	
Levy - Calendar Year 2025	2,443,935.00
Decreased by:	
Payments to Regional School District	<u>2,443,934.80</u>
Balance December 31, 2025	<u><u>\$ 30.20</u></u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT FUND  
SCHEDULE OF GRANTS RECEIVABLE  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

Grant	Balance Dec 31, 2024	2025 Realized Revenue	2025 Receipts	Transfer From Unappropriated Reserve	Balance Dec 31, 2025
Clean Communities Program - 2025		\$ 8,555.93	\$ 8,555.93		
Body Armor Grant - 2024		1,171.22		\$ 1,171.22	
Emergency Management Agency Assistance		10,000.00	10,000.00		
ARPA Firefighter Grant - FY2024	\$ 4.43				\$ 4.43
Stormwater Assistance Grant		50,000.00	50,000.00		
Local Efficiency Achievement Program Grant	46,597.11		46,597.11		
	<u>\$ 46,601.54</u>	<u>\$ 69,727.15</u>	<u>\$ 115,153.04</u>	<u>\$ 1,171.22</u>	<u>\$ 4.43</u>

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Received by Current Fund	\$ 105,153.04
Received by Grant Fund	10,000.00
	<u>\$ 115,153.04</u>

Federal Grants	\$ 10,000.00
State Grants	105,153.04
	<u>\$ 115,153.04</u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT FUND  
SCHEDULE OF UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES

Grant	Balance Dec 31, 2024	Cash Received	Transferred to Grants Receivable	Balance Dec 31, 2025
Alcohol Education Rehabilitation Fund		\$ 825.33		\$ 825.33
Body Armor - 2024	\$ 1,171.22		\$ 1,171.22	
Recycling Tonnage Grant		2,488.47		2,488.47
Distracted Driving Grant		7,000.00		7,000.00
Local Recreation Improvement Grant		42,642.96		42,642.96
	<u>\$ 1,171.22</u>	<u>\$ 52,956.76</u>	<u>\$ 1,171.22</u>	<u>\$ 52,956.76</u>
<u>Ref.</u>	A			A
		Due from Current Fund \$ 7,825.33		
		Cash Receipt 45,131.43		
		<u>\$ 52,956.76</u>		

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT FUND  
SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATED RESERVES

Grant	Balance Dec 31, 2024	Transfer From 2025 Budget Appropriation	Expended	Balance Dec 31, 2025
Clean Communities Program:				
2022	\$ 516.24		\$ 516.24	
2023	7,594.90		7,594.90	
2024	8,626.52		4,555.41	\$ 4,071.11
2025		\$ 8,555.93		8,555.93
Body Armor Fund:				
2021	36.15		36.15	
2023	1,139.88		1,139.88	
2024		1,171.22	1,171.22	
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2024	2,044.55		2,044.55	
Municipal Drug Alliance - Local Match:				
2022	500.00		180.00	320.00
2023	4,700.00			4,700.00
2024	62.80			62.80
2025		500.00		500.00
EMS Freeholder Grant	15,102.70			15,102.70
Distracted Driving Statewide Crackdown Grant:				
2019	0.02			0.02
2024	7,000.00			7,000.00
Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program	9,345.85		871.72	8,474.13
Stormwater Assistance Grant:				
2023	22,583.17		149.37	22,433.80
2025		50,000.00		50,000.00
Over the Limit Under Arrest	599.00			599.00
Impaired Driving Crackdown Grant	1,524.12		170.02	1,354.10
Municipal Alcohol Education Rehabilitation Fund	245.17			245.17
Local Efficiency Achievement Program Grant	19,999.11			19,999.11
Emergency Management Agency Assistance - 2025		10,000.00		10,000.00
Atlantic Health System CAB Narcan Grant	2,280.00			2,280.00
ARPA Firefighter Grant:				
FY 2023	556.60			556.60
FY 2024	7,004.19			7,004.19
Local Match - 2023	4,000.24			4,000.24
	<u>\$ 115,461.21</u>	<u>\$ 70,227.15</u>	<u>\$ 18,429.46</u>	<u>\$ 167,258.90</u>

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Cash Disbursed	\$ 18,100.09
Paid by Current Fund	329.37
	<u>\$ 18,429.46</u>
Federal Grants	\$ 170.02
State Grants	18,079.44
Local Grants	180.00
	<u>\$ 18,429.46</u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
COUNTY OF SUSSEX  
2025  
TRUST FUNDS

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
TRUST FUNDS  
SCHEDULE OF CASH - TREASURER

	<u>Ref.</u>	<u>Animal Control Fund</u>	<u>Open Space Trust Fund</u>	<u>Other Trust Funds</u>
Balance December 31, 2024	B	\$ 5.34	\$ 26,076.27	\$ 739,096.47
Increased by Receipts:				
Borough Dog License Fees		\$ 6,260.40		
State Dog License Fees		687.60		
Borough Cat License Fees		1,622.00		
Penalties on Dog/Cat License Fees		1,615.00		
Due Current Fund:				
Prior Year Interfund Returned			\$ 15,427.19	\$ 26,474.23
Interest		1.45		1,659.76
Unemployment Insurance				3,430.43
Developer's Escrow				33,177.72
Accumulated Absences				5,000.00
Recreation Deposits				1,761.00
Open Space Trust:				
Open Space Tax Levy			7,708.49	
Interest Earned			1,873.97	
Interfund Advanced			7,675.39	
Tax Sale Premium				30,000.00
Parking Offense Adjudication Act				18.00
Police Outside Duty				50,068.00
Hometown Heroes				250.00
		<u>10,186.45</u>	<u>32,685.04</u>	<u>151,839.14</u>
		10,191.79	58,761.31	890,935.61
Decreased by Disbursements:				
Due to State of New Jersey Board of Health		687.60		
Administrative Expenses (R.S. 4:19-15.11)		9,388.05		
Due from Current Fund:				
Interfund Advanced		2.98		1,626.50
Prior Year Interfund Returned		2.98		
Due General Capital Fund:				
Prior Year Interfund Returned			68.50	
Unemployment Insurance				13,496.28
Developer's Escrow				21,788.88
Recreation				2,146.56
Tax Sale Premiums				3,300.00
Open Space Trust			7,809.70	
Storm Recovery				12,932.00
LEA Fire Safety				500.00
Police Outside Duty				50,068.00
		<u>10,081.61</u>	<u>7,878.20</u>	<u>105,858.22</u>
Balance December 31, 2025	B	<u>\$ 110.18</u>	<u>\$ 50,883.11</u>	<u>\$ 785,077.39</u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
ANIMAL CONTROL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR ANIMAL CONTROL FUND EXPENDITURES

