

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
MEETING LOCATION: JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
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JUNE 10, 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 **June 10, 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		
Ms. Leo, Township Attorney		
Ms. Nevins, Deputy Township Clerk		

Let the record reflect the following members of the Administration are present: Mayor Eric Wilsusen, Administrator Debi Millikin, Chief Paul Castimore, and members of the Jefferson Township Police Department.

3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG – Presiding Officer

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS – Presiding Officer

- Oath of Office – Sergeant Christopher Smolt
- Oath of Office – Officer Michael DeRosa
- Oath of Office – Officer Gamaliel Garcia

Life-Saving Awards:

- Lieutenant James Stokes
- Traffic Safety Officer Charles Paskas
- Detective Lundrim Veliu
- Officer Shane Cadigan

*******15 MINUTE BREAK**

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 – Deputy Township Clerk

ORDINANCE 26-10 - “ORDINANCE REVISING THE JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP CODE REGARDING SHIPPING CONTAINERS, CHAPTER 490, ZONING, SECTIONS 490-5 AND 490-29”

WHEREAS, the Township Council determined that establishing distinct and predictable standards for use of shipping containers would be beneficial to Township residents; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council wish to clarify the ordinance provisions for use of shipping containers; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council have determined that clarifying the ordinance would be beneficial to the general welfare of the community.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 490 “Zoning”, Section 490-5, Definitions, is amended to add the following:

§ 490-5 Definitions

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Any material, solid, liquid or gas, listed as a hazardous substance or material, including but not necessarily limited to the NFPA Guide of Hazardous Materials, the Department of Transportation Guide Book, the list of hazardous substances and toxic pollutants designated by the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Section 311 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, Amendment of 1972, as amended by the Clean Water Act of 1977 (33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq.) and the list of toxic pollutants designated by Congress or the EPA pursuant to Section 307 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, and hospital or medical waste, including but not limited to syringes, bandages and discarded pharmaceutical products and any material warranting removal or cleanup in the opinion of the Jefferson Township Fire Prevention Bureau.

SHIPPING CONTAINER, ISO CONTAINER, ISO SHIPPING CONTAINER, SEA CONTAINER

Any standardized shipping container constructed in accordance with the standard sizes promulgated by the International Standards Organization (ISO) for use in international intermodal transportation of goods by ship, rail, or truck, which shall include but shall not be limited to containers that are 20 feet in length and 8 feet in width, 40 feet in length and 8 feet in width, and 53 feet in length and 8 feet in width. Shipping containers that have been modified into a permanent structure and no longer appear to be a shipping container shall follow accessory building standards.

SECTION 2. Chapter 490 "Zoning", Section 490-29, Supplemental use and building regulations, is amended by the addition of a new subsection P, Shipping containers, as follows:

§ 490-29 Supplemental use and building regulations.

P. Shipping containers.

- (1) Shipping containers placed on any site shall comply with the provisions of this section, except that portable moving containers/moving pods placed on private property for no more than 30 cumulative days in any twelve-month period shall not be regulated by this section.
- (2) Nonconforming structures. Structures rendered non-conforming by this ordinance may obtain a certification pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-68 that a use or structure existed prior to the adoption of the ordinance, which rendered the use or structure nonconforming by applying for a zoning permit, subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) The applicant shall have the burden of proof that the structure existed prior to the adoption of this ordinance.
 - (b) The structural integrity of the existing container must receive approval from the Construction Official or the Construction Official's Designee.
 - (c) Noncompliant shipping containers that exist prior to the adoption of this ordinance have one year from the date of adoption to apply for the certification pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-68.
 - (d) Shipping containers, including pre-existing non-conforming containers, must comply with Township Code Chapter 367, Property Maintenance.
- (3) Temporary shipping containers. Shipping containers or pods under 200 square feet may be placed on the property for more than 30 days and up to 180 days in one calendar year, beginning on the date of the zoning permit approval, provided that the following standards are met:
 - (a) The pod/shipping container is being used for a renovation project with an open building permit.
 - (b) The pod/shipping container is either (1) placed in the driveway of the structure being renovated or (2) placed elsewhere on the property in a location that meets accessory structure standards in the underlying zone.
 - (c) A maximum of two (2) 90 day extensions for a temporary shipping container, due to open construction permits, may be permitted, upon approval of the Township Zoning Officer.
- (4) Permit required. Placement of shipping containers or pods in any zone district requires a zoning permit application. Placement of a shipping container over 200 square feet will also require a building permit application. Shipping containers in commercial or industrial districts shall adhere to additional requirements set forth at §490-29.P(6). Shipping containers of any size located on farm-assessed properties and used for agricultural uses are exempt from this subsection.
- (5) Residential districts (non-farm assessed). Permanent shipping containers over 200 square feet are prohibited in residential districts. A shipping container under 200 square feet may be used as permanent storage, but must adhere to the following standards:
 - (a) Shipping containers shall meet accessory building area and bulk requirements of the underlying zone district. If the shipping container is in any yard that is adjacent to another residential property, or visible from any street, the container must be screened, improved with cladding or siding, painted earth-tone colors, or painted the same color as the principal structure.
 - (b) Shipping containers may not be used as dwelling units.
 - (c) Permanent shipping containers must be placed in the rear yard.
- (6) Commercial districts and industrial districts.
 - (a) Shipping containers must adhere to the accessory building area and bulk requirements of the underlying zone district.
 - (b) Shipping containers shall not be used for storage of hazardous material (as defined in § 490-5) and may not be used as dwelling units, commercial sales or service, or other use types.
 - (c) Shipping containers may not be stacked.
 - (d) Screening or buffering must be implemented if a shipping container is within 50 feet of any residential use or district or visible from any public street.
 - (e) One (1) shipping container up to 40 feet in length is allowed without applying for a permit; two (2) or more units, or a unit greater than 40 feet in length, requires a zoning permit, and may require amended site plan approval.
 - (f) Any shipping container must be painted an earth tone color or the color of the principal structure.

