

**BOROUGH OF SOUTH TOMS RIVER
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2025 7:00 P.M.**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR

MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Cradle, Councilman Fennell, Councilman Ross, Councilwoman Rolzhausen, Councilman Murray, Councilman T.Rolzhausen

Absent: Councilman Bill KOSH

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 September 22, 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.

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

Carlos Almanzar is asking the Council to form a Cannabis committee. Also, he feels the RFP that was advertised for Cannabis Class 2 Manufacturing was not advertised.

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

Approval of Minutes from September 8, 2025

1st: Councilwoman Rolzhausen, 2nd: Councilman Tom Rolzhausen, All in favor

Approval of September 2025 Bill List

Councilwoman Rolzhausen made a motion to open public question concerning Bill List and seconded by Councilman Murray All in Favor

No public comment

Councilman Ross made a motion to close public question concerning Bill List and seconded by Councilman Murray 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			

UNFINISHED BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS Approval of the 2025 Halloween Home Decorating Contest and dates
Nominations are due by Friday, October 17th Winners will be notified by the Clerk’s office and invited to the October 27th Regular Council meeting to be presented with the winning gift cards (1 gift card per district) (copy of flyer attached)

Approval of the 2025 Holiday Tree Lighting will be Sunday, December 7, 2025 from 5-7 pm at Borough Hall.

Councilman Ross requested the use of the Public Works Kubota for the STR Optimist Club Fall Festival on October 5th at Mathis Plaza. He had already spoken to the Public Works director, Ronnell Decker and the director had no problem with this issue.

Councilwoman Rolzhausen made a motion and seconded by Councilman Ross All in Favor

APPOINTMENTS None

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 2025-135 Approval of Dates and Curfew for Trick or Treating

Resolution 2025-136 Tax Sale Certificate for B10L14

****Resolution 2025-137 Approval of agreement with the Toms River Regional School for SLEO III and the proceeds from the Pilot Program**

Resolution 2025-138 Authorize Construction Contract with Mid Atlantic for Reconstruction of Crabbe Point Pier for certification of funds

Resolution 2025-139 Awarding Bid for Crabbe Point Pier Reconstruction Project

Resolution 2025-140 renewing membership with the Ocean County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

**Councilman Ross motioned that Resolution 2025-137 be removed and discussed separately and was seconded by Councilman Rolzhausen. All in favor

Councilman Ross explained to Council the agreement and the meeting that Councilman Ross, Administrator Santiago and Mayor Cradle had with Superintendent Citta, Business Administrator Doering and School board Representative for South Toms River, Joe Jubert.

Councilman Fennell made motion to pass consent agenda and 2nd by Councilwoman Rolzhausen

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COUNCIL							
YES	XX	XX	XX		XX	XX	
NO							
ABSTAIN							
ABSENT				XX			

MONTHLY REPORTS

Mayor Cradle - (report attached)

Kosh - absent

Fennell - No report

Rolzhausen, Tom - Attended Land Use Board meeting, Neighborhood Watch meeting

Murray – Attended National Night Out, police committee met, looking to get another police office in 2026 and looking into a police K-9 truck, Councilman Kosh helped retro fit the truck the Police Officer is using now for Canine K9 Stryker.

Rolzhausen, Kayla – Attended Police committee meeting, National Night out, there will be coffee with cops on Wednesday, October 1st from 8am-10am

Ross –Challenge coins are being sold for \$ 20.00, gave copies of what Dover Road by the Wawa will be the County of Ocean will be doing construction but not until the Parkway work at Exit 80 will be started and that is estimated to begin in 2027, cameras at Mathis Plaza will be working soon, and Crabbe Pier Point reconstruction project was awarded at the 9/22 meeting, Ocean County Rail trail is almost completed, Touch a truck which is scheduled for the STR Elementary school has been canceled, the STR Optimist Club is having a Fall Festival at Mathis Plaza on October 5th from 10am-6pm, STR Optimist Club is selling mums for \$8.00 or 2 for \$ 15.00

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 Fennell made motion to adjourn and seconded by Councilman Murray
All in favor

ADJOURNMENT TIME: 7:45pm



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



The Borough Council is announcing the 2025 Halloween Decoration Contest. The program encourages community pride by decorating in the spirit of the holiday. Individuals who have gone about and beyond in decorating their residence in an exceptional and creative approach are recognized for their hard work. Judging standards are based on:

Creativeness
Lights and Decorations
Originality
Overall Appearance

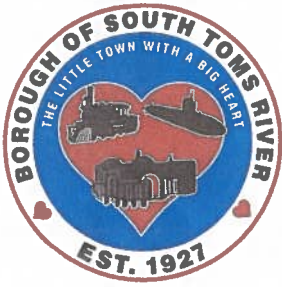
A \$50.00 gift card will be awarded to a winner in each of the three districts.

You can nominate yourself or a neighbor whose decoration style is impressive and has caught your eye. Nominations are due by Friday, October 17th. Three (3) winners will be selected overall and will be contacted by the Borough Clerk by Friday, October 24th. Only one nomination is needed to be entered.

Municipal Clerk's Office
19 Double Trouble Road
South Toms River, NJ 08757
Nominations may also be emailed to tom.rolzhausen@boroughofsouthtomsriver.com

*** Contestants will only be eligible to win once every other year ***

Borough Council would like to thank all nominees and recipients for the wonderful work they do for our community.



