BOROUGH OF GARWOOD
MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
AGENDA
July 10, 2025

Time: _____
Moment of Silence
Salute to the Flag

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to the Union County Hawk and advertised on December 26, 2024. Notification was sent to the Local Source Union County, and is posted on the Municipal website, the Municipal public bulletin board, and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk informing the public of the time and place according to the Provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law (Chapter 241, P.L. 1975).

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Blumenstock	_____		
Councilwoman Boto	_____	Councilman Lazarow	_____
Councilman Foley	_____	Councilman Padusniak	_____
Councilman Kearney	_____	Council President Nolde	_____

Roll call staff and professionals:
John Arthur, Borough Administrator
Adam Abramson, Borough Attorney
Jonathan Pridy, Chief of Police

Reports:
Report of Borough Attorney
Report of Borough Administrator
Report of Mayor Blumenstock

Comments from the Council:
Councilwoman Boto
Councilman Foley
Councilman Kearney
Councilman Lazarow
Councilman Padusniak
Council President Nolde

MINUTES:
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council held on June 26, 2025.

A motion was made by _____, second by _____ to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.

All in favor ____, opposed _____?

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Union County Public Notice – cancellation of Agenda setting session and regular meeting on Thursday, September 4, 2025
https://garwoodnj.govoffice3.com/vertical/Sites/%7B7F1088A0-CEC9-4505-80EE-1DF1BF7DFFBD%7D/uploads/Union_County_Public_Notice.pdf

2. Town of Westfield – Ordinance 2025-16 – An ordinance amending the land use ordinance of the Town of Westfield relating to the installation of solar energy systems
https://garwoodnj.govoffice3.com/vertical/Sites/%7B7F1088A0-CEC9-4505-80EE-1DF1BF7DFFBD%7D/uploads/Westfield_-_Ord._2025-16_-_Amending_land_use_Ord_re_Installation_of_Solar_Energy_Systems.pdf

ORDINANCES:
ADOPTION AND PUBLIC HEARING:

ORDINANCE NO. 25-20

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD BY AMENDING CHAPTER 52, ENTITLED "ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES", ARTICLE I, "SALE AND TRANSPORTATION", SUBSECTION 52-6, "HOURS OF OPERATION".

https://garwoodnj.govoffice3.com/vertical/Sites/%7B7F1088A0-CEC9-4505-80EE-1DF1BF7DFFBD%7D/uploads/Ord._25-20_-_Amending_Hours_of_Operation_-_ABC.pdf

List correspondence concerning Ordinance No. 25-20.

Does anyone present wish to be heard concerning Ordinance No. 25-20.

A motion was made by _____, second by _____ to close Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 25-20.

All in favor: _____, opposed: _____

Discussion:

A motion was made by _____, second by _____ to adopt Ordinance No. 25-20.

ROLL CALL:

Councilwoman Boto	_____	Councilman Lazarow	_____
Councilman Foley	_____	Councilman Padusniak	_____
Councilman Kearney	_____	Council President Nolde	_____

INTRODUCTION:

Municipal Clerk to read Ordinance No. 25-21 by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 25-21

CREATING A NEW CHAPTER 162 IN THE MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED "FILMING"

https://garwoodnj.govoffice3.com/vertical/Sites/%7B7F1088A0-CEC9-4505-80EE-1DF1BF7DFFBD%7D/uploads/INTRODUCTION_-_Ord._25-21_-_Creating_Film_Ready_Chapter_162.pdf

A motion was made by _____, second by _____ to introduce Ordinance No. 25-21.

ROLL CALL:

Councilwoman Boto	_____	Councilman Lazarow	_____
Councilman Foley	_____	Councilman Padusniak	_____
Councilman Kearney	_____	Council President Nolde	_____

COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER REPORTS:

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL: Councilman Foley, Chair

FIRE AND OEM: Councilman Lazarow, Chair

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Councilman Padusniak, Chair

PUBLIC WORKS: Councilwoman Boto, Chair

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY: Councilman Kearney, Chair

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: Council President Nolde, Chair

LIBRARY, MAYOR'S REPRESENTATIVE: Councilman Lazarow

SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON: Councilman Kearney

GARWOOD SENIOR CITIZEN LIAISON: Mayor Blumenstock

SMALL BUSINESS ADVISORY LIAISON: Councilman Kearney

BOARD OF HEALTH LIAISON: Councilman Foley

PLANNING BOARD LIAISON: Councilman Kearney

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

Zoning Enforcement Officer's Report for June, 2025
https://garwoodnj.govoffice3.com/vertical/Sites/%7B7F1088A0-CEC9-4505-80EE-1DF1BF7DFFBD%7D/uploads/Zoning_Enforcement_Officers_Report_-_June_2025.pdf

A motion was made by _____, second by _____ to accept Officer's report.

All in favor _____, opposed _____?

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Is there anyone in the audience who wishes to address the Council please step to the microphone, and state your full name and address. **Please limit your comments to five minutes.**

A motion was made by _____, second by _____ to close public comment.

All in favor _____, opposed _____?