SECTION 3. All ordinances of the Township of Jefferson, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance may be renumbered for codification purposes.
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: MAY 20, 2026

ADOPTION:

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 #26-19 - "ORDINANCE REVISING THE JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP CODE REGARDING SIGNS, CHAPTER 490, ZONING, SECTIONS 490-14, 490-15, 490-16, 490-30, AND 490-35"

WHEREAS, the Township Council desires distinct and predictable standards for off-site advertising signs and off-premises identification signs along Gateway Areas of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council wishes to clarify the ordinance provisions for off-site advertising signs and off-premises identification signs; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has determined that establishing such specific ordinance standards would be beneficial to the general welfare of the community.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 490 "Zoning, Section 490-14, C-2 Highway Business Zone is amended to add the following:

Section 490-14 C-2 Highway Business Zone: The following shall be added to Conditional Uses:

- Section 490-14.D.(5) Billboard Signs
- Section 490-14.D.(6) Off-premises Identification Signs

SECTION 2. Chapter 490 "Zoning, Section 490-15, O Office and Professional Zone is amended to add the following:

Section 490-15 O Office and Professional Zone: The following shall be added to Conditional Uses:

- Section 490-15.D.(2) Billboard Signs
- Section 490-15.D.(3) Off-premises Identification Signs

SECTION 3. Chapter 490 "Zoning, Section 490-16, IP Industrial Park Zone is amended to add the following:

Section 490-16 IP Industrial Park Zone: The following shall be added to Conditional Uses:

- Section 490-16.D.(4) Billboard Signs
- Section 490-16.D.(5) Off-premises Identification Signs

SECTION 4. Chapter 490 "Zoning, Section 490-30, Signs is amended to add the following:

§490-30 Signs.

- A. Definitions. As used in this section, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated: **Note Where the proposed definition exists, this Ordinance shall replace existing definitions. Existing definitions not identified below remain unchanged. Definitions not previously existing are added**

GATEWAY AREA

Parcels, or portions of parcels, within the C-2 – Highway Business, IP – Industrial Park, or O – Office and Professional Zone, which have frontage along New Jersey State Highway Route 23 or New Jersey State Highway Route 15.

SIDELINE BLOCKING TECHNOLOGY

Light shielding solutions that are installed on digital billboards to restrict light emission from certain angles, particularly the sides of the billboard, to prevent glare and light pollution from impacting adjacent properties. This technology often employs louver systems, honeycomb systems, or specialized solutions like Media Resources' SITELINE™ technology.

SIGN, BILLBOARD [BILLBOARD SIGN]

A sign, with a display area larger than 20 square feet, containing a commercial message or messages that direct(s) attention to a business, commodity, service, or entertainment conducted, sold, or offered at a location other than the premises on which

the sign is located. A sign advertising both businesses on-premises and off-premises simultaneously is considered a billboard. Billboards may be freestanding, double-faced, or V-type. Multiple Message Billboard Signs and Static Message Billboard Signs are defined as follows:

1. **MULTIPLE MESSAGE BILLBOARD SIGN**

A billboard sign capable of changing the message on the sign electronically, such that the alphabetic, pictographic, or symbolic informational content of which can be changed or altered on a fixed display surface composed of electronically illuminated or electronically actuated or motivated elements.

2. **STATIC MESSAGE BILLBOARD SIGN**

A billboard sign that includes, but is not limited to, any graphics that are painted, printed, or otherwise adhered to a sign face that remain static until manually changed, and do not change electronically.

SIGN DISPLAY AREA

The entire area of a sign that is within a perimeter composed of squares or rectangles that enclose the extreme limits of the advertising message, announcement, demonstration, display, illustration, insignia, surface, or space of a similar nature, together with any frame or other material, color, or condition that forms an integral part of the display and is used to differentiate the sign from the wall or background against which it is placed. The display area excludes the necessary supports or uprights on which the sign is placed. The display area shall not be less than 50 percent of the surface area of the sign.

SIGN, DOUBLE-FACED [DOUBLE-FACED SIGN]

A freestanding sign with two identical display areas that are back-to-back.

SIGN, FREESTANDING [FREESTANDING SIGN]

Any non-movable sign, not affixed to a building, which is permanently erected, constructed, supported, or maintained on a base, post(s), pole(s), or other bracing or supporting device(s).

SIGN, ILLUMINATED [ILLUMINATED SIGN]

A sign lighted by or exposed to artificial lighting, either exterior to the sign or lit from within (internally illuminated).

SIGN, MULTIPLE MESSAGE [MULTIPLE MESSAGE SIGN]

A sign capable of changing the message on the sign electronically, such that the alphabetic, pictographic, or symbolic informational content of which can be changed or altered on a fixed display surface composed of electronically illuminated or electronically actuated or motivated elements.

SIGN, ON-PREMISES IDENTIFICATION [ON-PREMISES IDENTIFICATION SIGN]

A sign that identifies a principal activity, product, or service that is conducted, available, offered, or produced on the property where the sign is located, including a sign that exclusively advertises the sale or lease of the property on which the sign is located.

SIGN, OFF-PREMISES IDENTIFICATION [OFF-PREMISES IDENTIFICATION SIGN]

A sign containing a message or messages that direct(s) attention to a business, commodity, service, or entertainment conducted, sold, or offered at a location other than the premises on which the sign is located. A sign advertising both businesses on-premises and off-premises is still considered an off-premises advertising sign. The maximum display area of an off-premises identification sign is 20 square feet.

SIGN, STATIC MESSAGE [STATIC MESSAGE SIGN]

A sign that includes, but is not limited to, any graphics that are painted, printed or otherwise adhered to a sign face that remain static until manually changed and do not change electronically.

SIGN, V-TYPE [V-TYPE SIGN]

A freestanding sign with a structure or structures with two sign faces, forming the shape of the letter "V" when viewed from above, with an angle between two faces of not more than 60 degrees.

C. Prohibited signs. The following types of signs or artificial lighting are prohibited in all zones:

- (1) Billboards, except as conditionally permitted in § 490-35R and § 490-35S.

F. General sign requirements. All signs in Jefferson Township shall:

- (5) Permanent signs shall be located only on the premises of the use or activity to which they are calling attention, except as conditionally permitted in § 490-35R and § 490-35S.

I. Permanent permits for signs.

- (1) The following signs or similar signs require a special permit, unless said signs have been approved as part of a site plan or subdivision approval. This permit shall be granted by the Land Use Board subsequent to a finding that the sign conforms to the intent and purposes of this section.