	<u>Ref.</u>		
Balance December 31, 2024	B	\$	2.36
Increased by:			
Dog License Fees Collected		\$	6,260.40
Cat License Fees Collected			1,622.00
Penalties			1,615.00
			9,497.40
			9,499.76
Decreased by:			
Expenditures Under R.S. 4:19-15.11			9,388.05
			9,388.05
Balance December 31, 2025	B	\$	111.71

License Fees Collected

<u>Year</u>		<u>Amount</u>
2023	\$	8,385.40
2024		8,068.60
		8,068.60
Maximum Allowable Reserve	\$	16,454.00

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
COUNTY OF SUSSEX  
2025  
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF CASH - TREASURER

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2024	C	\$ 251,509.53
Increased by:		
Due Current Fund:		
2025 Budget Appropriations:		
Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 150,000.00	
Prior Year Interfund Returned	180,443.96	
Interest Earned	1,808.18	
Due Open Space Trust Fund:		
Prior Year Interfund Returned	68.50	
Improvement Authorization Refunds	127,737.57	
New Jersey Department of Transportation Grant Receivable	<u>34,932.50</u>	
		<u>494,990.71</u>
		746,500.24
Decreased by:		
Due Current Fund:		
Interfunds Advanced	954.99	
Due Federal and State Grant Fund:		
Prior Year Interfund Returned	126,958.18	
Improvement Authorization Expenditures	<u>91,574.17</u>	
		<u>219,487.34</u>
Balance December 31, 2025	C	<u><u>\$ 527,012.90</u></u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND  
ANALYSIS OF CASH

	Balance/ (Deficit) Dec 31, 2024	Receipts		Disbursements			Transfers From                      To	Balance/ (Deficit) Dec 31, 2025
		Budget Appropriation	Miscellaneous	Improvement Authorizations	Miscellaneous	From		
Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 145,519.84	\$ 150,000.00				\$ 75,000.00	\$ 220,519.84	
Due to/from Current Fund	(180,443.96)		\$ 182,252.14		\$ 954.99		853.19	
Due to/from Federal and State Grant Fund	126,958.18				126,958.18		42,642.96	
Due to/from Open Space Trust	(68.50)		68.50					
NJ Department of Transportation Grant Receivable	(113,546.47)		34,932.50				(78,613.97)	
Local Recreation Improvement Grant Receivable	(50,000.00)						(50,000.00)	
Fund Balance	146,739.63						146,739.63	
Reserve for Equipment Purchases	14,620.62						14,620.62	
Reserve for Municipal Facilities Improvement	21,181.43						21,181.43	
Reserve for Police Building	50,000.00						50,000.00	
<b>Ord. No.</b>								
12-07	Improvements to Recreation Fields and the Purchase of Related Equipment						14.02	
03-23	Various Improvements (including Purchase of Police Vehicles and Equipment)			\$ 779.39			779.39	
02-24	Paving and Improvements to the Basketball Courts and Various Other Projects					42,642.96	7,463.04	
09-24	General Road Improvements		11,935.50	6,930.28			44,654.57	
12-24	General Road Improvements		115,802.07	8,864.50			106,937.57	
06-25	Purchase of New Police Vehicle & Equipment			75,000.00		75,000.00		
		\$ 150,000.00	\$ 344,990.71	\$ 91,574.17	\$ 127,913.17	\$ 117,642.96	\$ 527,012.90	

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED CHARGES TO FUTURE TAXATION - UNFUNDED

NOT APPLICABLE



BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2024	C	\$ 145,519.84
Increased by:		
Current Fund Budget Appropriation		<u>150,000.00</u>
		295,519.84
Decreased by:		
Appropriated to Finance Improvement Authorizations		<u>75,000.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2025	C	<u><u>\$ 220,519.84</u></u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
COUNTY OF SUSSEX  
2025  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY FUND

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY FUND  
SCHEDULE OF CASH AND INVESTMENTS - TREASURER

	<u>Ref.</u>	<u>Operating</u>	<u>Capital</u>
Balance December 31, 2024	D	\$ 3,506,842.77	\$ 907,548.29
Increased by Receipts:			
Consumer Accounts Receivable		\$ 1,689,762.07	
Overpaid Water/Sewer Rents		38,318.61	
Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated		3,157.61	
NJ Environmental Infrastructure Loan Receivable			\$ 304,090.00
Interest on Investments		116,318.32	
Due Water/Sewer Utility Operating Fund:			
Interest on Investments			68,728.34
Prior Year Interfund Returned			538,457.85
2025 Budget Appropriation:			
Capital Improvement Fund			50,000.00
		<u>1,847,556.61</u>	<u>961,276.19</u>
		5,354,399.38	1,868,824.48
Decreased by Disbursements:			
2025 Budget Appropriations		2,033,261.46	
2024 Appropriation Reserves		36,589.90	
Improvement Authorizations			27,354.37
Interest on Loans		18,796.05	
Refund of Overpayment		286.07	
Due Current Fund:			
Anticipated Revenue - Utility Surplus		131,962.00	
Prior Year Interfund Returned		70,579.09	
Interfund Advanced		137.53	
Due Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund:			
Interfunds Returned		538,457.85	
Due Water/Sewer Utility Operating Fund:			
Payment on Behalf of Water/Sewer Utility Operating Fund			467.73
		<u>2,830,069.95</u>	<u>27,822.10</u>
Balance December 31, 2025	D	<u>\$ 2,524,329.43</u>	<u>\$ 1,841,002.38</u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND  
ANALYSIS OF CAPITAL CASH

