

WALPACK MAYOR AND COMMITTEE AGENDA
April 29, 2025

Opening Statement: Mayor Maglio shall state, "This remote meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Space Public Meeting Act, having been duly advertised."

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Roll Call:

Approval of the Minutes

Mayor Maglio will request a Motion to approve the March 25, 2025 minutes.

Discussion:

Historical items discovered in the old school house

Financial Disclosure Statements

Mayor Maglio will open the floor to the Public for comment of Ordinance #02-25.

After hearing public comment regarding Ordinance #01-25, Mayor Maglio will close the floor to the Public.

Ordinance:

2nd reading Ordinance #02-25 – An Ordinance to authorize the execution of an inter-local agreement establishing a joint court to be known as "The Frankford Joint Municipal Court"

Resolutions:

Resolution R-24-25. A Resolution approving bills and vouchers for payment. Bills list attached.

Mayor Maglio will open the floor to the Public for discussion prior to approving the Resolution for Adoption of the 2025 Municipal Budget.

After hearing from the public comment regarding Resolution R-24-25, Mayor Maglio will close the floor to the Public.

Resolution R-25-25 A resolution adopting the 2025 Municipal Budget

Resolution R-26-25. A Resolution of the Municipality of Walpack Township, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, accepting the The Walpack Inn Conflict Resolution.

Public Comment:

Adjournment:

WALPACK MAYOR AND COMMITTEE
MINUTES
MARCH 25, 2025

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Roll Call: Mayor Victor Maglio, Deputy Mayor Ken Bechtold, Committeeman James Heigis, Attorney Glenn Kienz, MCFO Ashley Kannaley, Clerk Christine M. Von Oesen

Approval of Minutes:

Mayor Maglio requested a Motion to approve the February 25, 2025 Mayor and Committee minutes. Motion by Committeeman Heigis. Second by Deputy Mayor Bechtold. All in Favor.

Discussion:

The Sandyston Fire Department agreement was discussed and approved.

The completed SCMUA Resolution was acknowledged.

Approval and insurance has been obtained for Walpack to hold Primary voting at the Sandyston Municipal Building. Acknowledged.

Deputy Mayor Bechtold shared that he had attended the Mayor/NJSP/Sheriff's Department meeting held in Green Township. He shared that the National Park Service has jurisdiction in Walpack, followed by the New Jersey State Police, unless the call is concerning private property. NJ State Police have jurisdiction over private property calls in Walpack Township, National Park Service has jurisdiction over calls other than those responding to calls at private properties. NJSP responded to two calls last year. Other townships recorded hundreds of NJSP calls.

Mayor Maglio opened the floor to the Public for comment regarding the 2nd reading of Ordinance #01-25. Hearing no Public comment, Mayor Maglio closed the floor to the Public for comment regarding Ordinance #01-25.

Ordinances:

Ordinance #01-25. Second reading. Calendar year 2025. An Ordinance to exceed the municipal budget appropriation limits and to establish a cap bank (NJSA 40A:4:45.14) Mayor Maglio requested a Motion to Approve Ordinance #01-25 on Second reading. Motion by Committeeman Heigis. Second by Deputy Mayor Bechtold. All in Favor.

Ordinance #02-25. First reading. An Ordinance to authorize the execution of an interlocal agreement establishing a joint court to be known as "The Frankford Joint Municipal Court." Mayor Maglio requested a Motion to approve Ordinance #01-25. Motion by Committeeman James Heigis. Second by Deputy Mayor Bechtold. All in Favor.

Resolutions:

Resolution R-19-25. A Resolution of the Municipality of Walpack Township, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, authorizing the appointment of Kristy Lockburner as Tax Assessor. Mayor Maglio requested a Motion to approve R-19-25. Motion by Committeeman Heigis. Second by Deputy Mayor Bechtold. All in Favor.

Resolution R-20-25. A Resolution authorizing participation in the State Development and Redevelopment plan cross-acceptance process. Mayor Maglio requested a Motion to approve R-20-25. Motion by Committeeman Heigis. Second by Deputy Mayor Bechtold. All in Favor.