Borough of South Toms River

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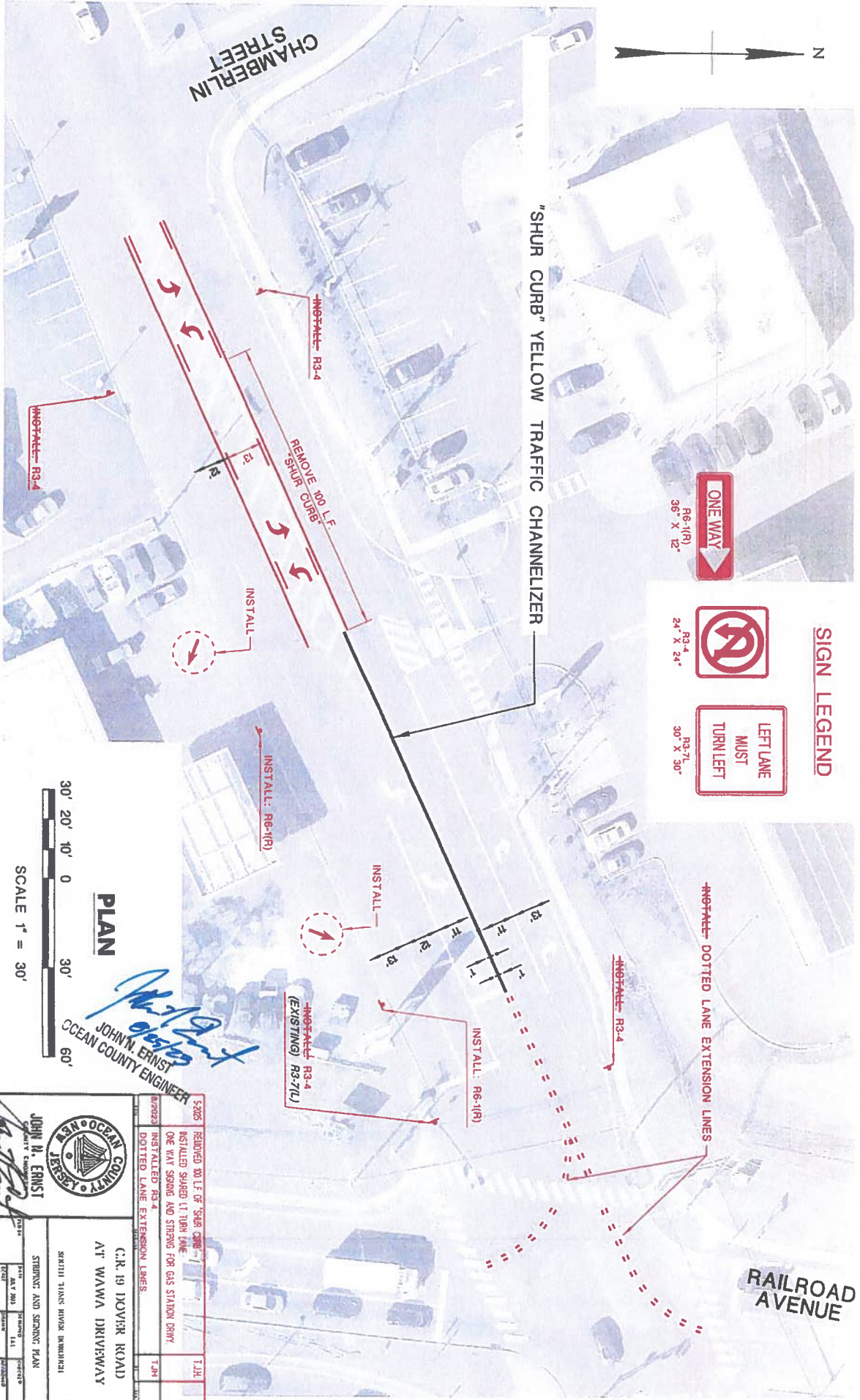
DESK OF MAYOR
REV. OSCAR L. CRADLE, SR.

Monthly Report September 22, 2025

- I. Redevelopment
 - A.

- II. Recycling Committee
 - A. Filled out monthly recycling reports (2025) from Ocean County Department of Solid Waste.
 - B. 9/9/25 – Association of New Jersey Recyclers Webinar
 - C. 9/12/25 – Recycling Coordinators' Meeting
 - D.

- III. Other
 - A. OCUA Meetings – 8/27/25, 8/29/25
 - B. 8/27/25 – Centennial Meeting - Gigi Esparza
 - C. 8/29/25 – Meeting with Tim Hart (Ocean County Cultural & History Commission)
 - D. 9/2/25 – Centennial Meeting- First Responder & Elected officials committees
 - E. 9/4/25 – Alfred Road-paving
 - F. 9/4/25 – DPW yard-gas pump hose
 - G. 9/5/25 – Meeting with Khadi Madama
 - H. 9/8/25 – NJ Real Call to Action Meeting
 - I. 9/11/25, 9/19/25 - OCUA Zoom Meeting-Health Insurance
 - J. 9/16/25 – Centennial Event Committee & Jack Serpico Meeting
 - K. 9/16/25 – Meeting with Website
 - L. 9/18/25 – Meeting with Toms River Schools Representatives
 - M. 9/18/25 - Meeting with Sandy Ross, Chris Santiago & Jeremy Edinger
 - N. Weddings – 8/26/25, 8/29/25, 9/3/25, 9/5/25, 9/9/25, 9/19/25



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SCALE 1" = 30'

PLAN

John M. Ernst
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 OCEAN COUNTY ENGINEER

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