

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
MEETING LOCATION: JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
1033 WELDON ROAD
LAKE HOPATCONG, NJ 07849
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APRIL 8, 2026
REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 PM
AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER – Presiding Officer

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of **April 8, 2026** was included in a list of meetings notice sent to the official newspapers of the Township, the Daily Record and the Star Ledger, on **January 9, 2026** and was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on **January 9, 2026** and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the Statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Adequate notice of this public meeting has been made in accordance with P.L. 2025, c.72, N.J.S.A. 35:3-2, and the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A 10:4-6, et seq., inasmuch as a notice has been published on the Township's official Internet website, www.jeffersontownship.net, which is accessible and available to the public free of charge.

2. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Mr. Birmingham		
Mr. Schultz		
Mrs. Senatore		
Vice President Garruto		
President Kalish		
Mr. Bolcato, Township Attorney		
Ms. Reilly, Township Clerk		

Let the record reflect the following members of the Administration are present: Mayor Eric Wilsusen, Administrator Debi Millikin, Chief Financial Officer Bill Eagen.

3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG – Presiding Officer

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS – Presiding Officer

- **Appreciation – Library Board of Trustees (Michael Stewart, Margaret “Peggy” Holbrook)**
- **Autism Awareness Month**

5. PUBLIC COMMENT – Presiding Officer

Please state and spell your name for the record. Each speaker is limited to one (1) comment of no more than five (5) minutes and no yielding of time to another person.

6. ORDINANCES –PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE FOR ADOPTION – Township Clerk

ORDINANCE #26-03 - “ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF EDGEWOOD ROAD AND UNNAMED ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAYS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON”

WHEREAS, in connection with that certain Lot Consolidation, Use Variances, Bulk Variances and Minor Site Plan approval granted by the Township of Jefferson Land Use Board, Application Number 24-26, on October 28, 2024, and memorialized in that certain Resolution dated January 27, 2025 (hereinafter referred to as the “Approvals”), the Applicant, Lake Hopatcong Ventures, LLC, requested that the Township of Jefferson vacate Right of Ways, consisting of a portion of Edgewood Road and an unnamed road, in relation to Applicant’s Properties situated in Block 198, Lots 10, 14 and 15, which Lots upon approval of this Ordinance will be consolidated into Lot 14; and

WHEREAS, as a condition to the aforementioned Approvals, the Applicant requires the Township of Jefferson to vacate said Right of Ways (as more particularly described on the attached **Exhibit A** further described below), with a portion of the existing Edgewood Road Right of Way being approved as a private roadway (as more particularly described on the attached **Exhibit B** further described below) to provide continued access to Lot 14, together with continuing access to Block 198, Lot 16 (being commonly known as 16 Edgewood Road) and to Block 203, Lot 2 (being commonly known as 2 Edgewood Road), and the responsibilities for construction, improvements, maintenance, repairs and/or replacement of the Edgewood private roadway to be the obligation of the owner of Lot 14; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson has determined that a portion of the Edgewood Road Right-of-Way and an Unnamed Road that traverses Block 198, Lots 10, 14 and 15 (now being consolidated into Lot 14), and also traverses Block 202, Lot 1.01 (being commonly known as 3 Edgewood Road), and Block 198, Lot 22 (being commonly known as 45 Homestead Road), as more specifically described on the attached **Exhibit A** (the “ROW Portions”), is not needed for any public purpose(s) of the Township, and that the public interest would be best served by vacating and extinguishing all public right, title, and interest in and to that ROW Portions, so that the underlying lands may be combined with, and become and form part of, the adjacent properties; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Approvals, the Township of Jefferson has also determined that a portion of Edgewood Road Right-of-Way, more specifically described on the attached **Exhibit B** (the “Edgewood Road Private Driveway Portion”), is best suited to be constructed, improved, maintained, repaired and/or replaced by the Applicant, Lake Hopatcong Ventures, LLC, and that said Applicant, Lake Hopatcong Ventures, LLC (or the then owner of Lot 14) shall be responsible for all costs to construct, improve, maintain, repair and/or replace the Edgewood Road Private Driveway Portion; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Township that once the ROW Portions have been vacated, then ownership of the underlying lands shall revert to the adjoining property owners by operation of law; and

WHEREAS, a vacation of a public street, or part thereof, which has not been opened by the municipality, may be authorized by the municipal governing body by Ordinance, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-19, et seq., when there is no longer any need for the use of said area by the public; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council believes that the vacation of all public right, title, and interest in and to in the ROW Portions, is in the best interests of the Township, and furthermore, that the responsibility to construct, improve, maintain, repair and/or replace the Edgewood Road Private Driveway Portion being the sole obligation of the Applicant pursuant to the Approvals is in the best interest of the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION I

1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-19, et seq., the Township of Jefferson hereby vacates, extinguishes, releases and abandons all public right, title and interest in and to that ROW Portions, as more particularly shown on **Exhibit A** attached hereto.
2. It is the intention of the Township that once the ROW Portions have been vacated, then ownership of the underlying lands shall revert over to the owner of the adjacent properties by operation of law, with a portion of the existing Edgewood Road Right of Way being approved as a private roadway to access Lot 14 and to access Block 198, Lot 16 (being commonly known as 16 Edgewood Road) and to Block 203, Lot 2 (being commonly known as 2 Edgewood Road), as more specifically described on the attached **Exhibit B**, and the responsibilities for construction, improvements, maintenance, repairs and/or replacement of the Edgewood private roadway to be the obligation of the owner of Lot 14.
3. The provisions of this Ordinance shall not be deemed to vacate any rights and privileges which may be possessed by any public utility company (as defined in N.J.S.A. 48:2-13), or by any cable television company (as defined in N.J.S.A. 48:5A-1, et seq.) to maintain, repair, and replace any existing facilities in, adjacent to, over or under the said vacated areas.
4. Following the introduction of this Ordinance, the Township Clerk shall provide notice of its pending status as mandated by N.J.S.A. 40:49-6, and at least one week prior to the time fixed for further consideration and final passage of the Ordinance, the Township Clerk shall mail a copy of the Ordinance, together with a notice of the introduction thereof, and information as to the time and place of when and where the Ordinance will be further considered for final passage, to every person whose lands may be affected by this Ordinance (i.e. Block 198, Lots 10, 14 and 15, which Lots will be consolidated into Lot 14; Block 203, Lot 2 (being commonly known as 2 Edgewood Terrace); Block 202, Lot 1.01 (being commonly known as 3 Edgewood Terrace); Block 198, Lot 16 (being commonly known as 16 Edgewood Terrace); and Block 198, Lot 22 (being commonly known as 45 Homestead Road)), by certified mail, return receipt requested and regular mail, to their last known post office address(es).
5. Following the adoption of the Ordinance, the Township Clerk shall, within sixty (60) days of the effective date thereof, file a copy of this Ordinance, along with the attached Exhibits, certified by the Clerk, under seal of the Township, to be a true and exact copy of the Ordinance, together with a copy of the proof of publication thereof, in the Office of the Morris County Clerk for recording in the County's Book of "Vacations," pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:676-21.
6. Once the ROW Portions have been vacated, then the Township's interests in and to the said ROW Portions shall be released.
7. The Township Attorney and Township Engineer are hereby authorized and directed to undertake all actions and to prepare all documents that are necessary in order to effectuate the intentions of the within Ordinance.
8. The Mayor and/or Business Administrator is authorized to execute, and the Township Clerk is authorized to attest any and all documents, and to perform all actions, which may be necessary in order to effectuate the intentions of the within Ordinance.
9. The Township may request that the owner of any properties in interest to the ROW Portions enter into a consent and release or similar instrument, subject to the review and approval of the Township Attorney, prior to and as a condition of final adoption of the within Ordinance.
10. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.
11. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Ordinance is found to be invalid for any reason by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be limited in its effect only to the portion of the Ordinance actually adjudged invalid and shall not be deemed to affect the operation of any other portion thereof, which shall remain in full force and effect.
12. All other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION II