- (i) Billboards in accordance with § 490-35R.
- (j) Off-premises identification signs in accordance with § 490-35S.

J. General billboard regulations.

- (1) Purpose. This Ordinance is hereby established to regulate the use and placement of billboards. This Ordinance was carefully crafted to strike a balance between promoting economic development through supporting the interests of local businesses and safeguarding the existing character of the Township. The intent of the ordinance is to create an environment where advertisements serve their intended purpose without compromising the quality of the Township's public spaces. By strategically identifying desired locations of billboards and establishing clear guidelines on the size and design standards, it is the Township's goal to promote responsible visibility for small businesses while preserving the integrity of the Township's existing character.
- (2) Lawfully Pre-Existing Nonconforming structures. Lawfully pre-existing structures rendered non-conforming by this ordinance (see § 490-30 Attachment A) may obtain a certification pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-68 that a use or structure lawfully existed prior to the adoption of the ordinance, which rendered the use or structure non-conforming by applying for a zoning permit, subject to the following conditions:
 - i. The applicant shall have the burden of proof that the structure lawfully existed prior to the adoption of this ordinance.
 - ii. Lawfully pre-existing billboards or off-premises identification signs that exist prior to the adoption of this ordinance have one year from the date of adoption to apply for the certification pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-68.
 - iii. Billboards and off-premises identification signs, including lawfully pre-existing non-conforming billboards and off-premises identification signs, must comply with Township Code Chapter 367, Property Maintenance.
 - iv. Lawfully preexisting, non-conforming billboards may only be replaced if granted a certification under N.J.S.A. 40:55D-68 prior to being damaged or destroyed, and only if the replacement is not modified from the original billboard. Any modifications will require Land Use Board review and approval.
- (3) Any billboard sign to be erected under these regulations shall employ sideline blocking technology, adjacent to residential zones and residences.
- (4) Double-faced-type and V-type billboard signs shall be permitted only under the terms and conditions of this ordinance.
- (5) Billboard signs shall only be permitted as freestanding signs.
 - i. No billboard signs shall be permitted that are painted on or attached to a building, railroad bridges, overhead bridges, or any other structure over any highway or overhanging the highway, or within the right-of-way of any highway.
 - ii. No billboard signs shall be affixed to motor vehicles, buildings, bridges, overpasses, or overhead structures. They shall be permanently affixed to a base, post(s), pole(s), or other bracing or supporting device(s), comparable to a freestanding sign.
 - iii. No billboard sign shall be painted, drawn, erected, or maintained upon trees, or other natural features, or public utility poles.
- (6) There shall be a minimum setback for the billboard sign from the lot line nearest to NJSH Route 15 and 23, which shall be not less than ten feet (10') as measured from the right-of-way line. The minimum side yard setback shall be a minimum of 20 feet per side yard.
- (7) No billboard signs shall interfere with the ability of an operator of a motor vehicle to have a clear and unobstructed view of streets or highways ahead; approaching, merging, or intersecting traffic; or official signs, signals, or traffic control devices.
- (8) No billboard sign shall interfere with or contain advertisements that resemble any official traffic sign, signal, or device.
- (9) No billboard sign shall be of a type, size, or character, or placed at a location that will endanger or potentially injure public safety or health, or pose a physical threat to property in the vicinity.
- (10) No advertisements shall be permitted on any billboard sign that is deemed to violate federal, state, or local law; offensive to the moral standards of the community; false, misleading, or deceptive, or in any way reflect upon the character, integrity, or good standing of any organization or individual.
- (11) No billboard sign shall be permitted that has any animated or moving parts or has reflectorized materials that may impair the vision of a motorist.
- (12) Billboard dimensional requirements.
 - i. The billboard sign display area shall be the entire area of a sign that is within a single perimeter composed of squares or rectangles that enclose the extreme limits of the advertising message, announcement, demonstration, display, illustration, insignia, surface, or space of a similar nature, together with any frame or other material, color, or condition that forms an integral part of the display and is used to differentiate the sign from the wall or background against which it is placed, excluding the necessary supports or uprights on which the sign is placed. On no billboard sign shall the display area be less than 50 percent of the surface area of the billboard sign.

- ii. The sign area of any billboard sign face shall be computed as the product of the largest horizontal width and the largest vertical height of the lettering, illustration, display, or background. Where there is no geometric frame or edge to the sign, the area shall be defined by a projected, enclosed, four-sided (straight sides) geometric shape that most closely outlines the sign. This shall not be construed to include the supporting members of any sign that are used solely for such purpose.
- iii. No billboard sign may exceed the maximum height of 40 feet from the ground level to the highest point of the sign.
- iv. The billboard sign display area shall be rectangular-shaped and not exceed 12 feet by 32 feet for each display area.
- v. The billboard sign display area shall not exceed 384 square feet for each billboard sign display area. All dimensions include border, trim, cutouts, and extensions, but exclude decorative bases, decorative trim, and supports.

(13) Billboard lighting.

- i. A lighting plan prepared by a qualified individual shall be provided with site plan applications.
- ii. Lighting of billboard signs is permitted 24 hours per day, provided that the sign standards of this section are adhered to.
- iii. Light intensity at ground level shall average 0.5 footcandle; however, variations are permitted depending upon the intensity of the use. The light intensity shall not exceed 0.3 footcandle along any property line and shall be so arranged and shielded to reflect the light away from adjoining streets or properties.
- iv. The lighting plan shall indicate the proposed light intensity (including existing fixtures to remain) at ground level where 0.5 footcandles occur. Manufacturer's lighting detail and specifications, including footcandle distributions, shall be provided. All lights shall be concealed-source nonglare lighting and shall be installed only to reasonably illuminate the subject billboard sign face(s) from dusk to midnight. The minimum footcandle in the areas used by the public shall be 0.5; the maximum footcandle 1.0.
- v. No perimeter, strobing, or other attracting type of lighting may be operated in conjunction with a billboard sign.
- vi. Technology to limit glare and light pollution shall be employed for all multiple message billboards, including, but not limited to, automatic dimming technology and honeycomb technology.
- vii. No billboard sign shall be of such intensity or brilliance to cause glare, or be otherwise operated in a manner that impairs the safe operation of a motor vehicle. Illumination of billboard signs shall be shielded to prevent light from being directed at any portion of the highway. All such lighting shall also be subject to any other provision relating to the lighting of signs applicable to highways under the jurisdiction of the State of New Jersey.

