

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF OGDENSBURG
14 HIGHLAND AVE. OGDENSBURG AT 7:00PM
April 13, 2026**

Mayor Hutnick called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Mayor Hutnick led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Ciasullo, Cowdrick, DeMeo, Gandarinho, Lame, Mayor Hutnick

Absent: Gordon (arrived 7:01pm)

Also, in attendance was Joseph Maddaloni, Borough Attorney and Mike Marceau, CFO

STATEMENT BY MAYOR: “Notice requirements of P.L. 1975, Open Public Meeting Act, NJSA10:4-6 et.seq. have been satisfied with a schedule of all meetings, together with the time, location and agenda of same being sent to the NEW JERSEY HERALD and NEW JERSEY SUNDAY HERALD and posted on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall on January 5, 2026.”

PRESENTATION

Councilman Gordon arrived 7:01pm.

At this time Dave Astor, Superintendent of the Ogdensburg Elementary School, updated the Council on the school budget.

Mr. Astor introduced Dan Mortensen, Board President. Mr. Astor commented typically we don't come to the Council to discuss the budget, but this is different. To let you know eighty percent of what we have in our budget is stuff we can't touch, contracts, health care, we have no control over. Every year July 1 when we open the door one hundred thousand dollars flies out because we can only generate sixty thousand dollars at best; but with contracts and health benefits and other stuff that goes up in the budget is well over one hundred and seventy thousand dollars. Every year we know we are going to lose money if we don't find it elsewhere. This year is extremely hard because of health benefits going up. Mr. Astor explained three ways they could go above two percent, which is the cap. He also explained one of the ways which was bank cap which they don't ever want to do. He wanted to know what the Board of Education will be discussing at their meeting tomorrow and the public meeting [hearing] will be in May.

Mayor Hutnick thanked Mr. Astor for coming and sharing this information with the Council. The Borough is feeling this issue as well. He believes the Borough has adjusted the budget pretty well for what we had to work with. You probably did the best you could do with what you have to work with. We can't control health insurance and things like that.

Mr. Astor commented we will do the best we can with what we have to give a sound education at the school and explained some of the budget increases for other school districts.

Councilman DeMeo made a motion to open the meeting to the public for any comments on the school budget presentation. Seconded by Councilwoman Cowdrick. All were in favor.

No one had any comments.

Councilman DeMeo made a motion to close the meeting to the public for any comments on the school budget presentation. Seconded by Councilwoman Cowdrick. All were in favor.

Councilman DeMeo made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilman Gordon.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of regular meeting minutes from March 23, 2026.
2. Approval of Resolution 46-2026 fixing the salaries for certain officers and employees of the Borough of Ogdensburg.
3. Approval of Resolution 47-2026 endorsing the Memorial Day Parade to be held on May 25, 2026, from 7:30am to 9:00am.

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4. Approval of Resolution 48-2026 providing the service weapon to retired Chief of Police Stephen J. Gordon in recognition of his dedicated service to the Borough of Ogdensburg.
5. Approval of Resolution 49-2026 authorizing change order no. 4 for the Edison Road Phase II improvement project decreasing price from \$117.92 to \$102.51, which is a decrease of 13.07% (\$15.41) from the original contract amount, and making final payment to National Highway Products, Inc.
6. Approval of raffle application submitted by St. Thomas Aquin RC Church, 53 Kennedy Ave., Ogdensburg, NJ for an off premise 50/50 raffle to be held on September 13, 2026, at 3:00pm.
7. Accept for filing letter dated March 18, 2026, to Robert Lawler from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Re: Drought Directive – March 2026.
8. Accept for filing letter dated March 12, 2026, from the Township of Sparta re: Sparta Township Ordinances, 02-02 and 26-03.
9. Accept for filing letter dated March 30, 2026, to Chief Stephen Gordon from Chief George Lott (Ret) Re: Memorial Day Parade.

Upon Roll call Vote:

Yeas: Ciasullo, Cowdrick, DeMeo, Gandarinho, Gordon, Lame

Nays: None Absent: None Abstain None

Resolution 46-2026

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Common Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg that the following annual salaries or other compensation for non-contract employees shall be in effect, beginning January 1, 2026.