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION III

If any article, section, subsection, paragraphs, phrase or sentence is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, said article, section, subsection, paragraph, phrase or sentence shall be deemed severable.

SECTION IV

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final publication as provided by law.

If adopted this Ordinance shall take effect after publication and passage as provided by law.

PUBLIC HEARING- Please state and spell your name for the record. Each speaker is limited to one (1) comment of no more than five (5) minutes and no yielding of time to another person.

INTRODUCED:

MARCH 11, 2026

ADOPTED:

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham			X									
Mr. Schultz			X									
Mrs. Senatore	X		X									
Vice President Garruto		X	X									
President Kalish			X									

ORDINANCE #26-06 - "ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, REVISING SECTION 490-35.N(2)(g), (i) AND (k) OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE, CONCERNING CANNABIS RETAILER BUSINESSES AND CANNABIS DELIVERY SERVICES"

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson Council has reviewed the permitted locations for cannabis retail businesses and cannabis delivery services, permitted as a conditional use within the Township; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that Township Code Section 490-35.N(2)(g), (i) and (k), regarding the hours, outdoor gatherings, and consumption areas for cannabis retail businesses and cannabis delivery services, should be revised.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township of Jefferson Council, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the following amendments and revisions are made to the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Jefferson, Sections 490-35.N, subsections (g)(i)(j) and (k) as follows:

SECTION ONE. Section 490-35.N. Cannabis Businesses, Subsection (2)(g), "Hours of operation", deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

- (g) Hours of operation. Hours of operation shall be limited to 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday through Sunday.

SECTION TWO. Section 490-35.N. Cannabis Businesses, Subsection (2)(i), "Exterior loitering and security", shall be amended by the addition of the following:

- (i) "All cannabis retail and delivery businesses shall comply with all provisions of the Jefferson Township Code, including Chapter 342 of the Code, "Outdoor Gatherings", and shall apply for and obtain the outdoor gathering license, as required."

SECTION THREE. Section 490-35.N. Cannabis Businesses, Subsection (2)(k), "Production consumption", shall be amended by the addition of the following:

- (k) Cannabis consumption areas are prohibited in the Township of Jefferson.

SECTION FOUR. Any article, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of the Revised General Ordinance of the Township of Jefferson inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION FIVE. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision so adjudged, and the remainder of this ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION SIX. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication and filing with the Morris County Planning Board, and as otherwise provided for by law.

SECTION SEVEN. The Municipal Clerk is directed to give notice at least ten days prior to the hearing on the adoption of this Ordinance to the County Planning Board and to all others entitled pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:55D-15 and N.J.S.A. 40:55D-62.1.

After introduction, the Clerk is hereby directed to submit a copy of the within Ordinance to the Jefferson Township Land Use Board for its review in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26 and N.J.S.A. 40:55D-64.

Upon the adoption of this Ordinance, after public hearing, the Municipal Clerk is further directed to publish notice of the passage and to file a copy of this Ordinance, as finally adopted, with the Morris County Planning Board, as required by N.J.S.A. 40:55D-16.

If adopted this Ordinance shall take effect after publication and passage as provided by law.

PUBLIC HEARING- Please state and spell your name for the record. Each speaker is limited to one (1) comment of no more than five (5) minutes and no yielding of time to another person.

INTRODUCED:

FEBRUARY 25, 2026

ADOPTED:

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham			X									
Mr. Schultz	X		X									
Mrs. Senatore		X	X									
Vice President Garruto			X									
President Kalish			X									

ORDINANCE #26-08 - "ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)"

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.00% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson in the County of Morris finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2026 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Council hereby determines that a 1.50% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$372,960.52 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Township Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, in the County of Morris, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2026 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Jefferson shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.50%, amounting to \$870,241.21 and that the CY 2026 municipal budget for the Township of Jefferson be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

If adopted this Ordinance shall take effect after publication and passage as provided by law.

PUBLIC HEARING- Please state and spell your name for the record. Each speaker is limited to one (1) comment of no more than five (5) minutes and no yielding of time to another person.

INTRODUCTION:

MARCH 25, 2026

ADOPTION:

APRIL 8, 2026

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham			X									
Mr. Schultz			X									
Mrs. Senatore	X		X									
Vice President Garruto		X	X									
President Kalish			X									

7. COUNCIL AND MAYOR DISCUSSION – Presiding Officer
 • None for April 8, 2026

8. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS OF MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATOR – Presiding Officer

9. COUNCIL REPORTS – Presiding Officer

10. COUNCIL BUSINESS – Presiding Officer

RESOLUTION #26-114 - “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS”

WHEREAS, the Business Administrator has reviewed and approved purchase orders requested by the Township Department Heads; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Office has certified that funds are available in the proper account; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Office has approved payment, upon certification from the Township Department Heads that the goods and/or services have been rendered to the Township; and

WHEREAS, purchases under State Contract or under Morris County Cooperative Purchasing Agreement were made where applicable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the current bills, dated **April 8, 2026** and on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Treasurer and approved by him/her for payment, be paid.