(14) Multiple message billboard sign specific standards.

- i. The minimum spacing between multiple message billboard signs on the same side of NJSH Route 15 or 23 shall be 3,000 feet being measured along the nearest edge of the pavement between points directly opposite the side of the sign faced nearest to the center line of the right-of-way of road where the sign shall be erected, and shall apply only to sign faces on the same side of the road in the applicable zones and visible in the same travel direction.
- ii. Notwithstanding the above, the minimum distance between static message billboard signs and multiple message billboard signs on the same side of any road shall be 1,000 feet.
- iii. Multiple message billboard signs shall not be placed within 800 feet, as measured along the edge of the pavement, of an official permanent variable electronic traffic sign, which is capable of displaying any message allowed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).
- iv. A multiple message billboard sign shall be permitted a three (3) foot in height, running the width of the sign, decorative apron at the bottom of the sign face to include the name of the billboard operator, and such decorative apron shall not be considered when calculating sign face area.
- v. No more than one (1) billboard sign shall be permitted on any lot. For the purposes of this section, double-faced billboards visible from opposite directions but built on a common frame shall be considered one billboard sign.
- vi. The Township of Jefferson shall have access to the multiple message billboard sign(s) for emergency messaging and/or community information displays at one message per cycle.
- vii. Multiple message billboard signs shall contain a default design that will freeze the sign in one position or turn off the sign if a malfunction occurs.
- viii. No multiple message billboard sign shall be permitted which, because of its size, shape, and/or location, may obscure or obstruct the view of vehicular traffic.

- ix. The dwell time for each message on a multiple message billboard sign shall not be less than eight seconds per N.J.A.C. 16:41C-11.1(a)3.
- x. The change from one display to the next shall be completely accomplished within one second or less, and the entire display shall change at the same time.
- xi. No multiple message billboard sign shall be operated so that the meaning of one display is continued on the next display.
- xii. No regulations in this section or portions thereof are intended to be less restrictive than state or federal regulations.

(15) Static message billboard sign specific standards.

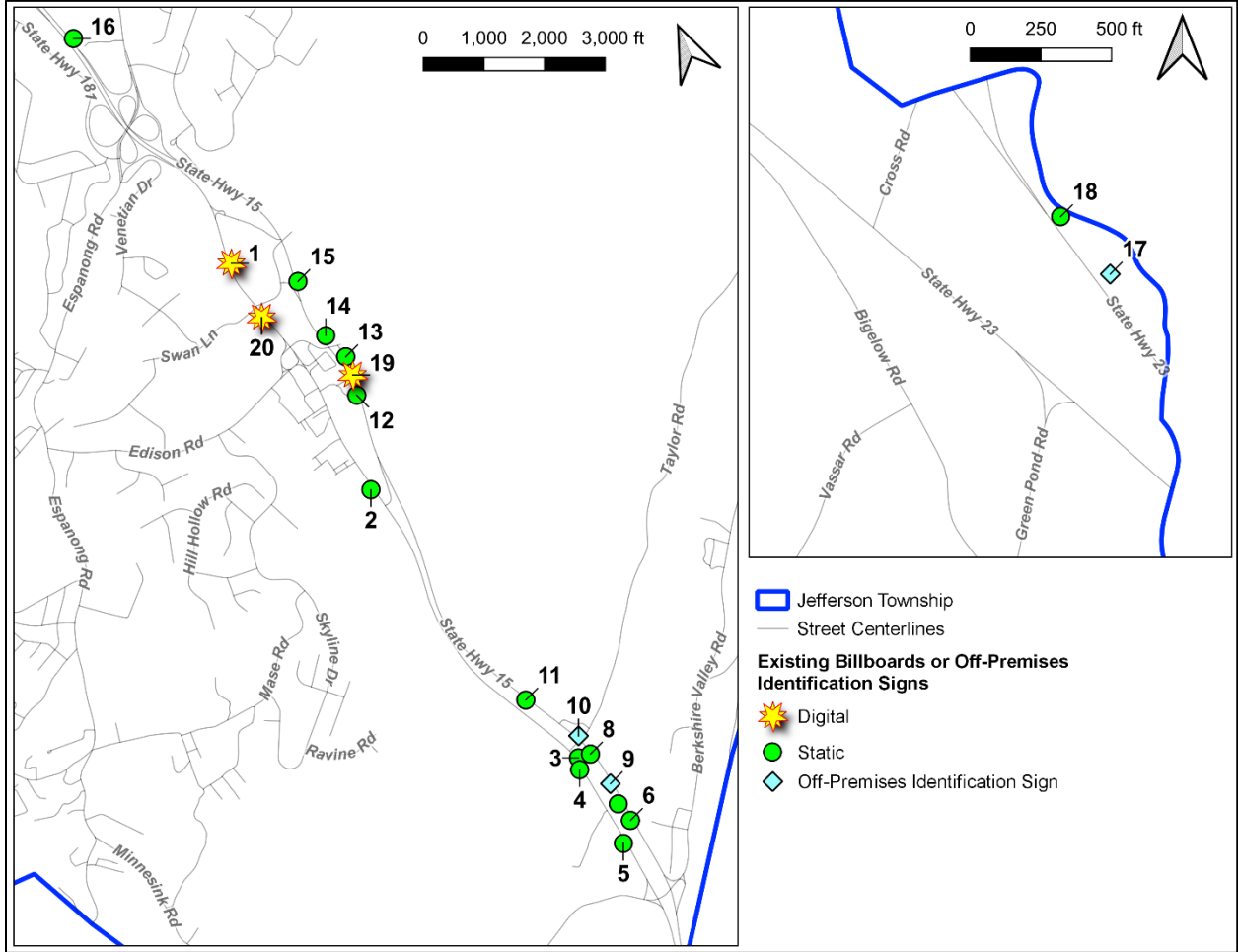
- i. The minimum distance (spacing) between static message billboard signs on permitted roads in gateway areas shall be 1,000 feet, measured along the nearest edge of the pavement between points directly opposite the side of the sign faced nearest to the center line of the right-of-way where the sign shall be erected, and shall apply only to sign faces on the same side of the road in the applicable zones and visible in the same travel direction.
- ii. Notwithstanding the above, the minimum distance between static message billboard signs and multiple message billboard signs on the same side of applicable roads is 1,000 feet.
- iii. Each face of a static message billboard sign shall be permitted a three (3) foot height, running the length of the sign, decorative apron at the bottom of the sign face to include the name of the billboard operator, and such decorative apron shall not be considered when calculating sign face area.
- iv. No more than one (1) billboard sign shall be permitted on any lot. For the purposes of this section, double-faced billboards visible from opposite directions but built on a common frame shall be considered one billboard sign.
- v. Only single-sided and back-to-back or V-type billboard signs with a single display per face shall be permitted.
- vi. A static message billboard sign may be multi-colored, and illumination shall be installed only to reasonably illuminate the subject billboard sign from dusk to midnight. No perimeter, strobing, or other attracting type of lighting may be operated in conjunction with a billboard sign.
- vii. No static message billboard sign shall be permitted which, because of its size, shape, and/or location, may obscure or obstruct the view of vehicular traffic.
- viii. No regulations in this section or portions thereof are intended to be less restrictive than state or federal regulations.

