



MAYOR AND COUNCIL
BOROUGH OF CLOSTER

REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES - MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2026

Mayor Glidden called this meeting to order at 7:30 PM with the following announcement: THIS REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOROUGH OF CLOSTER MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL BE HELD IN PERSON, TELEPHONICALLY and VIA ZOOM VIDEO. You may join the Zoom meeting, including video, by accessing the information posted in the Borough Calendar on the Borough website by visiting www.closterboro.com and clicking the link on the left sidebar for Calendars and Notice of Meetings and click on the corresponding date. To join via Telephone Audio Only: +1 301-715-8592; MEETING ID: 864 2063 3673; PASSWORD: 8675309

1. FLAG PRESENTATION

John Hernandez, U.S. Marine Corps

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Arun Puttahiah, Eagle Scout

3. “AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL”

Sung by Eliana Urena

4. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

This meeting, called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, was included in the Notice of Sine Die and Reorganization Meetings which was published in The Record on December 10, 2025 and sent to The Star-Ledger on December 15, 2025; is posted on the Municipal Clerk’s Bulletin Board and has remained posted as the required notices under the Statute. In addition, a copy of the notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk and on the Borough website.

5. ROLL CALL

Governing Body	Present	Absent
Mayor Glidden	✓	
Councilwoman Amitai	✓	
Councilman Cho	✓	
Councilwoman Chung	✓	
Councilwoman Latner	✓	
Councilwoman Maroules	✓	
Councilman Yammarino	✓	

6. INVOCATION

Rabbi Yossi Gluckowski, Chabad of Closter stated the invocation.

Assemblyman John Azzariti Jr.of New Jersey’s 39th legislative district swore in Councilman-Elect Joseph Yammarino.

7. ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE

Councilman - Elect Joseph Yammarino January 1, 2026 - December 31, 2028
Councilwoman - Elect Victoria Roti Amitai January 1, 2026 - December 31, 2028

Oaths Administered by Mayor Glidden and Arthur Chagaris of Beattie Padovano, LLC.

8. MAYOR GLIDDEN REMARKS

Declare Council Organized for 2026: Mayor Glidden welcomed all those assembled and spoke about the many wonderful aspects of the Borough of Closter. He then chronicled the progress of the work at the Village School.

There will be a groundbreaking ceremony on January 13, 2026 at 11:30 AM; all are welcome. He congratulated the Closter Volunteer Ambulance Corps for being named the Squad of the Year. He spoke about 2026 as including an updated Police Department facility, the upcoming 250th anniversary of the United States, the use of solar energy and shared services, the support of community spaces such as MacBain Farm, Buzzoni Gardens, and several open spaces. He also thanked many people for their volunteerism, which helps to make Closter the Borough that it is.

Mayor Glidden asked for a moment of silence after he listed the residents who were lost in the past year.

Mayor Glidden finished his remarks by thanking the Employees of the Borough for their high quality work and wishing everyone a happy and prosperous 2026.

9. ROLL CALL OF 2026 GOVERNING BODY

Governing Body	Present	Absent
Mayor Glidden	✓	
Councilwoman Amitai	✓	
Council President Cho	✓	
Councilwoman Chung	✓	
Councilwoman Latner	✓	
Councilwoman Maroules	✓	
Councilman Yammarino	✓	

10. MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Mayor Glidden read the appointments into the record. All appointments are made by the Mayor and confirmed by the Governing Body with the exception of Mayoral Appointments to certain Boards/Commissions not requiring Governing Body confirmation (Environmental Commission; Planning Board (with exception of Class III Governing Body Member) and Shade Tree Commission).

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>	<u>MAYOR GLIDDEN'S RECOMMENDATION</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Planning Board				
Council Member/Class III Representative Gov't of Closter/Historian/Class II	Councilwoman Amitai	Councilwoman Amitai	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Chair/Class IV	Tsun-Yam Tam	Tsun-Yam Tam	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Member/Class IV	Dr. David Barad	Dr. David Barad	4 Years	Dec 31, 2029
Alternate No. 2/Class IV	Ansar Batool	Ansar Batool	4 Years	Dec 31, 2029
	Lawrence Reines	Lawrence Reines	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Shade Tree Commission				
Council Liaison/Member	Councilman Yammarino	Councilman Yammarino	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

11. APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF CLOSTER

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>2025 INCUMBENT</u>	<u>MAYOR GLIDDEN'S RECOMMENDATION</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Administrative and Finance				
Administrator	James Winters	James Winters	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Affirmative Action Officer	James Winters	James Winters	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Appropriate Authority	James Winters	James Winters	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Treasurer	James Winters	James Winters	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Public Agency Compliance Officer (PACO)	James Winters	James Winters	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Administrative Assistant	Leslie Weatherly	Leslie Weatherly	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Part-time Administration Clerical	William Hildenbrand	William Hildenbrand	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Assistant Chief Financial Officer	Maria Passafaro	Maria Passafaro	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Deputy Treasurer	Maria Passafaro	Maria Passafaro	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Pension Certifying Agent	Maria Passafaro	Maria Passafaro	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Employee Benefits Clerk	Michaela Tomanova	Michaela Tomanova	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
HR Coordinator	Michaela Tomanova	Michaela Tomanova	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Assistant to Tax Collector/ Payroll Clerk	Michaela Tomanova	Michaela Tomanova	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Finance Clerk	Melissa Gracey	Jennifer Martinez	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Part-Time Finance Clerk/AH	Dee Woods	Dee Woods	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

Certification

IT Director	Kevin Whitney	Kevin Whitney	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Assessor Clerical Assistant	Rose Mitchell	Rose Mitchell	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

Clerk

Assistant to the Clerk	Jennifer Martinez	Laura Rametta	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Assistant to Borough Clerk	Martha Francis	Martha Francis	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

Building/Construction

Technical Assistant	Paul Demarest	Paul Demarest	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Technical Assistant	Rose Mitchell	Rose Mitchell	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Property Maintenance Official	Joseph Rizza	Joseph Rizza	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Building /Technical Inspector	Giuseppe LaMastra	Giuseppe LaMastra	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Code Enforcement Official Trees	Bill Fuchs	Bill Fuchs	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Alternate Plumbing Inspector	Mario DeMichele	Edward Biml	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Alternate Electric Inspector		Richard Hess	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Office Assistant-Part-time	Richard Yoo	Richard Yoo	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Zoning Officer	Jimmy Kim	Scott Jezequel	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

Department of Public Works

Director of Public Works	William Dahle III	William Dahle III	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Superintendent of Public Works	Allan J. Martin, Jr.	Allan J. Martin, Jr.	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Deputy Superintendent of Public Works	Cody M. Watkins	Cody M. Watkins	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Administrative Assistant	Bibiana A. Lopez	Bibiana A. Lopez	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Recycling Coordinator	Cody M. Watkins	Cody M. Watkins	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Assistant Recycling Coordinator	Bibiana A. Lopez	Bibiana A. Lopez	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

Licensed Sewer Operators	William Dahle III	William Dahle III Cody M. Watkins	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Clean Communities Coordinator	Bibiana A. Lopez	Bibiana A. Lopez	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
License Sewer Operator	William Dahle III	William Dahle III	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Stormwater Coordinator	Allan J. Martin, Jr.	Allan J. Martin, Jr.	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
ACRT Line Clearance Arborist		Michael Donofrio James Carullo	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

Court

Municipal Court Administrator	Antoinette Ceccon	Antoinette Ceccon	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Acting Municipal Court Administrator	Dawn Curatola	Dawn Curatola	1-year	Dec 31, 2026
Violations Clerk	Christine Fredette	Christine Fredette	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Violations Clerk	Diane Frohlich	Maria Minando	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

Public Safety

Senior Fire Prevention Inspector/Secretary	Michael Hunken	Michael Hunken	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Fire Prevention Inspector/Secretary	Mark Meyers	Mark Meyers	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Fire Prevention Inspector/Secretary	Alphonso Young, Jr	Alphonso Young, Jr	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer (MHLEO)	Det. Sgt. Keith Dombkowski	Det. Sgt. Keith Dombkowski	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Police Matron	MaryEllen Cerbasi	MaryEllen Cerbasi	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Police Records Clerk	MaryEllen Cerbasi	MaryEllen Cerbasi	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

School Crossing Guards

Thomas Burderi	Thomas Burderi	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Elizabeth Bussanich	Elizabeth Bussanich	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Angela Caserta	Angela Caserta	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Cheryl Friedrich	Cheryl Friedrich	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
James Gabettie	James L. Gabettie	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Roberto Gonzalez	Roberto Gonzalez	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Louise Hettinger	Louise Hettinger	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Donna Kelly	Donna Kelly	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