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

RESOLUTION #26-115 - “RESOLUTION INCREASING THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON'S BID THRESHOLD”

WHEREAS, effective July 1, 2025, the Governor of the State of New Jersey has adjusted the bid threshold for awarding contracts under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the change in the bid threshold allows municipalities with a Qualified Purchasing Agent to increase their bid **threshold up to \$53,000**; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3a, permits an increase in the bid threshold if a Qualified Purchasing Agent is appointed as well as granted the authorization to negotiate and award such contracts below the bid threshold; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 et seq. establishes the criteria for qualifying as a Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, **Debra J. Millikin, Township Business Administrator**, was appointed by the Township of Jefferson as the Qualified Purchasing Agent by the adoption of Resolution #19-107 and possesses the qualifications and designation of Qualified Purchase Agent as issued by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson desires to take advantage of the increased bid threshold.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey hereby increases the Township’s bid threshold from **\$44,000 to \$53,000 effective April 8, 2026**.

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

RESOLUTION #26-116 - “RESOLUTION APPROVING CURRENT ESTIMATE NO. 4– RIVERVIEW PAVING, INC. – FOR 2025 ROAD PAVING PROGRAM, CONTRACT NO. RDE-25-3”

WHEREAS, a contract was awarded to Riverview Paving, Inc. for 2025 Road Paving Program, **Contract RDE-25-3**; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has submitted **Current Estimate No. 4** in the amount of **\$47,913.40** for work completed and accepted; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available for said payment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey hereby approves **Current Estimate No. 4 for a payment in the amount of \$47,913.40** to Riverview Paving, Inc., **859 Willow Grove Street, Hackettstown, NJ 07840**.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this payment will be made pending receipt of the State of New Jersey Monthly Project Manning Report and certified payroll records.

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

RESOLUTION #26-117 - "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 AND FINAL AND APPROVING CURRENT ESTIMATE NO. 2 AND FINAL- AFFIRMATIVE MECHANICAL, INC. – FOR DPW FLOORING AND KITCHENETTE, CONTRACT NO. BLD-72-1P"

WHEREAS, a contract was awarded to Affirmative Mechanical, INC. for DPW Flooring and Kitchenette, **Contract BLD-72-1P**; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has submitted and recommended **Change Order No. 2 and Final dated 3/31/2026** in the amount of **\$579.22 to reflect an adjusted price for a change in as-built quantities**, increasing the adjusted contract total to **\$45,200 (an overall adjustment of 1.30% to the adjusted contract amount and equal to the original contract amount)**; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has submitted **Current Estimate No. 2 and FINAL** in the amount of **\$5,041.30** for work completed and accepted; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available for said payment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey hereby authorizes **Change Order No.2 and Final and approves Current Estimate No. 2 and FINAL for a payment in the amount of \$5,041.30 to Affirmative Mechanical, INC., 10 West Thomas Street, Wharton, NJ 07885.**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this payment will be made pending receipt of the State of New Jersey Monthly Project Manning Report and certified payroll records.

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

RESOLUTION #26-118 -"RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR ASPHALT AND CRUSHED STONE- CONTRACT NO. RDE-26-4 - WELDON QUARRY CO., LLC"

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson has, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law of the State of New Jersey, received bids for **Asphalt and Crushed Stone - RDE-26-4 on March 24, 2026**; and

WHEREAS, three (3) bids were received; and

WHEREAS, **Weldon Quarry Co., LLC of Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey** was the lowest responsible bidder on the majority of the items listed in the proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer, James S. Lutz recommends awarding the contract to **Weldon Quarry Co., LLC, Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey** in his letter dated **March 25, 2026**; and

WHEREAS, the contract term shall be through December 31, 2026, subject to extension for an additional twelve (12) month period (calendar year 2027) by mutual consent of both parties provided that the prices for calendar year 2026 remain the same; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5 (b) a certificate showing availability of funds has been provided to the Township by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township, certifying that the funds for said contract are available and are designated to line item appropriations designated below and totaling **\$175,000.00 for 2026.**

6-01-26-260-291-262 6-05-55-500-000-581 C-04-55-924-010-904 C-04-55-925-011-903 2026 Capital

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, hereby awards the contract for **Asphalt and Crushed Stone - RDE-26-4 to Weldon Quarry Co., LLC, 181 Route 181, Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey, 07849 in an amount not to exceed \$175,000.**

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to sign the contracts for **Asphalt and Crushed Stone - RDE-26-4.**

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

RESOLUTION #26-119 - "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN APPROVED NJ STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING CONTRACT VENDOR FOR CONTRACTING UNITS - "NIELSEN FORD OF MORRISTOWN, INC."

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson, may by resolution and without advertising for bids in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C.5:34-7.29 (c), purchase goods and services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program for any state contracts entered into on behalf of the State of the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing State contracts; and

WHEREAS, NJ State Contracts T-2760, 25-FLEET-128269, 25-FLEET-128267, T-0126, 25-GNSV1-127922, 25-GNSV1-127921, T-2108, 23-FLEET-34924 for vehicle and truck parts and accessories were awarded Nielsen Ford of Morristown, Inc. 170 Ridgedale Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson desires to purchase, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 for vehicle and truck parts and accessories from NJ State Contracts T-2760, 25-FLEET-128269, 25-FLEET-128267, T-0126, 25-GNSV1-127922, 25-GNSV1-127921, T-2108, 23-FLEET-34924 through this resolution and properly executed contract, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program contracts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5 (b) a certificate showing availability of funds has been provided to the Township by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township, certifying that the funds for said contract are available and are designated to a line item appropriation designated below and totaling \$50,000.00.

- 6-01-25-255-256-200
- 6-01-25-255-255-200
- 6-01-26-260-291-200
- 6-01-26-260-292-277

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson that the Township Administrator is authorized to purchase snow plows, parts and accessories in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 from Nielsen Ford of Morristown, Inc. 170 Ridgedale Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960.

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

11. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING –Township Clerk

ORDINANCE 26-09 - "ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, DELETING SECTION 490-26.1, "AFFORDABLE HOUSING OVERLAY ZONE" AND REPLACING SECTION 490-26.1 WITH "INCLUSIONARY OVERLAY ZONES"

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson Council desires to amend the Township Code to comply with the relevant New Jersey fourth round affordable housing law and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the current Township Code is hereby revised to implement new overlay zones to implement the Township’s Housing Element and Fair Share Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township of Jefferson, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION ONE. The General Ordinance of the Township of Jefferson is hereby amended by the deletion of existing Section 490-26.1, "Affordable Housing Overlay Zone", and replacing it with a new Section 490-26.1, "Inclusionary Overlay Zones", as follows:

§ 490-26.1 Inclusionary Overlay Zones.