	Balance/ (Deficit) Dec 31, 2024		Receipts		Disbursements Improvement Authorizations	Transfers		Balance/ (Deficit) Dec 31, 2025
	Miscellaneous	Budget Appropriations	Miscellaneous	Budget Appropriations		From	To	
Fund Balance	\$ 6,278.42							\$ 6,278.42
Capital Improvement Fund	836,878.97	\$ 50,000.00			\$ 50,000.00			836,878.97
NJ Infrastructure Bank Loan Receivable	(378,287.00)	\$ 304,090.00				\$ 74,197.00		
Due to/(from) Water/Sewer Utility Operating Fund	(538,457.85)	607,186.19		\$ 467.73	128,828.42	11,790.58		(48,777.23)
Reserve to Pay Debt Service	78,227.96							78,227.96
Reserve for Purchase of Equipment	248,720.00					20,811.00		269,531.00
Reserve for Future Capital Outlay	537,925.00					108,017.42		645,942.42
<b>Ord Number</b>	<b>Improvement Description</b>							
19-04	Sanitary Sewer System Asset Management				10,760.00			
19-08	Water Meter Replacement Project							17,411.72
21-10	Various Improvements for Water/Sewer Infrastructure							5,373.62
22-02;	Development of a Sanitary Sewer Asset							
23-06	Management Plan				7,489.87	75,227.58		5,373.62
25-08	Development of a Water/Sewer Asset Management Plan				19,864.50		50,000.00	30,135.50
		\$ 907,548.29	\$ 911,276.19	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 27,822.10	\$ 264,816.00	\$ 264,816.00	\$ 1,841,002.38

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND  
SCHEDULE OF CONSUMER ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2024	D	\$ 272,596.52
Increased by:		
Water/Sewer Rents Levied		1,784,261.39
		2,056,857.91
Decreased by:		
Collections:		
Overpayments Applied	\$ 12,701.03	
Cash Received	1,689,762.07	
Due from Current Fund	5,825.24	
		1,708,288.34
Balance December 31, 2025	D	\$ 348,569.57

WATER/SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND  
SCHEDULE OF LIENS RECEIVABLE  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2024	D	\$ 3,609.10
Balance December 31, 2025	D	\$ 3,609.10

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF FIXED CAPITAL

	Balance Dec 31, 2024	Additions By Budget Capital Outlay	Transfer from Fixed Capital Authorized & Uncompleted	Balance Dec 31, 2025
Wells	\$ 313,831.00			\$ 313,831.00
Engineering	2,700.00			2,700.00
Legal	1,018.00			1,018.00
Pump House and Pumps	1,173,275.62			1,173,275.62
Sewer System and Extensions	4,504,491.00			4,504,491.00
Water Tank and Foundation	34,373.00			34,373.00
Purification	402.00			402.00
Tank Renovation	54,276.00			54,276.00
Land	20,000.00			20,000.00
Construction of First Aid Squad Building	150,000.00			150,000.00
Hydrants and Extensions	2,658.00			2,658.00
Distribution Mains and Accessories	500,191.53			500,191.53
General Equipment and Other Costs	2,085,580.00			2,085,580.00
Meters	23,327.00			23,327.00
Purchase and Maintenance of Truck	140,641.00	\$ 105,422.23		246,063.23
Water System Improvements	1,249,796.02			1,249,796.02
Water System Asset Management	103,171.00			103,171.00
Water Storage Tank Rehabilitation	513,458.00			513,458.00
Purchase of Compact Excavator	81,189.00			81,189.00
Purchase of Wheel Loader	45,000.00			45,000.00
Sanitary Sewer System Asset Management		467.73	\$ 74,240.00	74,707.73
Sanitary Sewer Asset Management Plan and Sewer Pump Station Improvement			679,762.00	679,762.00
	<u>\$ 10,999,378.17</u>	<u>\$ 105,889.96</u>	<u>\$ 754,002.00</u>	<u>\$ 11,859,270.13</u>

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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF FIXED CAPITAL AUTHORIZED AND UNCOMPLETED

Improvement Description	Ordinance		Balance Dec 31, 2024	2025		Transfer to Fixed Capital	Improvement Authorization Cancelled	Balance Dec 31, 2025
	Date	Amount		Improvement Authorizations				
Sanitary Sewer System Asset Management	06/03/19	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 85,000.00		\$ 74,240.00	\$ 10,760.00		
Water Meter Replacement Project	10/07/19	150,000.00	150,000.00					\$ 150,000.00
Various Improvements for Water/Sewer Infrastructure	11/01/21	150,868.62	150,868.62					150,868.62
Development of a Sanitary Sewer Asset Management Plan & Sewer Pump Station Improvement	03/07/22; 03/20/23	800,000.00	800,000.00		679,762.00	120,238.00		
Development of a Water/Sewer Asset Management Plan	07/07/25	50,000.00		\$ 50,000.00				50,000.00
			\$ 1,185,868.62	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 754,002.00	\$ 130,998.00		\$ 350,868.62

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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND  
SCHEDULE OF 2024 APPROPRIATION RESERVES  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

	Balance Dec 31, 2024	Balance After Modification	Paid or Charged	Balance Lapsed
Operating:				
Salaries and Wages	\$ 41,300.40	\$ 41,300.40		\$ 41,300.40
Other Expenses	349,145.82	349,145.82	\$ 36,589.90	312,555.92
Capital Improvements:				
Capital Outlay	108,017.42	108,017.42	108,017.42	
Purchase of Equipment	20,811.00	20,811.00	20,811.00	
Statutory Expenditures:				
Contribution to:				
Social Security System (O.A.S.I.)	5,766.66	5,766.66		5,766.66
Unemployment Insurance	1,981.74	1,981.74		1,981.74
	\$ 527,023.04	\$ 527,023.04	\$ 165,418.32	\$ 361,604.72

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Balance December 31, 2024

Unencumbered	D	\$ 527,023.04
		\$ 527,023.04

Analysis of Paid or Charged

Cash Disbursed	\$ 36,589.90
Due to Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund	128,828.42
	\$ 165,418.32

**BOROUGH OF HAMBURG**  
**WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS**

Ord. No.	Improvement Description	Date	Ordinance Amount	Balance Dec. 31, 2024		2025 Improvement Authorizations Capital Improvement Fund	Paid or Charged	Improvement Authorizations Cancelled	Balance Dec. 31, 2025 Funded
				Funded	Unfunded				
19-04	Sanitary Sewer System Asset Management	06/03/19	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 10,760.00			\$ 10,760.00		
19-08	Water Meter Replacement Project	10/07/19	150,000.00	17,411.72					\$ 17,411.72
21-10	Various Improvements for Water/Sewer Infrastructure	11/01/21	150,868.62	5,373.62					5,373.62
22-02; 23-06	Development of a Sanitary Sewer Asset Management Plan & Sewer Pump Station Improvement	03/07/22; 03/20/23	800,000.00		\$ 139,518.45		\$ 19,280.45	120,238.00	
25-08	Development of a Water/Sewer Asset Management Plan	07/07/25	50,000.00			\$ 50,000.00	19,864.50		30,135.50
				<u>\$ 33,545.34</u>	<u>\$ 139,518.45</u>	<u>\$ 50,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 39,144.95</u>	<u>\$ 130,998.00</u>	<u>\$ 52,920.84</u>
		<u>Ref.</u>	D	D	D				D
					Disbursed in Cash	\$ 27,354.37			
					Due to Water/Sewer Utility Operating Fund	11,790.58			
						<u>\$ 39,144.95</u>			
					Deferred Charges to Future Revenue	\$ 56,801.00			
					NJ Environmental Infrastructure Loan Receivable	74,197.00			
						<u>\$ 130,998.00</u>			