Borough Clerk		\$ 80,896.00
Tax Collector / Deputy Borough Clerk / Deputy Registrar		\$ 66,950.00
(plus \$75 stipend for covering BOH and Council meetings)		\$ 75.00
Administrator of Elections	per hour	\$ 29.79
Chief Financial Officer		\$ 124,160.00
Clerk 1 / Secretary to Board of Health / Recycling Coordinator	per hour	\$ 21.00
(plus \$75 stipend for covering BOH and Council meetings)		\$ 75.00
Tax Assessor		\$ 24,575.00
Municipal Court Judge		\$ 10,000.00
Deputy Court Administrator	per hour	\$ 29.28
(\$20-\$50.00 stipend call-out)		\$ 40.00
Fill-In to Planning Land Use Secretary - Stipend		\$ 10,400.00
(plus \$75 stipend for covering Land Use Meetings)		\$ 75.00
School Crossing Guard	per hour	\$ 20.81
Code Enforcement Officer	per hour	\$ 16.00
Zoning Official	per hour	\$ 16.00
Emergency Management Coordinator		\$ 1,500.00
Supervisor of Public Works		\$ 65,000.00
Acting Supervisor of Public Works TA (part-time)	per hour	\$ 30.00
Assist Supervisor of Public Works		\$ 55,000.00
Mechanic Stipend		\$ 3,000.00
Public Works Laborer No. 1 - without CDL		\$ 43,281.00
Public Works Laborer No. 1 - With CDL		\$ 46,281.00
Public Works Laborer TA (part-time)	per hour minimum wage -	\$26.00
Emergency Snow Driver	per hour minimum wage -	\$50.00
Supervising Water Treatment Plant Operator	per hour minimum wage -	\$20.00
Water Treatment Plant Operator (fill-in)	per hour minimum wage -	\$20.00
Head Lifeguard	per hour minimum wage -	\$21.00
Lifeguard	per hour minimum wage -	\$21.00
Mayor		\$ 3,000.00
Council Member		\$ 2,500.00

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the overtime rate for Public Works Supervisor, Assistant Supervisor, Repairer(s) and Laborer(s) shall be calculated according to Emergency Water System Repairs and Snow Removal Policy adopted on, October 24, 2011 as amended.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Longevity Plan for all full-time employees of the Borough of Ogdensburg hired prior to January 1, 1996 will be paid annually on or about December 1, 2025, as follows:

5 years of Service: 4%
10 years of Service: 5%
15 years of Service: 6%
20 years of Service: 7%

The percentage rates for longevity pay will be frozen as of January 1, 1996.

Any new hire after January 1, 1996 will not be entitled to Longevity Pay.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that January first of the year the employee is hired will be used to determine years of service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this resolution supersedes any prior

Resolution 47-2026

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ogdensburg “Borough” has received a request from Robert Lawler, Commander, Franklin American Legion Post #132 to hold the Memorial Day Parade on May 25, 2026, from 7:30am to 9:00am; and

WHEREAS, a permit from the County of Sussex is required for the closing of Sussex County Route 517 from the Ogdensburg Fire Department to Kennedy Ave on May 25, 2026, from 7:30am to 9:00am; and

WHEREAS, for safety reasons the American Legion is requesting the Ogdensburg Police Department to lead the parade and to provide an officer at Route 517 and Kennedy Ave.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg do hereby endorse this activity, and respectfully request that the County of Sussex hereby issue the permit.

Resolution 48-2026

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ogdensburg is authorized under N.J.A.C. 13:54-1.3(c)(2) to turnover and gift the service weapon of an officer to said officer upon his retirement, subject to certain restrictions and conditions including possessing and maintaining all applicable state and/or federal permits; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ogdensburg, in appreciation of the dedicated and honorable service provided by retired Chief of Police Stephen J. Gordon during his tenure, wishes to gift Chief Gordon the service weapon he carried while protecting and serving the Borough with distinction; and

WHEREAS, this gift is subject to Chief Gordon submitting proof that he has been approved for and has received all applicable state and/or federal permits to possess the service weapon, a .45 caliber Sig Sauer P220, bearing serial number 37B033490; and

WHEREAS, this gift is further subject to Chief Gordon signing the attached “Acceptance of Service Weapon” form agreeing to indemnify and hold the Borough harmless and agreeing to accept all liability and responsibility for the same.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Ogdensburg Mayor and Council are hereby authorized and directed to turnover and gift to retired Chief Stephen J. Gordon the service weapon he carried while protecting and serving the Borough.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Ogdensburg formally recognizes and appreciates the dedicated and honorable service provided by retired Chief Stephen J. Gordon.

