MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HAMBURG HELD ON AUGUST 4, 2025 AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 16 WALLKILL AVE., HAMBURG, NJ

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Krasnomowitz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Krasnomowitz requested a roll call:

Present: Councilmember Burd Councilmember Endres

Councilmember Haig Councilmember Law
Councilmember Sena Mayor Krasnomowitz

Absent: Councilmember Oehler Also Present: Attorney Clemack

Beth Martin, Acting Municipal Clerk

STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATION:

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to the public and the press January 12, 2025 by delivering to the New Jersey Herald and the Sunday Herald and posting at the Municipal Building a copy of the "Annual Notice of Meetings" pursuant the provisions of the "Open Public Meetings Act".

July 7, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Endres, seconded by Councilmember Law to approve the July 7, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes. A roll call vote was taken. Councilmember Burd, YES, Councilmember Endres, YES, Councilmember Haig, YES, Councilmember Law, YES, Councilmember Sena, Abstained.

July 7, 2025 Executive Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Haig, seconded by Councilmember Burd to approve the July 7, 2025 Executive Meeting Minutes. A roll call vote was taken. Councilmember Burd, YES, Councilmember Endres, YES, Councilmember Haig, YES, Councilmember Law, YES, Councilmember Sena, Abstained.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

As there were no additions or deletions to the bills list, a motion to open the bills list to the public was made by Councilmember Haig, seconded by Councilmember Endres. All were in favor. Upon hearing no comments or concerns, motion by Councilmember Haig, seconded by Councilmember Law to close the bills list to the public. All were in favor. Motion by Councilmember Haig, seconded by Councilmember Burd to approve the bills list as presented. A roll call vote was taken. Councilmember Burd, YES, Councilmember Endres, YES, Councilmember Haig, YES, Councilmember Law, YES, Councilmember Sena, YES.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 11-2025 - 2nd Reading

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BOROUGH ZONING ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT NUISANCE OUTDOOR LIGHTING

Attorney Clemack read the Ordinance by title for second reading and publication. Motion by Councilmember Haig, seconded by Councilmember Endres to open the meeting to the public for any questions or comments they may have with regards to the ordinance prior to adoption. All were in favor. This ordinance was introduced at the July 7, 2025 regular meeting and published as provided by law.

Motion by Councilmember Law, seconded by Councilmember Haig to close the meeting to the public. All in favor.

Motion by Councilmember Law, seconded by Councilmember Haig to adopt Ordinance 11-2025 on 2nd reading. A roll call vote was taken. Councilmember Burd, YES, Councilmember Endres, YES, Councilmember Haig, YES, Councilmember Law, YES, Councilmember Sena, YES.

RESOLUTIONS:

2025-76 Resolution Appointing Alternate Deputy Registrar Position – Jennifer Valerius Motion by Councilmember Burd, seconded by Councilmember Law to accept Resolution 2025-76 appointing Jennifer Valerius as Alternate Deputy Registrar. All in favor.

2025-77 Resolution Chapter 159 Requesting Approval of Revenue and Appropriation Amending The 2025 Budget as a Revenue and Appropriation of \$10,000.00

Motion by Councilmember Law, seconded by Councilmember Burd to accept Resolution 2025-77 Requesting Approval of Revenue and Appropriation Amending The 2025 Budget as a Revenue and Appropriation of \$10,000.00. All in favor.

ATTORNEY HOUR:

EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION:

Attorney Clemack offered the following resolution to enter into executive session later this evening. WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hamburg find it necessary to enter into executive session for the reasons hereafter cited:

1. Coppola Services Contract - Confidential Legal Advice

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:14012(b) of the Open Public Meetings Act provided for matters of this nature to be discussed in closed session; and

WHEREAS, the minutes of the closed session be taken and made available to the Public upon conclusion of the matter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council advises the public that formal action may be taken later this evening on the matters discussed in closed session or on other matter.

Motion by Councilmember Law, seconded by Councilmember Endres to accept resolution for Executive Session. All in favor.

MAYOR'S MINUTES:

CONSENT MINUTES:

ALL MATTERS LISTED BELOW ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE IN NATURE AND WERE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION, THERE WAS NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF ANY DISCUSSION WAS DESIRED, THAT PARTICULAR ITEM WAS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT MINUTES AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

Zoning Report:

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Construction Report:

June 2025

Treasurer Report:

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Tax Report:

June 2025

Police Report:

July 2025

EMS Report:

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Fire Report: July 2025
OEM July 2025
Court: June 2025
Board of Health: June 2025

Animal Control:

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Motion by Councilmember Law, seconded by Councilmember Burd to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. All were in favor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COUNCILMEMBER BURD

Councilmember Burd noted that previous update was shared by Councilmember Law and there is nothing further to report.

COUNCILMEMBER OEHLER

Report given by Mayor Krasnomowitz in lieu of Councilmember Oehler's absence.

Hamburg Day now has 21 plus vendors and several food vendors, Councilmember Oehler asked if anyone might be available to assist on Hamburg Day. Rec would like to use the large Borough tent for those eating.

COUNCILMEMBER ENDRES

Nothing to report.

COUNCILMEMBER LAW

Councilmember Law read police report into record.

Councilmember Law read Fire Department report into record. He noted that that they have done several drills and have scheduled an upcoming decontamination drill with a mutual aid town. OEM received a \$10,000 grant from the State. Thanked OEM Coordinator Keith Sukennikoff for his efforts.