SECTION 5. Chapter 490 "Zoning, Section 490-30, Signs is amended to add the following:

Attachment A: Inventory of Existing Billboards and Off-Premises Identification Signs in the C-2, O, and IP Zones as of the Date of Adoption

Map Key	Name	Block	Lot	Road	Type*
1	Hefele Law Offices	273.01	2.052	NJSH 15 S	D
2	#2713 (Across from Club 15)	249	24	NJSH 15 S	S
3	Septic Cleaning #1	266.01	1	NJSH 15 S	S
4	#361 (J. Thomas Jewelers #1)	253	1	NJSH 15 S	S
5	Happ's Kitchen & Bath	254	2	NJSH 15 S	S
6	Jefferson Diner	260.01	12	NJSH 15 N	S
7	#3837	260.01	13	NJSH 15 N	S
8	Septic Cleaning #2	266.01	1	NJSH 15 N	S
9	TPS Financial	266.01	3.01	NJSH 15 N	O
10	Richie's Auto & Body Repair	267	6	NJSH 15 N	O
11	Sparta Diner	267.01	3.02	NJSH 15 N	S
12	J. Thomas Jewelers #2	272.01	13	NJSH 15 N	S
13	Black Diamond	272	10	NJSH 15 N	S
14	Mohawk House	272	10	NJSH 15 N	S
15	#506	273	2	NJSH 15 N	S
16	New Vision Pool & Spa	307	8	NJSH 15 N	S
17	Berkshire Valley Golf Course	576.02	1	NJSH 23 N	O
18	Bowling Green Golf Course	576.02	1	NJSH 23 N	S

19	Jefferson Recycling	272	9	NJSH 15 N	D
20	Firemen's Field	233.02	7	NJSH 15 S	D
D = Digital Billboard S = Static Billboard O = Off-Premises Identification Sign					



SECTION 6. Chapter 490 "Zoning, Section 490-35, Conditional Uses is amended to add the following:

R. Billboard Signs

- (1) The terms used in this section are defined in Section 490-30A.
- (2) Billboard signs must comply with Section 490-30J, "General billboard regulations."
- (3) Compliance with State laws for billboard signs.
 - i. All billboard signs must comply with the Roadway Signs Outdoor Advertising Act (N.J.S.A. 27:1A-5, 27:1A-6, 27:5-5 et seq.).
 - ii. No billboard sign shall be permitted unless specifically authorized by permit from the applicable agency of the State of New Jersey having jurisdiction over outdoor advertising signs, where said billboard signs shall be maintained within, or adjacent to, the State of New Jersey or any department thereof right-of-way, or any portion of limited access or unlimited access highways within the State of New Jersey. This prohibition shall not apply to signs, public notices, or markers erected or maintained by the Department of Transportation, the County of Morris or the Township of Jefferson.
- (4) Billboard sign location restrictions.
 - i. Billboard signs shall only be permitted in a gateway area as defined in Section 490-30A.
 - ii. The maximum number of permitted billboards under this ordinance (in addition to those shown on Attachment A) is a total of four (4) on Route 15, with two (2) on the northbound side and two (2) on the southbound side, and a total of four (4) on Route 23, with two (2) on the northbound side and two (2) on the southbound side.
 - iii. Billboard signs are considered principal uses and may be a second principal use on properties meeting the criteria noted above, and may be an additional freestanding sign on the subject property.

S. Off-premises identification sign regulations.

- (1) The terms used in this section are defined in Section 490-30A.
- (2) Off-premises identification signs shall only be permitted in a gateway area as defined in Section 490-30A.
- (3) Compliance with State laws for off-premises identification signs.
 - i. All off-premises identification signs must comply with the Roadway Signs Outdoor Advertising Act (N.J.S.A. 27:1A-5, 27:1A-6, 27:5-5 et seq.).
 - ii. No off-premises identification sign shall be permitted unless specifically authorized by a permit from the applicable agency of the State of New Jersey having jurisdiction over outdoor advertising signs, where said off-premises identification signs shall be maintained within, or adjacent to, the State of New Jersey or any department thereof right-of-way, or any portion of limited access or unlimited access highways within the State of New Jersey. This prohibition shall not apply to signs, public notices, or markers erected or maintained by the Department of Transportation, the County of Morris, or the Township of Jefferson.
- (4) The maximum off-premises identification sign area shall be 20 square feet.
- (5) The length or height of an off-premises identification sign may not exceed 10 feet.
- (6) There shall be a minimum setback for the off-premises identification sign from the lot line nearest to NJSH Route 15 and 23, which shall be not less than ten feet (10') as measured from the right-of-way line. The minimum side yard setback shall be a minimum of 20 feet per side yard.
- (7) The off-premises identification sign shall be located within four (4) miles of the business, commodity, service, or entertainment conducted, sold, or offered off-site.
- (8) The off-premises identification sign may be an additional freestanding sign on a subject property.
- (9) Off-premises identification signs shall not be changeable copy signs.
- (10) Off-premises identification signs shall adhere to the lighting standards of §490-30.L.

