

MINUTES

IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 5 OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 231, P.L. 1975, NOTICE OF THE TIME, DATE, AND LOCATION OF THIS MEETING WAS MAILED TO THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS ON JANUARY 6, 2026. ADDITIONALLY, THE NOTICE WAS POSTED ON THE TOWNSHIP BULLETIN BOARD DESIGNATED FOR THAT PURPOSE AND ON THE MUNICIPAL WEBSITE.

Council President announced that the meeting was accessible to the public online and those who did not have the ability to access Zoom on a computer were able to participate using the telephone.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

COUNCILWOMAN JENNIFER APELL  
COUNCILMAN ROB CONNOR  
COUNCILMAN DANIEL DIRENZO  
COUNCILWOMAN SANGEETA DOSHI  
COUNCILWOMAN JILL HULNICK ABSENT  
COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT MICHELE GOLKOW  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT WILLIAM CARTER, III

**Cosmas Diamantis, Municipal Attorney**, read the resolution approving the executive session to discuss pending litigation and matters protected by attorney-client privilege.

On a motion by Council Vice President Golkow, seconded by Councilwoman Apell, the Township Council moved into executive session.

**AYE:** Councilwoman Apell, Councilman Connor, Councilman DiRenzo, Councilwoman Doshi, Council Vice President Golkow, and Council President Carter

**Council convened in Executive Session.**

On a motion by Council Vice President Golkow, seconded by Councilwoman Apell, the Township Council ended the executive session.

**AYE:** Councilwoman Apell, Councilman Connor, Councilman DiRenzo, Councilwoman Doshi, Council Vice President Golkow, and Council President Carter

**Council President Carter** reviewed the agenda.

**ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 23, 2026**

  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT

**ATTEST:**

  
PATTI CHACKER, RMC  
TOWNSHIP CLERK



Olive Garden/Table Top Media LLC  
2314 Route 38, CH

S Mart Essentials  
14455 Brace Road, Unit 3, CH

Chuck E Cheese/CEC Entertainment LLC  
2100 Route 38, CH

Hot Wheelz Skating Center  
620 Deer Road, CH

Applebee's Bar and Grill  
108 Haddonfield Ave, CH

Monster Mini Golf/PBR Entertainment LLC  
2040 Springdale Road, CH

**On a motion by Council Vice President Golkow, seconded by Councilman DiRenzo, the applications detailed above were approved by the following vote:**

**AYE:** Councilwoman Apell, Councilman Connor, Councilman DiRenzo, Councilwoman Doshi, Council Vice President Golkow, and Council President Carter

#### **REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND/OR DEPARTMENT HEADS**

**Mayor Fleisher** opened by recognizing the line-of-duty death of Camden City Firefighter Howard Bennett and expressed condolences to his family and the Camden community. He thanked Cherry Hill's fire, EMS, police, and civilian staff for their service and encouraged residents to review recent Fire and Police Department safety initiatives.

He highlighted recent community events, including attending the Cherry Hill Special Education PTA Winter Family Fun Night, recognizing local Eagle Scouts, participating in Super Sunday and Mitzvah Day, and meeting residents who have made notable contributions, including a Cherry Hill East student who helped save a coworker's life and a local restaurateur named a James Beard semifinalist. He also met with Cherry Hill residents honored with Camden County's MLK Freedom Medals.

The Mayor noted items on the agenda related to grant applications for recreation, substance abuse prevention, and recycling efforts. He announced the upcoming launch of the Thrive After 55 Senior Needs Assessment survey and encouraged participation.

He recognized February as American Heart Month and National Cancer Prevention Month and promoted an upcoming Mayor's Wellness Walk. He also extended well wishes to residents observing Ramadan and the Lunar New Year and closed by thanking residents for being part of the Cherry Hill community.

#### **ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING - NONE**

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

**Consent Agenda 2026-2-1 through 2026-2-19**

- 2026-2-1 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AN APPLICATION FOR A LOCAL RECREATION IMPROVEMENT GRANT FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
- 2026-2-2 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE FISCAL GRANT CYCLE JULY 2026 - JUNE 2027 FOR THE MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL
- 2026-2-3 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF THE CASH PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE AND TRANSFER OF A PORTION OF THE CASH GUARANTEE TO A TWO-YEAR MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR MJB ASSOCIATES, LLC (MERCEDES-BENZ OF CHERRY HILL-PARKING LOT PBC# 9912)
- 2026-2-4 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF THE CASH SAFETY & STABILIZATION GUARANTEE AND THE CASH PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE AND TRANSFER OF A PORTION OF THE CASH GUARANTEE TO A TWO-YEAR MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR THE CALIBER NJ, LLC (PBC#10182)
- 2026-2-5 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF THE ROADWAY OPENING MORATORIUM FOR BEAVERBROOK ROAD DUE TO A HARDSHIP
- 2026-2-6 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF MUNICIPAL RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT APPLICATION
- 2026-2-7 RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE UTILIZATION OF OMNIA PARTNERS PUBLIC SECTOR COOPERATIVE CONTRACT FOR AN ONLINE MARKETPLACE
- 2026-2-8 RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION 2025-7-22 AUTHORIZING THE UTILIZATION OF AN ESCNJ CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF AUTOMOTIVE PARTS FOR HEAVY DUTY VEHICLES
- 2026-2-9 RESOLUTION TO UTILIZE ESCNJ CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF AUTOMOTIVE PARTS FOR HEAVY DUTY VEHICLES
- 2026-2-10 RESOLUTION TO UTILIZE THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF NEW JERSEY (ESCNJ) COOPERATIVE CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF OFFICE SUPPLIES AND/OR COPY PAPER
- 2026-2-11 RESOLUTION TO UTILIZE THE NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING ALLIANCE CK04 WITH THE COUNTY OF BERGEN FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A 98" MULTIVIEW DISPLAY WITH RELATED ACCESSORIES
- 2026-2-12 RESOLUTION APPOINTING A TOWNSHIP HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM CONSULTANT
- 2026-2-13 RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CHANGE ORDER #1 TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT AMOUNT FOR AN ADDITIONAL INSTALLATION COST FOR CHARGING STATIONS WITH ACCESSORIES AT TOWN HALL THROUGH THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF NEW JERSEY (ESCNJ)
- 2026-2-14 RESOLUTION OF THE CHERRY HILL TOWNSHIP COUNCIL APPROVING A STANDSTILL AGREEMENT