- A. Intent, purpose, and applicability. The intent and purpose of these inclusionary overlay zones is to create a realistic opportunity for the construction of low- and moderate-income housing in the Township of Jefferson on land that may become available for development, thereby addressing the Township's fair share housing obligation under the New Jersey Fair Housing Act and constitutional obligations to provide affordable housing. The overlay zones may be utilized to develop under these standards upon the provision of adequate sewer and water service to support the proposed residential densities in the zones. These zones are as follows:

- (1) The AHO-1 Zone applies to Block 273.03, Lot 1, when residential uses are proposed in the zone.

- (2) The AHO-2 (Route 181 West) Zone applies to Block 105, Lots 1, 5, and 5.02.
- (3) The AHO-3 (Route 181 East) Zone applies to Block 320.01, Lots 3 & 5, and Block 321, Lot 1.
- (4) The AHO-4 (Route 181/Route 15) Zone applies to Block 307.01, Lots 1, 1.01, 1.02, and 2.
- (5) The AHO-5 (Route 23) Zone applies to Block 571, Lots 4, 5, and 6; Block 574, Lot 2; Block 575, Lots 1, 2, 2.01, 3, 4.03, 4.04, 5, 7, 8, 9, and 10.
- (6) The AHO-6 (Route 15/Berkshire Valley Road) Zone applies to Block 254, Lots, 8, 9, 11, 12, and 13; Block 254.01, Lot 1; Block 255, Lots 1.01, 1.02, 1.03, 35 and 36; Block 260, Lots 1, 2, and 9; Block 260.01, Lots 1, 4, 4.01, 5, 6.01, 7 and 8; Block 265.01, Lot 1; Block 265.02, Lot 1.
- (7) The AHO-7 (Route 15/Taylor Road) Zone applies to Block 250 Lots 4, 4.01, 5, 8, 9, 10,13, 13.02, 13.04, 14, 14.01, 14.03; Block 266, Lot 3.02; Block 266.01, Lot 1; Block 267, Lots 6, 6.01, 6.02, 6.03; Block 267.01, Lots 1, 3, 3.01, 3.02; Block 269.02, Lot 1.
- (8) The AHO-8 (Ridge Plaza) Zone applies to Block 453, Lots 5, 5.01, 6.01, 6.02, 6.03, 7; Block 473.12, Lots 16.02 and 16.06; Block 513, Lots 2.01, 2.02, 4, 20.01; and Block 518, Lots 33, 34, 36, 37.
- (9) The AHO-9 (Route 15) Zone applies to Block 249, Lots 1, 3.01, 3.02, 3.04, 3.06, 3.07, 3.08, 3.10, 3.11, 3.18, 3.19, 3.20, 3.21, 3.22, 4, 4.01, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23, 24, 26; Block 272, Lots 8, 9, 10, 10.01; Block 272.01, Lots 2, 3.01, 3.02, 5.01, 5.02, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 12.01, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 19.01, 21; Block 273, Lot 2.04.

B. Permitted uses. Multifamily residential units are permitted in each of the AHO Zones subject to a mandatory 20% set-aside for affordable housing, regardless of tenure. Multifamily residential uses are permitted in addition to those uses already permitted by the underlying zone district. Multifamily residential use may be proposed over permitted uses in the underlying zone in a mixed-use building or as a stand-alone multifamily residential building. Nonresidential uses may be proposed in addition to the proposed residential uses on the property, subject to the uses permitted in the underlying zone.

C. Residential density.

- (1) The density in the AHO Zones shall be a maximum residential density of 20 residential dwelling units per acre with a minimum 20% set-aside for affordable housing.
- (2) Other residential, retail, service, and office uses permitted by the underlying zone shall follow the underlying zone standards.

D. Multifamily residential development standards.

- (1) The property specified in the location above may be proposed for subdivision and/or site plan for residential development over retail and service or office uses or adjacent to permitted nonresidential uses in the zone in the form of multifamily apartment buildings.
- (2) Bulk standards:

	AHO 1-9 Bulk Standards
Minimum Lot Size	1.0 ac.
Minimum Lot Width	75 ft.
Maximum Building Height	3 stories/ 45 ft.
Minimum Front Yard:	25 ft.
Minimum Side Yard, Each	10 ft.
Minimum Rear Yard	25 ft.
Maximum Lot Coverage:	75%

- (3) Parking shall be provided at 1.5 spaces per residential unit with EVSE parking spaces as required by state law. Non-residential uses shall be governed by §490-28.
- (4) All other regulations and requirements of the underlying zone shall remain in effect.

SECTION TWO. Any article, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of the Revised General Ordinance of the Township of Jefferson inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION THREE. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision so adjudged, and the remainder of this ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION FOUR. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage, publication, and filing with the Morris County Planning Board, and as otherwise provided for by law.

SECTION FIVE. The Municipal Clerk is directed to give notice at least ten days prior to the hearing on the adoption of this Ordinance to the County Planning Board and to all others entitled pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:55D-15 and N.J.S.A. 40:55D-62.1.

After introduction, the Clerk is hereby directed to submit a copy of the within Ordinance to the Jefferson Township Land Use Board for its review in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26 and N.J.S.A. 40:55D-64.

Upon the adoption of this Ordinance, after public hearing, the Municipal Clerk is further directed to publish notice of the passage and to file a copy of this Ordinance, as finally adopted, with the Morris County Planning Board, as required by N.J.S.A. 40:55D-16.

Following introduction, the above Ordinance will be published in accordance with the law and referred to the Land Use Board for a determination of consistency with the Master Plan. A Public hearing will be held on May 20, 2026.

INTRODUCED:

ADOPTED:

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham												
Mr. Schultz												
Mrs. Senatore												
Vice President Garruto												
President Kalish												

ORDINANCE #26-11 - "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 444, PUBLIC RECREATIONAL BATHING"

WHEREAS, the Township Council desires to add a new Chapter to the Code of the Township of Jefferson pertaining to public recreational bathing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that the following chapter be added to the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Jefferson, Chapter 144, Public Recreational Bathing, as follows:

SECTION I Chapter 444 "Public Recreational Bathing" is added as follows:

Chapter 444 Public Recreational Bathing

§ 444-1 Adoption of Public Recreational Bathing Code.

- A. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 26:3-69.1-26:3-69.6, the Public Recreational Bathing Code, N.J.A.C. 8:26-1.1 et seq., is hereby incorporated into this Chapter by reference and made a part of this Chapter as if set forth at length herein.
- B. Three (3) copies of the Public Recreational Bathing Code, N.J.A.C. 8:26-1.1 et seq., are filed in the Township Clerk's office and shall remain on file for use by the public.

