

**GREENWICH TOWNSHIP
MINUTES OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
FEBRUARY 17, 2026
7:00 p.m.**

Mayor Orr called the meeting to order stating “adequate notice of this meeting was provided in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act notifying the South Jersey Times and The Press of Atlantic City on January 15, 2026”

Roll Call: Mayor Orr and Deputy Mayor Reinhart were present. Also present were Amy Colaneri, CFO; and Lisa Garrison, Township Clerk. Absent: Committeeman Werley and Thomas Seeley, Esq.

Flag Salute: Mayor Orr

Approval of Minutes: On motion of Mayor Orr, seconded by Deputy Mayor Reinhart to approve the minutes of January 6, 2026 (Reorganization and Closed), unanimously carried.

Introduction of Proposed Ordinance:

On motion of Deputy Mayor Reinhart, seconded by Mayor Orr to approve the introduction of the following proposed ordinance with the public hearing set for March 17, 2026, unanimously carried upon roll call vote. Ayes: Orr, Reinhart Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Werley

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 93-2026

**2026 "CAP" ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET
APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, in the County of Cumberland finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2026 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee hereby determines that a 3.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$6,401.48 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, in the County of Cumberland, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring that, in the CY 2026 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Greenwich shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$14,936.78 and that the CY 2025 municipal budget for the Township of Greenwich be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Resolutions:

RESOLUTION NO. 2-17-2026

AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF LEW ENVIRONMENTAL TO PROVIDE LEAD INSPECTION SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Township of Greenwich is seeking professional services for the staffing to support management of lead testing of rental units in the Township in order to comply with N.J.A.C. 5:28A; and

WHEREAS, LEW Environmental has submitted a proposal setting forth the terms and conditions of the lead testing; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Greenwich will not incur any fees from LEW Environmental as all fees are billable and payable by the property owner; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich that the proposal submitted by LEW Environmental for professional services to support management of lead testing of rental units in the Township is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township of Greenwich will not incur any direct fees as same are billable and payable by the property owner; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk is hereby directed to forward a signed copy of the resolution and signed proposal to LEW Environmental.

On motion of Deputy Mayor Reinhart, seconded by Mayor Orr to approve the foregoing resolution, unanimously carried.

On motion of Mayor Orr, seconded by Deputy Mayor Reinhart to approve the following resolution, unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2-18-2026

APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS AND BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

BE IT RESOLVED the following appointments of the Township Officials, Boards and Committees are hereby approved by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Cumberland, State of New

PLANNING/ZONING BOARD

TERM EXPIRATION

Class IV – Kathy Goodwin

12/31/28 (unexpired term)

Unfinished Business:

Snow Plowing RFP - there were no RFPs received. Mayor Orr directed the RFP be readvertised.

Mowing RFP - on motion of Deputy Mayor Reinhart, seconded by Mayor Orr to approve the mowing RFP of Terry Griffin, unanimously carried.

New Business:

Lead Testing Letters - it was discussed and determined that letters will be reviewed prior to a mailing. Mayor Orr confirmed that the landlords could utilize any contractor not just the LEW.

Committee Comments:

Deputy Mayor Reinhart indicated the generator that was authorized for sale does not run and the price will need to be readjusted to \$1,000. Ms. Colaneri will send the updated price to GovDeal.

Payment of Bills

After review and discussion on motion of Mayor Orr, seconded by Deputy Mayor Reinhart to approve the bill list in the amount of \$552,855.37, unanimously carried.

Public Comment:

On motion of Mayor Orr, seconded by Deputy Mayor Reinhart to open the public comment, unanimously carried. Kathy Barndt questioned if the Township is compliant with the new regulations for the State Registry for Public Notices. She was advised at this time it was being worked on. There being no further public comment on motion of Deputy Mayor Reinhart, seconded by Mayor Orr to close public comment, unanimously carried.

Closed Meeting - Mayor Orr indicated that a resolution would not be required to enter into closed session as there were no updates to discuss at this time.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Township Committee, on motion of Mayor Orr, seconded by Deputy Mayor Reinhart to adjourn, unanimously carried

Respectfully submitted.

Lisa Garrison
Borough Clerk

