

STOCKTON BOROUGH COUNCIL Regular Meeting Agenda

Monday July 21, 2025 – 7:00 pm ZOOM

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT: This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by a notice mailed to the Hunterdon County Democrat and The Trenton Times, posted on the Borough Website, on the window of Borough Hall, and filed with the Borough Clerk as required by law.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Moment of Silence:

Joseph J. Steffanelli

3. ROLL CALL

Brown, Fisher, Folz, Hunt, Mann, Meltzer, Lipsen

4. PROCLAMATION: None

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• June 19, 2025 (Regular and Executive)

6. CORRESPONDENCE

• NJ Water Authority Supply -Letter

7. OLD BUSINESS

• Hunterdon County Recreation Grant 2024

8. NEW BUSINESS

- Hunterdon County Recreation Grant 2025
- Bridge Street Truck Ordinance
- Approval of letter in support of generator for Prallsville Mills
- Maintenance Contract

9. OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

10. OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT:

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11. ORDINANCES

• 2025-04 Salary Range-Amendment (2nd Reading)

12. **RESOLUTIONS**

- 2025-62 Resolution to hire Tier A Stormwater Advisor and Project Director
- 2025-63 BID Threshold Increase
- 2025-65 Salary Resolution Amendment
- 2025-XX Resolution: Del Val Tech Support (Attorney Maddox providing)

13. PAYMENT OF BILLS AND VOUCHERS

• 2025-64 Payment of Bills and Vouchers

14. MAYOR'S REPORT, BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMENTS, & COMMITTEE REPORTS

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16. EXECUTIVE SESSION

• Contract negotiations in connection with cell tower lease, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(7).

17. POTENTIAL ACTIONS ON ITEMS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

18. NEXT MEETING – August 18, 2025

19. ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION 2025-62 RESOLUTION APPOINTING JUSTIN SQUASHIC AND HARRY BOLGER FOR THE BOROUGH OF STOCKTON HUNTERDON COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, there is a need to appoint a Tier A Stormwater Advisor and a Special Projects Director.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough of Stockton Governing Body appoints Justin Squashic as a Tier A Stormwater Advisor at the rate of \$10,000 with the term starting July 22, 2025 through December 31, 2025 and Harry Bolger as Special Project Director at a salary of \$55 per hour.

RESOLUTION 2025-63

INCREASE BID THRESHOLD

STOCKTON BOROUGH

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9 et seq establishes criteria for serving as a Qualified Purchasing Agent ("QPA"); and

WHEREAS, the Stockton Borough appointed Diane McDaniel to the position of QPA in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9(b); and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 permits contracting units to adopt a higher bid threshold if a QPA is appointed, as well as grant the authorization to negotiate and award such contracts below the bid threshold; and

WHEREAS, after consulting with the Governor, the State Treasurer may increase bid threshold every 5 years, effective July 1st; and

WHEREAS, the bid threshold for contracting units with a QPA was increased to \$53,000 on July 1, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of Stockton Borough, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey shall take advantage of the increased bid threshold of \$53,000 for contracting units with a QPA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Stockton Borough Council Resolution 2025-64

Authorizing Payment of Municipal Obligations

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stockton find and declare that certain municipal obligations have come due and are now payable; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stockton further find and declare that said obligations have been itemized on the annexed schedules, which are hereby attached and deemed part of this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stockton, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey does hereby authorize payment of said municipal obligations, in accordance with the recommendations of the Chief Financial Officer and the Treasurer in the amount of \$194,474.77.

RESOLUTION 2025-65 BOROUGH OF STOCKTON AMENDMENT TO SALARY RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Stockton that the below salaries, wages or compensation shall be paid to the officers and employees of the Borough of Stockton for the year 2025, effective January 1, 2025:

Deputy Treasurer	\$ 7,426.30
Meter Reader	\$ 1,648.00
Stormwater Advisor (7/22-12/31/25)	\$ 10,0000
Public works Laborer	\$ 55/hr
Assistant Water Operator/Muni worker	\$ 25.75/hr

ORDINANCE 2025-04 (2nd Reading/Adoption) AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF STOCKTON, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2025-03 TO ESTABLISH MUNICIPAL SALARY AND COMPENSATION BY RANGE

Be it ordained by the Borough Council of the Borough of Stockton as follows:

Section 1. Amend the salary range for Tier A Stormwater Advisor, Municipal Operations Coordinator and Special Projects Director as follows:

Job Title	Minimum	Maximum
Municipal Operations Coordinator	\$2,000	\$17,000
Tier A Stormwater Advisor Justin Squashic	\$5,000	\$30,000
Special Projects Director Harry Bolger	\$20.00/HR	\$85.00/HR

Section 2. Compensation for employees in collective bargaining units shall be governed by the specific provisions of agreements between said units and the Borough, or in the absence of an agreement, practices in effect at the time of adoption of this Ordinance

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage and publication according to law, except as to managerial, executive, confidential or elective employees/officials for whom the effective date shall be as established by N.J.S.A. 40A:9-165.