



BOROUGH OF EMERSON

Borough Council Meeting

FINAL AGENDA

MAYOR:
Danielle DiPaola

BOROUGH COUNCIL:
Ashley Rice, *President*
Nicole Argenzia
Megan Ciolino
O'Neil Ellis
Ashley Sayers
Michael Timmerman

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April 7, 2026 – 7:30 p.m.

Meetings are open to the public in-person and official formal action may be taken. For those members of the public who wish to view the meeting but choose not to attend in-person, this meeting will be live streamed on YouTube via a link on the Borough website, www.emersonnj.gov. The YouTube link is for viewing purposes only and is not interactive.

[Link to view the April 7, 2026 meeting on YouTube.](#)

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Danielle DiPaola Presiding

- Open Public Meeting Act Announcement
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Moment of Silence
 - Former Councilman Vincent Donato
 - Dwayne Miller

ROLL CALL

EXCUSED ABSENCE OF GOVERNING BODY MEMBER(S)

PROCLAMATIONS AND CITATIONS

Mayor Danielle DiPaola

- Emerson/Park Ridge Wrestling Sectional Title Winners:
 - Jarah Mazzola
 - Luna Nieves
 - Ryan Osbie
 - Ethan Arevalo
 - Mason Mulhern
 - Justin Giella
 - Nick Giella
 - Anthony Cinelli
 - Chase Monahan
 - Damien Gonzalez
 - Marcos Garcia

- Emerson/Park Ridge Wrestling Coaches:
 - Rich Eichenlaub
 - Luke Mazzeo
 - Logan Mazzeo
 - Louden Mazzeo
 - Anthony Abate
 - Zach Lewis
 - Caiden Brouwer
- Emerson/Park Ridge Wrestling Coach Joseph Mazzeo named NJIC Liberty Division Coach of the Year
- Autism Acceptance Month Proclamation
- Earth Day 2026 Proclamation

APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATIONS
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MINUTES FOR APPROVAL	<i>Borough Council</i>
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- March 3, 2026 Regular Meeting
- March 3, 2026 Closed Session (not available for release to the public)
- March 16, 2026 Regular Meeting
- March 16, 2026 Closed Session (not available for release to the public)

CORRESPONDENCE	<i>Borough Council</i>
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- Thank you card for Mayor DiPaola for Read Across America from Emerson students.
- Thank you card and poem for Mayor DiPaola from Emerson Resident, Fran Ianora.

FINANCIAL BUSINESS	<i>Borough Council</i>
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- Temporary Emergency Budget: Resolution **No. 119-26**
- Introduction of the 2026 Municipal Budget: Resolution **No. 120-26**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS	<i>Borough Council</i>
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NEW BUSINESS	<i>Borough Council</i>
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- Building Department Fee Adjustments
- FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Funding Opportunity FY 2024 & 2025

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES	<i>Borough Council</i>
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INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES	<i>Borough Council</i>
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- **1715-26:** Borough of Emerson Bergen County, New Jersey Calendar Year 2026 Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and To Establish A Cap Bank (N.J.S.A. 40a: 4-45.14)

- **1716-26:** An Ordinance to Amend the Borough Code of The Borough of Emerson Chapter 200-55, "Recreational Activities and Summer Recreation Camp Fees" To Adjust the Fee for Basketball Program

REPORTS

- Mayor
- Borough Administrator

OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT *General Public*

- *Members of the public are welcome to speak on any topic by coming to the table and stating your name for the record. In the interest of time, speakers are limited to three (3) minutes. In consideration of all who may wish to speak, please keep your comments brief and concise.*

Matters listed below are considered routine and will be enacted by one (1) motion of the Borough Council and one (1) roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Borough Council member requests an item be removed for consideration.

RESOLUTIONS (CONSENT AGENDA) *Borough Council*

- 121-26:** Accept Resignation of Dawn Congiusti as Violations Clerk for the Municipal Court
- 122-26:** Approve Change Order #1 Emerson Home Improvement Program – EMRSN-2506
- 123-26:** Authorize Shared Service Agreement with Emerson Board of Education for the Provision of the Procurement of Fuel Services
- 124-26:** Authorize Tax Exemption for 100% Disabled Veteran

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 125-26:** Authorization to Enter into Closed Session and Exclude the Public
 - Personnel (N.J.S.A 10.4-12b (8))
 - Contract Negotiations (N.J.S.A 10.4-12b (4))
 - Pending or Anticipated Litigation (N.J.S.A 10.4-12b (7))

The Borough reserves the right to return to Open Session and, if appropriate, take official action.

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