

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE
BOROUGH OF HAMBURG BEING HELD ON JULY 6, 2026 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 Oehler
	Councilmember Saliba	Councilmember Sena
	Mayor Krasnomowitz	

Also Present: Attorney Richard Clemack
Beth Martin, Acting Municipal Clerk
Jean Stephens, Deputy Clerk

STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATION:

Clerk advised:

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to the public and the press January 9, 2026 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".

June 1, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Haig, seconded by Councilmember Endres to approve the June 1, 2026 Meeting Minutes. A roll call vote was taken. Burd, YES, Endres, YES, Haig, YES, Oehler, YES, Saliba, YES, 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 Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Endres. All were in favor.

Upon hearing no comments or concerns, motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Endres to close the bills list to the public. All in favor.

Motion by Councilmember Saliba, seconded by Councilmember Burd to approve the bills list as presented. A roll call vote was taken. Burd, YES, Endres, YES, Haig, YES, Oehler, YES, Saliba, YES, Sena, YES.

ORDINANCES:

Attorney Clemack offered a resolution to read the following ordinances by title only whether for introduction or adoption. Motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Haig to read all of the following ordinance by title only. All were in favor.

ORDINANCE 08-2026 2nd Reading

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICIALS, OFFICERS AND

EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF HAMBURG, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Attorney Clemack read the Ordinance by title for second reading and publication. Motion by Councilmember Oehler, 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. Motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Endres to close the meeting to the public. All in favor. This ordinance was introduced at the June 1, 2026 regular meeting and published as provided by law. Motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Endres to adopt Ordinance 08-2026 Fixing the Salaries of Certain Officials, Officers and Employees of the Borough of Hamburg, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey. A roll call vote was taken. Burd, YES, Endres, YES, Haig, YES, Oehler, YES, Saliba, YES, Sena, YES.

Ordinance 09-2026 – 2nd Reading

CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR PAVING AND IMPROVEMENTS TO GENERAL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS AND VARIOUS OTHER ROADS AS NEEDED IN THE BOROUGH BY THE BOROUGH OF HAMBURG, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$68,764 THEREFORE FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE BOROUGH AND \$181,236 FROM THE DOT GRANT FOR A TOTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$250,000 TO PAY FOR THE COST THEREOF.

Attorney Clemack read the Ordinance by title for second reading and publication. Motion by Councilmember Endres, seconded by Councilmember Oehler 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. Motion by Councilmember Haig, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to close the meeting to the public. All in favor. This ordinance was introduced at the June 1, 2026 regular meeting and published as provided by law. Motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Endres to adopt Ordinance 09-2026 Capital Ordinance Providing for Paving and Improvements to General Road Improvements and Various Other Roads as Needed in The Borough by the Borough of Hamburg, County of Sussex, New Jersey, Appropriating \$68,764 Therefore from the Capital Improvement Fund of the Borough and \$181,236 from the DoT Grant for a Total Appropriation of \$250,000 to Pay for the Cost Thereof.

A roll call vote was taken. Burd, YES, Endres, YES, Haig, YES, Oehler, YES, Saliba, YES, Sena, YES.

Ordinance 10-2026 2nd Reading

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HAMBURG, COUNTY OF SUSSEX AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING CHAPTER 164 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HAMBURG – SEWERS

Attorney Clemack read the Ordinance by title for second reading and publication.

Resolution 2026-70 Resolution for the Borough of Hamburg to Modify Ordinance 10-2026 in Respect to the Edu Rate.

Mayor Krasnomowitz noted this was to correct the number of EDUs for laundry rooms and laundromats to 2.5 per machine.

Motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Endres to accept Resolution 2026-70 to Modify Ordinance 10-2026 in Respect to the Edu Rate. All in favor.

Motion by Councilmember Oehler, 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. Motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Endres to close the meeting to the public. All in favor. This ordinance was introduced at the June

1, 2026 regular meeting and published as provided by law. Motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Endres to adopt Ordinance 10-2026 as amended - Supplementing and Amending Chapter 164 of the Code of the Borough of Hamburg – SEWERS. A roll call vote was taken. Burd, YES, Endres, YES, Haig, YES, Oehler, YES, Saliba, YES, Sena, YES.

