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1924th REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 21, 2025

CALL TO ORDER:

I hereby call the Borough of Wood-Ridge Council meeting to order at _____ pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

Mayor:	Paul Sarlo
Council President:	Michele Mabel
Council:	Ezio Altamura
	Dominick Azzolini
	Philip Romero
	Michael Donato
	Richard Wall

Borough Attorney:	Paul Barbire
Borough Engineer:	Brian Intindola
Borough Clerk:	Gina Affuso
Borough Administrator:	Chris Eilert

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT:

This meeting is being held in accordance with Public Law 1975 Chapter 231, the Open Public Meetings Act, also known as the "Sunshine Law". The public meeting notice stating the date, time and place of this meeting was posted on the town bulletin board and the town website and was forwarded to the Record and the Star Ledger.

CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS:

None

ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARING:

None

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE:

ORDINANCE NO.2025-10

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 288 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WOOD RIDGE, ENTITLED FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION, TO MAKE IT COMPLIANT WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (NJDEP), THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA), AND THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM (NFIP)

Advertisement of the above Ordinance has been made according to law and a copy of the Ordinance was posted on the bulletin board.

Mayor Sarlo calls for a Hearing of Citizens on Ordinance #2025-10

Mayor Sarlo closes Hearing of Citizens on Ordinance #2025-10

Motion: Councilperson ____, seconded by ____ moved to the adoption of Ordinance #2025-10

Discussion:

Council Roll Call: Mabel, Altamura, Azzolini, Romero, Donato, Wall

BOND ORDINANCE 2025-11

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY (BLOCK 314, LOTS 14, 19 AND 20) FOR PARKING AND OTHER PUBLIC PURPOSES IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF WOOD-RIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,000,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

Advertisement of the above Ordinance has been made according to law and a copy of the Ordinance was posted on the bulletin board.

Mayor Sarlo calls for a Hearing of Citizens on Ordinance #2025-11

Mayor Sarlo closes Hearing of Citizens on Ordinance #2025-11

Motion: Councilperson ____, seconded by ____ moved to the adoption of Ordinance #2025-11

Discussion:

Council Roll Call: Mabel, Altamura, Azzolini, Romero, Donato, Wall

BOND ORDINANCE 2025-12

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY (BLOCK 274, LOTS 16.01, 16.02, 16.03 AND 16.04) FOR PARKING AND OTHER PUBLIC PURPOSES IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF WOOD-RIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$2,000,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

Advertisement of the above Ordinance has been made according to law and a copy of the Ordinance was posted on the bulletin board.

Mayor Sarlo calls for a Hearing of Citizens on Ordinance #2025-12

Mayor Sarlo closes Hearing of Citizens on Ordinance #2025-12

Motion: Councilperson _____, seconded by _____ moved to the adoption of Ordinance #2025-12

Discussion:

Council Roll Call: Mabel, Altamura, Azzolini, Romero, Donato, Wall

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-13

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A STREET NAME MODIFICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A.:40:67-1(k)

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge that **Ordinance No. 2025-13** as above, be passed on first reading, to be published in the Record on **May 27, 2025** and public hearing on the Ordinance to be held at the Regular Meeting on **June 18, 2025** at 7:00 p.m. or soon thereafter as the matter can be reached, in the Municipal Building, 85 Humboldt Street, Wood-Ridge, New Jersey.

Motion: Councilperson _____, seconded by _____ moved to the adoption of **Ordinance No. 2025-13**

Discussion:

Roll Call: Mabel, Altamura, Azzolini, Romero, Donato, Wall

PETITIONS:

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

Communications and correspondence received are identified on this evening's agenda has been distributed to all Council for appropriate action.

REPORTS OF GOVERNING BODY:

Chairs of Council Committees and Council Liaisons to Boards, Commissions, Committees & Constituencies

Mayor:	Paul Sarlo
Council President:	Michele Mabel
Council:	Ezio Altamura
	Dominick Azzolini
	Philip Romero
	Michael Donato
	Richard Wall

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Administrator:	Eilert
Borough Clerk:	Affuso
Attorney:	Barbire
Engineer:	Neglia

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS: If any, on file in clerk's office

FIRST HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Mayor Sarlo declares the Hearing of Citizens to be open.

CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters listed below are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If any discussion is desired by Council, that particular item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

1. **MINUTES:**

Minutes of the May 7, 2025 Meeting.

2. **RESOLUTIONS:** Adoption of the following

- 078-2025 Payment of Bills.
- 079-2025 Refund for Overpayment of Taxes on Block 289 Lot 1.
- 080-2025 Authorizing the Conveyance of a 25-Foot Right of Way owned by the Borough of Wood-Ridge on Blum Boulevard.
- 081-2025 Renewal of 2025-2026 Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses for Calo WR, LLC. (Gus' Last Word) and Land Neil, Inc, (Fiesta);
- 082-2025 Renewal of 2025-2026 Plenary Retail Distribution Licenses for Jai Maruti, Inc. (Wood-Ridge Wines);

3. **APPLICATIONS:**

- a. Soliciting Permits for Jason Black, Amanda Rosado, Karen Bird, Louis Acevedo, Michael Vitale, Savion Harris and Yoshane Scott of Scream Ice Cream.

All application have been approved by the Wood-Ridge Police Department.

4. **APPOINTMENTS:**

None

5. **HIRINGS:**

- a. Gary Lapore as DPW Summer Seasonal Worker.

Motion: Councilperson _____, seconded by _____ moved to the adoption of all matters on the above **CONSENT AGENDA.**

Roll Call: Mabel, Altamura, Azzolini, Romero, Donato, Wall

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

SECOND HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Mayor Sarlo declares the Hearing of Citizens to be open.

ADJOURNMENT:

Since there was no further business to come before the Council, Councilperson _____, seconded by Councilperson _____, moved for adjournment. By unanimous vote of the members of the Council present, the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge held on May 21, 2025 was duly adjourned at _____ p.m.