	Ludwina Lang	Ludwina Lang	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
	Dennis O’Brien	Dennis O’Brien	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
	Charlotte Salamone	Charlotte Salamone	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
	Jeff Siegmann	Jeff Siegmann	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
	Gail Watkins	Gail Watkins	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Emergency Management				
Coordinator	James Winters	James Winters	3 Years	Dec 31, 2028
1st Deputy Coordinator	Kevin Whitney	Kevin Whitney	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Assist Deputy Coordinator	William Dahle III	William Dahle III	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Assist Deputy Coordinator	Sgt. Daniel Hargrave	Sgt. Daniel Hargrave	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Administrative Assistant	Leslie Weatherly	Leslie Weatherly	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Liaison	Mayor John C. Glidden, Jr.	Mayor John C. Glidden, Jr.	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Logistics Manager	Mark Meyers	Mark Meyers	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Recovery Manager	Michael Hunken	Michael Hunken	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Health				
Registrar/Licensing Official, Bd of Health	Jin Bae	Jin Bae	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

12. COMMITTEES AND LIAISONS

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>	<u>MAYOR GLIDDEN'S RECOMMENDATION</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Bergen Municipal Coalition	Mayor John C. Glidden, Jr.	Mayor John C. Glidden, Jr.	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Joint Insurance Fund				
Fund Commissioner	Fred Pitofsky	James Winters	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Alternate Fund Commissioner	James Winters	Erik Lenander	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Safety Delegate	William Dahle III	William Dahle III	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Safety Alternate	Tony Lupardi	Tony Lupardi	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Safety Committee	Allan J. Martin, Jr.	Allan J. Martin, Jr.	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Safety Committee	Mark Lupardi	Mark Lupardi	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

2026 COUNCIL COMMITTEES

<u>Committees</u>	<u>2025 Chair/Members</u>	<u>2026 Chair/Members</u>
Finance & Technology	<u>Yammarino</u> /Cho/Maroules	<u>Yammarino</u> /Cho/Maroules
HR, Communication & Environment	<u>Maroules</u> /Latner/Yammarino	<u>Maroules</u> /Latner/Yammarino
Ordinances & Legislative	<u>Cho</u> /Amitai/Latner	<u>Cho</u> /Amitai/Latner
Private Construction, Land Use, Zoning Enforcement	<u>Amitai</u> /Chung/Maroules	<u>Amitai</u> /Chung/Maroules
Public Safety	<u>Latner</u> /Chung/Amitai	<u>Latner</u> /Chung/Amitai
Public Works, Construction and Grounds	<u>Chung</u> /Yammarino/Cho	<u>Chung</u> /Yammarino/Cho
<u>Council Liaisons</u>		
Ambulance Corps	<u>2025</u> Glidden	<u>2026</u> Glidden
NV Regional High School Board of Education	Latner	Chung
Closter Public School Board	Chung	Latner
Board of Health	Chung	Chung
Engineer	Glidden	Glidden
Environmental Commission	Cho	Maroules

Fire	Cho	Cho
Food and Assistance Board	Yammarino	Yammarino
Historic Preservation Commission	Maroules	Maroules
Improvement Commission	Amitai	Amitai
Library Board of Trustees	Latner	Latner
Planning Board, Class III	Amitai	Amitai
Police	Latner	Latner
Shade Tree Commission	Yammarino	Yammarino
Recreation Commission	Yammarino	Yammarino
Senior Citizens	Amitai	Amitai
Zoning Board of Adjustment	Cho	Cho
Council President	Yammarino	Cho
NV Mayors Association	Glidden	Glidden

13. APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH PROFESSIONALS (in alphabetical order by OFFICE)

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>	<u>MAYOR GLIDDEN'S RECOMMENDATION</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Actuarial Consulting	Cirkeiel Actuarial Consulting, LLC	Cirkeiel Actuarial Consulting, LLC	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Appraiser Properties Commercial & Residential	Louis S. Izenberg, MAI, SRA BBG Real Estate Services; Associated Appraisal Group	(hold for 30 days)	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Affordable Housing Planner	Caroline Reiter P.P., AICP T and M Associates	Caroline Reiter P.P., AICP T and M Associates	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Architectural Services	DMR Architects	Settembrino Associates Kevin M. Settembrino	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Attorney - Borough	William J. Bailey Huntington Bailey,	William J. Bailey Huntington Bailey	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Auditor - Borough	Gary J. Vinci Lerch, Vinci & Bliss, LLP	Gary J. Vinci Lerch, Vinci & Bliss, LLP	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Bond Counsel	John D. Draikiwicz Gibbons P.C.	John D. Draikiwicz Gibbons P.C.	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
CDL Alcohol & Drug Testing Services	Valley Health Systems, Inc.	Valley Health Systems, Inc.	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Engineer – Borough, Planning & Zoning	Boswell Engineering (Rep) Nick DeNicola	Boswell Engineering (Rep) Nick DeNicola	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Ethics Board Attorney		TBD	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Financial Advisory Services	Acacia Financial Group, Inc.	Acacia Financial Group, Inc.	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Health Services	Mid-Bergen Regional Health Commission	Mid-Bergen Regional Health Commission	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Labor Attorney	Wiss & Bouregy, P.C.	Wiss Law, P.C. Raymond Wiss	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Landscaper - Foreclosed & Abandoned Properties	Mark Lupardi Lupardi's Nursery, Inc.	Mark Lupardi Lupardi's Nursery, Inc.	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Planner – Borough	Caroline Reiter P.P., AICP T and M Associates	Caroline Reiter P.P., AICP T and M Associates	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Planning Board Attorney	Daniel L. Steinhagen Beattie Padovano, LLC	Daniel L. Steinhagen Beattie Padovano, LLC	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Qualified Purchasing Agent	Erik Lenander	Erik Lenander	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Risk Management Consultant	James Barsa Barsa Insurance Agency	James Barsa Barsa Insurance Agency	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Zoning Board Attorney	Daniel L. Steinhagen Beattie Padovano, LLC	Daniel L. Steinhagen Beattie Padovano, LLC	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

MUNICIPAL COURT

Judge	Francis J. Leddy, Jr.	Francis J. Leddy, Jr.	3 Years	Dec 31, 2028
Prosecutor	Mark P. Fierro Dimin Fierro	Mark P. Fierro Dimin Fierro	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Alt. Prosecutor	Elsbeth J. Cruisus, Esq. Law Offices of Elsbeth J. Cruisus, LLC Salvador Sclafani	Elsbeth J. Cruisus, Esq. Law Offices of Elsbeth J. Cruisus, LLC	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Public Defender	Salvador Sclafani, Esq.; Robert C. Metzdorf	TBD	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

14. APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>	<u>MAYOR GLIDDEN'S RECOMMENDATION</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Board of Ethics				
Chair	Steven Roland	Steven Roland	5 Years	Dec 31, 2030
Member	Shane Sullivan	Alexandra Marghella	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Environmental Commission				
Council Liaison	Christopher Cho	Anna Maroules	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Chair	Paul Yarin	Paul Yarin	3 Years	Dec 31, 2028
Member				
Liaison to Planning Board	Ansar Batool	Ansar Batool	3 Years	Dec 31, 2028
Member		Christopher Cho	3 Years	Dec 31, 2028
Member		Marina Layvand	3 Years	Dec 31, 2028
Alternate 1		Liel Dulev	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Alternate 2		Sarah Ritter Chung	2 Years	Dec 31, 2028
Associate #1		Arati Navar	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Board of Health				
Chair	Andrew Baron	Andrew Baron	4 Years	Dec 31, 2029
Member	Gerrie Oliver	Gerrie Oliver	4 Years	Dec 31, 2029
Alternate 1	Evan Liebner	Evan Liebner	2 Years	Dec 31, 2029
Alternate 2		Eileen Song	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Food and Assistance Board				
Chair	Tom Colwell	Tom Colwell	2 Years	Dec 31, 2026
Member	Lorraine Bianco	Lorraine Bianco	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Member	Hillary Hirschorn	Hillary Hirschorn	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Member	Ruthie Nussbaum	Ruthie Nussbaum	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Member	Dolores Witko	Benita Kim	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Historic Preservation Commission				
Chair	Timothy Adriance	Timothy Adriance	4 Years	Dec 31, 2029
Member (Class B)	Bobbie Bouton-Goldberg	Georgia Carey	4 Years	Dec 31, 2028
Alternate 1		Denise Mattes	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Improvement Commission				
Governing Body Member	Victoria Amitai	Victoria Amitai	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Member		Christina Antoshak	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Member		Thomas Antoshak	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Member	Iris Barad	Iris Barad	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027