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2024	D	\$ 836,878.97
Increased by:		
2025 Budget Appropriation		<u>50,000.00</u>
		886,878.97
Decreased by:		
Appropriated to Finance Improvement Authorizations		<u>50,000.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2025	D	<u><u>\$ 836,878.97</u></u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED RESERVE FOR AMORTIZATION

<u>Improvement Description</u>	<u>Ord. No.</u>	<u>Balance Dec 31, 2024</u>	<u>2025 Improvement Authorizations</u>	<u>Balance Dec 31, 2025</u>
Water Meter Replacement Project	19-08	\$ 150,000.00		\$ 150,000.00
Various Improvements for Water/Sewer Infrastructure	21-10	150,868.62		150,868.62
Development of a Water/Sewer Asset Management Plan	25-08	<u>                    </u>	<u>\$ 50,000.00</u>	<u>50,000.00</u>
		<u>\$ 300,868.62</u>	<u>\$ 50,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 350,868.62</u>
	<u>Ref.</u>	D		D

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR AMORTIZATION

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2024	D	\$ 10,576,053.03
Increased by:		
NJEIT / NJIB Loans Paid by Operating Budget		\$ 56,252.91
Additions by Budget - Capital Outlay		105,889.96
NJ Environmental Infrastructure Loan Forgiveness		<u>48,854.00</u>
		<u>210,996.87</u>
Balance December 31, 2025	D	<u>\$ 10,787,049.90</u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST  
LOANS PAYABLE

	<u>Ref.</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Trust Loan</u>	<u>Fund Loan</u>
Balance December 31, 2024	D	\$ 197,365.53	\$ 191,000.00	\$ 6,365.53
Decreased by:				
Principal Matured		<u>35,365.53</u>	<u>29,000.00</u>	<u>6,365.53</u>
Balance December 31, 2025	D	<u>\$ 162,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 162,000.00</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>

Schedule of Principal and Interest Payments Outstanding December 31, 2025  
Series 2010B Trust Loan (Project No. S340149-01)

<u>Payment Date</u>	<u>Other Fees</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Balance of Loan</u>
				\$ 162,000.00
2/1/2026	\$ 930.00	\$ 3,720.00		162,000.00
8/1/2026	930.00	3,720.00	\$ 30,000.00	132,000.00
2/1/2027	930.00	2,970.00		132,000.00
8/1/2027	930.00	2,970.00	30,000.00	102,000.00
2/1/2028	930.00	2,295.00		102,000.00
8/1/2028	930.00	2,295.00	33,000.00	69,000.00
2/1/2029	930.00	1,552.50		69,000.00
8/1/2029	930.00	1,552.50	33,000.00	36,000.00
2/1/2030	930.00	810.00		36,000.00
8/1/2030	930.00	810.00	36,000.00	-0-
		<u>\$ 22,695.00</u>	<u>\$ 162,000.00</u>	

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF NJ ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE BANK (NJIB) LOANS PAYABLE

	<u>Ref.</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Nano Loan</u>	<u>Fund Loan</u>
Balance December 31, 2024	D	\$ 225,959.61	\$ 115,000.00	\$ 110,959.61
Decreased by:				
Loans Paid by Operating Budget		<u>11,527.02</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>6,527.02</u>
Balance December 31, 2025	D	<u>\$ 214,432.59</u>	<u>\$ 110,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 104,432.59</u>

SCHEDULE OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYMENTS - SERIES 2022A-1 LOAN  
NANO LOAN OUTSTANDING DECEMBER 31, 2025  
(PROJECT NO. W1909001-001/002)

Payment Number	Maturity Date	NJIB Fee	Nano		Fund	Balance of Loan
			Interest	Principal	Principal	
						\$ 214,432.59
8	2/1/26	\$ 437.02	\$ 2,203.13		\$ 2,175.67	212,256.92
9	8/1/26	437.02	2,203.13	\$ 5,000.00	4,351.35	202,905.57
10	2/1/27	437.02	2,078.13		2,175.67	200,729.90
11	8/1/27	437.02	2,078.13	5,000.00	4,351.35	191,378.55
12	2/1/28	437.02	1,953.13		2,175.67	189,202.88
13	8/1/28	437.02	1,953.13	5,000.00	4,351.35	179,851.53
14	2/1/29	437.02	1,828.13		2,175.67	177,675.86
15	8/1/29	437.02	1,828.13	5,000.00	4,351.35	168,324.51
16	2/1/30	437.02	1,703.13		2,175.67	166,148.84
17	8/1/30	437.02	1,703.13	5,000.00	4,351.35	156,797.49
18	2/1/31	437.02	1,578.13		2,175.67	154,621.82
19	8/1/31	437.02	1,578.13	5,000.00	4,351.35	145,270.47
20	2/1/32	437.02	1,453.13		2,175.67	143,094.80
21	8/1/32	437.02	1,453.13	5,000.00	4,351.35	133,743.45
22	2/1/33	437.02	1,328.13		2,175.67	131,567.78
23	8/1/33	437.02	1,328.13	5,000.00	4,351.35	122,216.43
24	2/1/34	437.02	1,203.13		2,175.67	120,040.76
25	8/1/34	437.02	1,203.13	5,000.00	4,351.35	110,689.41
26	2/1/35	437.02	1,121.88		2,175.67	108,513.74
27	8/1/35	437.02	1,121.88	5,000.00	4,351.35	99,162.39
28	2/1/36	437.02	1,037.50		2,175.67	96,986.72
29	8/1/36	437.02	1,037.50	10,000.00	4,351.35	82,635.37
30	2/1/37	382.57	868.75		2,175.67	80,459.70
31	8/1/37	382.57	868.75	10,000.00	4,351.35	66,108.35
32	2/1/38	382.57	700.00		2,175.67	63,932.68