Resolution 49-2026

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ogdensburg (“Borough”) and National Highway Products Inc., having a business address of 301 Riverside Drive Building D, Millville, NJ 08332, entered a contract for the performance of services required for the Edison Road Phase II Improvement Project, a New Jersey State Aid Project; and

WHEREAS, there was a decrease in the contract price from \$117.92 to \$102.51, representing a decrease of 13.07% (\$15.41) from the original contract amount based on adjustments to as-built quantities as described in Change Order No. 4, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid modification necessitates a Change Order to reflect the actual amount and price adjustment, permissible under the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., and the Local Government Services regulations governing the same; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has approved the change and recommends authorizing the Change Order and making final payment to National Highway Products, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg, County of Sussex, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The contract between the Borough of Ogdensburg and National Highway Products, Inc., for the performance of services required for the Edison Road Phase II Improvement Project, a New Jersey State Aid Project, is hereby amended to reflect the \$15.41 price decrease as described in Change Order No. 4, attached hereto.

2. Based upon the input and recommendation of the Borough Engineer, the Borough hereby authorizes the appropriate municipal officials to pay the balance due on the final contract which it hereby accepts, as amended.

3. The Borough hereby directs that the Borough Clerk transmit certified copies of this Resolution to the Borough Finance Department, Borough Engineer, National Highway Products, Inc., and the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation Division of Local Aid and Economic Development.

INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE 03-2026

Councilman DeMeo made a motion to introduce an Ordinance 03-2026 entitled “CALENDAR YEAR 2026 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)” Seconded by Councilwoman Lame.

Public hearing will be held on April 27, 2026.

Upon Roll call Vote for intro to Ordinance 03-2026:

Yeas: Ciasullo, Cowdrick, DeMeo, Gandarinho, Gordon, Lame

Nays: None Absent: None Abstain None

RESOLUTION 45-2026

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Councilman Gandarinho made a motion to adopt resolution 45-2026 introducing the CY 2026 Municipal Budget for the Borough of Ogdensburg. Seconded by Councilwoman Lame.

Public hearing will be held on May 11, 2026.

Upon Roll call Vote:

Yeas: Ciasullo, Cowdrick, DeMeo, Gandarinho, Gordon, Lame

Nays: None Absent: None Abstain None

Resolution 45-2026

BE IT RESOLVED that the Local Municipal budget of the Borough of Ogdensburg, County of Sussex, New Jersey for the calendar year 2026 be approved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg, and the Clerk is hereby instructed to advertise in the New Jersey Herald and that a final public hearing before passage will be held on May 11, 2026 at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers and that said budget shall authorize total general appropriations of \$3,778,799.03, and the anticipated revenues of \$851,412.55 leaving an amount to be raised by taxes for municipal purposes of \$2,927,386.48. The Water 2025 Budget consists of appropriations of \$456,934.00 and anticipated revenues of \$456,934.00.

RESOLUTION 50-2026

Councilman Gordon made a motion to adopt resolution 50-2026 authorizing an agreement between the Borough of Ogdensburg and Windriver Environmental for catch basin cleaning. Seconded by Councilwoman Cowdrick.