Ordinance 11-2026 – 2nd Reading

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HAMBURG, COUNTY OF SUSSEX AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING CHAPTERS 164 AND 209 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HAMBURG REGARDING WATER AND SEWER CHARGES

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. Motion by Councilmember Haig, seconded by Councilmember Saliba to close the meeting to the public. All in favor. This ordinance was introduced at the June 1, 2026 regular meeting and published as provided by law. Motion by Councilmember Haig, seconded by Councilmember Endres to adopt Ordinance 11-2026 Supplementing and Amending Chapters 164 and 209 of the Code of the Borough of Hamburg Regarding Water and Sewer Charges.

Councilmember Sena voiced concerns that previously existing businesses should have to pay the new rates. Mayor Krasnomowitz stated the businesses could have opted to connect to the system in the past but they elected not to connect. Councilmember Sena noted that either way there would be an expense for the business owners that in the past was restrictive. Councilmember Haig asked if it should be the taxpayer's expense. Councilmember Burd asked for clarification. Mayor Krasnomowitz stated the charges for water and sewer connections have risen and the Borough has had to raise its rates.

A roll call vote was taken. Burd, YES, Endres, YES, Haig, YES, Oehler, YES, Saliba, YES, Sena, NO.

RESOLUTIONS:

2026-69 Rescinding Resolutions 2024-49 & 2024-66

Motion by Councilmember Haig, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to accept Resolution 2026-69 Rescinding Resolutions 2024-49 & 2024-66. All in favor.

2026-71 Resolution of the Borough of Hamburg Authorizing Lew Environmental to Issue Violation Notices to Properties Non-Compliant with Testing Requirements Per

P.L.2021.C182

Motion by Councilmember Haig, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to accept Resolution 2026-71 Authorizing Lew Environmental to Issue Violation Notices to Properties Non-Compliant with Testing Requirements Per P.L.2021.C182. All in favor.

2026-72 Resolution for the Borough of Hamburg Appointing Anthony Cucinotta as Dental & Vision Insurance Broker of Record for the Borough of Hamburg for the Year 2026, Pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40a:11-1, Et Seq.)

Motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Haig to accept Resolution 2026-72 Appointing Anthony Cucinotta as Dental & Vision Insurance Broker of Record for the Borough of Hamburg for the Year 2026, Pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40a:11-1, Et Seq.) All in favor.

2026-73 Chapter 159 Resolution Requesting Approval of Revenue and Appropriation Amending the 2026 Budget as a Revenue and Appropriation of \$3,303.78

Motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Saliba to accept Resolution 2026-73 Chapter 159 Resolution Requesting Approval of Revenue and Appropriation Amending the 2026 Budget as a Revenue and Appropriation of \$3,303.78. Mayor Krasnomowitz noted this is the Recycling Tonnage Grant. All in favor.

2026-74 Authorizing the Insertion into the FY2026 Municipal Budget Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40a:4-87 (Chapter 159, P.L. 1948) of a Special Item of Revenue in the Form of a Federal Grant – Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP)

Motion by Councilmember Haig, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to accept Resolution 2026-74 Authorizing the Insertion into the FY2026 Municipal Budget Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40a:4-87 (Chapter 159, P.L. 1948) of a Special Item of Revenue in the Form of a Federal Grant – Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) in the amount of \$4,043.56. All in favor.

2026-75 Resolution to Approve a Salary Increase for Department of Public Works Employees – Revised Rates

Councilmember Haig noted this resolution is in keeping with increases agreed upon with union. Motion by Councilmember Haig, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to accept Resolution 2026-75 Approving a Salary Increase for Department of Public Works Employees – Revised Rates. All in favor.

ATTORNEY HOUR:

Attorney Clemack reminded the council the current lease was expiring. He noted the Borough did not have a representative who with the expertise needed to address this issue. Copies of all bids were provided to all councilmembers. Attorney Clemack noted Council must consider hourly fees versus flat rate. Mayor Krasnomowitz noted that a flat rate would be easier to budget. Discussion ensued.

Resolution 2026-62 – Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Competitively Bid Contract for Cellular Communication Consultant of the Cellular Communication Site Located at 75 Summit Road, Hamburg, New Jersey.