§ 444-2 License Required; Issuance.

- A. No person shall construct, alter or operate a recreational swimming pool, spa or natural bathing area in the Township until a license shall have been issued.
- B. A recreational swimming pool, spa or natural bathing area shall not be opened for public use until the Health Department has given formal approval therefore by issuance of any appropriate license. The license shall be displayed in a conspicuous place where it may be readily observed by all patrons. No person shall operate a recreational swimming pool, spa or natural bathing area whose license therefore is suspended.

§ 444-3 License Fee.

The fee to operate a recreational swimming pool, spa or natural bathing area pursuant to this Chapter 444 is \$150.00.

§ 444-4 Expiration and Renewal of License.

Permits issued for the operation of a commercial swimming pool or recreational bathing facility shall expire annually on April 30 of each year, and application for renewal thereof shall be submitted together with the required fee prior to April 30 of each year. An application for renewal shall be submitted together with the required fee prior to issuance of a new or renewed license.

§ 444-5 Inspections.

Inspections shall be made to ensure that all requirements of the Public Recreational Bathing Code, N.J.A.C. 8:26-1.1 et seq., and the ordinances of the Township are satisfied.

§ 444-6 Suspension or denial of permit.

Any license issued to operate a recreational swimming pool, spa or natural bathing area may be suspended or revoked at any time by the Health Department when, in the opinion of the Health Officer or his designee, such action is necessary to abate a present or threatened menace to public health, or when the licensee is non-compliant with any provisions of the ordinances of the Township or the Public Recreational Bathing Code, N.J.A.C. 8:26-1.1 et seq.

§ 444-7 Hearings.

- A. A person whose license has been suspended shall be afforded a hearing before the Administrative Authority within 10 days after such suspension at the request of the licensee, with such person's option to show cause why the suspension should be lifted. The Administrative Authority shall, within seven days after such hearing, render a written decision confirming or rescinding the suspension and shall notify the person whose license has been suspended in writing, of its action and reasons therefore.
- B. A person whose license has been denied shall be afforded a hearing before the Health Department or its authorized agent within 10 days after such denial, with such person's option to show cause why a license should be granted. The Health Department shall within seven days after such hearing, render a written decision confirming or rescinding the denial of a license and shall notify the person whose license or permit has been denied in writing of its action and reasons therefore.

§ 444-8 Violations and Penalties.

- A. Each violation of any provision of this chapter shall constitute a separate offense and shall upon conviction be punishable by a penalty of not less than \$50 nor more than \$1,000.
- B. Each day a particular violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION II

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION III

If any article, section, subsection, paragraphs, phrase or sentence is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, said article, section, subsection, paragraph, phrase or sentence shall be deemed severable.

SECTION IV

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final publication as provided by law.

Following introduction, the above Ordinance will be published in accordance with the law and a public hearing will be held on April 22, 2026.

INTRODUCED:

ADOPTED:

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham												
Mr. Schultz												
Mrs. Senatore												
Vice President Garruto												
President Kalish												

ORDINANCE 26-12 - "ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS OR PURPOSES TO BE UNDERTAKEN IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AND APPROPRIATING \$2,086,118 THEREFOR FROM VARIOUS FUNDS OF THE TOWNSHIP"

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvements described in Section 2 of this ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements to be made or acquired by The Township of Jefferson, in the County of Morris, New Jersey. For the said improvements or purposes stated in said Section 2, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$2,086,118, to the extent of \$1,357,200, from funds available in the Capital Improvement Fund of the Township, to the extent of \$37,500, from funds available in the Camp/Recreation Reserve Funds of the Township, to the extent of \$78,400, from funds available in the Police Outside Employment Trust Funds of the Township, to the extent of \$284,500, from funds available in the combined Open Space/Recreation Trust Funds of the Township and, to the extent of \$328,518, from funds received by the Township from the New Jersey Department of Transportation as a grant-in-aid of financing said improvement to Weldon Road.

Section 2. The improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for which said appropriation is made are as follows: the acquisition of new and additional communications and computer equipment for use by various departments of the Township; the acquisition of new and additional equipment including an air compressor, a portable bucket screener, guard rails and signage for use by the Department of Public Works of the Township, technology equipment, software, turnout gear, lockers, air packs, tools, hose, iPads and various equipment for use by Fire Company #1 (Milton) of the Township, turnout gear, air packs, power tools, bay door motor openers and various equipment for use by Fire Company #2 (Lake Hopatcong) of the Township, computer equipment, security cameras, gas masks, officer safety equipment, crosswalk signs, bullet proof vests, patrol trunk organizers, power DMS vetted services and mobile computer mounts for use by the Police Department of the Township, stretchers for use by the Office of Emergency Management of the Township, lawn mowers, a utility trailer, defibrillators, boats, safety netting and playground equipment for use by the Recreation and Parks Department of the Township; the improvement of municipally-owned facilities and locations in and by the Township including the Dog Pound by the upgrade of the heating, air conditioning and ventilation system, Prospect Point Park by the improvement of the parking and paving areas, the Berkshire Valley Road traffic light by the upgrade thereof, the stormwater drainage system by the improvement and upgrade thereof, Weldon Road by the reconstruction and resurfacing thereof (Phase II), Camp Jefferson by the improvement of the cabins and other areas, the Fire Prevention Bureau by the upgrade thereof including fire alarm, smoke detector and technology improvements, Fire Company #2 headquarters by the improvement thereof including the air conditioning system; the conversion of records for various Township Departments; and GIS mapping of the stormwater, water and sewer systems of the Township, together with, for all of the foregoing, all necessary and appurtenant equipment, accessories, attachments, work and materials, and all as shown

on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved.

Section 3. The capital budget or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget or temporary capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services are on file with the Township Clerk and are available for public inspection.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect after publication after final adoption, as provided by law.

Following introduction, the above Ordinance will be published in accordance with the law and a public hearing will be held on May 6, 2026.

INTRODUCED:

ADOPTED:

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham												
Mr. Schultz												
Mrs. Senatore												
Vice President Garruto												
President Kalish												

ORDINANCE 26-13 - "ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE WATER SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AND APPROPRIATING \$130,000 THEREFOR FROM THE WATER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE TOWNSHIP"

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvements described in Section 2 of this ordinance are hereby authorized to be made or acquired by The Township of Jefferson, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, as general improvements, and there is hereby appropriated therefor the sum of \$130,000 from moneys available in the Water Capital Improvement Fund of the Township.

Section 2. The improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for which said appropriation is made are as follows: the upgrade, and installation as necessary, of water meters; and the acquisition of new and additional equipment, together with all accessories, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved.