Upon Roll call Vote:

Yeas: Ciasullo, Cowdrick, DeMeo, Gandarinho, Gordon, Lame

Nays: None Absent: None Abstain None

Resolution 50-2026

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ogdensburg (“Borough”) maintains approximately 210 catch basins situated throughout the Borough; and

WHEREAS, there is a present need to inspect and clean these basins to remove accumulated debris, leaves, and sediment; and

WHEREAS, the Borough requested quotes from prospective vendors experienced in providing this type of service; and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to move forward with the proposal received from Residuals Management Services, LLC d/b/a EarthCare, a Wind River Company, having a business address at 99 Maple Grange Road, Vernon, New Jersey 07462 (“EarthCare”), a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, EarthCare proposes providing vector cleaning of 210 catch basins and jetting lines at a daily rate of \$2,400.00, plus an additional fee of \$350.00 for any additional technicians; and

WHEREAS, the estimated completion time six (6) days.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby approve the aforesaid proposal and authorize entering into an agreement with Residuals Management Services, LLC d/b/a EarthCare, a Wind River Company, for vector cleaning at the rates proposed, not to exceed \$17,000 in the aggregate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that EarthCare shall provide the Borough Clerk with a certificate of insurance naming the Borough of Ogdensburg, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers as “Additional Insured,” together with a policy endorsement evidencing same prior to commencing any work.

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RESOLUTION 51-2026

Councilman DeMeo made a motion to adopt resolution 51-2026 of the Borough of Ogdensburg, County of Sussex, and State of New Jersey, authorizing the Borough of Ogdensburg Land Use Board to undertake a preliminary investigation to determine whether the proposed study area, which includes properties identified on the Borough Tax Map as Block 4, Lot 23; Block 6, Lots 1, 2, 6 & 7; Block 7, Lot 8; Block 14 Lots 8 & 9; and Block 26.06, Lots 6, 8, 9 & 10, qualifies as an area in need of redevelopment subject to Eminent Domain (“Condemnation Redevelopment Area”) pursuant to Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 ET SEQ. Seconded by Councilman Gordon.

Upon Roll call Vote:

Yeas: Cowdrick, DeMeo, Gandarinho, Gordon, Lame
Nays: Ciasullo Absent: None Abstain None

Resolution 51-2026

WHEREAS, the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. (“Redevelopment Law”), provides a mechanism for local governments to initiate and implement redevelopment programs to ameliorate conditions of deterioration in housing, commercial and industrial installations, public services and facilities, and other physical components and supports of community life; and

WHEREAS, specifically, the Redevelopment Law sets forth procedures for the Borough of Ogdensburg (“Borough”) to (i) cause a preliminary investigation to be made as to whether an area is in need of redevelopment, (ii) determine that an area is in need of redevelopment, (iii) adopt and implement a redevelopment plan, and (iv) carry out redevelopment projects; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Redevelopment Law, specifically N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6, no area of a municipality shall be determined a redevelopment area unless the governing body of the municipality shall, by resolution, authorize the planning board to undertake a preliminary investigation to determine whether the proposed area is a redevelopment area according to the criteria set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-6, said resolution shall state whether the redevelopment area determination shall authorize the municipality to use all those powers provided by the Legislature for use in a redevelopment area other than the use of eminent domain (“Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area”) or whether the redevelopment area determination shall authorize the municipality to use all those powers provided by the Legislature for use in a redevelopment area, including the power of eminent domain (“Condemnation Redevelopment Area”); and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body believes it is in the best interest of the Borough to authorize the Land Use Board to undertake a preliminary investigation and study of certain real property described herein, and to conduct a hearing and comply with all other requirements of the Redevelopment Law to determine whether the proposed redevelopment area meets the criteria set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5 and should be designated as an area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the following properties shall be included in the proposed Study Area:

<u>TAX MAP REFERENCE</u>	<u>PROPERTY ADDRESS</u>
Block 4, Lot 23	115 Main Street
Block 6, Lot 1	14 Highland Ave.
Block 6, Lot 2	Off Highland Ave.
Block 6, Lot 6	Off Highland Ave.
Block 6, Lot 7	Off Highland Ave.
Block 7, Lot 8	Highland Ave.
Block 14, Lot 8	76 Main Street

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Block 14, Lot 9	74 Main Street
Block 26.06, Lot 6	Willis Ave.
Block 26.06, Lot 8	Willis Ave.
Block 26.06, Lot 9	8 Willis Ave.
Block 26.06, Lot 10	15 Willis Ave.

