

Mayor & Town Council
PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA
February 2, 2026

Town of Boonton
 100 Washington Street
 Boonton, NJ 07005

Closed Session Meeting-6:00 p.m.
 Open Public Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE AND ROLL CALL VOTE

COUNCIL MEMBER	TITLE	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. John Meehan	1 st Ward Council Member		
Mr. Cyril Wekilsky	1 st Ward Council Member		
Ms. Danielle Cascone	2 nd Ward Council Member		
Ms. Marie DeVenezia	2 nd Ward Council Member		
Mr. Daniel Balan	3 rd Ward Council Member		
Ms. Kimberly Mazzei	3 rd Ward Council Member		
Ms. Luisa Lopez	4 th Ward Council Member		
Mr. Benjamin Weisman	4 th Ward Council Member		
Mr. James Lynch	Mayor		
Mr. Fred Semrau	Town Attorney		
Mr. Edward Pasternak	Town Attorney		
Mr. Neil Henry	Town Administrator		
Ms. Elizabeth Bonsiewicz	Town Clerk		

CLOSED SESSION-6:00 P.M.

RESOLUTION 26-65

RESOLUTION TO RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings act, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Town Council of the town of Boonton in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter(s).
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 b. (7) Litigation
3. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public at the conclusion of each individual specified subject matter.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.
5. No action may be taken in Closed Session. N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(1)

MOVED:		SECONDED:	
VOICE VOTE:	IN FAVOR: _____	AGAINST: _____	

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION 7:00 P.M.

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ADEQUATE NOTICE

This meeting is being held in person and livestreamed via ZOOM. The public is invited to attend in person or to view the meeting by following the link below or by calling in to the phone number listed below the link. Public comments are welcome in person or by submitting written comments to the Town Clerk, which will be distributed to members of the Governing Body, and which although not required by law to be read at a meeting, may be summarized or read in their entirety, during the public portion of the meeting. Written comments may be submitted via email with the subject line "Public Comment" to the Town Clerk, Elizabeth Bonsiewich at ebonsiewich@boonton.org or by mail addressed to Elizabeth Bonsiewich, Town Clerk, Town of Boonton, 100 Washington Street, Boonton, New Jersey 07005. All written comments must include the name, address and phone number in order to verify the Author. Emailed comments must be received at least eight (8) hours prior to the meeting. Mailed comments must be received by 4:00 p.m. the day before the meeting.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85826555060>

MAYOR'S STATEMENT

Notice of this meeting has been provided through resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council on December 15, 2025 at its Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Town Council at the Boonton Town Hall, 100 Washington Street, Boonton New Jersey and by electronic mailing to the Citizen of Morris County and the Daily Record newspapers, through posting on the Town website and by filing a copy of same with the Town Clerk.

Members of the public were also permitted to submit written comments prior to the meeting via mail or email, which may be summarized or read in their entirety during the public comment period. All public comments, whether during the public portion of the meeting or submitted beforehand, shall be limited to no greater than three (3) minutes in duration.

PRESENTATION

Chris Colley of Topology will make a presentation on Highlands Plan Conformance

BOONTON ADMINISTRATOR AND COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

**Administration-Administrator Neil Henry
Economic Development/Special Projects-Council Member Meehan
Parking-Council Member Lopez
Public Works Committee-Council Member Mazzei
Board of Health-Council Member Lopez
Boonton Main Street-Council Member Meehan
Green Team- Council Member Cascone
Historic Preservation Commission-Council Member Balan
Housing Authority-Council Member DeVenezia**

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolutions 26-66 through 26-75

RESOLUTION 26-66

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL APPROVING MEETING MINUTES

WHEREAS, Minutes of the previous meeting(s) have been submitted to the Mayor and Town Council for their review and approval.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Boonton, County of Morris and State of New Jersey that the Minutes from the following meeting(s) are hereby approved as typed and filed in the Town Clerk's office:

Regular Meeting January 20, 2026

RESOLUTION 26-67

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

WHEREAS, vouchers for payment have been submitted to the Mayor and Town Council by the various municipal departments.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Boonton, County of Morris and State of New Jersey, all vouchers approved by the Administrator be and are hereby ordered paid.