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF NJ ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE BANK (NJIB) LOANS PAYABLE  
(Continued)

SCHEDULE OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYMENTS - SERIES 2022A-1 LOAN  
NANO LOAN OUTSTANDING DECEMBER 31, 2025  
(PROJECT NO. W1909001-001/002)

Payment Number	Maturity Date	NJIB Fee	Nano		Fund	Balance of Loan
			Interest	Principal	Principal	
33	8/1/38	\$ 382.57	\$ 700.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 4,351.35	\$ 49,581.33
34	2/1/39	382.57	525.00		2,175.67	47,405.66
35	8/1/39	382.57	525.00	10,000.00	4,351.35	33,054.31
36	2/1/40	382.57	350.00		2,175.67	30,878.64
37	8/1/40	382.57	350.00	10,000.00	4,351.35	16,527.29
38	2/1/41	382.57	175.00		2,175.67	14,351.62
39	8/1/41	382.57	175.00	10,000.00	4,351.62	-0-
		<u>\$ 14,314.18</u>	<u>\$ 40,212.60</u>	<u>\$ 110,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 104,432.59</u>	

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF NJ ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE BANK (NJIB) LOANS PAYABLE

	<u>Ref.</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Trust Loan</u>	<u>Fund Loan</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Balance December 31, 2024	D	\$ 828,199.00	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 828,199.00
Increased by:					
Issued		705,148.00	365,835.00	339,313.00	
		<u>1,533,347.00</u>	<u>365,835.00</u>	<u>339,313.00</u>	<u>828,199.00</u>
Decreased by:					
Loans Paid by Operating Budget		9,360.36		9,360.36	
Refunded		828,199.00			828,199.00
		<u>828,199.00</u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>9,360.36</u>	<u>828,199.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2025	D	<u>\$ 695,787.64</u>	<u>\$ 365,835.00</u>	<u>\$ 329,952.64</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>

SCHEDULE OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYMENTS - SERIES 2025 C-SW1 and A-SW1 LOAN  
LOAN OUTSTANDING DECEMBER 31, 2025  
(PROJECT NO. S340149-03/04)

<u>Payment Number</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>NJIB Fee</u>	<u>Trust</u>		<u>Fund</u>	<u>Balance of Loan</u>
			<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Principal</u>	
						\$ 695,787.64
2	2/1/26	\$ 622.67	\$ 8,914.74		\$ 4,680.18	691,107.46
3	8/1/26	622.67	8,914.74	\$ 20,000.00	18,720.72	652,386.74
4	2/1/27	622.67	8,414.74		4,680.18	647,706.56
5	8/1/27	622.67	8,414.74	25,000.00	18,720.72	603,985.84
6	2/1/28	622.67	7,789.74		4,680.18	599,305.66
7	8/1/28	622.67	7,789.74	25,000.00	18,720.72	555,584.94
8	2/1/29	622.67	7,164.74		4,680.18	550,904.76
9	8/1/29	622.67	7,164.74	25,000.00	18,720.72	507,184.04
10	2/1/30	622.67	6,539.74		4,680.18	502,503.86
11	8/1/30	622.67	6,539.74	25,000.00	18,720.72	458,783.14
12	2/1/31	622.67	5,914.74		4,680.18	454,102.96
13	8/1/31	622.67	5,914.74	20,000.00	18,720.72	415,382.24
14	2/1/32	622.67	5,414.74		4,680.18	410,702.06
15	8/1/32	622.67	5,414.74	25,000.00	18,720.72	366,981.34
16	2/1/33	622.67	4,789.74		4,680.18	362,301.16
17	8/1/33	622.67	4,789.74	25,000.00	18,720.72	318,580.44
18	2/1/34	622.67	4,164.74		4,680.18	313,900.26
19	8/1/34	622.67	4,164.74	25,000.00	18,720.72	270,179.54
20	2/1/35	622.67	3,539.74		4,680.18	265,499.36
21	8/1/35	622.67	3,539.74	25,000.00	18,720.72	221,778.64

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF NJ ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE BANK (NJIB) LOANS PAYABLE  
(Continued)

SCHEDULE OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYMENTS - SERIES 2022A-1 LOAN  
NANO LOAN OUTSTANDING DECEMBER 31, 2025  
(PROJECT NO. W1909001-001/002)

<u>Payment Number</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>NJIB Fee</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Balance of Loan</u>
22	2/1/36	\$ 622.67	\$ 2,914.74		\$ 4,680.18	\$ 217,098.46
23	8/1/36	622.67	2,914.74	\$ 30,000.00	18,720.72	168,377.74
24	2/1/37	622.67	2,164.74		4,680.18	163,697.56
25	8/1/37	622.67	2,164.74	30,000.00	18,720.72	114,976.84
26	2/1/38	622.67	1,414.74		4,680.18	110,296.66
27	8/1/38	622.67	1,414.74	30,000.00	18,720.72	61,575.94
28	2/1/39	622.67	664.74		4,680.18	56,895.76
29	8/1/39	622.67	664.74	35,835.00	21,060.76	-0-
		<u>\$ 17,434.76</u>	<u>\$ 139,612.72</u>	<u>\$ 365,835.00</u>	<u>\$ 329,952.64</u>	

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF BONDS AND NOTES AUTHORIZED BUT NOT ISSUED

Improvement Description	Ord. No.	Balance Dec 31, 2024	NJEIT Loans Issued	Improvement Authorization Cancelled	NJIB Loans Refunded	Loan Receivable Cancelled	NJIB Loans Forgiveness	Balance Dec 31, 2025
Sanitary Sewer System Asset Management	19-04		\$ 46,836.00		\$ 85,000.00	\$ 10,760.00	\$ 27,404.00	
Development of a Sanitary Sewer Asset Management Plan & Sewer Pump Station Improvement	22-02; 23-06	\$ 56,801.00	658,312.00	\$ 56,801.00	743,199.00	63,437.00	21,450.00	
		\$ 56,801.00	\$ 705,148.00	\$ 56,801.00	\$ 828,199.00	\$ 74,197.00	\$ 48,854.00	\$ -0-