WHEREAS, the redevelopment area determination requested hereunder shall authorize the Borough to use all those powers provided by the State Legislature for use in a redevelopment area, including the power of eminent domain; and

WHEREAS, the Study Area shall constitute and be considered a “Condemnation Redevelopment Area” as referenced in the Redevelopment Law.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg as follows:

1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as if set forth in full.
2. The Borough Land Use Board is hereby authorized and directed to conduct an investigation of the Study Area, described herein, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6 to determine whether the Study Area or any portions thereof satisfy the criteria set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5 to be designated as an area in need of redevelopment.
3. Any redevelopment area created pursuant to this authorization shall be a “Condemnation Redevelopment Area” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-6. This means that the Borough shall be authorized to exercise the power of eminent domain to acquire private property situated within said area for a public purpose pursuant to and in accordance with the New Jersey Eminent Domain Act of 1971, N.J.S.A. 20:3-1 et seq.
4. As part of its investigation, the Borough Land Use Board shall prepare a map showing the boundaries of the Study Area and the location of the parcels contained therein and appended thereto shall be a statement setting forth the basis of the investigation.
5. The Borough Land Use Board shall conduct a public hearing in accordance with the Redevelopment Law, specifically N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6, after giving due notice of the proposed boundaries of the Study Area and the date of the hearing to any persons who are interested in or would be affected by a determination that the Study Area is an area in need of redevelopment. The notice of hearing shall comply with the requirements set forth in the Redevelopment Law and applicable case law. Said notice shall specifically state that property within the Study Area has been designated for redevelopment as a Condemnation Redevelopment Area; the designation operates as a finding of public purpose and authorizes the Borough to exercise the power of eminent domain to acquire private property for said purpose pursuant to and in accordance with the New Jersey Eminent Domain Act of 1971, N.J.S.A. 20:3-1 et seq. and applicable law; and the time limits within which a property owner must take legal action to challenge that designation, by way of affirmative defense to an ensuing condemnation action.
6. At the public hearing, the Borough Land Use Board shall hear from all persons who are interested in or would be affected by a determination that the Study Area is a redevelopment area. All objections to a determination that the Study Area is an area in need of redevelopment, and evidence in support of those objections, shall be received and considered by the Borough Land Use Board and made part of the public record.
7. After conducting its investigation, preparing a map of the Study Area, and conducting a public hearing at which all objections to the designation are received and considered, the Borough Land Use Board shall make a recommendation to the Borough Council as to whether the Borough Council should designate all or some of the Study Area as an area in need of redevelopment subject to all of the powers provided by the State Legislature

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for use in said area, including the power of eminent domain (Condemnation Redevelopment Area).

8. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Borough Clerk, Chief Financial Officer, Borough Land Use Board, and Land Use Board Secretary.
9. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

LIAISON REPORTS

Councilman Ciasullo reported on water, he has asked Rob Lawler several times for an official email on projects and to prioritize those projects. He asked him for an email to have on record to share with everyone and get the process started.

Councilman Gandarinho commented on water valves. Lincoln Ave is going to be paved and there are two water valves that need to be replaced. On Glenbrook and Kennedy, the valves and hydrants have been checked. There are two items on Glenbrook that need to be replaced and one on Kennedy. We also talked about getting a detection company to see where there are water leaks. We are losing water somewhere.

Mayor Hutnick commented that Mr. Lawler has reported we are losing water somewhere, but he doesn't know where. It isn't coming out of the ground. He knows he is losing water by the readings. Before we pave those roads get a leak detection company in to check it all out.

Councilman Gordon reported we are going to be starting with catch basin cleaning and the line jetting to see what basins might need to be addressed before we pave the roads that are scheduled. We might find out the leak could be entering one of the catch basins. He signed off on two hydrants for Ken Smith to replace two of the now three. He called a couple of fencing companies this morning to come out and give the Borough estimates to fix the gates at the DPW and address some of the fencing that is gone. We need to get quotes from roofing companies to address the porch roof [on the municipal building]. On April 27, Willco will be here to do the work on the boiler in the basement.