RESOLUTION 26-68

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT PATRICK LAVERTY AS ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR THE TOWN OF BOONTON

WHEREAS, pursuant to P.L. 2024, c.2, The Town of Boonton may appoint an Administrative Agent (AA) for the oversight of administration of the Town of Boonton's affordable housing program to enforce the requirements of the law and N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Boonton has amended Chapter 45 entitled Officers and Employees to provide for the appointment of an Administrative Agent of Affordable Housing to administer the Town of Boonton's affordable housing program.

WHEREAS, Patrick Laverty has fulfilled all the required coursework and has met all the prerequisite requirements to obtain the AHP Certificate of Completion.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Town of Boonton in the County of Morris, and the State of New Jersey that Patrick Laverty is hereby appointed by the Governing Body of the Town of Boonton as Administrative Agent for the administration of the affordable housing program, pursuant to and in accordance with Sections 45-28 to 45-30 of Town of Boonton's Town Code.

RESOLUTION 26-69

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT PATRICK LAVERTY MUNICIPAL HOUSING LIAISON FOR THE TOWN OF BOONTON

WHEREAS, pursuant to P.L. 2024, c.2, The Town of Boonton is required to appoint a Municipal Housing Liaison for the oversight of administration of the Town of Boonton's affordable housing program to enforce the requirements of the law and N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Boonton has amended Chapter 45 entitled Officers and Employees to provide for the appointment of a Municipal Housing Liaison to administer the Town of Boonton's affordable housing program.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Town of Boonton in the County of Morris, and the State of New Jersey that Patrick Laverty is hereby appointed by the Governing Body of the Town of Boonton as the Municipal Housing Liaison for the administration of the affordable housing program, pursuant to and in accordance with Sections 45-28 to 45-30 of Town of Boonton's Town Code.

RESOLUTION 26-70

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BOONTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING ERIK GORE AS PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT

WHEREAS, the Town of Boonton desires to appoint a Public Works Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, Erik Gore has agreed to accept such appointment, effective February 17, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gore meets the qualifications to hold the position; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of Mr. Gore as Public Works Superintendent shall be at a salary of \$130,000.00 per year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Boonton, County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that the appointment of Erik Gore as Public Works Superintendent as described above is hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Town Clerk are hereby authorized to take all such actions necessary to finalize the appointment of Erik Gore as Public Works Superintendent.

RESOLUTION 26-71

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BOONTON HIRING JAMES KOSUT AND JAMES RIVERA AS TEMPORARY LABORERS IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT FOR SNOW REMOVAL

WHEREAS, additional temporary seasonal employees are needed in the Department of Public Works for snow removal on an "as-needed" basis.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Town Council that James Kosut and James Rivera are hired on an "as-needed" basis as temporary seasonal employees for snow removal at a wage of \$35.00/hour.

RESOLUTION 26-72

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BOONTON HIRING RICHARD KOPA AND GARY POST AS TEMPORARY LABORERS IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT FOR SNOW REMOVAL

WHEREAS, additional temporary seasonal employees are needed in the Department of Public Works for snow removal on an "as-needed" basis.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Town Council that Richard Koba and Gary Post are hired on an "as-needed" basis as temporary seasonal employees for snow removal at a wage of \$50.00/hour.

RESOLUTION 26-73

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF PRIOR YEAR APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-59 provides that if, during the first 3 months of any fiscal year, the amount of any appropriation reserve for the immediately preceding fiscal year is insufficient to pay the claims authorized or incurred during said preceding year which were chargeable to said appropriation, and there shall be an excess in any appropriation reserves over and above the amount deemed to be necessary to fulfill its purpose, the governing body may, by resolution adopted by not less than a 2/3 vote of the full membership thereof, transfer the amount of such excess to an appropriation reserve or an appropriation in the prior budget deemed to be insufficient to fulfill its purpose or for which no reserve was provided. No transfers may be made to appropriation reserve for contingent expenses or deferred charges; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body further finds and declares that the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the following transfers are both necessary and appropriate; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Boonton, County of Morris and State of New Jersey that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to make the following transfers in the CY2025 Budget.