Motion by Councilmember Oehler, seconded by Councilmember Saliba to accept Resolution 2026-62 –Authorizing the Award of a Competitively Bid Contract for Cellular Communication Consultant of the Cellular Communication Site Located at 75 Summit Road to Steel in the Air, Inc. A roll call vote was taken. Burd, YES, Endres, YES, Haig, YES, Oehler, YES, Saliba, YES, Sena, YES.

Mayor Krasnomowitz stated that the water tower's primary function will always be providing water. He noted whoever takes over the cellular will have to understand that whatever is needed for that purpose takes precedence.

MAYOR'S AGENDA:

Mayor Krasnomowitz stated the conditions in the Borough storage are not acceptable for paper records. He would like to digitize Borough records slowly over time. He asked for a committee to research options and costs. Mayor Krasnomowitz asked Deputy Clerk, Jean Stephens, to be on the committee and called for volunteers. Councilmember Oehler and Councilmember Saliba both volunteered for the committee. Councilmember Haig noted that the DPW has discovered part of the issue and will be working to rectify the situation.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

Zoning Report:	May & June 2026
Construction Report:	May 2026
Treasurer Report:	May & June 2026
Tax Report:	April & May 2026
Water/Sewer Report	May 2026
Police Report:	May & June 2026
EMS Report:	--
Fire Report:	June 2026
OEM	June 2026
Court:	May 2026
Board of Health:	May 2026
Animal Control:	--
Recycling Report	--

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COUNCILMEMBER BURD

Councilmember Burd opened the floor to Deputy Clerk, Jean Stephens, as she researched companies and requested quotes. Mrs. Stephens reminded the Council, Edmunds/MSI will no longer be providing IT support as of December 31, 2026. Copies of the quotes and a summary of the quotes were sent to all council members. Quotes were reviewed and discussed.

Resolution 2026-76 IT Support and Managed Services for the Borough of Hamburg

Motion by Councilmember Burd, seconded by Councilmember Saliba to accept Resolution 2026-76 IT Support and Managed Services for the Borough of Hamburg hiring ARAE Network Solutions LLC. aka ARAE LLC. All in favor.

COUNCILMEMBER OEHLER

Councilmember Oehler stated that at this time there are over 35 Vendors for Hamburg Day, August 23, 2026. The Recreation Commission had been looking for a mister to help people cool down. The Fire Department has found an alternative. They will need volunteers to assist on the day of the event.

Councilmember Oehler noted that the next event will be the Foot Golf event in September.

COUNCILMEMBER ENDRES

Councilmember Endres stated he has seen activity at the site for The Woods development. Mayor Krasnomowitz noted they are not moving forward yet but are doing some "housekeeping" on the site.

Councilmember Endres noted the Land Use Board meeting for the month of July has been cancelled.

COUNCILMEMBER SALIBA

Councilmember Saliba announced that the Borough's new police hire started at the beginning of the month. He stated the school has hired a resource officer to start in September. He is also working on getting the police department overtime report and will send it to everyone once it is available.

Councilmember Saliba noted when he attended the County 250th he discovered an anti-choking device called Maverick's Legacy and would like the Borough to put them in all the vehicles. The Chief agreed it would be a good addition. There is no cost. Councilmember Haig asked if they could also be put in the fire trucks as well. Councilmember Saliba said he believed that could be done. He spoke to the schools and they already have the devices. Motion by Councilmember Saliba, seconded by Councilmember Oehler approving the anti-choking devices for Police and Fire vehicles. All in favor.

Councilmember Saliba mentioned the 2025 Fire Department Golf Outing. The Department and Hamburg Plumbing Supply each donated \$4,000 towards the cost of needed equipment. The new battery-operated Milwaukee tools will go in the trucks and are laser etched.

Councilmember Saliba noted Borough Police Officers will now be carrying tasers. NJ law has changed and officers in the field can now use tasers to subdue without lethal force.

COUNCILMEMBER HAIG

Councilmember Haig stated the July 3rd 250th Anniversary event was very successful even though it was ended abruptly by the storm. Councilmember Oehler praised the band and thought their placement was an improvement from previous events. Councilmember Haig noted there was some damage to the large Borough tent and smaller canopies which will need to be replaced. He also had some ideas to better improve organization of future events, especially Hamburg Day. Councilmembers discussed possibilities. Councilmember Haig suggested running electric down to the lower section of the park and striping areas. Councilmember Haig will get pricing on building a stage for event us in the park.

