BOROUGH OF FLEMINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 10, 2026

Mayor Karrow called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. announcing that all laws governing Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting has been duly advertised.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Karrow stated a notice was provided as required. The annual meeting notice is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk for public inspection.

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL:

Councilman Brandon Arias	Present
Councilwoman Susan Engelhardt	Absent
Councilman Adrienne Fusaro	Present
Councilwoman Beth Herbert	Present
Councilman Trent Levitt	Present
Councilman Tony Parker	Present
Mayor Marcia Karrow	Present

Also Present:
Chris Corsini, Borough Attorney
Carla Conner, Borough Clerk
Sgt. McNally

Mayor Karrow asked for a moment of silence for Carmen Grimes, a long-time citizen and business owner who passed away.

Mayor Karrow amended the agenda by placing another item on Executive Session.

WORKSESSION – MS4 WATERSHED INVENTORY PLAN PUBLIC HEARING, TERRY VOGT, RVE:
A public hearing was held for the MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) Watershed Management Plan, as required by state law.

Terry Vogt, RVE stated the plan is part of New Jersey's requirements for municipalities to manage and treat stormwater. An interim draft was filed before the January 1, 2026, deadline, and the current report is available on the Borough's stormwater webpage. This was the second of two semi-annual meetings required to inform the public. No public comments were received at the first meeting on February 23, 2026. Future phases include a Watershed Assessment Report due in January 2027 and a Watershed Improvement Plan due by the end of December 2027.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilman Levitt to open the Public Hearing, second by Councilwoman Fusaro with a vote of all ayes.

The public hearing was opened and closed without any comments from the public.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilman Levitt to close the Public Hearing, second by Councilwoman Fusaro with a vote of all ayes.

MAYOR'S REPORT:
Mayor Karrow reported Resolution #2026-147 on the agenda needs a formal Resolution appointing Marc Hain's as fourth Deputy is required by FEMA for reimbursement purposes in case of a serious incident, a lesson learned from Hurricane Ida.

Mayor Karrow also reported that the Parking Committee successfully worked with the DOT to add better road markings on Highland Ave., the circle at Route 12 and Route 31, improving safety and helping Police determine faults in accidents. An invitation was extended for a Liberty Pole raising event on September 19, 2026, at 11:00 AM in Ringoes to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution. Mayor Karrow also gave a big huzzah to everybody involved with Corner, Tomato and Beer Festival including Ally Norton, her team, the FID, and the volunteered. It was another great festival. It's lovely having the festival back on Main Street. People were very happy.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

COUNCILMAN ARIAS:
Councilman Arias stated the grant received to use for Tuccamirigan Park Improvements is still pending. The Council is awaiting price quotes before a proposal can be presented and approved

Councilman Arias congratulated everyone that worked on the festival and stated it was an amazing festival.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PARKER:
Council President Parker praised Ally Norton and her team for their extensive work, including pulling weeds and mulching to beautify Main Street and for the festival being a major success, with an estimated 12,000 to 12,500 attendees. Council President Parker reported there were a business owner that berated Ally and received a threat, which required filing a police report. Council President Parker plans to address business owners at the next meeting about appropriate conduct and understanding the role of the BID (Business Improvement District).

Council President Parker also reported he took a tour of the RTMUA (Raritan Township Municipal Utilities Authority).

Council President Parker stated the Union Hotel is nearing its opening date, which will be announced soon.

COUNCILWOMAN HERBERT:
Councilwoman Herbert reported there was a School Board meeting after the July Council meeting, and it was the usual approval of new hires and adoption of updated policies. The Board also had a special session on July 30, 2026, and they approved a referendum for the November 3, 2026, General election to bond for additional facilities work.

Councilwoman Herbert reported she was invited to Freedom Village at Hopewell, which is a Affordable Housing development, to gather ideas for supportive housing in Flemington.

COUNCILMAN LEVITT:
Councilman Levitt thanked everyone who worked on the Corn Tomato and Beer Festival, and he finally stood in the square of Courthouse Square.