Current Account				
Account Number	Account Name	From	To	Purpose
5-01-20-165-111	Engineering S/W	25,000		
5-01-20-155-229	Legal O/E		10,000	Pay PY Attorney Fees
5-01-31-446-255	Natural Gas O/E		15,000	December Natural Gas Bill
	Totals:	25,000	25,000	

RESOLUTION 26-74

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BOONTON AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO 2 (FINAL) TO THE CONTRACT WITH SAMSON CONCRETE & MASONRY FOR THE 122 PLANE STREET DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Boonton awarded a contract to Samson Concrete & Masonry for the 122 Plane Street Drainage Improvement Project in the amount of \$211,220.00 on March 17, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council approved Change Order No 1 October 20, 2025 to increase the total contract amount to \$243,384.35;

WHEREAS, the current as-built amount completed and billed by 122 Plane Street Drainage Improvement Project is \$270,973.47, an increase of \$27,589.12 from the revised contract of \$243,384.35;

WHEREAS, the increase is partially due to additional work required during construction of the inlets within Plane Street, where several unexpected underground conditions were discovered that required layout, length, and depth of piping to be increased, as well as to increase the depth of the inlets within the roadway, which required additional riser sections, additional excavation, additional stone and backfill materials, additional soil removal, and additional police support for road closures, and;

WHEREAS, the increase is also based on final as-built field measurements and quantities for the completed project, which have been field verified and confirmed by the Project Engineer.

WHEREAS, this final change order reflects a total increase of 28.29%, in excess of the 20% change order limitation by NJAC 5:30-11, which shall be filed with the Director of the DLGS as justified by Town Engineer certification included within this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Boonton, County of Morris, State of New Jersey that it hereby approves the Change Order 2 (Final Change Order) amending the Final Contract amount to \$270,973.47.

I hereby certify that funds are available General Capital C-04-55-100-032 to fund an additional \$27,589.12 not to exceed a total of \$270,973.47

Michael Yazdi, CFO

RESOLUTION 26-75

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE TOWN OF BOONTON METER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Town of Boonton ("Town") solicited bids, which were opened on December 23, 2025 for contracts for the Meter Replacement Program; and

WHEREAS, the Town received bid proposals from the following bidders:

Core & Main , LP	\$1,293,876.00
National Metering Services, Inc	\$1,416,501.00

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40a:11-1 et seq. requires that competitive bidding contracts be awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the bid proposals have been reviewed by the Town Engineer, who has recommended that the contracts be awarded to the lowest bidder, conditioned upon attorney review; and

WHEREAS, the Town Attorney has reviewed the bids and determined that the lowest responsive and responsible bid was received from Core & Main, LP in the amount of \$1,293,876.00; and

WHEREAS, each bid proposal was substantially in proper form, received from responsible bidders, and in compliance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-23.2; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that sufficient funds are available for this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Boonton, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Boonton hereby award the above referenced contract to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Core & Main, LP, 660 State Highway 23, Pompton Plains, New Jersey 07444.
2. The Mayor and Town Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute said contracts, and take any further actions necessary to further the Meter Replacement Program to such contract.
3. This Resolution and contract shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Town Clerk.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

I hereby certify that \$1,293,876.00 is available in the Water Capital Account H-06-55-591-002

Michael Yazdi, CFO

CONSENT AGENDA VOTE

Roll Call Vote for Resolutions 26-66 through 26-75

Town Council Discussion					
MOVED:			SECOND:		
Motion to Adopt					
MOVED:			SECOND:		
	Yes	No	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Mr. Balan					
Ms. Cascone					
Ms. DeVenezia					
Ms. Lopez					
Ms. Mazzei					
Mr. Meehan					
Mr. Weisman					
Mr. Wekilsky					
Mayor Lynch					

TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS, ADMINISTRATOR AND TOWN ATTORNEY COMMENTS

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting shall adjourn.

MOVED:	SECOND:	TIME:
VOICE VOTE:	IN FAVOR: __	AGAINST: _____