

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
June 9, 2026**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 6:45 PM

SALUTE TO THE FLAG LED BY MAYOR GLENN SMITH

OPENING STATEMENT: *Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the directives of the "Open Public Meetings Act", pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231. Said notice of this meeting has been advertised in the Hammonton Gazette and Atlantic City Press and has been posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board showing the time and place of said meeting.*

ROLL CALL: *Councilpersons: Hadulias, Norman, Hoffman and Blazer*

***Absent:** Councilman Whittaker and Councilman Ballistreri*

***Also present:** Mayor Glenn Smith, Borough Clerk Patti Gatto, Solicitor Angela Costigan, and CJ Kaenzig, Engineer from Polistina & Assoc.*

No meeting minutes were approved this meeting.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: *No comments*

CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE:

Borough Hall will be closed on Friday, June 19, 2026, in observance of Juneteenth Day

Borough Hall will be closed on Friday, July 4, 2026, in observance of Independence Day

Next E-Waste Drop-off Day is July 11, 2026, from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Borough garage.

ORDINANCES: (First Reading/Introduction)

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
ORDINANCE #- 05-2026**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE AND CREATING A NEW CHAPTER 91 TITLED CONSTRUCTION, GENERAL REQUIREMENTS TO PROMOTE CLEAN AND SAFE WORKSITES WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

WHEREAS, the Borough of Folsom recognizes the importance of maintaining clean and safe worksites to protect the environment, occupational safety, and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that contractors take measures to minimize the release of dust, trash, debris, plastic, and other contaminants from worksites, thereby reducing pollution and preventing harm to the environment and the community; and

WHEREAS, plastics and composite materials do not decompose, and overtime would break down to smaller and smaller particles: microplastics. Microplastic pollution disrupts ecosystems and can cause endocrine, digestive, and respiratory issues in animals including humans, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Folsom seeks to regulate construction practices to ensure compliance with environmentally responsible and safe procedures;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Borough of Folsom as follows:

Section 1-Chapter 91 Construction, General Requirements, clean and safe worksites shall be created as follows:

Article 1. Control of construction sites and contaminants

§91-1.Definitions

For the purposes of this ordinance, the following definitions apply:

- a. "Contractor" refers to any individual or entity engaged in construction, renovation, or maintenance to commercial or residential properties within the Borough of Folsom.
- b. "Worksites" shall include all outdoor and indoor worksites within the jurisdiction of the Borough of Folsom where construction, renovation, or related activities are taking place.

§ 91-2. Dust, Trash, Debris, and Plastic Control

Contractors operating within the Borough of Folsom shall implement all of the following to control dust, trash, debris, and plastic contaminants at their worksites:

- a. When cutting, drilling or sanding dust-producing materials, including but not limited to plastic, silica, fiberglass, pavers, or wood treated with chemical contaminants, contractors shall use a vacuum attachment on all saws when practical to minimize the release of dust and micro plastic particles
- b. Contractors shall cut, drill, and sand in enclosed spaces to keep dust levels to a minimum and facilitate ease of cleanup and prevent release of debris. These enclosed spaces may include tents to enclose the worksites or hoods made specifically for saws.
- c. Contractors shall cut, drill and sand pavers and tiles with wet saws and in enclosed spaces to keep dust levels to a minimum and facilitate ease of cleanup and prevent release of debris. These confined spaces should include tents to enclose the worksites.
- d. Contractors shall not engage in cutting, drilling, or sanding activities without placing a tarp under power tools to catch debris and contaminants.
- e. Contractors shall tarp their work areas and clean-up all trash and debris generated from work of the day [e.g. dust particles, microplastics, and saw dust] a minimum of once a day to prevent the dispersion of dust, trash, debris, and plastic contaminants.

f. Contractors shall clean up all contaminants before leaving their worksites, ensuring that no waste is left behind nor can be blown into areas beyond the worksite and/or property.

g. Contractors must separate waste and recyclable materials, such as cardboard, and dispose of trash and debris in accordance with all ordinances and State laws.

§91-3. Prohibition on Storm Drain Disposal

Contractors are strictly prohibited from blowing or disposing of debris, dust, or plastic contaminants into storm drains. All contractors must dispose of waste materials properly in accordance with existing municipal waste disposal regulations.

§ 91-4. Compliance and Enforcement

a. Notice of this ordinance shall be given with each new permit issued for construction, renovation, and related activities.

b. The Borough of Folsom may conduct inspections of worksites to ensure compliance with this ordinance. Any person who violates, fails, or refuses to comply with this chapter or any part or section thereof, shall, upon conviction be fines.

c. Fines shall be imposed by the Borough of Folsom as follows:

- 1- First offense- a warning.
- 2- Second offense -up to \$1,000.
- 3- Third or subsequent offense-\$2,500
- 4- Each day is considered a separate offense.

d. Contractors are responsible for informing their employees and subcontractors of the requirements and obligations set forth in this ordinance.

Section 2. Repealer

Any article, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of the Code of the Borough of Folsom inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 3. Severability

If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision so adjudged, and the remainder of this ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

Section 4. Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication, and as otherwise provided for by law.

A motion to approve Ordinance #05-2026 was made by Councilman Norman and seconded by Councilman Hadulias

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

Councilman Norman made the motion to table Ordinance #06-2026 and Councilman Blazer seconded that motion.

There was a roll call vote with all in favor.

