

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON, IN THE
COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, HELD OCTOBER 28, 2025
IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AT 7 PM**

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Haddon was convened in the Municipal Building, 135 Haddon Avenue, Westmont, NJ on Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at 7:00 PM.

Flag Salute

Mayor Teague announced that Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 requires adequate notice of this meeting be provided. This was done by placing Annual Notice in the Courier-Post and Retrospect Newspapers and by posting on the bulletin boards of the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL:	Mayor Teague	Present
	Commissioner Mulroy	Present
	Commissioner Linhart	Present

James Stevenson, Lee Palo, Greg Fusco, PE and Justin Strausser, Esq. were present.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Mulroy moved, seconded by Mayor Teague that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, be approved, with all members voting in the affirmative.

ORDINANCES: None

RESOLUTIONS:

The following Resolutions are approved by consent agenda, Resolution #2025-125 through Resolution #2025-138 inclusive, with a motion by Commissioner Mulroy, seconded by Commissioner Linhart, with all members affirmatively concurring.

- #2025-125 - Bill Resolution (Payment of Claims)
- #2025-126 – Authorizing the Township of Haddon to Enter into and Execute an Agreement with Fox Auctions to Auction Off Municipal Property
- #2025-127 - Authorizing Shared Services Agreement with the County of Camden for Project Save
- #2025-128 – Authorizing Refund of Tax Overpayment
- #2025-129 – Authorizing Tax Exemption for 100% Permanent and Total Disabled Veteran Status Block 3.01, Lot 20
- #2025-130 – Authorizing a Fair and Open Process for Various Professional Services
- #2025-131 - Acknowledging Best Practices Inventory for CY2025/SFY2026
- #2025-132 – Authorizing Purchase from Sourcewell
- #2025-133 – Authorizing Purchase from Sourcewell
- #2025-134 – Proclamation for Christopher Squazzo
- #2025-135 – Appointment to Rent Control Board of Landlord Representative
- #2025-136 – Supporting the New Jersey Green Amendment
- #2025-137 – Creating and Implementing a Long-Range Plan to Address Storm Drainage Issues
- #2025-138 – Authorizing and Supporting the Submission of a Grant Application through the Resilient NJ Regional Assistance Program-Regional Planning Grants

OTHER BUSINESS:

The Following Raffle License Application was approved with a motion by Commissioner Mulroy, seconded by Commissioner Linhart, with all members affirmatively concurring:

- RA#2025-26 – Haddon Township High School Baseball Booster Club – Off Premise Merchandise Draw – 12/07/25

REPORTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2025:

The following reports for September 2025 were presented and ordered filed:

Budget Status Report
Revenue Report

COMMUNICATIONS: None

Mayor Teague reports that in the Resolutions there is a Proclamation for Christopher Squazzo. Chris Squazzo has been a longtime member of both the Shade Tree Commission and the Environmental Commission. Due to his moving out of town, he will no longer meet the requirement of residency to be on both committees. The Governing Body presented him with the Proclamation at the Shade Tree Commission meeting on October 22, 2025 and that is why he is not here tonight. We needed to officially acknowledge the Proclamation at this meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There being no further business on the agenda, Commissioner Mulroy made a motion to open the meeting for public comment, seconded by Commissioner Linhart, with all members affirmatively concurring:

Anne Cutler, 21 Devon Court – Ms. Cutler came to the meeting to ask about the increase to her water bill and if something changed over the last 6 months to cause the increase. Mayor Teague explains the Township has not had a water increase in 10 to 12 years and everything was fine; it's a self-liquidating authority and the Township has its own water utility which most municipalities do not. Collingswood has their own, Haddonfield does not. Haddonfield sold theirs to invest in their infrastructure.

The Township needs to make a significant investment into the infrastructure. The Township had a financial analyst, a CPA, go through the Township rate structure and determined that the Township needs to borrow \$10 million from the iBank with 0% interest rate for half and the going rate for the other half. The \$10 million is for these infrastructure investments that need to be made to the Township water system. What would the amount be in order to sustain the payments for that \$10 million; the amount that needs to be charged for water was and is an increase and that was for the infrastructure investment the Township needs to make. The amounts we need to charge are still significantly less than NJ American Water but it is imperative that the Township continue to invest in the water system.

Ms. Cutler asks the period of time that the town will be paying that back? Or she asked, are we going to see a decrease after 15 or 20 years? Mayor Teague responds possibly, unless there are more infrastructure repairs.

Commissioner Linhart responded the water utility is essentially self-liquidating so whatever the Township raises through water rates, pays salaries. The Township hasn't raised enough to cover salaries and equipment for several years which is to say we've been spending out of our general fund. The water rates will not be going down. When we dip into our general funds, the burden is still there whether or not it's the water utility or our tax levy. The water utility is a more equitable process because it is dependent on usage. If you have a pool or a hot tub it is more expensive.

Mayor Teague explains everyone in the State of NJ regardless of who they are associated with, whether it be NJ American Water, a municipality or another entity, received a letter in the mail stating there would be an investigation as to whether you have a lead water service line and anyone that has a lead water service line, (the Township expects a lot in town due to the age of the system), the Township has to change that water service and it's probably about \$10,000 per home. This is a significant part of the increase. We are in the process of identifying them and we have to make those changes.

There being no further public comments, Commissioner Mulroy moved to close the meeting for public comment, seconded by Commissioner Linhart, with all members voting in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Mulroy moved, seconded by Commissioner Linhart that the meeting be adjourned at 7:07 PM, with all members voting in the affirmative.

October 28, 2025

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Dawn M. Pennock, Municipal Clerk

Randall W. Teague, Mayor

James Mulroy, Commissioner

Ryan Linhart, Commissioner