Councilmember Haig stated the flags are now up by the town clock. There is some landscaping needed and he has a volunteer to fix the wall.

Councilmember Haig met with the owner of 7 Orchard Street. They would need two more feet from the Borough property to put in a separate driveway for their property. Mayor Krasnomowitz asked if this would require an easement. Attorney Clemack responded a license would be better than an easement as it is shorter term and could be revoked if necessary. Attorney Clemack continued to discuss the differences between an easement versus a license and stated an easement is more permanent in nature. He stated that anything done would encumber public property and must be carefully considered. Discussion ensued. Mayor Krasnomowitz requested Attorney Clemack prepare a draft resolution and asked Councilmember Haig to request information from the owner of 7 Orchard. Attorney Clemack noted it would need a legal description of the property to be licensed. Councilmember Haig was also asked to speak to the surveyor.

Councilmember Haig wanted to address the oil consumption of the Borough Police vehicles. He stated the vehicles are left running because the onboard cameras take time to reset if they are turned off. When the two newer vehicles were checked the dipsticks were dry. Councilmember Saliba

noted that an hour of idling is equal to 30 miles traveling time. He was told if the vehicle is shut off and they have to respond quickly the cameras are not ready and should something happen they have no record. Councilmember Saliba stated it is causing too much wear on the vehicles. DPW is using recommended synthetic oil but it breaks down too quickly. Councilmember Burd asked if there was a way to provide power to cameras while cars are off. Mayor Krasnomowitz stated we have discussed battery back up in the past. Councilmember Haig stated they are looking into options and will report back to Council.

COUNCILMEMBER SENA

No Report at this time.

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 Endres, seconded by Councilmember Oehler to open to the public. All in favor.

Resident, Trevor Wassel, stated in his opinion Ordinance 05-2026 is vaguely worded and over reaching. He stated that timely removal is not clearly defined. He read sections of the ordinance for the council's benefit. He stated his opinion the ordinance is greedy and corrupt and needs to be repealed.

Mr. Wassel then stated if the Borough was going to be digitizing records, as mentioned earlier, they would need to be careful. He also stated reasons why he agreed with the Borough's decision to keep Linux versus Windows.

Resident, Sheila Frayko, stated she really enjoyed the Borough's July 3rd event. She was asked about the school providing a dog park and stated signs would be going up.

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

Councilmember Haig noted there have been a lot of functions at the main park. The town is not being made aware of some of these functions or the size of these functions. Groups using the park sometimes leave a mess that the DPW then has to clean up. Councilmember Haig feels we need to find a way to keep track of park users. Councilmember Haig had Deputy Clerk, Jean Stephens check other towns for information on park use. She was asked about park use fees and stated they vary from town to town. Mayor Krasnomowitz stated we should not charge for park use. Council agreed and discussed the need for a way to keep track of users. Mayor Krasnomowitz suggested a checklist and application form. Council agreed. Mayor Krasnomowitz stated if it goes over a 25-30 person limit it should be a different level. Council agreed.

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

1. Vernon Twp. - Ordinance #26-08 (6/3/2026)
2. Vernon Twp. - Ordinance #26-09 (6/3/2026)
3. Zoning/Property Maintenance Officer - Memo 6/2/2026 (6/3/2026)
4. NJ School of Conservation - Resolution Request (6/7/2026)
5. NJ Property Taxpayers Coalition - Proposed Resolution (6/9/2026)
6. Highlands Council - Update May 2026 (6/11/2026)

7. Franklin - Resolution #2026-64 (6/12/2026)
8. NJLM - Annual Conference Registration Reminder (6/19/2026)
9. Irrigation Association of NJ - New legislation (6/22/2026)
10. Shared Service for Code Enforcement Officer (6/26/2026)
11. Fredon Twp. Resolution 2026-75 (6/26/2026)
12. New Jersey Courts 2026 - Annual Visitation (6/26/26)
13. Vernon Twp. - Ordinance #26-11 (6/29/2026)
14. LOGS Legal Group - Foreclosure 29 Circle Dr. (6/30/2026)
15. Hampton Twp. - Ordinance 2026-13 Data Centers (6/30/2026)
16. NJLM 2026 Conference Registration (7/1/2026)

ADJOURNMENT

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

Date Approved 8/3/2026

Date Released 8/4/2026

Beth Martin
Beth Martin
Acting Municipal Clerk