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG

PART II

SINGLE AUDIT

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

Name of Federal Agency or Department	Name of Program	Pass Through Entity ID	Assistance Listing Number	Grant Period		Grant Award	Amount Received	Amount of Expenditures	Total Cumulative Expenditures	Amounts Provided to Subrecipients
				From	To					
U.S. Department of Transportation (Passed through New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety)	Distracted Driving Grant	100-066-1160	20.616	01/01/25	12/31/26	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00			
		158-031030								
Total U.S. Department of Transportation	Impaired Driving Crackdown Grant	N/A	20.614	01/01/18	12/31/26	2,500.00	\$ 170.02	\$ 1,145.90		
U.S. Department of Homeland Security (Passed through New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety)	Disaster Grants - Public Assistance - FEMA: New Jersey COVID-19 Pandemic	100-066-1200-	97.036	01/20/20	05/11/23	475,511.56	3,409.88	3,409.88 *	475,511.56	
		C50-063710								
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security	Emergency Management Agency Assistance (EMAA)	100-066-1200-	97.042	01/01/25	12/31/26	10,000.00	10,000.00			
		726-062600								
Total Federal Awards						\$ 20,409.88	\$ 3,579.90	\$ 476,657.46	\$ -0-	

\* Prior year expenditures

N/A - Not Available

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE AWARDS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

Name of State Agency or Department	Name of Program	State Grant Account Number	Grant Period		Grant Award	Amount Received	Amount of Expenditures	Cumulative Expenditures
			From	To				
Department of Environmental Protection	Clean Communities	765-042-4900-	01/01/22	12/31/25	\$ 6,771.32		\$ 516.24	\$ 6,771.32
		004-VCMC	01/01/23	12/31/25	7,594.90		7,594.90	7,594.90
		004-VCMC	01/01/24	12/31/26	8,626.52		4,555.41	4,555.41
		004-178910	01/01/25	12/31/26	8,555.93	\$ 8,555.93		
					<u>8,555.93</u>		<u>12,666.55</u>	<u>18,921.63</u>
	Recycling Tonnage Grant	100-042-4910-	01/01/24	12/31/25	3,195.34		2,044.55	3,195.34
		224-238490	01/01/25	12/31/26	2,488.47	2,488.47		
					<u>2,488.47</u>		<u>2,044.55</u>	<u>3,195.34</u>
	Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program	N/A	1/1/22	12/31/26	9,552.39		871.72	1,078.26
	Stormwater Assistance Grant	100-042-4850-	01/01/23	12/31/26	25,000.00		149.37	2,566.20
		099-290400	01/01/25	12/31/26	50,000.00	50,000.00		
					<u>50,000.00</u>		<u>149.37</u>	<u>2,566.20</u>
	New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Financing Program:							
	Sewer Asset Management Plan and Sewer Pump Station Improvement	S340149-04	01/01/23	12/31/25	743,199.00	304,090.00	304,090.00	679,762.00
Total Department of Environmental Protection						<u>365,134.40</u>	<u>319,822.19</u>	<u>705,523.43</u>
Department of Community Affairs	Local Efficiency Achievement Program Grant	N/A	01/01/21	12/31/26	46,597.11	46,597.11		26,598.00
	Local Recreation Improvement Grant	495-022-8030-						
		668-041190	01/01/25	12/31/26	76,895.00	42,642.96	42,642.96	42,642.96
Total Department Community Affairs					<u>89,240.07</u>	<u>42,642.96</u>	<u>42,642.96</u>	<u>69,240.96</u>

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE AWARDS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025  
(Continued)

Name of State Agency or Department	Name of Program	State Grant Account Number	Grant Period		Grant Award	Amount Received	Amount of Expenditures	Cumulative Expenditures
			From	To				
Department of Law and Public Safety	Body Armor Grant	718-066-1020- 001-6120	01/01/20	12/31/25	\$ 1,052.44	\$	\$ 36.15	\$ 1,052.44
			01/01/23	12/31/25	1,139.88		1,139.88	1,139.88
			01/01/24	12/31/25	1,171.22		1,171.22	1,171.22
							<u>2,347.25</u>	<u>3,363.54</u>
	Municipal Alcohol Education Rehabilitation Fund	760-098-9735 001-060000	01/01/25	12/31/26	825.33	\$ 825.33		
Total Department of Law and Public Safety						<u>825.33</u>	<u>2,347.25</u>	<u>3,363.54</u>
Department of Transportation:	Municipal Aid:							
	State Street, Linwood Avenue & Michael Court Resurfacing	7480-078-6320 APF-606283	01/01/23	12/31/24	139,730.00	34,932.50		139,730.00
Total Department of Transportation						<u>34,932.50</u>		<u>139,730.00</u>
Total State Awards						<u>\$ 490,132.30</u>	<u>\$ 364,812.40</u>	<u>\$ 917,857.93</u>

N/A - Not Available

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
NOTES TO SCHEDULES OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

Note 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal and state awards (the “Schedules”) includes the federal and state grant activity of the Borough of Hamburg under programs of the federal and state governments for the year ended December 31, 2025. The information in these schedules is presented in accordance with the requirements of the Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (“Uniform Guidance”) and New Jersey's OMB Circular 25-12, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid*. Because the schedules present only a selected portion of the operations of the Borough, they are not intended to and do not present the financial position, changes in fund balance or cash flows of the Borough.

Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal and state awards are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Pass-through identifying numbers are presented where available. The Borough has not elected to use the 15 percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Note 3: Relationship to Federal and State Financial Reports

Amounts reported in the accompanying schedules agree with the amounts reported in the related federal and state reports.

Note 4: Loans Payable

The Borough of Hamburg has the following loans outstanding as of December 31, 2025:

Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund:

Waste Water Treatment Facility Improvements:

New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Loans	\$ 162,000.00
New Jersey Infrastructure Bank Fund Loans	329,952.64
New Jersey Infrastructure Bank Trust Loans	365,835.00

Water Storage Tanks Rehabilitation and Related Assets Management Plan:

New Jersey Infrastructure Bank Nano Loans	110,000.00
New Jersey Infrastructure Bank Fund Loans	104,432.59
	<u>\$ 1,072,220.23</u>

Currently, the Borough is in the process of repaying these loan balances. The projects which relate to these loans have been completed. All loan funds related to these projects have been drawn down and the projects closed.