Consent Agenda: All matters listed under Consent Agenda, are considered to be routine by this Borough Council and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION 2026-54 BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

A RESOLUTION RENEWING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSES WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

WHEREAS, the following Alcoholic Beverage Licensees have made their application for the renewal of their respective licenses for the year 2026-2027;

0110-44-005-006	Ruphas, LLC 10 E. Black Horse Pike Folsom, NJ 08094	\$360.00
0110-33-001-002	Folsom Inn, Inc. 1012 East Black Horse Pike Folsom, NJ 08037	\$420.00
0110-33-003-007	Harley Dawn Inc. 1402 Black Horse Pike Folsom, NJ 08037	\$420.00
0110-33-006-006	Route 322 Liquors, LLC 10 east Black Horse Pike Folsom, NJ 08094	\$420.00
0110-33-004-007	Namah Shivay, Inc. 3125 Vine Rd. Vineland, NJ 08360	\$420.00

WHEREAS, the Borough of Folsom Council have no objection to the 2026-2027 renewal of said license and is not aware of any circumstances or provisions of law or local Ordinance which would prohibit the issuance of said license.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom, that the Borough Clerk be hereby authorized to issue and deliver said license, which will become effective July 1, 2026.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-55
BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF JAMES WHITTAKER AS OFFICE OF
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR**

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom has received notification from James Whittaker, by letter to the Borough Clerk, of his intent to resign from the position of Emergency Management Coordinator for the Borough of Folsom, effective May 15, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Municipal Clerk/Administrator Patricia M. Gatto, RMC, will serve as temporary Emergency Management Coordinator until such time as the position is permanently filled;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, that the resignation of James Whittaker from the position of Emergency Management Coordinator (copy attached) is hereby accepted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

THIS RESOLUTION was adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom on June 9, 2026.

**RESOLUTION 2026-56
BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

**A RESOLUTION HIRING A FULL TIME LABORER FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, there is a need for the hiring of a full- time Public Works laborer; and

WHEREAS, the personnel committee approved the hiring of Andrew Spatola at a rate of \$20.00 per hour; and shall be entitled to single coverage only in the Atena Freedom 2030 and Horizon NJ DIRECT 2035 plans or similar. These plans shall be the minimum base plans employees may choose.

WHEREAS, such employment is effective June 9, 2026, with a probationary period of ninety (90) days.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Folsom that Andrew Spatola is hereby hired as a full- time laborer for the Public Works Department.

**RESOLUTION 2026-57
BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE ENGINEER’S PROPOSAL FOR
CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE FY2025 CDBG PROJECT**

WHEREAS, a proposal for design services for the 13th Street Park ADA Improvements FY 2025 CDBG Project has been submitted by Polistina & Associates, LLC for approval of the council.

WHEREAS, the professional services are as follows:

- **Total Construction Services: Tasks 7-8 \$12,000.00**

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, that the proposal for construction services submitted by Polistina & Associates LLC is accepted and authorization is given for the 13th Street Park ADA Improvements FY 2025 CDBG Project

Resolution No. 2026-58

Resolution: to submit a grant application and execute a grant contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Fy 2027 Resurfacing of 8th St. And 11th Street project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Council of Folsom Borough formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA.-2026-Folsom Borough Resurfacing of 8th Street & 11th Street – 00362 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of Folsom Borough.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of Folsom Borough and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement. Certified as a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Council

A motion to approve Resolutions #2026-54 thru #2026- 58 was made by Councilman Norman and seconded by Councilman Blazer.

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: *No report*

MAYOR'S REPORT: *Mayor suggested to Council that we ask the contractor who was awarded the Park Project to drop any DGA off back to the Borough if they need a place to dispose of it. Mayor Smith also reported that he has been working with Frank on cleaning up the town but stated that Frank needs more time than the two hours. We need to think of a plan going forward. A discussion ensued. The mayor also suggested that he would like to maybe find a way to have the meetings televised again.*

FIRE REPORT: No Report

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

FY 2025 CDBG: 13th Street Park Improvements

The Borough awarded the contract in the bid amount of \$146,992.50 to Swift and Son, Inc. in May. A pre-construction meeting has been scheduled for Monday, June 15, and we expect construction to begin shortly thereafter.

FY 2026 Municipal Aid: Resurfacing of Fenimore Drive & Lupin Lane

The Borough awarded the contract in the bid amount of \$221,700.00 to Arawak Paving Co., Inc. in May. A pre-construction meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, June 23, and we expect construction to begin this summer.

FY 2027 NJDOT Municipal Aid Application

The Borough will need to select a project and pass a Resolution to submit a grant application for FY 2027 NJDOT Municipal Aid. Once authorized, we will prepare and submit the grant application on behalf of the Borough by the July 1 deadline.

COUNCIL MEMBER'S COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Ballistreri: *absent*

Councilman Norman: *Al reported that we needed to get the sign fixed at the park. Al said he spoke with John.*

Councilman Hadulias: *Chris asked if we could get the County to clean up around the bridges. The clerk said she would call them.*

Councilman Whittaker: *Absent*

Councilman Hoffman: *Jim updated Council on the bids for the generator.*

Councilman Blazer: *no report*

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: *No comment*

PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF: *\$210,583.10 School Portion: \$188,585.00*

A motion to approve payment was made by Councilman Norman and seconded by Councilman Blazer

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

Mayor Smith reminded the public that all other monthly reports are on file in the minute book.

Please visit the Borough of Folsom website at folsomborough.com for updated Borough information and the Borough of Folsom Facebook page.

*The next regular meeting of Mayor and Council will be held on Tuesday, **July 14, 2026**, starting with a workshop meeting at 6:00 pm and continuing immediately thereafter with the regular meeting in Borough Hall, 1700 12th Street, Folsom, NJ*

With no other discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Gatto
Municipal Clerk