Councilman DeMeo reported on the Police and Fire Departments. Councilman DeMeo commented he talked to the Chief of the Fire Department they were out at the brush fire in Sparta for about seven hours helping. They are waiting to hear back with budget numbers and on the repair to the one truck. Councilman DeMeo commented as far as the police, the committee is going to report in executive session tonight on the Chief of Police negotiations.

Councilwoman Cowdrick had nothing to report for parks and recreation.

Councilwoman Lame reported on Ogdensburg Day. They are still looking for vendors and donations.

Councilman Gandarinho reported on DPW. Asphalt patching is starting tomorrow on Predmore Road and then moving to Wausau Street. Thursday is leaf pick up and Friday is brush pick up then they will start mowing.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Townwide Garage Sale – Councilwoman Cowdrick reminded everyone the ORA garage sale is May 2nd from 9 to 4 and explained where maps will be available in the Borough. All the proceeds benefit the ORA, and the rain date is May 3.

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Land Use Board 2025 Annual Report – Mayor Hutnick explained the annual report from the Land Use Board prepared by Dolan and Dolan. This is a requirement for the Land Use Board to update the Council with this report.

Statewide Safety Grant – Councilman Gordon commented the police department is getting halogen tools and we are looking at replacing the front door to bring it to ADA compliance and also address the lock issue going on. He received a quote this morning we are going to have to get one or two more because it exceeded the twenty-six twenty-five threshold. If we can use one thousand of that grant towards a replacement front door to bring it to compliance it is one thousand dollars less that we have to spend.

There was a discussion on the quote and a quote from Blue Ridge.

Fuel Tanks by the Fire House – Councilman Gordon commented the tanks have been an issue with the insurance we don't know how much longer they are going to cover the borough. We need to get bid specs set up, above ground storage tanks and the location would most likely be at the DPW because of the size of them. It would require a pad, electric and fencing around them.

Mayor Hutnick commented he doesn't think you are going to be able to bring them down to the DPW.

There was a discussion on the tanks.

Ambulances – Pond Pavilion – Councilwoman Lane commented the pavilion at the pond needs work. The roof needs help and the pavilion need some replacing and updating. We were looking to do a Barter system in exchange for the ambulances. We have been trying to auction them off or give them away. Nothing has been done. She has somebody that is willing to fix the pavilion in exchange for the two ambulances. He did go up to the pond and checked out the pavilion and has the information if there are any questions.

Mayor Hutnick commented he isn't sure if we can do a barter.

Mr. Maddaloni commented you would need a value on what you are giving and what you are getting. Then pass a resolution. The key is making sure you are getting value for value.

Councilman Ciasullo asked Mr. Maddaloni; when you say value for value if the Borough's end of it was [in our favor] is that ok.

Mr. Maddaloni commented that would be perfect.

There was a brief discussion on the pavilion.

PUBLIC SESSION

Councilman DeMeo moved, Councilwoman Lane seconded motion to open the public session of the meeting. All were in favor.

David Silverthorne, Commissioner, commented he is a newly elected County Commissioner former Mayor of Frankford. He wanted to take the opportunity to introduce himself and let everybody know if there is anything he can do. He isn't your liaison, but he is going around to all the towns to introduce himself to see if there is anything you need or anything he can do.

Councilman Gordon commented he does have something while you are here. Do you remember the flood of 2000? We have four bridges in town, one of them is the only way for the residents to get in. Two of the three major bridges were completely replaced but the bridge that is the only way in or out for these residents is a temporary bridge that was put in. When he says temporary but is has been 26 years now. Before he was sworn in he made a call to Bob Pearson, Bridge and Roads guy for the County; he addressed his concerns to Mr. Pearson, and he basically told him there are no plans or money in place to replace this bridge. So, he asked Mr. Pearson if he had

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been to the bridge and have you looked under it. Councilman Gordon had suggested he go look under the bridge and explained why he should go look under the bridge. That bridge has failed the last two or three inspections yet the 517 bridge by Glenbrook Road that has also failed the last two or three inspections. But the fact that there are no plans to replace this bridge which is the only egress for these people.

Commission Silverthorne commented it sounds unacceptable and asked the bridge number.

Councilman Gordon commented it is referred to as the Bridge Street bridge. It was a temporary bridge.