Councilman Levitt reported he toured the Raritan Township Municipal Authorities, Mike Sciss, Lyle Cook, and every single employee of the RTMUA is a hero and every single person in this Borough who has every taken a shower, used a sink, or flushed a toilet owe each of them an enormous thanks for the work they do over there to keep our sewer system running and our water clean. Residents also need to thank the collection of 40,000lbs of bugs, microbes, and bacteria that clean the water. It's really incredible and he highly recommends everyone look into how these systems work, and please do not ever flush a flushable wipe

Councilman Levitt stated the summer newsletter is finally out.

COUNCILWOMAN FUSARO:
Councilwoman Fusaro read a statement from Sgt. McNally regarding the Corn Tomato and Beer Festival thanking all the emergency volunteers.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – SESSION I:
There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Session July 20, 2026

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilman Levitt to to approve the minutes, seconded by Council President Parker with a vote of all ayes, with Councilman Arias abstaining.

Executive Session July 20, 2026

A ***MOTION*** was made by Council President Parker to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilman Levitt with a vote of all ayes, with Councilman Arias abstaining.

CONSENT:

1. RESOLUTION 2026-134 – RESOLUTION APPROVING A REFUND FOR THE REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE ON BLOCK 25, LOT 12

WHEREAS, funds have been remitted by the homeowner to redeem tax sale certificate #25-00010 held by American Tax Lien Fund LLC on Block 25 Lot 12, 47 Elwood Avenue, assessed in the name Barker Romano Family Trust, and the Mayor and Council must approve the distribution of these funds.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Flemington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the Treasurer is authorized to remit payment to the lienholder as follows:

American Tax Lien Fund LLC
PO Box 237174
New York, NY 10023

Principal	$ 908.78
Premium	$1,800.00
Interest & Fees	$ 80.18
Total:	$2,788.96

2. RESOLUTION 2026-135 – RESOLUTION APPROVING A REFUND FOR THE REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE ON BLOCK 12, LOT 2

WHEREAS, funds have been remitted by the property owner to redeem tax sale certificate #24-00005 held by Trystone Capital Assets, LLC. on Block 12 Lot 2, 5 Highland Avenue, assessed in the name Paul Demarco, and the Mayor and Council must approve the distribution of these funds.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Flemington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the Treasurer is authorized to remit payment to the lienholder as follows:

Trystone Capital Assets, LLC
P.O. Box 1030
Brick, New Jersey 08723

Principal	$ 9,075.76
Premium	$ 1,000.00
Interest & Fees	$ 956.42
Total:	$11,032.18

Councilwoman Herbert asked for Resolutions #3, 4 & 5 to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilman Levittt to approve the Consent Agenda Resolutions 1 & 2, seconded by Councilwoman Fusaro and on Roll Call the following was recorded:

Councilman Arias	Yes
Councilwoman Fusaro	Yes
Councilwoman Herbert	Yes
Councilman Levitt	Yes
Council President Parker	Yes

Motion Carried

CFO, Bill Hance explained Resolutions 3, 4, &5

3. RESOLUTION 2026-136 – CHAPTER 159 – CHAPTER 159 – HUNTERDON COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Flemington has been awarded $58,169.30 from the County of Hunterdon and wishes to amend its 2026 budget to include this amount as revenue,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Flemington requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to

approve the insertion of this item of revenue in the budget of the year 2026 in the amount of $58,169.30 which is now available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues: Section F: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:

Hunterdon County Community Development Block Grant $58,169.30

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of $58,169.30 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations: (A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS": Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:

Hunterdon County Community Development Block Grant $58,169.30

A ***MOTION*** was made by Council President Parker to approve the Consent Agenda Resolutions 3, seconded by Councilman Arias and on Roll Call the following was recorded:

Councilman Arias	Yes
Councilwoman Fusaro	Yes
Councilwoman Herbert	Yes
Councilman Levitt	Yes
Council President Parker	Yes

Motion carried.

4. RESOLUTION 2026-137 – CHAPTER 159 –CLEAN COMMUNITIES GRANT

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Flemington has been awarded $10,713.94 from the County of Hunterdon and wishes to amend its 2026 budget to include this amount as revenue,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Flemington requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to

approve the insertion of this item of revenue in the budget of the year 2026 in the amount of $10,713.94 which is now available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues: Section F: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:

Clean Communities Grant $10,713.94

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of $10,713.94 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations: (A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS": Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:

Clean Communities Grant $10,713.94

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilman Levittt to approve the Consent Agenda Resolutions 4, seconded by Councilman Arias and on Roll Call the following was recorded:

Councilman Arias	Yes
Councilwoman Fusaro	Yes
Councilwoman Herbert	Yes
Councilman Levitt	Yes
Council President Parker	Yes

Motion carried.

