



BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS
COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
151 Navesink Ave., Highlands, NJ 07732
Wednesday, April 16, 2025 at 7:00 PM

AGENDA

The notice requirements provided for in the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given by transmission to the Asbury Park Press and the Two River Times and by posting at the Borough of Highlands Municipal Building and filing with the Borough Clerk all on January 1, 2025. Items listed on the agenda are subject to change.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Councilmember Cervantes | Councilmember Chelak | Councilmember Melnyk

Council President Olszewski | Mayor Broullon

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. April 2, 2025 Meeting Minutes
2. April 2, 2025 Executive Session Minutes

CONSENT AGENDA

3. R 25-100 Authorizing the Budget to be Read by Title Only
4. R 25-101 Amending Resolution 24-162 Authorizing Execution of a Shared Services Agreement Between the Borough of Highlands and the Henry Hudson Regional School District
5. R 25-102 Authorizing the Award of a Contract for the Dredging of a Section of Jones Creek
6. R 25-103 Approving a Social Affairs Permit for the Highlands Fire Department on Borough Property
7. R 25-104 Acknowledging Receipt and Review of the Land Use Board Consistency Report for Ordinance O-25-05
8. R 25-105 Accepting New Jersey Asset Activation Plan Prepared by Heyer, Gruel & Associates
9. R 25-106 Authorizing Sale by Public Auction of Municipally Owned Property
10. R 25-107 Authorizing Payment of Bills
11. R 25-108 Governing Body Certification of Compliance with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964"

RESOLUTIONS

12. Public Hearing on the 2025 Municipal Budget

13. R 25-109 Adopting 2025 Municipal Budget

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ORDINANCES

14. O-25-05 Amending Chapter 10 (Buildings and Housing), Section 10-7 (Signs and Outdoor Display Structures) and Chapter 21 (Zoning and Land Use Regulations), Article XXII (Signs) of the Borough Code of the Borough of Highlands

INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

15. O-25-06 Bond Ordinance Providing for Sewer Utility Improvements and the Acquisition of Sewer Utility Equipment, Appropriating \$86,250 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$86,250 Bonds and Notes to Finance a Portion of the Costs Thereof, Authorized in and by the Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey

16. O-25-07 Bond Ordinance Providing for Capital Improvements and the Acquisition of Various Capital Equipment, Appropriating \$1,404,150 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,333,942 Bonds and Notes to Finance a Portion of the Costs Thereof, Authorized in and by the Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey

REPORTS

PUBLIC PORTION

Individuals wishing to address the Council shall be recognized by the presiding officer and shall give their name, address, and the group, if any, they represent. Although the Council encourages public participation, it reserves the right, through its presiding officer, to terminate remarks to and/or by any individual not in keeping with the conduct of a proper and efficient meeting. If any individual refuses to conduct themselves in a proper manner, they will be removed from the meeting. The Council will not, during the public portion of this meeting, discuss matters involving employment, appointment, termination of employment, negotiations, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion or discipline of any specific or prospective or current employee. There is a 3-minute time limit for your comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session will be held following the Regular Council Meeting. Prior to each Executive Session, the Borough Council will convene in open session at which time a resolution will be adopted in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-13. No formal action will be taken during Executive Session.

RESOLUTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED that the following portion of this meeting shall not be open to the public,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that private consideration is deemed required and is permitted because of the following noted exceptions set forth in the Act:

17. Attorney-Client Privilege – Steep Slope Ordinance

18. Attorney-Client Privilege – Regulation of Municipal Parking Ordinance

19. Attorney-Client Privilege – Cannabis Regulations

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is anticipated that the matters to be considered in private may be disclosed to the public at a later date when the need for privacy no longer exists.

ADJOURNMENT

If you have any questions regarding this agenda, please contact the Borough Clerk at (732) 872-1224 ext. 201 or email clerk@highlandsnj.gov.