Report on Internal Control Over  
Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements  
Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

Independent Auditors' Report

The Honorable Mayor and Members  
of the Borough Committee  
Borough of Hamburg  
Hamburg, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (“the Division”), and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements - *regulatory basis* - of the various funds of the Borough of Hamburg, in the County of Sussex (the "Borough") as of and for the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated May 15, 2026. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Division to demonstrate compliance with the Division's regulatory basis of accounting, and the budget laws of New Jersey, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Borough’s internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough’s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough’s internal control.

*A deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Borough’s financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of the internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We identified a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses as Finding 2025-001, that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

The Honorable Mayor and Members  
of the Borough Committee  
Borough of Hamburg  
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### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Borough's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

### **The Borough's Response to the Finding**

*Government Auditing Standards* requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Borough's response to the finding identified in our audit and described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses. The Borough's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Borough's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Mount Arlington, New Jersey  
May 15, 2026

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BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

Summary of Auditors' Results:

- The Independent Auditors' Report expresses an unmodified opinion on the Borough's financial statements, prepared in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey.
- A significant deficiency disclosed during the audit of the financial statements is reported in the *Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards*. No material weaknesses are reported.
- No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of the Borough which would be required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* were disclosed during the audit.
- The Borough was not subject to the single audit provisions of Uniform Guidance and New Jersey's OMB Circular 25-12 for the year ended December 31, 2025 as both federal and state grant expenditures were less than the single audit thresholds of \$1,000,000 identified in the Uniform Guidance and NJOMB 25-12.

Findings Relating to the Financial Statements which are required to be Reported in Accordance with Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards:

- The audit disclosed the following significant deficiency required to be reported under Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards:

Finding 2025-001: Segregation of Duties

Criteria:

Concentration of duties and responsibilities in a limited number of individuals is not desirable from a control point of view.

Condition:

The Borough does not maintain an adequate segregation of duties with respect to the recording and treasury functions. The various departments of the Borough are responsible for the issuance and collection of permits, licenses and court fines and costs; and recording of collections. Also, the Tax/Utilities Collector is responsible for cash collections and the posting process. The reconciliation of bank accounts, the preparation of the general ledger including recording cash receipts and disbursements for the various funds as well as the preparation of payroll are performed by one person with limited oversight review.

Cause:

This is due, in part, to the limited number of personnel of the Borough and the decentralized nature of governmental collection procedures.

Effect or Potential Effect:

Segregation of duties refers to separating those functions that place too much control over a transaction or class of transactions that would enable a person to perpetuate errors and prevent detection within a reasonable period of time.

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025  
(Continued)

Findings Relating to the Financial Statements which are required to be Reported in Accordance with Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards: (Cont'd)

Finding 2025-001: Segregation of Duties (Cont'd)

Recommendation:

It is recommended that adequate segregation of duties is maintained with respect to the recording and treasury functions.

Management's Response:

The finding was evaluated, and the Borough is currently investigating the cost/benefit relationship of various alternatives to resolve this finding.

Findings and Questioned Costs for Federal Awards:

- Not applicable since federal expenditures were below the single audit threshold.

Findings and Questioned Costs for State Awards:

- Not applicable since state expenditures were below the single audit threshold.

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

The Borough's prior year audit finding 2024-001 regarding segregation of duties has not been resolved due to budget constraints and is included as finding 2025-001 on the Schedule of Findings and Responses.

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG

PART III

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Contracts and Agreements Required to be Advertised for N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4

a. " When the cost or price of any contract awarded by the contracting agent in the aggregate does not exceed in a contract year the total sum of \$17,500, the contract may be awarded by a purchasing agent when so authorized by ordinance or resolution, as appropriate to the contracting unit, of the governing body of the contracting unit without public advertising for bids, except that the governing body of any contracting unit may adopt an ordinance or resolution to set a lower threshold for the receipt of public bids or the solicitation of competitive quotations. If the purchasing agent is qualified pursuant to Subsection b. of Section 9 of P.L. 1971, C.198 (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9), the governing body of the contracting unit may establish that the bid threshold may be up to \$25,000. Such authorization may be granted for each contract or by a general delegation of the power to negotiate and award such contracts pursuant to this section.

b. Any contract made pursuant to this section may be awarded for a period of 24 consecutive months, except that contracts for professional services pursuant to subparagraph (i) of paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 5 of P.L. 1971, C.198 (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5) may be awarded for a period not exceeding 12 consecutive months. The Division of Local Government Services shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations concerning the methods of accounting for all contracts that do not coincide with the contracting unit's fiscal year.

c. The Governor, in consultation with the Department of the Treasury, shall, no later than March 1 of every fifth year beginning in the fifth year after the year in which P.L.1999, C.440 takes effect, adjust the threshold amount and the higher threshold amount which the governing body is permitted to establish, as set forth in subsection a. of this section, or the threshold amount resulting from any adjustment under this subsection, in direct proportion to the rise or fall of the index rate as that term is defined in section 2 of P.L. 1971, C.198 (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2), and shall round the adjustment to the nearest \$1,000. The Governor shall, no later than June 1 of every fifth year, notify each governing body of the adjustment. The adjustment shall become effective on July 1 of the year in which it is made."

N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-4 states: "Every contract awarded by the contracting agent for the provision or performance of any goods or services, the cost of which in the aggregate exceeds the bid threshold, shall be awarded only by resolution of the governing body of the contracting unit to the lowest responsible bidder after public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except as is provided otherwise in this act or specifically by any other law. The governing body of a contracting unit may, by resolution approved by a majority of the governing body and subject to subsections b. and c. of this section, disqualify a bidder who would otherwise be determined to be the lowest responsible bidder, if the governing body finds that it has had prior negative experience with the bidder."

Effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2025, the bid thresholds in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 are \$17,500 for a contracting unit without a qualified purchasing agent and \$44,000 for a contracting unit with a qualified purchasing agent. Effective July 1, 2025 and thereafter, the bid thresholds in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 are \$17,500 for a contracting unit without a qualified purchasing agent and \$53,000 for a contracting unit with a qualified purchasing agent.

The governing body of the Borough of Hamburg has the responsibility of determining whether the expenditures in any category will exceed the bid threshold within the fiscal year. Where question arises as to whether any contract or agreement might result in violation of the statute, the Borough Counsel's opinion should be sought before a commitment is made.

The minutes indicated that bids were requested by public advertising per N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4. The minutes also indicated that resolutions were adopted and advertised authorizing the awarding of contracts or agreements for "Professional Services" and "Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services" per N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5.

