

**BOROUGH OF SOUTH TOMS RIVER  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2025, 7:00 P.M.**

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**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR**

**MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Cradle, Councilman Fennell, Councilman Kosh, Councilman Ross,  
Councilman Tom Rolzhausen, Councilman Murray, Councilwoman Rolzhausen

Absent: Councilman Bill Kosh, Councilman Ed Murray

Also present were the Business Administrator Chris Santiago and Borough Atty Chris Dasti

**OPEN PUBLIC LAW STATEMENT MEETING**

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law NJSA 10:4-6. This meeting of June 23, 2025 was included in a list of meeting notices sent to the Asbury Park Press on November 25, 2024 and advertised in said newspaper and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the Statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Mayor Cradle and Council members presented a proclamation to Natalie Cradle for being a crossing guard with the STR Police Department since 2016. The Council thanked Natalie for her years as a dedicated crossing guard and wishes her well in her future.

Councilman Fennell made a motion to recess 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Rolzhausen. All In favor  
Councilman Rolzhausen made motion to go back into session 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fennell. All in favor

**OPEN PUBLIC SESSION** (3) Minute Limit per person / Members of the public are free to make statements to the Governing Body. Each participant is limited to three minutes per person. The Chair of the meeting will advise the speaker once their time is concluded

Councilwoman Ross made a motion to open public session seconded by Councilman Fennell to open public comment. All in favor

Sharon Palumbi requested that the Council members look over the resolution that she sent to them from the Township of Englishtown concerning eliminating municipal fees for conceal/carry permits

Councilman Rolzhausen made a motion to close public comment session seconded by Councilman Fennell. All in favor

**Approval of Minutes from June 9, 2025**

**1<sup>st</sup>: Fennell, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Kosh, All in favor**

**ORDINANCE 2025-13 (2<sup>nd</sup> READING) AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 5 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED “ANIMAL CONTROL” AND ARTICLE THEREOF**

Councilwoman Rolzhausen made a motion to open Ordinance 2025-13 to public comment, seconded by Councilman Ross All in Favor

No public comment

Councilman Fennell made a motion to close public comment, seconded by Councilman Ross All in favor

Councilman Ross made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-13, seconded by Councilman Rolzhausen

RECORD OF VOTE	SAMUEL FENNEL	KAYLA ROLZHAUSEN	THOMAS ROLZHAUSEN	WILLIAM KOSH	EDWARD MURRAY	SANDFORD ROSS	MAYOR CRADLE
COUNCIL							
YES	XX	XX	XX			XX	
NO							
ABSTAIN							
ABSENT				XX	XX		

**ORDINANCE 2025-14 (1<sup>st</sup> READING) AMENDING CHAPTER 15-1 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED “ EXCAVATIONS IN STREETS”**

**Public hearing to be July 28, 2025**

Councilman Ross made a motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> reading of 2025-14 and seconded by Councilman Rolzhausen. All in favor

RECORD OF VOTE	SAMUEL FENNELL	KAYLA ROLZHAUSEN	THOMAS ROLZHAUSEN	WILLIAM KOSH	EDWARD MURRAY	SANDFORD ROSS	MAYOR CRADLE
COUNCIL							
YES	XX	XX	XX		XX	XX	
NO							
ABSTAIN							
ABSENT				XX	XX		

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** None

**NEW BUSINESS**

High School South is requesting Mathis Plaza for a fundraiser for the High School South Band on Saturday, August 23, 2025, with a rain date on Sunday, August 24, 2025 from 8am-2pm. Insurance paper has been provided. Requesting rental fee to be waived

STR Optimist Club request rental of Mathis Plaza, July 5, 2025 from 4pm-10pm

Discussion NJ Natural Gas Paving / Cornell Road and Brandies Road (**Administrator will contact Borough Engineering to speak to NJNG**)

Discussion for July 14, 2025, meeting date (**Caucus meeting 7/14/25 and August 11, 2025 are being cancelled**)

Councilman Rolzhausen made motion to approve and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Rolzhausen. All in favor

**OPEN PUBLIC SESSION** (Resolutions, Appointments, and Consent Agenda) Three (3) minute limit per person

Councilman Fennell made a motion to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilwoman Rolzhausen. All in favor

No comment

Councilman Ross made a motion to close public session and seconded by Councilwoman Rolzhausen

**RESOLUTIONS**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**Resolution 2025- 108 Cooperative Pricing Agreement with Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission**

**Resolution 2025- 109 Acceptance of a dog from Bewaker K9 LLC for STR Canine K9 Program**

**Resolution 2025-110 Chapter 159 South Toms River Optimist Club**

**Resolution 2025-111 Chapter 159 South Toms River First Aid Squad**

Councilwoman Rolzhausen made motion to pass and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Fennell

RECORD OF VOTE	SAMUEL FENNELL	KAYLA ROLZHAUSEN	THOMAS ROLZHAUSEN	WILLIAM KOSH	EDWARD MURRAY	SANDFORD ROSS	MAYOR CRADLE
COUNCIL							
YES	XX	XX	XX			XX	
NO							
ABSTAIN							
ABSENT				xx	XX		

**MONTHLY REPORTS**

**Mayor Cradle ( report attached )**

**Fennell – Attended Police Committee meeting and did an interview for public works with the Director, Ronnell Decker**

**Rolzhausen, Tom -Attended LUB meeting, Optimist Club car show on 6/8/25 which had 160 cars attending public works meeting about vacancy in public works**

**Rolzhausen, Kayla – Police committee meeting discussed personnel issues, ne vehicles coming, upgrade f computers, a new sign being put on the Police Department, 4/8/25 Baseball opening day Congratulated Chief Schneidt and Detective Ali for doing the Unity tour this year, Tentative night in August fpr the National Night Out**

**Ross – Finance and Negotiations committee did not meet this month, Summer Camp will start in July and it is filled and fully staffed**

**Absent: Kosh and Murray**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Toms River have determined to enter in to closed session in accordance with the provisions of NJSA 10:4-12b - Any pending, ongoing or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation, including attorney-client privilege. The public will be informed of the discussion within forty-five days of the conclusion (NJSA 10:413)

Councilman Ross made motion to enter into executive session and seconded by Councilman Rolzhausen. All in favor

Councilman Ross made motion to adjourn after executive session and seconded by Councilwoman Rolzhausen. All in favor

**ADJOURNMENT TIME: 7:50pm**

  
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**Jamie Jubert CMR, Deputy Municipal Clerk / Borough of South Toms River**