

February 10, 2026, 5:00 pm
Mayor and Council Caucus Meeting
Minutes

Meeting started at 5:00 pm, Flag Salute, Open Public Meeting Act read by Mayor Sauter

Roll Call by the Clerk: All Members of Council, and Mayor Sauter present

Francine Wright, Borough Clerk, Howard Long, Borough Solicitor, and Borough Engineer Steve Bach and Nick Bishop from Bach Engineering, Chief Perna were in attendance.

Approval of Caucus Meeting January 13, 2026

Motion D'Angelo second Bider all in favor Motion passed

Nick Bishop, Borough Engineer stated he would rely on his written report he highlighted on a few: Grant update NJDCA announced application period for FY 2026 Local Recreation Improvement Grant (LRIG) funding. Applications are due February 13th, our office will submit an application for all abilities, accessible playground equipment at Sauter Park. Steven Bach suggested to break up the application as it is highly competitive. There is a max out of \$75,000 they will make smaller applications to total amount. Nick continued stating their office has resubmitted requests to the Camden County Engineer for their consideration on the crosswalks and striping & signage installation. Councilman Wilhelm stated looking to do these projects inhouse. Mayor asked where these locations would be, Steve advised Sullivan and E. Browning in front of Dominic's Tavern, Thompson and Creek Road, by the basketball courts, and Cornelia and Creek by the recreation center. NJDOT Municipal Program Improvements to N. Cedar Avenue Borough was successful in receiving funding, our office has submitted a proposal for professional services and will proceed following council authorization. Turnpike Pump Station Force Main Rehabilitation project has been completed. Redevelopment of Well No. 5 final payment was submitted for payment. Replacement Well No. 3R Our office is reviewing shop drawings. Well drillings is expected to begin within next few weeks. Councilman D'Angelo asked about the Green Sand maintenance, Steve Bach stated they will be preparing for bids and hopeful project complete before summer.

Chief Perna no report items for closed

Howard Long no report items for closed

Bider had no report only items for closed.

D'Angelo had meeting with Bellmawr Baseball, went very well. They are planning opening day. Advised they we are here for them to help as much as we can. Have about 150-160 players. They are on a comeback. Trying to set up a meeting soon with Softball. I received an email for resident complaining out business on Creek Road and parking has anyone else received. Clerk Wright advised situation was handled by Code Enforcement and Highway Department.

Hoban no report.

Wilhelm no report items for closed.

Fina no report items for closed.

Evans reports Community Garden Meeting was on Thursday next one will be on February 26th @ 7:00 pm. Mayor and I will be visiting businesses asking for sponsorships toward 100th Anniversary Celebrations.

Mayor Sauter advised that Lisa Young and he completed the application to TD Bank for a sponsorship.

Public no one

RESOLUTION:

#02:51-26 Resolution Budget Appropriation Transfers

Motion Evans Second Bider all in favor Motion passed

#02:01-26C EXECUTIVE SESSION: Personnel, Contractual & Attorney Client Privilege Matters

Motion Evans Second D'Angelo all in favor 5:20 pm

Out of close session 7:23 motion Hoban second by Evans second by all in favor

Meeting adjourned. 7:24 pm

Motion by Evans and seconded by Hoban all in favor

ADJOURNMENT

Francine M. Wright, RMC
Borough Clerk