5. RESOLUTION 2026-138 – CHAPTER 159 – TUCCAMIRGAN PARK IMPROVEMENTS GRANT

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Flemington has been awarded $175,000.00 from the State of New Jersey and wishes to amend its 2026 budget to include this amount as revenue,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of

Flemington requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of this item of revenue in the budget of the year 2026 in the amount of $175,000.00 which is now available as a revenue from:
Miscellaneous Revenues: Section F: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:

Tuccamirgan Park Improvements Grant $175,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of $175,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations: (A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS": Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:

Tuccamirgan Park Improvements Grant $175,000.00

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilman Arias to approve the Consent Agenda Resolutions 5, seconded by Councilman Levitt and on Roll Call the following was recorded:

Councilman Arias	Yes
Councilwoman Fusaro	Yes
Councilwoman Herbert	Yes
Councilman Levitt	Yes
Council President Parker	Yes

Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING:
6. ORDINANCE 2026-14 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3-9 (OBSTRUCTION OF STREET AND SIDEWALK) OF CHAPTER 3 (POLICE REGULATIONS) OF THE BOROUGH'S MUNICIPAL CODE TO CLARIFY OBSTRUCTIONS NOT PERMITTED IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilwoman Fusaro to open the Public Hearing, second by Councilman Levitt with a vote of all ayes.

There being no one from the public who wished to speak, Mayor Karrow closed the public hearing.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Council President Parker to close the Public Hearing, second by Councilwoman Fusaro with a vote of all ayes.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilman Levitt to adopt the Ordinance, second by Councilwoman Fusaro and on Roll Call the following was recorded:

Councilman Arias	Yes
Councilwoman Fusaro	Yes
Councilwoman Herbert	No
Councilman Levitt	Yes
Council President Parker	Yes

Motion carried.

REGULAR AGENDA:

7. RESOLUTION 2026-139 – RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING BIANCA WATKINS AS INTERIM MUNICIPAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR

WHEREAS, Bianca Watkins was hired on May 8, 2023 as the Municipal Court Administrator as established in the shared service agreement with Raritan Township; and

WHEREAS, Bianca Watkins is currently considered an Interim Municipal Court Administrator pursuant to N.J.S.A.2B:12-11(e) since she was hired after May 25, 2011, and does not hold a Municipal Court Administrator certificate, and;

WHEREAS, the statue allows the Governing Body to appoint a person as a Municipal Court Administrator that is not a certified Municipal Court Administrator, on an interim basis, for a period not to exceed one year commencing on the date of the appointment; and

WHEREAS, the stature further states "Any person so appointed may, in consultation with the judge of the municipal court, be reappointed as a Municipal Court Administrator, on an Interim basis, for two subsequent one-year terms. The Municipal Court Administrator appointed on an Interim basis may be reappointed for a fourth, and if necessary, a fifth additional one-year term, provided the Municipal Court Administrator is currently enrolled in the certification program and need additional time to complete that program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Flemington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that Bianca Watkins be reappointed as the Interim Court Administrator for a fourth one-year term effective July 21, 2026 to July 21, 2027.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilman Levitt to approve the Resolution, second by Councilwoman Herbertr and on Roll Call the following was recorded:

Councilman Arias	Yes
Councilwoman Fusaro	Yes
Councilwoman Herbert	Yes

Councilman Levitt	Yes
Council President Parker	Yes

Motion carried.