Resolution R-21-25. A Resolution approving bills and vouchers for payment. Bills list attached. Mayor Maglio requested a Motion to approve R-21-25. Motion by Committeeman Heigis. Second by Deputy Mayor Bechtold. All in Favor.

Resolution R-22-25. Resolution for Budget Self Examination. Mayor Maglio requested a Motion to approve R-22-25. Motion by Committeeman Heigis. Second by Deputy Mayor Bechtold. All in Favor.

Resolution R-23-25. Resolution to approve and introduce the 2025 Municipal Budget. Mayor Maglio requested a Motion to approve R-23-25. Motion by Committeeman Heigis. Second by Deputy Mayor Bechtold. All in Favor.

MCFO explained that there were not many changes from last year in the Municipal Budget. She explained that Surplus and State Aid are our means. Over \$10,000 in taxes were uncollected last year. The Mayor and Committee voiced that action needs to be taken regarding the uncollected tax. Walpack continues to have no municipal tax.

Mayor Maglio opened the meeting for Public Comment. Hearing no Public Comment, Mayor Maglio closed the floor for Public Comment.

Mayor Maglio asked the members present if they had any additional concerns for discussion. Deputy Mayor Bechtold advised that Viking Pest Control charges Walpack \$1000 per year. Deputy Mayor Bechtold is currently maintaining the traps himself. As a result, the Deputy Mayor cancelled the next Viking Pest Control service at the Municipal Building/Schoolhouse, and he suggested that we cancel the contract with Viking Pest Control.

Mayor Maglio requested a Motion to cancel the Viking Pest Control contract. Motion by Committeeman Heigis. Second by Deputy Mayor Bechtold. All in Favor.

CMFO will cancel the Viking Pest Control contract.

Deputy Mayor Bechtold advises that the tarp that was over the schoolhouse is completely off. Deputy Mayor Bechtold states that Chris Happe had ordered a new tarp in February, per a conversation they had had in the same month. Deputy Mayor Bechtold will inquire about the timeline to complete the re-tarping. He will also arrange for photos to be taken of the roof prior to the roof being re-tarped.

Regarding the Flatbrook Fire House, Deputy Mayor Bechtold will meet with Mark Miller who has expressed an interest in repairing that building and keeping the tractor in it that is used to maintain the cemetery.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Maglio requested a Motion to adjourn. Motion by Committeeman Heigis. Second by Deputy Mayor Bechtold. All in Favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine M. Von Oesen
Clerk
Walpack Township

ORDINANCE #02-25

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF AN INTER-LOCAL
AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING A JOINT COURT TO BE KNOWN AS
"THE FRANKFORD JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Walpack,
County of Sussex, and State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1.

1. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an Agreement establishing a Joint Municipal Court known as "The Frankford Joint Municipal Court" pursuant to the authority granted to the municipality by N.J.S.A. 2B:12-1 et seq. The Agreement is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, and its terms and conditions are incorporated herein by reference, as though set forth at length.

2. This Ordinance will be effective upon the adoption of reciprocal Ordinances by the governing bodies of all participating municipalities, the Township of Frankford, the Township of Lafayette, the Township of Sandyston, the Township of Montague, the Township of Walpack and the Township of Hampton.

3. The Joint Municipal Court heretofore existing and known as The Municipal Court of Frankford, Lafayette, Sandyston and Montague/Walpack shall be abolished and its function, powers and duties, records, property and pending cases shall be transferred to the new Joint Municipal Court established herein on January 1, 2026, subject to approval by the Administrative Office of the Courts and the Presiding Judge.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid by any court, such decision shall not invalidate any remaining portion of this Ordinance.

Section 3. Codification. This Ordinance shall not be codified in the Township Code, but may be reflected as a "New Law" in the Township's electronic code.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in the manner provided by law.

Section 5. Repealer. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict with the Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

ORDINANCE #02-25

SECOND READING

NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance #02-25 AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF AN INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING A JOINT COURT TO BE KNOWN AS "THE FRANKKFORD JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT" was read and passed on second reading at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Walpack held on April 29, 2025.