Section 3. The capital budget or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget or temporary capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Township Clerk and are available for public inspection.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect after publication after final passage as provided by law.

Following introduction, the above Ordinance will be published in accordance with the law and a public hearing will be held on May 6, 2026.

INTRODUCED:

ADOPTED:

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham												
Mr. Schultz												
Mrs. Senatore												
Vice President Garruto												
President Kalish												

ORDINANCE 26-14 - "ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AND APPROPRIATING \$195,000 THEREFOR FROM THE SEWER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE TOWNSHIP"

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvements described in Section 2 of this ordinance are hereby authorized to be made or acquired by The Township of Jefferson, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, as general improvements, and there is hereby appropriated therefor the sum of \$195,000 from moneys available in the Sewer Capital Improvement Fund of the Township.

Section 2. The improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for which said the appropriation is made are as follows: the acquisition by purchase, of generators, safety equipment, tools and equipment; and the improvement of the sanitary sewerage system in and by the Township by the upgrade of the White Rock Plant, the Moosepac Plant and the wastewater treatment plant, together with all structures, site work, equipment, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved.

Section 3. The capital budget or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget or temporary capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Township Clerk and are available for public inspection.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect after publication after final passage as provided by law.

Following introduction, the above Ordinance will be published in accordance with the law and a public hearing will be held on May 6, 2026.

INTRODUCED:

ADOPTED:

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham												
Mr. Schultz												
Mrs. Senatore												
Vice President Garruto												
President Kalish												

ORDINANCE 26-15 - "ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AND APPROPRIATING \$60,300 THEREFOR CONSTITUTING PROCEEDS OF NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP HERETOFORE ISSUED AND FROM FUNDS AVAILABLE UNDER ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP HERETOFORE ADOPTED"

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvements described in Section 2 of this ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements to be made or acquired by The Township of Jefferson, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, and there is hereby appropriated therefor the sum of \$60,300, to the extent of \$25,000, constituting proceeds of the Township heretofore issued and not necessary for financing the purposes for which issued and now available for financing said improvements or purposes and, to the extent of \$35,300, from funds available under ordinances of the Township heretofore adopted and no longer necessary for the purposes for which appropriated.

Section 2. The improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for of which said appropriation is made are as follows: the acquisition of new and additional equipment, including shop equipment for use by the Department of Public Works of the Township, communications and technology equipment for use by various Township Departments and file cabinets and other equipment for use by the Health Officer of the Township; and the improvement of the Police Department doors, together with for all the aforesaid all equipment, site work, structures, appurtenances, work, materials and other expenses necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved.

Section 3. It is the opinion of the Township Council of the Township, as the governing body thereof, that it is in the best interest of the Township that \$60,300, to the extent of \$25,000, constituting proceeds of notes of the Township heretofore issued under Ordinance No. 2023-12 and, to the extent of \$35,300, constituting funds available under Ordinance Nos. 2017-04 (\$8,024.93), 2018-08 (\$1,206.70), 2023-08 (\$8,150), 2025-05 (\$12,485.37) and 2025-13 (\$5,433) of the Township, shall be appropriated to and used to finance costs, including incidental expenses, of the improvement or purpose above described in Section 2 of this ordinance.

Section 4. The capital budget or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget or temporary capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Township Clerk and are available for public inspection.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect after publication after final passage as provided by law.

Following introduction, the above Ordinance will be published in accordance with the law and a public hearing will be held on May 6 2026.

INTRODUCED:

ADOPTED:

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham												
Mr. Schultz												
Mrs. Senatore												
Vice President Garruto												
President Kalish												

ORDINANCE 26-16 - "BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$3,076,651, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,922,819 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP, FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS OR PURPOSES AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY"

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), **AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized as general improvements to be made or acquired by The Township of Jefferson, in the County of Morris, New Jersey. For the said several improvements or purposes stated in said Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriations made for said improvements or purposes, said sums, except as described below, being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor and amounting in the aggregate to \$3,076,651 including the aggregate sum of \$153,832 as the several down payments for said improvements or purposes required by law and more particularly described in said Section 3 and now available therefor by virtue of provision in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Township for down payment or for capital improvement purposes.

Section 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes, including for the purposes of applicable United States Treasury regulations the reimbursements for expenditures heretofore or hereafter made therefor, and to meet the part of said \$3,076,651 appropriations not provided for by application hereunder of said down payments, negotiable bonds of the Township are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$2,922,819 pursuant to the Local Bond Law of New Jersey. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Township in a principal amount not exceeding \$2,922,819 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 3. The improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued, the appropriation made for and estimated cost of each such purpose, and the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each such purpose, are respectively as follows:

<u>IMPROVEMENT OR PURPOSE</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION AND ESTIMATED COST</u>	<u>ESTIMATED MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF BONDS AND NOTES</u>
(a) Improvement of various roads and locations in and by the Township by the reconstruction and resurfacing thereof to provide roadway pavements at least equal in useful life or durability to a roadway surface of Class B construction (as such term is used or referred to in Section 40A:2-22 of said Local Bond Law), including, without limitation, Weldon Road, East Shore Road, Tulip Drive, Log Road, Teakwood Drive, Windjammer Drive, Lighthouse Circle, Topsail Drive, Elizabeth Road and Jessica Court, and including also, the improvement of various roads in and by the Township by the crack sealing and microsealing thereof, together with for all the aforesaid all oil and chipping, reflectors, dividers, paving, curbing, line striping, milling, drainage, structures and improvements, equipment, site work, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	\$1,198,151	\$1,138,244
(b) Improvement of the storm water drainage system in and by the Township, including by the reconstruction of drainage facilities in and along various roads in the Township, including, without limitation, Weldon Road, together with all structures, road resurfacing, equipment, site work, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	275,000	261,250
(c) Acquisition by purchase of new and additional vehicular equipment, including two (2) pickup trucks for use by the	807,000	766,650

Department of Public Works of the Township, and the substantial refurbishment of a fire truck for use by Fire Company #1 of the Township, together with all attachments, appurtenances and equipment necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved

(d) Acquisition by purchase of new and additional vehicular equipment, including three (3) dump trucks for use by the Department of Public Works of the Township and one (1) ambulance for use by the Office of Emergency Management of the Township (such vehicles each weighing at least 15,000 pounds), together with all equipment, attachments and accessories necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approve

	<u>796,500</u>	<u>756,675</u>
Totals	\$3,076,651	\$2,922,819

The excess of the appropriation made for each of the improvements or purposes aforesaid over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, as above stated, is the amount of the said down payment for said purpose.