SECTION 7. All ordinances of the Township of Jefferson, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 8. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 9. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

SECTION 10. This Ordinance may be renumbered for codification purposes.

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: MAY 20, 2026

ADOPTION:

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

ORDINANCE #26-20 - "ORDINANCE TO VACATE A PORTION OF IOWA AVENUE"

WHEREAS, there exists in the Township of Jefferson (hereinafter "Jefferson"), a paper street known as Iowa Avenue on the Township's Official Tax Map; and

WHEREAS, the owner of 13 Maine Street, Jefferson Township, New Jersey (Block 43, Lot 13) requested that the Township of Jefferson vacate the public interest in the portion of Iowa Avenue that adjoins 13 Maine Street and 166 S. Georgia Avenue (Block 34, Lot 10); and

WHEREAS, the public necessity and general welfare of the inhabitants of the Township do not require that Iowa Avenue be maintained as a public road; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson are of the opinion that the public interest will be best served by vacating, releasing and extinguishing any and all public rights which the Township may have to this portion of Iowa Avenue.

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

Section 1.

The public rights and interests of the portion of the paper street more commonly known as Iowa Avenue, as more particularly described on the attached survey to this Ordinance as Exhibit A, are hereby vacated and the public rights therein are hereby forever extinguished and the said lands referred to shall be unencumbered by public rights, as if said public rights had never existed, except for as set forth herein, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:67-1, et seq.

Section 2.

Expressly reserved and excepted from this vacation Ordinance are all rights and privileges possessed by public utilities, including Township utilities, as defined in N.J.S.A. 48:2-13, and by any cable television company, as defined in the Cable Television Act, N.J.S.A. 48:5A-1, et seq., to maintain, repair and replace existing facilities in and adjacent to, over and under the street or portions thereof, are hereby vacated, and the same are hereby expressly reserved and accepted from said vacation.

Also expressly reserved and excepted from this Ordinance are all rights and privileges heretofore possessed by Jefferson Township to own, maintain, repair or replace any utilities in the vacation area.

Section 3

In addition, this Ordinance shall not become effective until such time as the owner of 13 Maine Street, Jefferson Township, the party requesting the road vacation, reimburses the Township of Jefferson for the legal fees, advertising fees and all other costs and expenses incurred by the Township of Jefferson for this road vacation.

Section 4.

The Township Clerk shall, after the introduction and passage of this Ordinance on first reading, publish a copy of the Ordinance in the Township's official newspapers at least once and not less than ten (10) days prior to the time fixed for further consideration and passage pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:49-6. At least one (1) week prior to the Ordinance hearing date, the Township Clerk shall mail a copy of the Ordinance, along with a notice of introduction, to the contiguous property owners as shown on the Tax Maps of the Township of Jefferson. Said notice shall be mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested and regular mail, and shall indicate the time and place when the Ordinance will be further considered for final passage by the Mayor and Council.

Section 5.

A notice of passage of this Ordinance shall be published by the Township Clerk in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40:49-2.

Section 6.

The Township Clerk shall, within sixty (60) days after this Ordinance becomes effective, file a certified copy thereof under the seal of the Township of Jefferson, together with a copy of the publication thereof, in the Office of the Clerk of Morris County.

Section 7. Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application of this Ordinance to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 8. Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances or resolutions that are inconsistent or in opposition to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed in their entirety.

Section 9. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption and publication in accordance with 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.

INTRODUCTION: MAY 20, 2026

ADOPTION:

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

7. COUNCIL AND MAYOR DISCUSSION – Presiding Officer
 - Weldon Road Crosswalk – Requested by TSO Paskas
 - Lerman Water – 31 Shawnee Parkway
 - Perry Water – 21 Seneca Trail
8. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS OF MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATOR – Presiding Officer
9. COUNCIL REPORTS – Presiding Officer
10. COUNCIL BUSINESS – Presiding Officer

RESOLUTION #26-160 - “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 **June 10, 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 #26-161 “RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION UNDER N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 FOR THE BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,613.45”

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson, has been awarded a **Bulletproof Vest Partnership** in the amount of **\$7,613.45** and wishes to amend its **2026** budget to include this amount as an item of revenue.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year **2026** in the total amount of **\$7,613.45**, which will be available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues
 Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written
 Consent of the Director of Local Government Services – Public
 And Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:
Bulletproof Vest Partnership **\$7,613.45**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of **\$7,613.45** be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:
 General Appropriations

A. Operations – Excluded from CAPS
 Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:
Bulletproof Vest Partnership **\$7,613.45**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer electronically submit the Chapter 159 certification and a copy of this resolution and appropriate documentation to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

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

RESOLUTION #26-162 - "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A FORD F-550 TYPE I CLASSIC 170 4X4 (GAS ENGINE) AMBULANCE FROM P.L. CUSTOM BODY & EQUIPMENT CO., INC. UNDER THE SOURCEWELL NATIONAL SERVICE COOPERATIVE"

WHEREAS, pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 139 all contracting units are permitted to use contracts awarded by national or regional cooperatives that were already competitively bid without competitively bidding the goods or services themselves; and
WHEREAS, on July 18, 2018, the Township Council authorized the Township to enter into an agreement with the Sourcewell National Cooperative to purchase goods and/or services in order to make the procurement process more efficient and to provide cost savings to the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Sourcewell National Service Cooperative awarded Contract No. 122123-PLC entitled "Ambulance and Emergency Medical Services Vehicles" to P.L. Custom Body and Equipment Co., Inc., 2201 Atlantic Avenue, Manasquan, NJ 08736; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson wishes to purchase one (1) Ford F-550 Type I Classic 170 4X4 Gas Engine Ambulance from **P.L. Custom Body & Equipment Co., Inc., 2201 Atlantic Avenue, Manasquan, New Jersey, 08736** for an amount not to exceed **\$409,734.00**; and

WHEREAS, the Township is in receipt of the requisite documentation required in order to award this contract through the Sourcewell National Cooperative contract; and

WHEREAS, the use of the Sourcewell National Cooperative shall result in cost savings, after all factors, including charges for service, material and delivery, have been considered; and

WHEREAS, the Sourcewell National Cooperative's bidding process for contractors meets the requirements of the "fair & open" definition required by N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.7; and

WHEREAS, the determination by the Township to award this contract under this National Cooperative was previously advertised on the Township of Jefferson website; 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 as designated below.

