TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
GLOUCESTER COUNTY
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 25, 2026
6:00 P.M.

Council Vice President Brown called the meeting to order at 6:05 P.M. in the council room located at 523 Egg Harbor Road, Sewell, New Jersey. Mr. Brown delivered the Sunshine Notice and safety awareness notices.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Council Vice President Brown led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL
Township Clerk Ms. Ciallella took roll call. Councilmembers Mr. Brown, Mr. Harris and Mr. Yerkes were present. Ms. Pasqualone was present via telephone. Mr. Del Borrello, III was absent. Mayor DellaPia, Business Administrator Mr. Russo and Attorney Mr. Donohue were present.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL LIST
Council Vice President Brown asked for a motion to approve the February 25, 2026 Bill List. Mr. Yerkes motioned. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Mr. Harris, Ms. Pasqualone, Mr. Yerkes, Mr. Brown. Mr. Del Borrello, III was absent.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
Council Vice President Brown asked for a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for February, 11 2026. Mr. Harris motioned. Mr. Yerkes seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Mr. Harris, Ms. Pasqualone, Mr. Yerkes, Mr. Brown voted yes. Mr. Del Borrello, III was absent.

ORDINANCES
O001-2026 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS A ND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026 (N.J.S.A. 40a: 4-45.14)
Mr. Brown asked for a motion to open to the public Ordinance O001-2026. Mr. Yerkes motioned. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. All was in favor. No one wished to speak.
Mr. Brown asked for a motion to close to the public Ordinance O001-2026. Mr. Yerkes motioned. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. All was in favor. Mr. Brown asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance O001-2026. Mr. Yerkes motioned. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. Mr. Yerkes, Mr. Harris, Mr. Brown and Ms. Pasqualone voted yes. Mr. Del Borrello was absent.

O002-2026 ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ADOPTING CHAPTER 43 "WEDDINGS AND CIVIL UNIONS" OF THE CODE
Mr. Brown asked for a motion to open to the public Ordinance O002-2026. Mr. Yerkes motioned. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. All was in favor. No one wished to speak.
Mr. Brown asked for a motion to close to the public Ordinance O002-2026. Mr. Yerkes motioned. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. All was in favor. Mr. Brown asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance O002-2026. Mr. Yerkes motioned. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. Mr. Yerkes, Mr. Harris, Mr. Brown and Ms. Pasqualone voted yes. Mr. Del Borrello was absent.

O003-2026 ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ADOPTING CHAPTER 282 "SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE" OF THE CODE

Mr. Brown asked for a motion to open to the public Ordinance O003-2026. Mr. Yerkes motioned. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. All was in favor. No one wished to speak.
Mr. Brown asked for a motion to close to the public Ordinance O003-2026. Mr. Yerkes motioned. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. All was in favor. Mr. Brown asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance O003-2026. Mr. Yerkes motioned. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. Mr. Yerkes, Mr. Harris, Mr. Brown and Ms. Pasqualone voted yes. Mr. Del Borrello was absent.

O004-2026 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 285 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE TO ESTABLISH ARTICLE XXVIID, ENTITLED "MEDIUM DENSITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING DISTRICT," TO PROVIDE AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS TO BE DEVELOPED SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Mr. Brown asked for a motion to introduce O004-2026. Mr. Harris motioned. Mr. Yerkes seconded. Mr. Harris, Ms. Pasqualone, Mr. Yerkes, Mr. Brown voted yes. Mr. Del Borrello was absent.

O005-2026 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 285 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE TO ESTABLISH ARTICLE XXVIIE, ENTITLED "AHD AFFORDABLE HOUSING 1 DISTRICT," TO PROVIDE AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS TO BE DEVELOPED SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Mr. Brown asked for a motion to introduce O005-2026. Mr. Harris motioned. Mr. Yerkes seconded. Mr. Harris, Ms. Pasqualone, Mr. Yerkes, Mr. Brown voted yes. Mr. Del Borrello was absent.

O006-2026 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 285 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE TO ESTABLISH ARTICLE XXVIIF, ENTITLED "RAHI 1 RESIDENTIAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING INCLUSIONARY 1 DISTRICT," TO PROVIDE AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS TO BE DEVELOPED SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS.

Mr. Brown asked for a motion to introduce O006-2026. Mr. Harris motioned. Mr. Yerkes seconded. Mr. Harris, Ms. Pasqualone, Mr. Yerkes, Mr. Brown voted yes. Mr. Del Borrello was absent.