8. RESOLUTION 2026-140 – AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF LEW ENVIRONMENTAL AS A CONSULTANT FOR THE FLEMINGTON BOROUGH'S LEAD PAINT INSPECTION SERVICES FOR 2026

WHEREAS, pursuant to P.L. 2021, c.182, all municipalities are required to inspect single-family, two family, and multiple rental dwelling units built before 1978 and are located within the municipality for lead-based paint hazards; and

WHEREAS, in pursuant to Borough Ordinance 2022-22 adopted October 24, 2022, the Borough of Flemington established requirements and a process for the required lead-based paint hazard inspections; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with P.L. 2021, c. 182 and Ordinance 2022-22, the Borough of Flemington has the need to hire a consultant to conduct lead paint inspections in 2024; and

WHEREAS. the 2026 inspection rates by Lew Environmental for the Borough of Flemington shall be:

$275 per unit for 10 wipe samples
$295 Post remediation inspection
$1.10 to mail postcards to landlords per unit

New Jersey Department of Community of Community Affairs Inspection Fee: $20 per unit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Flemington enter into a contract with Bay Hill Environmental consistent with the attached proposal effective January 1, 2026 - December 31, 2026.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilman Levitt to approve the Resolution, second by Councilwoman Herbert and on Roll Call the following was recorded:

Councilman Arias	Yes
Councilwoman Fusaro	Yes
Councilwoman Herbert	Yes
Councilman Levitt	Yes
Council President Parker	Yes

Motion carried.

9. RESOLUTION 2026-141- RESOLUTION AWARDING THE WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS, SHIELDS AVENUE BASE BID TO REIVAX CONTRACTING COMPANY, 165 RIVER ROAD, FLEMINGTON, NJ 08822 FOR THE SUM OF $686,320.00

WHEREAS, the Borough of Flemington advertised and received bids for the Improvements to the Water Main for Shields Avenue (Base Bid) and Pennsylvania Avenue (Alternate Bid) on July 2, 2026; and

WHEREAS, three (3) bids were received as follows:

Bidder	Reivax Contracting 165 River Road Flemington, NJ	MSP Construction 19-B Minneakoning Road Flemington, NJ 08822	Montana Construction 80 Contact Avenue Lodi, NJ 07644
Base Bid	$686,320.00	$925,510.00	$1,223,960.00
Alternate Bid	$596,920.00	$764,510.00	$980,760.00
Base Plus Alternate Bid	$1,283,240.00	$1,690,020.00	2,204,720.00

WHEREAS, bids have been reviewed by the Borough Engineer, Robert Martucci, and the Borough Attorney, Christopher Corsini and have determined that the bid submitted by Reivax Contracting Company, 165 River Road, Flemington, NJ 08822 is the lowest responsive bid for the Water Main Improvement for Shields Avenue Base Bid in the amount of $686,320.00, and;

WHEREAS, the Borough reserves the right to award either the Base, Base plus Alternate Bid or to reject all bids and;

WHEREAS, the Borough of Flemington CFO has certified that there are sufficient funds provided by the Borough for the contract work for the Base Bid.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Flemington that the contract for Water Main Improvements for Shields Avenue Base Bid be awarded to Reivax Contracting Company, 165 River Road, Flemington, New Jersey in the amount of $686,320.00 subject to the following conditions:

1. The contract is awarded as a unit price bid. Contract and final payment will be based upon actual quantities installed at the unit price bid, as outlined in the Plans and Specifications

prepared by Robert Martucci, PE Borough of Flemington Project Engineer.

2. The unit price contract is approved by United States Department of Agriculture.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilwoman Herbert to approve the Resolution, second by Councilman Levitt and on Roll Call the following was recorded:

Councilman Arias	Yes
Councilwoman Fusaro	Yes
Councilwoman Herbert	Yes
Councilman Levitt	Yes
Council President Parker	Yes

Motion carried.

10. RESOLUTION 2026-142 – RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF A 2026 FORD INTERCEPTOR UTILITY VEHICLE FROM NIELSEN FORD FROM MCCPC CONTRACT #15-A ITEM #2 WITH AN NTE AMOUNT OF $45,385.50

WHEREAS, the Borough of Flemington awarded a contract to Winner Ford for the acquisition of a Police vehicle and they are unable to supply the vehicle; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department was able to obtain a quote from Nielsen Ford on MCCPC Contract # 15-A Item #2.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Flemington authorize the Chief Financial Officer to process a purchase order in the amount of $45,385.50 to Nielsen Ford for the purchase of the vehicle.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer certifies that funds are available in 6-01-630-218.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilwoman Herbert to approve the Resolution, second by Councilwoman Fusaro and on Roll Call the following was recorded:

Councilman Arias	Yes
Councilwoman Fusaro	Yes
Councilwoman Herbert	Yes
Councilman Levitt	Yes
Council President Parker	Yes

Motion carried.