Section 4. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

- (a) The said purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses and each is a property or improvement which the Township may lawfully acquire or make as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.
- (b) The average period of usefulness of said purposes within the limitations of said Local Bond Law and taking into consideration the respective amounts of the said obligations authorized for the several purposes, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 11.32 years.
- (c) The supplemental debt statement required by said Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Township Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in said Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$2,922,819, and the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.
- (d) Amounts not exceeding \$300,000 in the aggregate for interest on said obligations, costs of issuing said obligations, engineering costs and other items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 40A:2-20 of said Local Bond Law may be included as part of the costs of said improvements and are included in the foregoing estimate thereof.

Section 5. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer, provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with the notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the dates of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body of the Township at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the principal amount, interest rate and maturities of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 6. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 7. The capital budget or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget or temporary capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Township Clerk and are available for public inspection.

Section 8. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by said Local Bond Law.

Following introduction, the above Ordinance will be published in accordance with the law and a public hearing will be held on May 6, 2026.

INTRODUCED:

ADOPTED:

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham												
Mr. Schultz												
Mrs. Senatore												
Vice President Garruto												
President Kalish												

ORDINANCE 26-17 - "BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$2,420,000, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,420,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP, FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS OR PURPOSES AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, FOR THE WATER SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM OF THE TOWNSHIP"

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), **AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized as general improvements to be made or acquired by The Township of Jefferson, in the County of Morris, New Jersey. For the said several improvements or purposes stated in said Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriations made for said improvements or purposes, said sums, except as described below, being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor and amounting in the aggregate to \$2,420,000.

Section 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes, including for the purposes of applicable United States Treasury regulations the reimbursements of expenditures heretofore or hereafter made therefor, and to meet the said \$2,420,000 appropriations negotiable bonds of the Township are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$2,420,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law of New Jersey. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Township in a principal amount not exceeding \$2,420,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 3. The improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued, the appropriation made for and estimated cost of each such purpose, and the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each such purpose, are respectively as follows:

<u>IMPROVEMENT OR PURPOSE</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION AND ESTIMATED COST</u>	<u>ESTIMATED MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF BONDS AND NOTES</u>
(a) Acquisition, by purchase and upgrade as necessary, of equipment, including generators for use by the water utility of the Township, together with all attachments, appurtenances and equipment necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all in accordance with the specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby	\$25,000	\$25,000
(b) Improvement of the water supply and distribution system in and by the Township, including by the upgrade of the water tanks, wells, pump stations and the pump house, upgrade to the Vassar system, improvement to the distribution and transmission system, and improvements to the water system, together with all engineering, studies, designs, structures, site work, equipment, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	2,325,000	2,325,000
(c) Improvement of municipally-owned properties and facilities in and by the Township, including the Milton system by the upgrade of the roof and the Well House by the construction of an addition to the chemical room, together with for all the aforesaid all equipment, structures, site work, furnishings, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	70,000	70,000
Totals	\$2,420,000	\$2,420,000

Section 4. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The said purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses and each is a property or improvement which the Township may lawfully acquire or make as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of said purposes within the limitations of said Local Bond Law and taking into consideration the respective amounts of the said obligations authorized for the several purposes, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 39.01 years.

(c) The supplemental debt statement required by said Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Township Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, and such statement shows that, while the net debt of the Township determined as provided in said Local Bond Law is not increased by this bond ordinance, the gross debt of the Township as defined in said Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$2,420,000, and the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

(d) Amounts not exceeding \$250,000 in the aggregate for interest on said obligations, costs of issuing said obligations, engineering costs and other items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 40A:2-20 of said Local Bond Law may be included as part of the costs of said improvements and are included in the foregoing estimate thereof.

(e) This bond ordinance authorizes obligations of the Township solely for purposes described in paragraph (h) of section 40A:2-7 of said Local Bond Law, and the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance are to be issued for a purpose which is self-liquidating within the meaning and limitations of section 40:A:2-45 of said Local Bond Law and are deductible, pursuant to paragraph (c) of section 40:A:2-44 of said Local Bond Law, from the gross debt of the Township.

Section 5. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer, provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with the notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the dates of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body of the Township at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the principal amount, interest rate and maturities of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 6. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and, unless paid from the revenues of the water supply and distribution system of the Township, the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 7. The capital budget or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget or temporary capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Township Clerk and are available for public inspection.

Section 8. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by said Local Bond Law.

Following introduction, the above Ordinance will be published in accordance with the law and a public hearing will be held on May 6, 2026.

INTRODUCED:

ADOPTED:

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham												
Mr. Schultz												
Mrs. Senatore												
Vice President Garruto												
President Kalish												

ORDINANCE 26-18 - "BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$570,000, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$541,500 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP, FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS OR PURPOSES AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, FOR THE SANITARY SEWERAGE SYSTEM OF THE TOWNSHIP"

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), **AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized as general improvements to be made or acquired by The Township of Jefferson, in the County of Morris, New Jersey. For the said several improvements or purposes stated in said Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriations made for said improvements or purposes, said sums, except as described below, being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor and amounting in the aggregate to \$570,000 including the aggregate sum of \$28,500 as the down payments for said improvement or purpose required by law and more particularly described in Section 3 and now available therefore by virtue of provision in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Township for down payment or for capital improvement purposes.

Section 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes, including for the purposes of applicable United States Treasury regulations the reimbursements of expenditures heretofore or hereafter made therefor, and to meet the said \$570,000 appropriations not provided for by application hereunder of said down payments, negotiable bonds of the Township are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$541,500 pursuant to the Local Bond Law of New Jersey. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Township in a principal amount not exceeding \$541,500 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 3. The improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued, the appropriation made for and estimated cost of each such purpose, and the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each such purpose, are respectively as follows:

<u>IMPROVEMENT OR PURPOSE</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION AND ESTIMATED COST</u>	<u>ESTIMATED MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF BONDS AND NOTES</u>
(a) Improvement of municipally-owned properties and facilities in and by the Township, including the White Rock Treatment Plant by the upgrade of the building and grounds thereof, together with for all the aforesaid all equipment, structures, site work, furnishings, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	\$120,000	\$114,000
(b) Improvement of the sanitary sewerage system in and by the Township, including the White Rock Treatment Plant by the upgrade thereof and the Moosepac Wastewater Treatment Plant by the upgrade thereof, together with all structures, site work, equipment, work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor on file or to be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and hereby approved	<u>450,000</u>	<u>427,500</u>
Totals	\$570,000	\$541,500

The excess of the appropriation made for each of the improvements or purposes aforesaid over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, as above stated, is the amount of the said down payment for said purpose.