Inasmuch as the system of records did not provide for an accumulation of payments for categories for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies, the results of such an accumulation could not reasonably be ascertained. Disbursements were reviewed, however, to determine whether any clear-cut violations existed. None were noted.

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Collection of Interest on Delinquent Taxes and Utility Charges

On January 1, 2025, the governing body adopted the following resolution authorizing interest to be charged on delinquent taxes and utility charges:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hamburg, Sussex County, New Jersey, that, in accordance with R.S. 54:4-67 as amended, the rate of interest to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes, utilities or assessments on or before the date when they would become delinquent be and the same is hereby fixed as follows:

1. No interest shall be charged if payment of tax, utilities or assessment installment, as the case may be, is made within ten (10) days after the date upon which the same became payable.
2. The rate of interest to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes, utilities or assessment installments on or before the date when they become delinquent shall be eight percent (8%) per annum on the first \$1,500 of the delinquency and eighteen percent (18%) on any delinquency over \$1,500, to be calculated from the date the tax was payable until the date of actual payment. The interest to be charged a delinquent taxpayer for nonpayment of real property taxes shall be an additional penalty of 6% if the amount of delinquency is in excess of \$10,000 at the end of the calendar year.

It appears from an examination of the Tax Collector's and Utility Collector's records that interest was generally collected in accordance with the foregoing resolution.

Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens

The last tax sale was held on July 30, 2025 and included all eligible properties.

The following comparison is made of the number of tax title liens receivable on December 31, of the last three years:

Year	Number of Liens
2025	23
2024	20
2023	20

It is essential to good management that all means provided by statute be utilized to liquidate tax title liens in order to get such properties back on a taxpaying basis.

Verification of Delinquent Taxes and Other Charges

A test verification of delinquent charges and current payments was made in accordance with the regulations of the Division of Local Government Services, consisting of verification notices as follows:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Number Mailed</u>
Payments of 2025 and 2026 Taxes	20
Payments of Water/Sewer Utility Charges	20
Delinquent Taxes	15
Delinquent Water/Sewer Utility Charges	15
Water/Sewer and Tax Title Liens	3

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Verification of Delinquent Taxes and Other Charges (Cont'd)

Verification notices were mailed to confirm balances and payments as of December 31, 2025. The items that were returned were checked and in agreement with the Borough's records. For receivable items not returned, alternative procedures were performed.

New Jersey Administrative Code Accounting Requirements

The Division of Local Government Services has established three (3) accounting requirements which are prescribed in the New Jersey Administrative Code. They are as follows:

1. Maintenance of an encumbrance accounting system.
2. Fixed assets accounting and reporting system.
3. General ledger accounting system.

The Borough is currently in compliance with the above accounting requirements.

Municipal Court

The transactions for the year 2025 were as follows:

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

	Balance Dec 31, 2024	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance Dec 31, 2025
Municipal Treasurer:				
Fines and Fees	\$ 3,832.55	\$ 48,377.58	\$ 49,284.96	\$ 2,925.17
POAA FTA		18.00	18.00	
Fish & Game		50.00	50.00	
County Treasurer	1,978.00	25,465.37	26,089.37	1,354.00
State of New Jersey	3,198.84	38,499.59	38,294.50	3,403.93
Miscellaneous	25.00		25.00	
Cash Bail	205.00	1,600.00	1,430.00	375.00
	<u>\$ 9,239.39</u>	<u>\$ 114,010.54</u>	<u>\$ 115,191.83</u>	<u>\$ 8,058.10</u>

Treasurer's Records

Our audit of the Treasurer's records revealed that:

1. Even though improvement has been made compared to the prior year, there are still a significant number of cash activities that were posted as general journals and not to the cash receipts or disbursements journals and certain cash disbursements were posted in the receipts journal as negative cash receipts and vice versa.
2. There were over-expenditures on one budget line item in the Current Fund and two budget line items in the Water/Sewer Utility Operating Fund. The overexpenditure in the Current Fund was minor in amount. The over-expenditures in the Water/Sewer Utility Operating Fund was due to the conversion of the short-term NJIB loans into permanent loan at the close out of the project.
3. Interfund balances between the various funds' balance sheets as well as outstanding wire in transits between the different bank accounts' bank reconciliations do not always agree.
4. There were instances where grant expenses were charged to unappropriated grant reserves and grant receivables. Also, grant receipts were posted to appropriated grant reserves. Grant expenses were reclassified to the proper appropriated grant reserves and grant receipts to the proper grant receivable or unappropriated grant reserve account.

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Treasurer's Records (Cont'd)

It is recommended that:

1. Cash activities are properly recorded in the receipts and disbursements journals.
2. Expenditures be monitored more closely to ensure that there are no budget over-expenditures.
3. Extra care be taken to ensure that interfund balances between the various funds' balance sheets as well as outstanding wires in transit between the different bank accounts' bank reconciliations are reconciled on a monthly basis.
4. Grant expenses and receipts are posted to the proper account.

Management's Response:

The Borough will make every effort to resolve these findings in 2026.

Management Suggestion

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements effective for Year Ending December 31, 2026

GASB Statement No. 104, Disclosure of Certain Capital Assets

Standard requires lease assets as well as subscription assets to be disclosed separately in the capital assets note disclosures. The standard also requires a disclosure for capital assets held for sale where it is probable that the sale will be finalized within one year of the financial statement date.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements effective for Year Ending December 31, 2027

GASB Statement No. 105, Subsequent Events

Standard will improve financial reporting related to subsequent events by clarifying the subsequent events time frame and the subsequent events that constitute recognized and nonrecognized events and specifying the information items that are required to be disclosed about subsequent events

Status of Prior Year Recommendations

The prior year recommendation regarding allowable budget transfers has been resolved. The prior year recommendations regarding segregation of duties, proper posting of cash activities, budget over-expenditures, and interfund balances have not been resolved and are included as current year recommendations.

BOROUGH OF HAMBURG  
SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

- 1) Adequate segregation of duties is maintained with respect to the recording and treasury functions.
- 2) Cash activities are properly recorded in the receipts and disbursements journals.
- 3) Expenditures be monitored more closely to ensure that there are no budget over-expenditures.
- 4) Extra care be taken to ensure that interfund balances between the various funds' balance sheets as well as outstanding wires in transit between the different bank accounts' bank reconciliations are reconciled on a monthly basis.
- 5) Grant expenses and receipts are posted to the proper account.

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