Commission Silverthorne commented he can't guarantee anything, but he will look into it.

Councilman Ciasullo commented we requested the County about a year ago to reevaluate the speed limit signs [the traffic study the Borough requested] and we were told we were put on a list. If possible, could you get us an update.

Commission Silverthorne commented he will look into it and get back to you.

Donna Heverly, Ogdensburg spoke about the ORA and different situations regarding unfairness. There is a lot of good with the ORA and good people in the ORA, but she just wanted to bring this to the Council's attention.

Jim Lame, Ogdensburg commented in reference to the pavilion, he looked at this a few years ago he since has been out there and took pictures. He drew up an estimate on fixing the roof and explained the repairs, cost and price comparison. He gave the Council the estimate of what he would do to fix the pavilion, so you have it when you get the value of the ambulances.

Fred Rowett, Ogdensburg spoke about the site distance issue pulling out of North Clark Street and Rte. 517 with Danforth's parking his boats on the corner blocking the line of site and cars parked on North Clark Street. He is not a good neighbor when cars are parked there you can only get one car through there. There are a lot of kids on the street, and a lot of kids use that street to go to the ballfield. He would like to have no parking on either side, the length of his fence. When boats are parked out there you have to pull out onto the crosswalk to see, it is blocking the line of site. What is the process for changing the parking?

Mayor Hutnick explained we will have to talk to the police about the parking.

There being no further business from the public, Councilman DeMeo moved, Councilman Gordon seconded motion to close the public session of the meeting. All were in favor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman DeMeo made a motion to go into executive session for contract negotiations, Councilman Ciasullo seconded motion to adopt the following resolution.

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 Council of the Borough of Ogdensburg, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, as follows;

Contract Negotiations

Upon Roll call Vote:

Yeas: Ciasullo, Cowdrick, DeMeo, Gandarinho, Gordon, Lame

Nays: None Absent: None Abstain None

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Councilwoman Cowdrick recused herself at this time from executive session and did not return to the meeting.

At 7:46pm the Mayor and Council went into executive session.

At 8:57pm the Mayor and Council returned from executive session.

PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

Councilman DeMeo made a motion to review payment of vouchers and review departmental finance reports. Seconded by Councilman Gandarinho.

Upon Roll call Vote:

Yeas: Ciasullo, DeMeo, Gandarinho, Gordon, Lame

Nays: None Absent: Cowdrick Abstain: None

CURRENT

DATE	CHECK #	PAID TO	AMOUNT
04/13/202	6	36456 Action Data Services, Inc.	303.10
04/13/202	6	36457 Airgas USA, LLC	183.45
04/13/202	6	36458 Allied Oil	2,138.32
04/13/202	6	36459 Amazon	1,481.79
04/13/202	6	36460 Athenia Mason Supply, LLC	70.00
04/13/202	6	36461 Bassani Power Equipment, LLC	426.70
04/13/202	6	36462 Batty, Matthew	270.00
04/13/202	6	36463 Blue Diamond Disposal, Inc.	21,102.78
04/13/202	6	36464 Brightspeed	19.90
04/13/202	6	36465 Brightspeed	59.83
04/13/202	6	36466 Brightspeed	56.54
04/13/202	6	36467 Brightspeed	51.40
04/13/202	6	36468 BrightSpeed	821.15
04/13/202	6	36469 Brightspeed	433.87
04/13/202	6	36470 Brightspeed	261.38
04/13/202	6	36471 Brightspeed	64.06
04/13/202	6	36472 Brightspeed	55.06
04/13/202	6	36473 Brightspeed	101.67
04/13/202	6	36474 Complete Security Systems, Inc.	31.83
04/13/202	6	36475 Division of Consumer Affairs Weights and Measures Fund	100.00