11. RESOLUTION 2026-143 – A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FLEMINGTON AUTHORIZING FLEMINGTON TO JOIN THE NJ SOLUTIONS JOINT HEALTH INSURANCE FUND

WHEREAS, a number of public entities in the State of New Jersey have joined together to form the NJ Solutions Joint Health Insurance Fund, hereafter referred to as the "Fund", as permitted by N.J.A.C. 11:15-3.1 et. seq., N.J.S.A. 17:1-8.1 et. seq., and N.J.S.A. 40A:10-36 et. seq.,; and

WHEREAS, the Fund was approved to become operational by the Department of Banking and Insurance and the Department of Community Affairs (collectively, the "Departments") and has been operational since that date; and

WHEREAS, the statutes and regulations governing the creation and operation of a joint insurance fund in the State of New Jersey contain certain restrictions and safeguards in connection with the administration of the public interest entrusted to such a Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Flemington, hereinafter referred to as "Local Unit" has studied the feasibility of joining the Fund and has determined that membership in the Fund is in the best interest of the Local Unit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Local Unit hereby agrees and authorizes the following:

i. Execution of the application for membership to the Fund, including any and all documents and/or certifications as may be necessary, in order for the Local Unit to complete the application process and join the Fund.

ii. The Local Unit shall become a member of the Fund for an initial period outlined in the Local Unit's Indemnity and Trust Agreement, subject to the approval of the Fund Commissioners, which in no event shall exceed three (3) years as prescribed in N.J.A.C. 11:15-3.3(a).

iii. The Local Unit shall participate in the following type(s) of coverage(s) offered by the Fund: Health Insurance and/or Prescription Insurance and/or Dental Insurance and/or Medicare Advantage/Employer Group Waiver Program as defined pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17B:17-4, the Fund's Bylaws, and Plan of Risk Management.

iv. Adoption and approval of the Fund's Bylaws, a true and correct copy of which is annexed hereto as Attachment A, which has been approved by the Departments.

v. Execution of the Local Unit's Indemnity and Trust Agreement, a true and correct copy of which is annexed hereto as Attachment B, which has been approved by the Departments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Local Unit certifies, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 11:15-3.3(a), that the Local Unit has never defaulted on claims under a self-insured plan and that it has not had its insurance canceled for nonpayment of premium for a period of at least two (2) years prior to this application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Local Unit is authorized and directed to execute the Indemnity and Trust Agreement and such other documents signifying membership in the Fund as required by the Fund's Bylaws, and to deliver these documents to the Fund's Executive Director with the express reservation that these documents shall become effective only upon on acceptance of the Fund's By-laws as prescribed in N.J.A.C. 11:15-3.3(a).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Council President Parker to approve the Resolution, second by Councilman Levitt and on Roll Call the following was recorded:

Councilman Arias	Yes
Councilwoman Fusaro	Yes
Councilwoman Herbert	Yes
Councilman Levitt	Yes
Council President Parker	Yes

Motion carried.

12. RESOLUTION 2026-144 – CERTIFYING THAT ALL MEMEBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF FLEMINGTON BOROUGH, HUNTERDON COUNTY, HAVE REVIEWED, AT A MINIMUM, THE SECTIONS OF THE 2025 ANNUAL AUDIT ENTITLED "GENERAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS"

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2024 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Borough Clerk as per the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey is authorized to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs, as per R.S. 52:2788-34; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall by resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, at a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled:

General Comments and Recommendations;

and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed as a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the annual audit entitled:

General Comments and Recommendations

as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, as per the regulations of the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:2788-52 - to wit:

> R.S. 52-2788-52 - "A local officer or member of a local governing body, who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the Director of Local Government Services, under the provision of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 10th day of August 2026, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Flemington hereby states that it has complied with the regulation of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey dated July 30, 1968, and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilman Levitt to approve the Resolution, second by Councilwoman Herbert and on Roll Call the following was recorded:

Councilman arias	Yes
Councilwoman Fusaro	Yes
Councilwoman Herbert	Yes

Councilman Levitt	Yes
Council President Parker	Yes

Motion carried.