Councilmember Law noted he will be presenting councilmembers with a draft of a possible ordinance regarding the possibility of charging for reimbursement of extraordinary expenses from an event. Councilmember Sena asked what did he mean by extraordinary. Councilmember Law stated it was anything beyond reasonable expenses.

COUNCILMEMBER HAIG

Councilmember Haig requested Councilmember Sena step down for the following Resolution. Councilmember Sena recused himself, and removed himself from the dais for the following resolution.

Councilmember Haig read the resignation request of BPW Secretary, Wendy Brick. Motion by Councilmember Law, seconded by Councilmember Endres to accept the resignation. All in favor.

2025-78 Resolution Appointing BPW Secretary - Danielle Sena

Motion by Councilmember Haig, seconded by Councilmember Law to accept Resolution 2025-78 appointing Danielle Sena as BPW Secretary. A roll call vote was taken. Councilmember Burd, YES, Councilmember Endres, YES, Councilmember Haig, YES, Councilmember Law, YES.

Councilmember Sena returned to the dais.

Councilmember Haig briefly discussed the preliminary meeting that was held with the NJ Dept. of

Transportation. They discussed signage, sidewalks and safety for school children. Mayor Krasnomowitz also noted they had discussed "hotspots", areas of concern and the lack of sidewalks. They reported 297 accidents occurring within 3 yrs along Route 23 from Masters Street, Franklin to Scenic Lakes. This is the beginning of a longer process to determine ways to make the area safer.

Councilmember Haig stated a letter will be going out to the residents of the Borough regarding a Hometown Heroes program to see what the response will be. Pricing and details are still be researched. He has spoken with the DPW and believes we will be able to start at the town center and working outwards on RTs. 23 & 94.

Councilmember Haig stated he had done research on white metal flag poles. He stated commercial poles are very expensive. He will continue to research more affordable options for the Borough.

Councilmember Haig is also researching costs for a 3-rail picket fence to separate the Accurate property from the Borough park and courts.

COUNCILMEMBER SENA

Councilmember Sena noted we have received the certified tax rate and tax bills have been sent. Due date was extended to August 29, 2025.

Resolution T-2025-003 – 003 Block 31 Lot 8 C1401 (refund due to duplicate payment) Motion by Councilmember Sena, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to accept Resolution T-2025-003. All in Favor.

Councilmember Sena shared an email he had received from Lisa Lombardo from the Drug Alliance. She mentioned the Opioid settlement funds they had received and programs that they were presenting for children.

Councilmember Sena had a question regarding a Food Truck that has been parking in the Riveredge Park parking lot. He wanted to verify they had followed the proper protocols. Councilmember Sena requested the floor be opened to Acting Municipal Clerk, Beth Martin.

Motion by Councilmember Law, seconded by Councilmember Burd to open the floor to the Acting Municipal Clerk. All in favor.

Acting Municipal Clerk, Beth Martin stated that the owners had completed all the permits required by the Borough. She stated she could find nothing in our ordinances. She had also spoken with the Chief of Police and he could not find anything to prevent them from doing business. Mayor Krasnomowitz voiced concern regarding acceptable secondary use of Borough property and the possibility of a Zoning violation. They may need to apply for a variance.

Councilmember Endres applauded the efforts of Borough personnel in the preparation of the Borough of Hamburg display board.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Mayor Krasnomowitz requested a motion to open the meeting to the public for any questions or comments they might have with regard to the good and welfare with the Borough. Motion by Councilmember Law, seconded by councilmember Endres to open to the public. All in favor.

Resident stated the he had attended the Ice Cream Social. Recreation area looks very nice. He was concerned about the hot weather and the temperature of the equipment, especially the slide. He had returned to the park on a hot day and checked the temperature of the slide. It was 166 degrees. Suggested the possibility the Borough purchase a shade to prevent the slide from causing possible injury in hot weather. Mayor Krasnomowitz stated the Borough was already looking into it as they have received a recreation improvement grant. Councilmember Sena noted that there is an issue due to restrictions regarding what can be placed near the powerlines. He stated they were looking at a variety of shade options.

Resident of private development had a question regarding road repair. Mayor Krasnomowitz noted the Borough is not responsible for private roads.

Councilmember Sena had a question regarding the Bluffs. CFO Joseph Brezina stated the developer of the Bluffs had spoken to him because the work was almost complete. There is a performance bond involved. Attorney Clemack stated they would need to submit official notification in writing and the bond would need to be reviewed by the Borough Engineer to verify completion. Councilmember Sena stated they would need to apply for Title 39.

Hearing no further comments from the public, motion by Councilmember Law, seconded by Councilmember Haig to close to the public. All in favor.

Meeting moved into Executive Session per prior resolution.

Motion by Councilmember Law, seconded by Councilmember Endres to end executive session and return to public session. All in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE (Parenthesis indicate correspondence already copied and the date it was copied to Council)

- 1. SC Water Quality Mgmt. PAC Committee Meeting Minutes April 3, 2025 (7/15/2025)
- 2. SC Board of County Commissioners Resolution for General Election Ballot Question (7/15/2025)
- 3. Township of Hardyston Zoning Ordinance 2025-06 (7/28/2025)
- 4. Township of Hardyston Zoning Ordinance 2025-05 (7/28/2025)
- 5. New Jersey Senior Olympics Notice (7/28/2025 complete booklet available in Clerk's office)

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilmember Law, seconded by Councilmember Endres to adjourn the meeting. All in favor.

Date Approved_

Date Released

Beth Martin

Acting Municipal Clerk

Submitted by Jean Stephens, Deputy Clerk