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04/13/202	6	36476	Dolan & Dolan Esqs.	648.37
04/13/202	6	36477	Dover Brake & Clutch Co., Inc	89.28
04/13/202	6	36478	Eco Logic Environmental Testing Inc	1,880.00
04/13/202	6	36479	ESI Equipment, Inc.	1,477.00
04/13/202	6	36480	Frank Sanfilippo	45.73
04/13/202	6	36481	Fred Yarosz Janitorial Services LLC	503.00
04/13/202	6	36482	Hamburg Plumbing Supply Co	203.98
04/13/202	6	36483	Home Depot	147.04
04/13/202	6	36484	Horizon BC/BS of NJ	3,624.82
04/13/202	6	36485	JCP&L	2,549.92
04/13/202	6	36486	JCP&L	514.33
04/13/202	6	36487	JCP&L	3,971.39
04/13/202	6	36488	JCP&L	2,466.41
04/13/202	6	36489	KS State Bank	307.40
04/13/202	6	36490	LEW Environmental Services, LLC	41.80
04/13/202	6	36491	LINA	243.00
04/13/202	6	36492	Lumen Technologies Group	125.61
04/13/202	6	36493	Michel Marceau	76.92
04/13/202	6	36494	Napa Auto Parts	11.38
04/13/202	6	36495	New Jersey Association of Chiefs of Police	650.00
04/13/202	6	36496	Nicholas McWilliams	166.99
04/13/202	6	36497	Nielsen Ford, Inc.	21.60
04/13/202	6	36498	Ogdensburg Board of Education	233,639.8 3
04/13/202	6	36499	Sanfilippo, Joseph	1,009.16
04/13/202	6	36500	Smith Tractor & Equipment, Inc.	1,055.98
04/13/202	6	36501	Sussex Co League of Municipalites	150.00
04/13/202	6	36502	Turn Out Uniforms, Inc.	368.00
04/13/202	6	36503	USA Today Media Corp fka Gannett Media Corp	50.34
04/13/202	6	36504	Van Cleef Engineering Assoc. LLC	10,520.00
04/13/202	6	36505	Verizon Business	113.70

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04/13/202	6	36506	Verizon Business	109.95
04/13/202	6	36507	Verizon Wireless	80.02
04/13/202	6	36508	Vernon Township	3,502.50
04/13/202	6	36509	Wallkill Valley Regional H.S.	102,169.17
04/13/202	6	36510	Wielkotsz & Company, LLC	7,812.50
				408,379.95

ADMIN TRUST

DATE	CHEC K#	PAID TO	AMOUN T
04/13/2026	2224	International Laminating	257.47
			257.47

GENERAL CAPITAL

DATE	CHECK #	PAID TO	AMOUN T	
04/13/202	6	1253	Van Cleef Engineering Assoc. LLC	432.00
			432.00	

DEVELOPERS ESCROW

DATE	CHEC K#	PAID TO	AMOUN T
04/13/2026	2133	Dolan & Dolan Esqs.	299.25
			299.25

DOG FUND

DATE	CHECK #	PAID TO	AMOUN T	
04/13/202	6	338	NJ Dept of Health & Senior Service	17.40
			17.40	

PAYROLL

DATE	CHECK #	PAID TO	AMOUN T	
04/13/202	6	1359	AFLAC	148.92
			148.92	

WATER OPERATING

DATE	CHECK #	PAID TO	AMOUN T	
04/13/202	6	5523	Garden State Laboratories, Inc.	795.00

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04/13/2026	6	5524	Hank Sanders Inc	1,534.00
04/13/2026	6	5525	New Jersey Water Association	500.00
04/13/2026	6	5526	One Call Concepts, Inc.	36.10
04/13/2026	6	5527	Reliable Restoration Logistics	2,000.00
04/13/2026	6	5528	Smith Tractor & Equipment, Inc.	1,055.99
04/13/2026	6	5529	Staples Business Advantage	428.99
04/13/2026	6	5530	State of New Jersey-PWT	94.66
04/13/2026	6	5531	Wind River Environmental, LLC	2,300.00
				8,744.74

GRANT FUND

DATE	CHECK #	PAID TO	AMOUNT	
04/13/2026	6	36511	Girls on the Run New Jersey North	850.00
04/13/2026	6	36512	Staples Business Advantage	40.25
				890.25

There being no further business, Councilman DeMeo moved, Councilman Gandarinho seconded motion to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:58p.m.

Robin Hough, Borough Clerk

George P. Hutnick, Mayor