C-04-55-926-016-903

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the Township Administrator is authorized to purchase (1) Ford F-550 Type I Classic 170 4X4 Gas Engine Ambulance from **P.L. Custom Body & Equipment Co., Inc., 2201 Atlantic Avenue, Manasquan, New Jersey, 08736** in an amount not to exceed **\$409,734.00**.

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

RESOLUTION #26-163 - "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN APPROVED NEW JERSEY OPERATIVE PURCHASING ALLIANCE (NJCPA)-CK04 CONTRACT VENDORS FOR CONTRACTING UNITS- "STRYKER SALES, LLC."

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson, may by resolution and without advertising for bids, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11 of the Local Public Contracts Law, purchase goods or services under the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (NJCPA) contracts entered into on behalf of the County of Bergen; and

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

WHEREAS, NJCPA Contract CK04-BC-BID #24-15 was awarded to Stryker Sales, LLC., 21343 Network Place, Chicago, IL 60673-1213 for a Power-Pro 2 Ambulance Cot and accessories; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson desires to purchase a Power-Pro 2 Ambulance Cot and accessories, in an amount not to exceed \$90,992.06 through this resolution and properly executed contract, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current NJCPA 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 as designated below.

C-04-55-926-012-921

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson that the Township Administrator is authorized to purchase a Power-Pro 2 Ambulance Cot and accessories from the approved NJCPA Vendor, Contract CK04-BC-BID #24-15 in an amount not to exceed \$90,992.06 from Stryker Sales, LLC., 21343 Network Place, Chicago, IL 60673-1213.

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

RESOLUTION #26-164 - "RESOLUTION AWARING PUBLIC BID FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A PFAS TREATMENT FACILITY FOR THE MOOSEPAC WATER TREATMENT FACILITY TO DEMAIO ELECTRICAL COMPANY, INC., SUBJECT TO I-BANK APPROVALS"

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson ("Township") is responsible for the maintenance and operation of certain Potable Water Systems serving the residents of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township advertised for the solicitation of public bids for the construction of a PFAS treatment facility at a pumping station known as the Moosepac Water Treatment Facility, which serves and treats water from a potable water supply well in need of PFAS remediation; and

WHEREAS, the Township received and opened seven (7) bids for the project; and

WHEREAS, the Township consulting engineer has reviewed the bids submitted and determined that DeMaio Electrical Company, Inc. is the lowest responsive bidder, with a total bid amount of three million, forty thousand dollars (\$3,040,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the Township intends to fund this critical infrastructure project through a loan package administered by the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank ("I-Bank"), Project No. 1414003-001, so that this award is contingent upon the award of funds from I-Bank, to perform the construction of a PFAS treatment facility at the Moosepac Water Treatment Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Township Chief Financial Officer had filed a Certification of Available Funds via the I-Bank loan funding agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris and State of New Jersey hereby authorizes award of the public bid for the construction of a PFAS treatment facility at a pumping station known as the Moosepac Water Treatment Facility to DeMaio Electrical Company, Inc. in the amount of \$3,040,000.00, subject to final approval, clearance and authorization from I-Bank, Project No. 1414003-001.

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

RESOLUTION #26-165 – “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT WITH H2M ASSOCIATES, INC., TO COMPLETE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR REHABILITATION OF EAST SHAWNEE WELL”

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson has the need to complete engineering services for rehabilitation of East Shawnee Well; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson has awarded a contract to H2M Associates as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5 through Resolution #26-37; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson received a proposal from H2M Associates, Inc., dated January 16, 2026 for Professional Engineering Services, for design, bidding and construction-related services for the rehabilitation of the East Shawnee Well in the amount of \$69,400; 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 funds for said contract are available and are designated to a line item appropriation designated below.

C-06-55-526-017-903

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey awards Professional Engineering Services, for design, bidding and construction-related services for the rehabilitation of the East Shawnee Well to H2M Associates, 1639 Route 10, Suite 101, Parsippany, New Jersey, 07054 in the amount of \$69,400 and authorizes the Mayor and Deputy Township Clerk to execute the contract for this project.

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

RESOLUTION #26-166 - “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF RECREATION FEES”

WHEREAS, an application for financial assistance for summer camp 2026 was received and reviewed by the Recreation Department; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Director recommends the waiver of Recreation fees for summer camp 2026 as requested by the applicant; and

WHEREAS, this waiver is applicable only for the basic day camp registration fees and does not include busing, before & after care, off-site trips, on-site electives, fun food meals and canteen snacks; and

WHEREAS, this waiver is being granted for nine (9) weeks of summer camp for each of seven (4) campers to the following families:

- Zuleta, 1 camper at \$2,340, 2nd camper at \$2,250 (sibling discount), totaling \$4,590 for the summer.
- Vinales, 1 camper at \$2,340, 2nd camper at \$2,250 (sibling discount), totaling \$4,590 for the summer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey that such waiver be authorized to the aforementioned individual and that appropriate measures be taken by the Chief Financial Officer and Director of Recreation in reference to the reconciliation of camp finances.