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

CONSENT AGENDA

(Adoption upon Roll Call) Consent agenda items are considered to be routine and will be enacted with a single motion; any items requiring expenditure are supported by a Certification of Availability of funds; any item requiring discussion will be removed from the Consent Agenda; all Consent Agenda items will be reflected in the full minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 25-142

CHAPTER 159 BUDGET INSERTION
2025 UNION COUNTY HISTORY GRANT - $1,500

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 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 items 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 any item of appropriation for equal amount;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of Garwood hereby requests the Director of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2025 in the sum of $1,500 which item is now available as a

revenue from the 2025 UNION COUNTY HISTORY GRANT PROGRAM, in the amount of $1,500.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of $1,500 is hereby appropriated under the caption of "2025 UNION COUNTY HISTORY GRANT PROGRAM".

RESOLUTION NO. 25-143

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT TO INSTALL TWO NEW EXHAUST FANS FOR DPW GARAGE TO IN-LINE HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator, through the ESCNJ Cooperative Purchasing System, identified a vendor to furnish and install two (2) new exhaust fans for the Department of Public Works (DPW) garage; and

Vendor: In-Line Air Conditioning Inc. Total: Price: **$29,075.00**
85 East 21st Street
Bayonne, New Jersey 07002

WHEREAS, the fans are being charged to Bond Ordinance No. 25-18.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby award the quote to In-Line Heating & Air Conditioning Company, 85 East 21st Street, Bayonne, New Jersey 07002 for an amount not to exceed $29,075.00. The Mayor is authorized to sign any contracts as may be required to consummate this transaction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of this quote be subject to the Borough Treasurer executing the appropriate Certification of Funds.

RESOLUTION NO. 25-144

AUTHORIZING RESIDENTIAL SEWER FEE OVERPAYMENT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby approve the CFO/Treasurer to issue a refund check for the residential sewer fee overpayment on the following property:

PROPERTY OWNER	ADDRESS	UTILITY ACCT#	AMOUNT
URSULA ANN EAGER	450 PINE AVE	1325-0	$100.00

REFUND TO:
Ursula Ann Eager
450 Pine Ave
Garwood, NJ 07027

AMOUNT OF REFUND: $100.00

EXPLANATION: 2025 residential sewer fee was adjusted to reflect the correct number of units at the property creating an overpayment. Refund made to the homeowner.

RESOLUTION NO. 25-145

APPROVING AN ADDENDUM TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD AND GRAND SANITATION

WHEREAS, the Borough of Garwood ("Borough") and Grand Sanitation Service, LLC ("Contractor"), with offices located at 1630 South Second Street, Plainfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, are parties to a Contract for services dated December 8, 2022 (hereinafter the "Contract") with a term of three years from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the parties are in the final year of the Contract; and

WHEREAS, the parties have agreed to extend the contract term for a period of two (2) additional years; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the Contractor's services shall remain unchanged from the final year of the Contract through the Contract's extension; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Borough and Contractor agree to amend the Contract as follows:

1. Article 1: The term of the Contract shall be extended for a period of two (2) additional years, beginning on January 1, 2026 and expiring on December 31, 2027.

2. The Borough agrees to pay the Contractor One-Hundred Seventy-Three Thousand Two-Hundred Forty-Six Dollars and Zero Cents ($173,246.00) in exchange for services for the contract year of 2026.

3. The Borough agrees to pay the Contractor One-Hundred Seventy-Three Thousand Two-Hundred Forty-Six Dollars and Zero Cents ($173,246.00) in exchange for services for the contract year of 2027.

4. Except as expressly provided herein, all other terms of the Contract shall remain unchanged.

5. The Borough hereby approves the Mayor to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Borough.

RESOLUTION NO. 25-146

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD AND C.S.

WHEREAS, certain matters have arisen pertaining to the employment of C.S.

WHEREAS, the Borough seeks to enter into a Settlement Agreement with C.S.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1). The Borough hereby accepts and agrees to the settlement agreement with C.S.; and

2). The Borough hereby approves the Mayor to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Borough.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL:

A motion was made by _____, second by _____ to adopt Consent Agenda.

Discussion:

ROLL CALL*:*

Councilwoman Boto	_____	Councilman Lazarow	_____
Councilman Foley	_____	Councilman Padusniak	_____
Councilman Kearney	_____	Council President Nolde	_____

RESOLUTIONS DELETED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:

A motion was made by _____, second by _____, to adopt Resolution # 25-_____.

Discussion: Council

ROLL CALL*:*

Councilwoman Boto	_____	Councilman Lazarow	_____
Councilman Foley	_____	Councilman Padusniak	_____
Councilman Kearney	_____	Council President Nolde	_____

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND REFUNDS AS LISTED ON FILE:

BE IT RESOLVED that the following claims as approved be and the same are hereby ordered paid when properly signed and verified; and the payment of payrolls as listed is hereby confirmed and ratified.

A motion was made by _____ second by _____ to adopt Payment of Claims Resolution.

ROLL CALL*:*

Councilwoman Boto	_____	Councilman Lazarow	_____
Councilman Foley	_____	Councilman Padusniak	_____
Councilman Kearney	_____	Council President Nolde	_____

EXECUTIVE SESSION: NONE

ADJOURNMENT:

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on **July 24, 2025 at 7:00 P.M.** in Council Chambers. Information for meetings is posted on the Borough website: https://garwood.org/gb_notices

A motion was made by _____ second by _____ to adjourn.

All in favor _____, opposed _____?

Time:_____