13. RESOLUTION 2026-145 – CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN FOR AUDIT FOR YEAR 2025

WHEREAS, Suplee and Clooney, the Borough Auditors, complete a thorough audit of Flemington Borough's financial records annually; and

WHEREAS, the Auditors make recommendations to improve certain items; and

WHEREAS, William Hance, the Borough's Chief Financial Officer has reviewed these recommendations and created a corrective action plan to rectify any issues, attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Flemington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Borough of Flemington hereby approves the corrective action plan submitted by William Hance.

2. The items/procedures identified in the corrective action plan will be put into effect immediately.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilman Levitt to approve the Resolution, second by Councilwoman Fusaro and on Roll Call the following was recorded:

Councilman Arias	Yes
Councilwoman Fusaro	Yes
Councilwoman Herbert	Yes
Councilman Levitt	Yes
Council President Parker	Yes

Motion carried.

14. RESOLUTION 2026-146 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO EXTEND THE GRACE PERIOD FOR THE THIRD QUARTER TAX PAYMENT TO SEPTEMBER 16, 2026

WHEREAS, the 2026 Municipal Budget was adopted on May 11, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey did not approve the budget in time for the Hunterdon County Tax Board to establish the 2026 Tax Rate in time for the August 1, 2026 due date as tax bills require payment twenty-five days after mailing of same.

NOW,THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Flemington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to extend the grace period for the third quarter tax payment of 2026 to September 16, 2026, as per NJ State Statute provisions, with the fourth quarter tax payment remaining due on the established date of November 1, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the normal 10-day grace period for payments received after the due date, does not apply, as the grace period is already being extended.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilwoman Fusaro to approve the Resolution, second by Councilman Levitt and on Roll Call the following was recorded:

Councilman Arias	Yes
Councilwoman Fusaro	Yes
Councilwoman Herbert	Yes
Councilman Levitt	Yes
Council President Parker	Yes

Motion carried.

15. RESOLUTION 2026-147 – APPOINTING MARC HAIN AS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FOURTH DEPUTY FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2026

WHEREAS the Borough of Flemington Office of Emergency Management is in need of an Emergency Management Coordinator Fourth Deputy for the year 2026; and

WHEREAS Marc Hain qualified for this position;

WHEREAS, during a period of declared emergency by the State or Federal Government, Marc Hain will be paid a rate of $30.00 per hour for work approved and assigned by the OEM Coordinator for the duration of the declared emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Flemington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that Marc Hain be appointed to the position of Emergency Management Coordinator Fourth Deputy for the remainder of 2026.

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilwoman Fusaro to approve the Resolution, second by Councilman Levitt and on Roll Call the following was recorded:

Councilman Arias	Yes
Councilwoman Fusaro	Yes
Councilwoman Herbert	Yes
Councilman Levitt	Yes
Council President Parker	Yes

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT – SESSION II:
There was no public comment.

APPROVAL TO PAY THE BILLS:
AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF THE BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,482,787.35

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilman Levitt to pay the bills, seconded by Councilwoman Fusaro and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Councilman Arias	Yes
Councilman Levitt	Yes
Councilwoman Herbert	Yes
Councilman Levitt	Yes
Council President Parker	Yes

Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor & Council will now convene in a closed session that will be limited only to consideration of items with respect to which the public may be excluded pursuant to Section 7B of the Open Public Meetings Act.

1. CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS – CAPTIVA
2. POTENTIAL LITIGATION – CENTRAL STATION

- It is unknown precisely when the matters discussed in this session will be disclosed to the public.
- Formal action may or may not be taken after the conclusion of the closed session.
- Matters concerning litigation may be announced upon the conclusion of any trial or settlement of the litigation. Other matters may be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists. Action will not be taken.

The Mayor and Council entered into Executive Session and a ***MOTION*** was made by Councilwoman Fusaro, seconded by Councilwoman Herbert with a vote of all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT:

A ***MOTION*** was made by Councilman Levitt to adjourn the meeting. and was seconded by Councilwoman Herbert with a vote of all ayes.

ATTEST:

Carla Conner, Borough Clerk

Marcia A. Karrow, Mayor

Adopted: September 14, 2026