Christine M. Von Oesen
Walpack Municipal Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF WALPACK

RESOLUTION #R-24-25

RESOLUTION APPROVING BILLS AND VOUCHERS FOR PAYMENT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Walpack in the County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, that payment is hereby approved for all vouchers that have properly authenticated and presented for payment affixed hereto, representing expenditures for which appropriations were made in 2024 and 2025 budgets for this local governing body, including any emergency appropriations, and where unexpended balances exist in said appropriation accounts for the payment of such vouchers.

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Walpack, in the County of Sussex, New Jersey, at a meeting held on April 29, 2025.

Christine VonOesen, RMC
Municipal Clerk

List of Bills April 2025

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
BrightSpeed	Monthly Telephone	\$36.97
BRT Technologies	CAMA & MOD IV Assessment Software	\$318.00
County of Sussex	2nd Qtr 2025 County Purpose Tax	\$6,611.74
County of Sussex	2nd Qtr 2025 County Library Tax	\$512.96
County of Sussex	2nd Qtr 2025 County Open Space Tax	\$25.49
County of Sussex	2nd Qtr 2025 911 Dispatch Services	\$747.00
Gannett NY-NJ LocaliQ	Advertising March - Ordinances & Budget Ad	\$104.76
JCP&L	Monthly Electricity	\$34.98
NJ League of Municipalities	2025 Membership Dues	\$245.00
Public Employees Retirement System	2025 Annual Employer Appropriation	\$513.00
Walpack Construction LLC	Tarping of Roof	\$1,180.00
Total of Claims Paid:		\$10,329.90

TOWNSHIP OF WALPACK

RESOLUTION #R-25-25

RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION OF THE 2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Be it Resolved by the COMMITTEEPERSONS of the TOWNSHIP
of WALPACK, County of SUSSEX that the budget hereinbefore set forth is hereby
adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of:

- (a) \$ 0.00 (Item 2 below) for municipal purposes, and
(b) \$ - (Item 3 below) for school purposes in Type I School Districts only (N.J.S.A. 18A:9-2) to be raised by taxation and,
(c) \$ - (Item 4 below) to be added to the certificate of amount to be raised by taxation for local school purposes in
Type II School Districts only (N.J.S.A. 18A:9-3) and certification to the County Board of Taxation of
the following summary of general revenues and appropriations.
(d) \$ - (Sheet 43) Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Levy
(e) \$ - (Sheet 44) Arts and Culture Trust Fund Levy
(f) \$ - (Item 5 Below) Minimum Library Tax

RECORDED VOTE
(Insert last name)

Ayes

Nays

Abstained

Absent

SUMMARY OF REVENUES			
1. General Revenues			
Surplus Anticipated	08-100	\$	95,214.98
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated	13-099	\$	37,378.00
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	15-499	\$	-
2. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES (Item 5(a), Sheet 11)	07-190	\$	0.00
3. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR SCHOOLS IN TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY:			
Item 6, Sheet 42	07-195	\$	-
Item 6(b), Sheet 11 (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-14)	07-191	\$	-
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR SCHOOLS IN TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY		\$	-
4. To Be Added TO THE CERTIFICATE FOR THE AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR SCHOOLS IN TYPE II SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY:			
Item 6(b), Sheet 11 (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-14)	07-191		
5. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION MINIMUM LIBRARY TAX	07-192	\$	-
Total Revenues	13-299	\$	132,592.98

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Christine VonOesen, RMC
Municipal Clerk



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Mayor Victor Maglio
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Christine M. Von Oesen, RMC
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R-26-25

Approval of No Objection to the Issuance of Liquor License #1923-33-003-005

WHEREAS James Heigis, a member of the Corporation, Walpack Inn Inc., is a member of the Walpack Township Committee, the issuing authority, the renewal for the year commencing July 1, 2025 must be filed with the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, per N.J.A.C. 13:2-4.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Walpack, that there is no objection to the issuance of Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 1923-33-003-005, applied for by Walpack Inn Inc., 7 Route 615, Walpack New Jersey, by the director, as they are not aware of any circumstance or provision of Law or Local Ordinance which would prohibit the issuance of said license.

Motion by _____

Second by _____

Ayes: Nays: Absent: Abstain: No Vote:

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Christine M. Von Oesen
Municipal Clerk
Walpack Township