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

- 11. **ORDINANCES – FIRST READING – Deputy Township Clerk**
 - None for June 10, 2026

12. MINUTES – Deputy Township Clerk
- None for June 10, 2026

13. CONSENT AGENDA* - Deputy 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 June 10, 2026

*APPOINTMENTS:

- None for June 10, 2026

*CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:

- 26-167 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A DISABLED VETERANS EXEMPTION AND THE CANCELLATION OF TAXES – BLOCK 60 LOT 3
- 26-168 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE ANNUAL LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM (LOSAP) CONTRIBUTION REPORT AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF PURCHASE ORDER #26-01411
- 26-169 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT(S) OF FIRE BUREAU FEES
- 26-170 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – THREE PEAKS LIQUORS LLC (D/B/A STONEWATER) - 1414-33-001-009
- 26-171 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – THE VGB GROUP LLC (D/B/A BELLA VISTA)- 1414-33-002-009
- 26-172 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – KND WINE & LIQUOR, LLC– (D/B/A BETSY ROSS DINER) - 1414-33-004-012
- 26-173 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – TAKIS SERETIS INC. (D/B/A JEFFERSON DINER & FAMILY RESTAURANT) - 1414-33-006-010
- 26-174 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – A ONE CLASSIC II LLC (D/B/A CHABONS LIQUOR & BAR II) - 1414-33-008-009
- 26-175 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – BIG FISH ENTERPRISES LLC - 1414-33-010-008
- 26-176 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – THE DAILY PLANET INC. - 1414-33-011-008
- 26-177 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – MILTON PINES INC (THE GRILL ROOM) - 1414-33-014-006
- 26-178 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – ROCKFALL INC (D/B/A GATWYN’S II) - 1414-33-017-005
- 26-179 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – HACIENDA DON JOSE MEXICAN RESTAURANT Y CANTINA LLC - 1414-33-019-010
- 26-180 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – TIPSY TOMS TAVERN LLC (D/B/A CHARLEY’S TAVERN) - 1414-33-022-009
- 26-181 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – MASON STREET GRILLE INC. (D/B/A MASON STREET GRILLE) - 1414-33-023-005
- 26-182 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – NMT INC. (D/B/A BERKSHIRE BOTTLE SHOP) - 1414-33-024-004
- 26-183 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – BRIAN TOBIN - 1414-33-027-008
- 26-184 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – TINY’S II INC. (D/B/A TINY’S II) - 1414-33-028-005
- 26-185 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – BASH & BELA INC. (D/B/A CASA BIANCA BANQUETS) - 1414-33-030-007
- 26-186 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – RUSTY CLEAT LLC (D/B/A THE WINDLASS) – 1414-33-031-003
- 26-187 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – JAKY CHRIS AND FRANK LLC (CHAPALA GRILL RESTAURANT 3 LLC) - 1414-33-032-013
- 26-188 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – T&T LIQUORS INC. (D/B/A LIQUOR FACTORY)- 1414-44-038-001
- 26-189 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – WM H FLATT JR POST 245 – AMERICAN LEGION - 1414-31-033-001
- 26-190 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES – TRI COUNTY MEMORIAL POST 423 – AMERICAN LEGION - 1414-31-034-001

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

RESOLUTION #26-191 - “RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12”

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson is subject to certain requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson to discuss in a session not open to the public certain matters relating to the item or items authorized by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b and designated below:

- (1) Matters Required by Law to be Confidential: Any matter which, by express provision of Federal law or State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.
- (2) Matters Where the Release of Information Would Impair the Right to Receive Funds: Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.
- (3) Matters Involving Individual Privacy: Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.
- (4) Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining Agreements: Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.
- (5) Matters Relating to the Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property or the Investment of Public Funds: Any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.
- (6) Matters Relating to Public Safety and Property: Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of violations of possible violations of the law.
- (7) Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege: Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is, or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer.
 - Attorney-Client Privilege: Private Roads
- (8) Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship: Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all the individual employees or appointees whose right could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting.
- (9) Matters Relating to the Potential Imposition of a Penalty: Any deliberations of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party bears responsibility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, assembled in public session on **June 10, 2026 at 7:00 P.M.** in the Township Municipal Building, 1033 Weldon Road, Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey, that the Township Council shall meet in Executive Session, from which the public shall be excluded, for the discussion of matters relating to the specific items designated above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Township Council that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

16. ADJOURNMENT – Presiding Officer
AT _____ PM _____ Motion to Adjourn _____ Second _____ All in Favor

Amanda Nevins, RMC, CMR
Deputy Township Clerk
973-208-6132 anevins@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

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 #26-167

“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A DISABLED VETERANS EXEMPTION AND THE CANCELLATION OF TAXES –BLOCK 60 LOT 3”

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has approved an application for a totally Disabled Veteran Exemption for a resident property owner; and

WHEREAS, based on the approved permanently Disabled Veterans application date of **May 22, 2026**, the resident property owner is entitled to an exemption of taxes in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.32; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the Township of Jefferson does recommend a prorated refund of the 2nd Quarter payment of taxes paid based on date of approved permanently Disabled Veterans application, **May 22, 2026**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized to issue a check for the payment appearing on the tax records as follows:

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>QUARTER/YR</u>
Block 60 Lot 3	127 S Maryland Ave	\$640.40	2 nd Qtr 2026 (Prorated)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector be and is hereby authorized to cancel said taxes as follows:

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>QUARTER/YR</u>
Block 60 Lot 3	127 S Maryland Ave	\$640.40	2 nd Qtr 2026 (Prorated)
		To Be Billed	3 rd Qtr 2026
		To Be Billed	4 th Qtr 2026

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTION #26-168

“RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE ANNUAL LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM (LOSAP) CONTRIBUTION REPORT AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF PURCHASE ORDER #26-01411”

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson established a Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP), in accordance with Chapter 388 of the Laws of 1997, to reward members of the Jefferson Township Volunteer Fire Departments, Milton Fire Company #1 and Lake Hopatcong Fire Company #2, the Jefferson Township Rescue Squad and the Milton First Aid Squad for their loyal, diligent and devoted services to the residents of Jefferson; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson makes annual contributions to qualifying volunteers into a Deferred Compensation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has submitted the **2025** LOSAP Contributions report to the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson for review and approval; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has also submitted to the Township Council for payment to the Township's LOSAP provider for review and approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, does hereby approve and accept the **2025** LOSAP Contribution Report and does hereby authorize payment of Purchase Order 26-01411 in the amount of **\$205,730.00**

WHEREAS, the Township Council, Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey has received applications for renewal of liquor licenses; and

WHEREAS, the following establishment has completed the necessary State of New Jersey Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) applications and the correct fees have been paid to the Township Clerk for renewal of liquor licenses for the year **2026-2027**.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson approves the application for renewal of liquor licenses for the following establishment for the period **July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027**:

- Tri County Memorial Post 423 - American Legion Liquor License Number #1414-31-034-001