***O007-2026* AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 285 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE TO ESTABLISH ARTICLE XXVIIG, ENTITLED "RAHI 2 RESIDENTIAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING INCLUSIONARY 2 DISTRICT," TO PROVIDE AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS TO BE DEVELOPED SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS**

Mr. Brown asked for a motion to introduce O007-2026. Mr. Harris motioned. Mr. Yerkes seconded. Mr. Harris, Ms. Pasqualone, Mr. Yerkes, Mr. Brown voted yes. Mr. Del Borrello was absent.

***O008-2026* AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE DELSEA DRIVE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN**

Mr. Brown asked for a motion to introduce O008-2026. Mr. Harris motioned. Mr. Yerkes seconded. Mr. Harris, Ms. Pasqualone, Mr. Yerkes, Mr. Brown voted yes. Mr. Del Borrello was absent.

0009-2026 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW HESREY, REPEALING AND REPLACING ARTICLE XXXVIII, ENTITLED "AFFORDABLE HOUSING REGULATIONS" TO ADDRESS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE FAIR SHARE HOUSING ACT (FHA) AND THE UNIFORM HOUSING AFFORDABILITY CONTROLS (UHAC) REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE TOWNSHIP'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS AND TO MAKE RELATED AMENDMENTS TO THE TOWNSHIP CODE**

Mr. Brown asked for a motion to introduce O009-2026. Mr. Harris motioned. Mr. Yerkes seconded. Mr. Harris, Ms. Pasqualone, Mr. Yerkes, Mr. Brown voted yes. Mr. Del Borrello was absent.

RESOLUTIONS

The following Resolutions were part of the consent agenda and only required a vote for all listed. Township Clerk Ciallella read each one by title.

R069-2026 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS

R070-2026 RESOLUTION CANCELLING TAXES FOR KATHLEEN NERNEY, A WIDOW OF A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN, BLOCK 82.05, LOT 22, 114 CAPELLI RD., EFFECTIVE JANUARY 21, 2026

R071-2026 RESOLUTION CANCELLING TAXES FOR SANDRA HAFYCZ, A WIDOW OF A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN, BLOCK 19.13, LOT 2, 216 HILLARD LN. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 17, 2026

R072-2026 RESOLUTION CANCELLING TAXES FOR WILLIAM LAYCOCK TOTALLY DISABLED BETERAN, BLOCK 248, LOT 10, 803 LAFAYETTE CT., EFFECTIVE JANUARY 14, 2026

R073-2026 RESOLUTION CANCELLING TAXES FOR SHERIDA COPPER TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN, BLOCK 85.19, LOT 69 18 ORCHARDVIEW DR. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 12, 2026

R074-2026 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS OF FUNDS

Mr. Brown asked for a motion to approve Resolution R069-2026 through R074-2026. Mr. Harris motioned. Mr. Yerkes seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Mr. Harris, Ms. Pasqualone, Mr. Yerkes, Mr. Brown all voted yes. Mr. Del Borrello was absent.

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS / REPORTS

- **Mr. Harris** – commented that there are a lot of great events coming up and is looking forward to the upcoming Tim Tebow Event-Night to Shine Event was amazing.
- **Ms. Pasqualone**-Thanked Public Works for all their hard work during the snow storm.
- **Mr. Yerkes** – Thanked Public Works Department and Thank Chief Gurcsik. Mr. Yerkes also congratulated the Men and Women's USA Hockey Teams for winning Gold along with congratulating all US Team for winning 12 gold medals, 12 silver medals and 13 Bronze.
- **Mr. Del Borrello** – Was absent.
- **Mr. Donohoe**-had nothing to report
- **Mr. Russo**-had nothing to report
- **Gianna Caveng HS Liaison**- gave an update on all the HS events.
- **Mayor DellaPia** – Night to Shine Event. ◈ Night to Shine Event is on 2/13 very moving event and encourages those to attend. ◈ Look for the new and upcoming POD Cast show that will be coming out soon◈

▪ **Mr. Brown** – Thanked Public Works for all their hard work on the very challenging snow storm that just occurred.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Brown asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public. Mr. Harris motioned. Ms. Yerkes seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the members present.

Maxine Colangelose-911 Whitman Dr.-made a suggestion to council for a neighborhood watch for snow shoveling.

Dave Levay- Edgewater, N.J.-Presented the AARP Driver Safety Program to Council.

Dominic Rota-557 Hurffville Cross Keys Rd-he questioned the status of his property? He has suffered erosion and loss of wildlife on his property since the Pole Barn was built across from his property by the Police Department. He stated that he is getting impatient waiting to hear back from the Mayor with a solution.

Mr. Brown asked for a motion to close the meeting to the public. Mr. Yerkes motioned. Mr. Brown seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the members present.

ADJOURNMENT

The next Council meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2026 at 6:00 PM. Mr. Brown asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Yerkes motioned. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Ciallella, RMC/CMR
Township Clerk

Donald Brown, Jr,
Council President