Section 4. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The said purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses and each is a property or improvement which the Township may lawfully acquire or make as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of said purposes within the limitations of said Local Bond Law and taking into consideration the respective amounts of the said obligations authorized for the several purposes, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 34.73 years.

(c) The supplemental debt statement required by said Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Township Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, and such statement shows that, while the net debt of the Township determined as provided in said Local Bond Law is not increased by this bond ordinance, the gross debt of the Township as defined in said Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$541,500, and the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

(d) Amounts not exceeding \$50,000 in the aggregate for interest on said obligations, costs of issuing said obligations, engineering costs and other items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 40A:2-20 of said Local Bond Law may be included as part of the costs of said improvements and are included in the foregoing estimate thereof.

(e) This bond ordinance authorizes obligations of the Township solely for purposes described in paragraph (h) of section 40A:2-7 of said Local Bond Law, and the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance are to be issued for a purpose which is self-liquidating within the meaning and limitations of section 40:A:2-45 of said Local Bond Law and are deductible, pursuant to paragraph (c) of section 40:A:2-44 of said Local Bond Law, from the gross debt of the Township.

Section 5. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer, provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with the notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the dates of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body of the Township at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the principal amount, interest rate and maturities of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 6. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and, unless paid from the revenues of the sanitary sewerage system of the Township, the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 7. The capital budget or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget or temporary capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Township Clerk and are available for public inspection.

Section 8. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by said Local Bond Law.

Following introduction, the above Ordinance will be published in accordance with the law and a public hearing will be held on May 6, 2026.

INTRODUCED:

ADOPTED:

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham												
Mr. Schultz												
Mrs. Senatore												
Vice President Garruto												
President Kalish												

12. MINUTES – Township Clerk

October 15, 2025 – Regular Meeting, Senatore Absent

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

October 29, 2025 –Special Meeting, All Present

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

March 25, 2026 – Regular Meeting, All Present

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

13. **CONSENT AGENDA* - Township Clerk**

Matters listed on the Consent Agenda Resolution are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Council and one roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member requests an item be removed for consideration.

*LICENSES:

- None for April 8, 2026

*APPOINTMENTS:

- None for April 8, 2026

*CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:

26-120 Resolution Authorizing the Refund of Overpayment(s) of Taxes

26-121 Resolution Authorizing the Refund of Developer Escrow Fees – 757 Route 15 Realty, LLC

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

14. **PUBLIC COMMENT – Presiding Officer**

Please state and spell your name for the record. Each speaker is limited to one (1) comment of no more than five (5) minutes and no yielding of time to another person.

15. **EXECUTIVE SESSION – Presiding Officer**

- None for April 8, 2026

16. **ADJOURNMENT – Presiding Officer**

AT _____ PM _____ Motion to Adjourn _____ Second _____ All in Favor

Michele Reilly, RMC, CMR

Township Clerk

973-208-6133 mreilly@jeffersontownship.net

FUTURE MEETINGS will begin at 7:00 p.m. on each of the dates set forth below, at the **Jefferson Township Municipal Building, 1033 Weldon Road, Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey**, unless otherwise noticed below or as amended during the year by a vote of the Township Council.

2026 REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE

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| Wednesday, January 21 | Wednesday, July 15 |
| Wednesday, February 11 | Wednesday, August 5 |
| Tuesday, February 17 – Budget, 6 pm | Wednesday, September 2 |
| Wednesday, February 25 – 6 pm | Tuesday, September 15 |
| Wednesday, March 4 – Budget, 6 pm | Wednesday, October 7 |
| Wednesday, March 11 | Wednesday, October 21 |
| Wednesday, March 18 – Budget, 6 pm | Tuesday, November 10 |
| Wednesday, March 25 | Wednesday, December 2 |
| Wednesday, April 8 | Wednesday, December 16 |
| Wednesday, April 22 | Wednesday, January 6, 2027 - Reorganization |
| Wednesday, May 6 | |
| Wednesday, May 20 | |
| Wednesday, June 10 | |
| Wednesday, June 24 | |

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTION #26-120

“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT(S) OF TAXES”

WHEREAS, there appears on the tax records overpayment(s) as shown below; and

WHEREAS, said overpayment(s) were created by the reasons indicated; and

WHEREAS, the Collector of Taxes recommends the refund(s) of such overpayment(s).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the proper officers are hereby authorized and directed to issue checks to refund such overpayment(s) as hereafter shown below:

CODE OF REASONS

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|----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Incorrect Payment | 2. Adjustment of Assessment | 3. Overbilled | 4. Vets, Senior Citizen Deduction |
| 5. Third Party Lien | 6. Duplicate Payment | 7. Exempt | 8. County/State Board Appeal |
| 9. Overpayment | 10. Return of Premium | 11. Return of Recording Fee | |

BLOCK	LOT	NAME	AMOUNT	CODE	YEAR
473.01	4	BALA PARTNERS LLC	\$3,367.35	5	2026
473.01	4	BALA PARTNERS LLC	\$1,000.00	10	2026
164	13.18	BALA PARTNERS LLC	\$1,527.66	5	2026
164	13.18	BALA PARTNERS LLC	\$1,100.00	10	2026
277	10.08	BALA PARTNERS LLC	\$790.25	5	2026
277	10.08	BALA PARTNERS LLC	\$400.00	10	2026
473.07	4	BALA PARTNERS LLC	\$3,987.41	5	2026
473.07	4	BALA PARTNERS LLC	\$1,000.00	10	2026
71	14	PRO CAP 8	\$843.73	5	2026
71	14	PRO CAP 8	\$500.00	10	2026
324	1	PRO CAP 8	\$766.49	5	2026
324	1	PRO CAP 8	\$900.00	10	2026
397	2	PRO CAP 8	\$2,044.55	5	2026
250.07	11	NJSL 301	\$1,317.77	5	2026
250.07	11	NJSL 301	\$400.00	10	2026
			TOTAL	\$19,945.21	

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTION #26-121

**“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF DEVELOPER ESCROW FEES –
757 ROUTE 15 REALTY, LLC.”**

WHEREAS, 757 Route 15 Realty LLC has requested the release of developer escrow funds submitted for inspection fees as a co-applicant for a short-term tax abatement; and

WHEREAS, the co-applicant 757 Route 15 Realty LLC withdrew from the development project and is due the escrow funds submitted; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has recommended the return of the escrow fees; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson that the proper officers are hereby authorized and directed to issue a refund payment as hereafter shown below:

<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
757 Route 15 Realty LLC 111 Littleton Road, Suite 100 Parsippany, NJ 07054	7764402564	\$7,523.92