- 2026-2-15 RESOLUTION RATIFYING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL AND CAMDEN COUNTY TO SUPPORT UNHOUSED RESIDENTS AND END HOMELESSNESS
- 2026-2-16 RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING INDIVIDUALS FOR THE POSITION OF CLASS I AND CLASS II SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A 40A:14-146.8
- 2026-2-17 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #3 TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT AMOUNT FOR THE PARK BOULEVARD CCMUA DIRECT CONNECTION
- 2026-2-18 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN ADDENDUM TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL AND THE CHIEF OF POLICE
- 2026-2-19 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF THE SAFETY AND STABILIZATION BOND (LPM9402086), PERFORMANCE BOND (LPM9402085) AND TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY BOND (LPM9428757) FOR CHERRY HILL DODGE (PARKING LOT EXPANSION, PBC#9945) CONDITIONED UPON SUBMISSION OF A TWO-YEAR MAINTENANCE SURETY

**On a motion by Councilwoman Doshi, seconded by Councilman DiRenzo, the Consent Agenda, Resolutions 2026-2-1 through 2026-2-19, was approved by the following vote:**

**AYE:** Councilwoman Apell, Councilman Connor, Councilman DiRenzo, Councilwoman Doshi, Council Vice President Golkow, and Council President Carter

- 2026-2-20 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

**On a motion by Council Vice President Golkow, seconded by Councilwoman Apell, the bill list in the amount of \$6,683,617.18 was approved by the following vote:**

**AYE:** Councilwoman Apell, Councilman Connor, Councilman DiRenzo, Councilwoman Doshi, Council Vice President Golkow, and Council President Carter

**ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING -NONE**

**RECEIPT OF OFFICIAL REPORTS**

2025 Zoning Board of Adjustment Annual Report. The report is available for public review on the Township website under Zoning Board of Adjustment – Board Documents.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**Jeff Podowitz**

**Cherry Hill, NJ**

Mr. Podowitz urged Council to advocate for changes to New Jersey’s school funding formula, arguing that its reliance on income unfairly shortchanges districts like Cherry Hill and asking local and state leaders to take action.

**Rick Short**

**Cherry Hill, NJ**

Mr. Short expressed concern that what he described as “ICE hysteria” in Cherry Hill Township—including social media reactions, school discussions, and public statements—was unfairly demonizing immigration enforcement and urged officials to help calm tensions.

**Anne Einhorn**

**Cherry Hill, NJ**

Ms. Einhorn asked Cherry Hill Township officials to try to preserve the historic clock from the Cherry Hill Diner as a display or memento to honor the township's history.

**After seeing no further comments, Council President Carter closed the Public Comment.**

## COMMENTS OF COUNCIL

**Councilwoman Apell** thanked community members for participating in the Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey Super Sunday and Mitzvah Day events that support residents of all backgrounds and invited the public to view the iHeart Art Youth Art Program exhibit at Croft Farm Arts Center through February 22.

**Councilman Connor** thanked residents for participating in the meeting, praised the Department of Community Development—especially Kathy Cullen's team—for their Zoning Board report recognizing dedicated volunteers, and highlighted the informative Cherry Hill Citizens Police Academy session led by Sergeant Amato as a valuable community resource.

**Councilman DiRenzo** noted that he and Mayor Fleisher attended a Boy Scouts of America Eagle Scout Court of Honor recognizing Cherry Hill residents John Francis Miller III, Anthony John Parrone IV, and John Patrick Claffee, praising their significant achievement and the community service projects that demonstrated leadership and hard work.

**Councilwoman Doshi** invited residents to an upcoming archaeological dig at Croft Farm Arts Center, praised Siana Armondo of Nothing Bundt Cakes for her quick action in saving a life, and shared holiday well-wishes with the community.

**Council Vice President Golkow** thanked residents for their comments, announced the March 12 Senior Resource Fair at the Cherry Hill Public Library, and highlighted the scholarship and Black History Month programs of the Cherry Hill African American Civic Association.

**Council President Carter** thanked residents for their participation, highlighted upcoming historical and Black History Month programs—including partnerships with RevolutionNJ at the Cherry Hill Public Library and a jazz event at Croft Farm Arts Center—and reminded the community that the grace period for first-quarter tax payments ends February 18.

**Council President Carter** called for a motion to adjourn, which was moved by Council Vice President Golkow.

**ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 23, 2026**

  
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**COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**ATTEST:**

  
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**TOWNSHIP CLERK**