

BOROUGH OF RARITAN

REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2026

6:30 P.M. – EXECUTIVE SESSION

7 P.M. – REGULAR SESSION

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

**II. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT:
MAYOR DONALD TOZZI**

This Regular Meeting of the Governing Body was called pursuant to applicable portions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Adequate Notice of this Regular Meeting was posted in Borough Hall, on the Borough website and communicated to *The Courier News*, *The Star Ledger* and *The Breeze* on January 9, 2026.

III. ROLL CALL

Council President Fritzingler, Councilman Agrawal, Councilman DiGraziano, Councilman Giraldi, Councilman Harwood, Councilman Martinez

IV. INVOCATION AND FLAG SALUTE

Councilman Agrawal

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Resolution No. 2026-05-082

Entering Executive Session

1. Attorney Client

Alpine Way, Dollar Realty

2. Personnel

Administration, DPW, Finance

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

(In accordance with Section 29-1 of the Code of the Borough of Raritan, there shall be a five-minute limit per speaker)

VII. MINUTES

1. March 13, 2026 – Special Meeting

VIII. COUNCIL COMMITTEE & LIAISON REPORTS

IX. OLD BUSINESS

None

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. Engineering Update (JB)
2. Shrine Chapel Procession Request (EC)
3. Redevelopment Advisory Committee (DT)
4. LaGrange Street Construction (UA)

XI. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING

Ordinance No. 2026-11

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 207 (Land Use and Development) so as to Update Regulations on Outdoor Advertising Signs

The purpose of this ordinance is to regulate outdoor advertising signs by allowing billboards as a conditional use in certain zones and setting standards for their placement, size, spacing, and operation

XII. ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION

None

XIII. CONSENT AGENDA

(Resolution No. 2026-05-083 through No.2026-05-086)

Resolution No. 2026-05-083

Authorizing 2026 Recycling Agreement – Somerset County

Resolution No. 2026-05-084

Authorizing Lien Redemption – Block 116.02, Lot 4.01

Resolution No. 2026-05-085

Canceling Uncollectable Taxes – Block 65, Lot 4

Resolution No. 2026-05-086

Increasing Bid Threshold Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3A from \$44,000 to \$53,000

XIV. BILLS LIST

Resolution No. 2026-05-087

Approving Bills List

XV. CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS

1. Automatic Communication Alarm—Municipal Building ADA Pushbuttons—\$11,209.00
2. Bridgewater Resources, INC—March Dumping Fees—\$22,541.81
3. Business Furniture, INC—9 West Somerset Furnishing—\$155,074.42
4. SSP Architects—Police Department Renovations—\$11,850.00
5. Statewide Insurance Fund—Statewide AL & WC Assessments—\$97,466.00
6. The Rodgers Group—Annual Accreditation Maintenance—\$11,689.70

XVI. PUBLIC COMMENT

(In accordance with Section 29-1 of the Code of the Borough of Raritan, there shall be a five-minute limit per speaker)

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Next Regular Meeting:

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

6:30 p.m. – Executive Session

7 p.m. – Regular Session

BOROUGH OF RARITAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-05-082

ENTERING EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-7, et seq., commonly known as the Sunshine Law, requires Borough Council meetings be open to the public, except for the discussion of certain subjects; and

WHEREAS, the Sunshine Law also requires an Executive Session be authorized by Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Raritan, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the following portion of this meeting shall be closed to the public and the Regular Session shall resume after the conclusion of the Executive Session.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the subject(s) listed for discussion in Executive Session shall be Attorney Client and Personnel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the public release of these Minutes will occur at a time the Borough Attorney determines the information can be disclosed.

ATTEST:

Kimberly Mathewson
Acting Borough Clerk

Don Tozzi
Mayor

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Raritan, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey at a Special Meeting held in the Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, 9 West Somerset Street, Raritan, NJ 08869, on May 5, 2026.

Kimberly Mathewson
Acting Borough Clerk

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		Agrawal					
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		Fritzinger					
		Giraldi					
		Harwood					
		Martinez					

BOROUGH OF RARITAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-05-083

**AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF RARITAN TO ENTER INTO A
RECYCLING AGREEMENT WITH SOMERSET COUNTY BOARD
OF COMMISSIONERS FOR 2026 RECYCLING SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Somerset County Board of Commissioners has offered to provide shared services for the residential curbside pick-up of recyclable materials on a biweekly basis pursuant to an “Agreement Between Somerset County and its Municipalities for Recycling” (“Agreement”), attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Raritan has a need for the collection of its recyclable materials and desires to retain the services of the County pursuant to the Agreement for 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds will be available for payments due under the Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Raritan, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the 2026 Recycling Agreement between the Borough and the County of Somerset for residential recycling services is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to enter into the Agreement on behalf of the Borough of Raritan.

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BOROUGH OF RARITAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-05-084

AUTHORIZING REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE LIEN
(Tax Sale Certificate #25-00003)

WHEREAS, there exists a Tax Sale Certificate #25-00003 on Block 116.02 Lot 4.01 for 2024 delinquent property taxes and subsequent payments made; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has advised the lien has been redeemed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of Borough of Raritan, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, the Chief Finance Officer is hereby authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$128,796.01 payable to Trystone Capital Assets, LLC, PO Box 1030, Brick, NJ 08723.

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BOROUGH OF RARITAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-05-085

CANCELLING UNCOLLECTIBLE TAXES - HOMEOWNER
KOSSIVI OLAWALEY ATANLEY - BLOCK 65, LOT 4

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has advised that the following taxes are uncollectible effective March 31, 2026 for the reasons shown below, and

WHEREAS, the Collector has requested that the uncollectible taxes be cancelled of record.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Somerville, that the taxes shown below be cancelled of record, and that the Collector be and is hereby authorized to adjust the records accordingly.

Cancellation of Billing:

BLOCK / LOT	YEAR	AMOUNT	LOCATION	REASON
65 / 4	2026 2nd Qtr.	\$2,070.08	1031 Arnold Ave.	100% Disabled Veteran

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BOROUGH OF RARITAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-05-086

**INCREASING BID THRESHOLD FOR CONTRACTS SUBJECT
TO PUBLIC BIDDING UNDER LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS
LAW TO \$53,000.00**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Raritan has a Qualified Purchasing Agent pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9 to 9.1. and the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto at N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.1 to 5.5; and

WHEREAS, the maximum bid threshold has been increased from \$44,000.00 to \$53,000.00 for contracting units that have appointed a Qualified Purchasing Agent and avail themselves of the related higher bid threshold pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 and 18A:18A-3.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Raritan, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Borough hereby increases the bid threshold for award of public contracts from \$44,000.00 to \$53,000.00, effective immediately.

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BOROUGH OF RARITAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-05-087

APPROVING BILL LIST

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Raritan, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, received certain claims in the amount of \$2,253,828.74 for the period April 15, 2026 through April 28, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has reviewed said claims and recommends the approval of payment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Raritan, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that bills listed on the Bill List attached hereto are approved for payment.

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