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**AGENDA OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL  
BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2025, 7:00 pm**

Regular Meetings of the Borough Council are generally held on the 1st and 2nd Tuesday of each month. Please refer to our town calendar for dates and times and any special meetings or date changes. Borough Council Meetings begin at 7:00 PM. Meetings are **televised on Optimum Channel 77 or on FIOS Channel 32. You can now also view our meetings LIVE on YouTube. Subscribe to view our meetings on youtube.com: hillsdalenj5879. Link to our YouTube page: [click here](#).**

**Pubic Notices can be found here on the Borough Website: [Public Notices](#)**

**CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT:**

This is a meeting of the Hillsdale Borough Council on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November 2025. Notice of the time and place of this meeting has been provided to The Ridgewood News and The Bergen Record; a copy was posted on the bulletin board outside of this meeting room and provided to any interested parties.

Please silence all cell phones. Please wait to be recognized by the Mayor during the Public Hearing and the Public Comment part of the meeting. You will need to state your name and town of residence for the record.

**ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Michael Sheinfield, Council President Osso, Councilmembers Colletti, Fox, Mazza-Chiong, Ruocco, Trochimiuk (Borough Administrator Mike Ghassali, Borough Clerk Denise Kohan, Borough Attorney Mark Madaio)

**RECOGNITION/OATH OF OFFICE:**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Council Meeting Minutes – October 7, 2025  
Council Meeting Minutes – October 14, 2025  
Special Council Meeting Minutes – October 30, 2025

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

Councilmember Colletti, Fox, Mazza-Chiong, Council President Osso, Ruocco, Trochimiuk

**INITIAL PUBLIC COMMENT** (time limited to 3 minutes, items on the agenda only, one topic per speaker -please state your name and town of residence for the record)

**DISCUSSION:**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**PROFESSIONAL MONTHLY REPORTS:**

Borough Engineer Report – October 2025

Nick Chelius – Colliers Engineering

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Council members serve as liaisons to departments and committees in Hillsdale to provide the governing body and the public with an update on arising issues, actions considered, and actions taken within a given organization.

Liaisons are not expected to be intimately familiar with the granular issues being considered by committees and departments. The people responsible for such information are the B.A. and the internal head of the department or committee.

Should anyone have questions requiring an in-depth response, and the council person is not comfortable providing the answer, I will direct the B.A. to provide a response. If an answer cannot be immediately ascertained, it will be the responsibility of the B.A. to speak to relevant parties and provide the person making the inquiry with a timely response. The B.A. will then report back his findings to the mayor, council, and public at the next public meeting.

- Council President – Clemente Osso
- Councilman – Robert Colletti Jr.
- Councilman – Justin Fox
- Councilwoman – Melissa Mazza-Chiong
- Councilman – John Ruocco
- Councilwoman – Janetta Trochimiuk
- Borough Administrator – Mike Ghassali

**ORDINANCES:**

Ordinance 25-25 – Adoption

**Capital Ordinance of the Borough of Hillsdale, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey Authorizing Various Recreation Improvements and Acquisitions in, by and for the Borough, Appropriating Thereof the Sum of \$500,000.00 and Providing that Such Sum so Appropriated Shall be Raised from the Borough’s Capital Improvement Fund**

Motion to open public hearing on Ordinance 25-25 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_  
Councilmember Fox, Mazza-Chiong, Council President Osso, Ruocco, Trochimiuk, Colletti

I will now open the meeting to the public. If anyone desires to be heard regarding Ordinance No 25-25, please say your name and wait to be recognized, once recognized state your name and address for the record.

I will now entertain a motion that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 25-25 be closed and that it be resolved that this ordinance was posted on the bulletin board on which public notices are customarily posted and will now be published on the Borough Website under Public Notices as well as in one of the Official Borough Publications. Copies of said ordinance were made available to the general public.

Motion to close public hearing on Ordinance 25-25 \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_  
Councilmember Mazza-Chiong, Council President Osso, Ruocco, Trochimiuk, Colletti, Fox

Now, therefore, be it resolved that this ordinance is adopted and the Borough Clerk is authorized to advertise the same according to law.

