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1939th REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 26, 2026

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:	Philip Romero
Council:	Ezio Altamura
	Dominick Azzolini
	Michele Mabel
	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 TAPinto.

CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS:

None

ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARING:

Public Hearing on the 2026 Municipal Budget.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE:

None

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING:

ORINANCE 2026-7

AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE WASHINGTON STREET RIGHT OF WAY.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge that **Ordinance No. 2026-7** as above, be passed on first reading, to be published according to law and public hearing on the Ordinance to be held at the Regular Meeting on June 17, 2026 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. 2026-7**

Discussion:

Roll Call: Romero, Altamura, Azzolini, Mabel, 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: Philip Romero
Council: Ezio Altamura
Dominick Azzolini
Michele Mabel
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 April 15, 2026 Meeting.

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

- 078-2026 Payment of Bills.
- 079-2026 Authorizing Vehicles and Equipment for Public Auction with GovDeals.
- 080-2026 Approving 100% Disable Veteran Tax Deduction for Block 320 Lot 1.09.
- 081-2026 Approving 100% Disable Veteran Tax Deduction for Block 335 Lot 1.014.,
- 082-2026 Authorizing covenanting to comply with the provisions of the internal revenue code of 1986, as amended, applicable to the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on obligations issued by the Borough.
- 083-2026 Renewal of 2026-2027 Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses for Calo WR, LLC. (The Ridge House); Al Chile Restaurant; and Land Neil, Inc, (Fiesta);
- 084-2026 Renewal of 2026-2027 Plenary Retail Distribution Licenses for Jai Maruti, Inc. (Wood-Ridge Wines); 280 Dhara LLC (Meadowlands Wine & Liquors); and G4 Westmont LLC. (Westmont Liquors).
- 085-2026 Renewal of 2026-2027 Plenary Retail Consumption License for Barrie Balter Berlin (Inactive since 2005).
- 086-2026 Accepting Plans and Specifications for the 2027-2031 Solid Waste, Recycling and Yard Waste Collection as prepared by Neglia Engineering and authorize the Borough Clerk to advertise for bids.

3. **APPLICATIONS:**

- a. Handicap parking space 307 Eleanor Dr. Apt. 307

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

4. **APPOINTMENTS:**

- a. Dylan Matawa, Anabella Rubiera and Michael Prestigiacommo as Probationary Fire Fighter effective May 26, 2026.

5. **HIRINGS:**

- a. Nicholas Harris as Fire Prevention Inspector with salary as per salary ordinance.
- b. Lorenzo Barrese, Jake Burke, Thomas Byrne, Anthony Cala, Christopher Castellano, Aidan Kelly, Liam Kelly, Matthew Macchia, Dylan Matawa, and Dean Singh hired as DPW Summer Seasonal Employees.

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

Roll Call: Romero, Altamura, Azzolini, Mabel, 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 26, 2026 was duly adjourned at _____ p.m.