

BOROUGH OF BERNARDSVILLE
Mayor & Borough Council Meeting Agenda
September 15, 2025 - 7:00 p.m.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Mary Jane Canose
Council Member Jena McCredie
Council Member Al Ribeiro
Council Member Jeffrey Roos
Council Member Rich Traynor
Council Member Christine Zamarra
Council Member Ross Zazzarino

2. STATEMENT OF PRESIDING OFFICER

Notice of this meeting was provided to the Bernardsville News and Courier News, filed with the Municipal Clerk and posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board on December 5, 2024.

3A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3B. MAYOR'S WELCOME

Welcome to the September 15, 2025 meeting of the Bernardsville Borough Council. This meeting is being conducted in person in the second floor conference room of Borough Hall. An audio recording of the meeting will be posted to the borough website the following day. Members of the public who are attending will be given the opportunity to comment at appropriate times during the meeting in accordance with the following guidelines:

- Members of the public will be allowed to speak during the “Open Session(s)”
- Comments will be limited to three minutes per speaker, which will be monitored and enforced by the Borough Clerk
- Comments containing offensive, profane or indecent language or language constituting hate speech, will not be permitted.
- All speakers shall state their names and addresses before making their comments.
- Failure of the governing body to provide an audio recording of this meeting will not invalidate this meeting or any action taken including, but not limited to, the adoption of any ordinance, resolution or motion.

4. OPEN SESSION

Spoken comments will be limited to three minutes per speaker.

5. MAYOR & COUNCIL DISCUSSION ITEMS

5A. Request for Nativity Scene at Borough Pond

5B. Weeds in Downtown

5C. Library Roof

5D. Request for Purple Ribbons on Trees for Domestic Violence Awareness Month

5E. Request from Bernardsville Library Foundation to serve alcohol at a Gratitude Event for Major Donors on November 14th

5F. Request from Friends of the Bernardsville Library to Display Signs for StoryWalk (for more than the 14 days as permitted by ordinance)

5G. Bernardsville Middle School Request for Use of Polo Grounds for Color Run on October 21st

5H. Special Events Ordinance, **REPLACING THE BROUGH SPECIAL EVENT ORDINANCE AND AMENDING CHAPTER 4 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED “GENERAL LICENSING”**

5I. Shared Service - Bedminster Fall Fest

5J. Dayton Crescent

5K. Memorial Park Dam

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6A. A public hearing on the following ordinance will be held at the September 29, 2025 council meeting at 7:00pm

6A(1) ORDINANCE #2025-2026, AMENDING SECTION 11-4 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED “REGISTRATION AND MAINTENANCE OF PROPERTIES PENDING FORECLOSURE”

Introduction of the following ordinance(s) at the September 29, 2025 council meeting

6A(2) REQUIRING THE PAYMENT OF DELINQUENT TAXES AS A CONDITION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A MUNICIPAL LICENSE OR PERMIT AND SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATION”

6A(3) AMENDING ORDINANCE #2024-2000 ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF BERNARDS AVENUE WHICH IS OUTSIDE THE PAVED ROADWAY AND SIDEWALK AREA AND WHICH IS NECESSARY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AT 63 BERNARDS AVENUE” BY CORRECTING THE DESCRIPTION OF THE AREA VACATED

6A(4) AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE BERNARSVILLE FIRE COMPANY NO. 1 FIRST AID SQUAD AND AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATION”

Resolutions for adoption at the September 29, 2025 council meeting

- 6B. Resolution – Bill List
- 6C. Resolution – Authorization of Tax Refund
- 6D. Resolution – Approving the Installation of One New Fire Hydrant as part of NJ American Water Company’s Mine Brook Road Water Main Extension Project
- 6E. Resolution – Authorizing Execution of Developer’s Agreement with RPM for 63 Bernards Avenue 100% Affordable Housing Development Property
- 6F. Resolution – Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriations Per NJSA 40A:4-87, Clean Communities
- 6G. Resolution – Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriations Per NJSA 40A:4-87, 2022 Recycling Tonnage Grant
- 6H. Resolution – Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriations Per NJSA 40A:4-87, PSE&G Foundation, 2025 Sustainable Jersey Grant

- 6I. Resolution – Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriations Per NJSA 40A:4-87, Water Resources Planning Management Stormwater Assistance Grant
- 6J. Resolution – Authorizing the Mayor to Sign Renewal Contracts with Far Hills Country Day School, Somerset Hills School District, and St. Elizabeth’s School for Special Law Enforcement Officers (SLEO III)
- 6K. Resolution – Authorizing the Hiring of Part Time Substitute Dispatchers
- 6L. Resolution – Authorizing an Amount of \$6,500 to Loeffler Pool Management for Winterization of the Municipal Pool
- 6M. Resolution – Appointing Samantha D’Antuono as a Full Time Dispatcher
- 6N. Resolution – Accepting the Resignation of Patrolman Samuel Pradarits
- 6O. Resolution – Accepting the 2025 Emergency Operation Plan (EOP) For the Borough of Bernardsville
- 6P. Resolution – Dayton Crescent Grant Extension Request
- 6Q. Resolution – Appointment of a Truck Driver/Laborer
- 6R. Resolution – Governing Body Certification of the Annual Audit (2024)

Presentations at the September 29, 2025 council meeting

2024 Audit

7. OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE COUNCIL

- 7A. Municipal Attorney Report
- 7B. Other committee/commission Reports
 - 7B(1). Council Liaison Reports
- 7C. Correspondence
- 7D. Unfinished Business

7E. New Business

7E(1). Major Disposal of Parkland Hearing at 8:00pm at the September 29th
Borough Council Meeting

7E(2). Health and Dental Insurance

7E(3). Tie the Town Pink

8. CLOSED SESSION

Council Member _____ moves, to adjourn to an executive session to consider:

Pending Litigation and Personnel Matters

and that the time when and circumstances under which the matter can be disclosed to the public is when it (they) are finally resolved.

Seconded:

Vote:

9. REOPEN AND ADJOURNMENT