**RESOLUTIONS:(Consent Agenda): 25256 through 25280**

- [25256](#) Resolution to Cancel Capital Balances
  
- [25257](#) Resolution Authorizing the Interlocal Services Agreement Between the Borough of Hillsdale and the Township of River Vale, With Respect to the Use of the Hillsdale Police Pistol Range
  
- [25258](#) Resolution Authorizing the Interlocal Services Agreement Between the Borough of Hillsdale and the Borough of Old Tappan, With Respect to the Use of the Hillsdale Police Pistol Range
  
- [25259](#) Resolution authorizing the Appointment of Keith Durie as Licensed Sewer Operator for the Borough of Hillsdale and Authorizing the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to Execute an Employment Agreement on Behalf of the Borough of Hillsdale with Keith Durie to Serve as Licensed Sewer Operator for the Year 2026
  
- [25260](#) Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Edmunds & Associates, Inc.
  
- [25261](#) Resolution Authorizing the Extension of the Contract for Landscape Maintenance, Grass Cutting and General Landscaping Services on Borough Owned Property – Alternate Bid – Stonybrook Swim Club
  
- [25262](#) Designating Time and Place of 2026 Council Meetings
  
- [25263](#) Resolution Authorizing the Extension of the Award to Lehmann Pools for the Opening/Closing of the Municipal Pools for the 2026 Season
  
- [25264](#) Resolution to Authorize the Borough Clerk to Advertise for Landscaping Services for Borough Property
  
- [25265](#) Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of a Municipal Housing Liaison
  
- [25266](#) Resolution Authorizing the Return of Unused Escrow Funds – 104 Queen Court
  
- [25267](#) Resolution Authorizing the Return of Unused Escrow Funds – 312 Ell Road
  
- [25268](#) Resolution Authorizing the Return of Funds for Canceled Project – 3 Arcadia Way
  
- [25269](#) Resolution Authorizing the Extension of the Award for the Operation of the Concession Stand at Stonybrook Swim Club for the 2026 Season to Mellsworth Foods

- [25270](#) Resolution Authorizing the Extension of the Award for the Emergency Repair of Traffic Signals for 2026 to Allan Briteway Electrical Utility Contractor, Inc
- [25271](#) Resolution Authorizing the Extension of the Contract for the Stonybrook Swim club spring/Summer Pool Lease Program
- [25272](#) Resolution Authorizing the Extension of the Service Agreement for an Interlocal Agreement for Street Sweeping Services by and Between the Borough of Hillsdale and the Borough of Paramus
- [25273](#) Governor’s Council on Substance Use Disorder (GCSUD) Alliance to Prevent Substance Use Disorder
- [25274](#) Resolution Authorizing the Signing of an Agreement with Colliers Engineering & Design for Construction Administrative Services Related to the Memorial Park Improvements in the Borough of Hillsdale
- [25275](#) Resolution Awarding a Contract for the Purchase of Spacesaver Free Style Personal Storage Lockers for the Hillsdale Police Department Through Sourcewell Cooperative Pricing System
- [25276](#) Resolution Amending Resolution 25000 that Awarded a Fair and Open Contract to Mark Madaio Esq. for borough Attorney for the Borough of Hillsdale
- [25277](#) Resolution Granting Tax Exempt Status – Disabled Veteran
- [25278](#) Resolution to Authorize Transfer Between Budget Appropriations
- [25279](#) Resolution Authorizing Refund of Tax Overpayment – 234 Paul Court
- [25280](#) Payment of Bills

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

Councilmember Ruocco, Trochimiuk, Colletti, Fox, Mazza-Chiong, Council President Osso

**OFF-CONSENT:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** (time limited to 3 minutes any topic-please state your name and town of residence for the record)

**COUNCIL COMMENTARIES:**

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:**

[25281](#) To provide 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 – *Borough Professionals*

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

Councilmember Trochimiuk, Colletti, Fox, Mazza-Chiong, Council President Osso, Ruocco

**RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING:**

Motion to reconvene \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_  
Councilmember Colletti, Fox, Mazza-Chiong, Council President Osso, Ruocco, Trochimiuk

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_  
Councilmember Fox, Mazza-Chiong, Council President Osso, Ruocco, Trochimiuk, Colletti

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL BE ON  
**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, BEGINNING AT 7:00 P.M.**