Member	Gloria Byrne	Gloria Byrne	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Member	Olga Golfinopolis	Olga Golfinopolis	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Member	Arati Navar	Arati Navar	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Member	Leslie Pena-Racli	Leslie Pena-Racli	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Member	Yoomi Samaan	Yoomi Samaan	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Alternate 1	Thomas Antoshak	Ziv Kopolovitz	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Alternate 2	Christina Antoshak	Rafael Torgovicky	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>	<u>MAYOR GLIDDEN'S RECOMMENDATION</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
Land Use Coordinator				
Planning Board	Paul Demarest	Paul Demarest	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Zoning Board of Adjustment	Paul Demarest	Paul Demarest	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Library Board of Trustees				
Chair/Trustee	Donald Farrell	Donald Farrell	5 Years	Dec 31, 2029
Trustee	Anita Duquette	Anita Duquette	5 Years	Dec 31, 2029
Recreation Commission				
Director	James Oettinger	James Oettinger	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Council Liaison	Councilman Yammarino	Councilman Yammarino	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Deputy Director	John Kilduff	John Kilduff	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Assistant Director	Devon Sampson	Devon Sampson	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Administrative Assistant	Gina Ferraro	Gina Ferraro	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Member	Wayne Sabo	Wayne Sabo	5 Years	Dec 31, 2030
Associate Member	Brian Beddoe	Brian Beddoe	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Associate Member	Steve Bottieri	Steve Bottieri	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Associate Member		Moneca Capelan	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Associate Member	Beverley MacKeen	Beverley MacKeen	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Associate Member	Vinay Puttanniah	Vinay Puttanniah	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Associate Member	Allison Schwartz	Allison Schwartz	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Associate Member	Kristen Schwartz	Kristen Schwartz	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Associate Member		Matthew Smith	1 year	Dec 31, 2026
Associate Member	Katherine Vittorio	Katherine Vittorio	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Zoning Board of Adjustment				
Council Member-Liaison	Councilman Christopher Cho	Councilman Christopher Cho	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Chair/Member	Joseph Bianco	Joseph Bianco	4 Years	Dec 31, 2029
Alternate No. 2	Cochi Ho	Cochi Ho	2 Years	Dec 31, 2027
Alternate No. 4	Hani Samaan	Hani Samaan	2 Years	Dec. 31, 2027
Green Team				
Member	Paul Yarin	Paul Yarin	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Member	Cinnie Cole	Cinnie Cole	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Greenway Committee				
Member	Seth Unger	Seth Unger	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Member	Mark Maddaloni	Mark Maddaloni	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

MacBain Farm

Administrator's Office	James Winters	James Winters	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Borough Liaison		Kristie Davida	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Member	Sally Dorian	Sally Dorian	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Member	Marina Layvand	Marina Layvand	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Member	Lowell Mandelblatt	Lowell Mandelblatt	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Member	Shelagh McCaffrey	Shelagh McCaffrey	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Member	Guy Mor	Guy Mor	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Member	Jeanne Stella	Jeanne Stella	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

Closter Community Center Development Committee

Chair	Angela Ferrullo	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026
Member	Lawrence Reines	1 Year	Dec 31, 2026

15. REVIEW OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

All items with an asterisk (*) are considered to be non-controversial by the Council and will be approved by one Motion. There may be further discussion prior to the vote upon request of a Council Member. Also, any item may be removed for further discussion or for Roll Call vote, in which case the item will be removed and considered in its normal sequence as part of the General Order of Business.

*26-001 WAIVING READING OF MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter, in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that the Minutes of any prior meeting of the Mayor and Council need not be read by the Borough Clerk at the next or any succeeding Regular or Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council, provided, however, that prior to the approval of any such Minutes of a prior meeting of the Mayor and Council, a true copy of such Minutes shall have been delivered to the Mayor, each Councilperson, and such other officials of the Borough or persons as hereafter may be designated by duly adopted Resolution of the Mayor and Council, and provided further that a true copy of such Minutes shall have been posted upon the Bulletin Board of the Borough in the Borough Hall, Closter, New Jersey, for examination by the public prior to approval of any such Minutes by the Mayor and Council.

*26-002 APPROVING THE MEETING DATES OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL FOR 2026

BE IT RESOLVED that the meetings of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter shall take place on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month, except where indicated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that meetings scheduled to take place at the Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 295 Closter Dock Road, Closter, New Jersey. Meetings will be held in-person and virtually via Zoom beginning at 7:00 PM, with the exception of the 2026 Reorganization Meeting which will be held on Monday, January 5, 2026 at 7:30 P.M.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the meeting dates for 2026 are as follows:

Work Session starting at 7:00 P.M., and Regular Public Meeting immediately following

January 14	January 28
February 11	February 25
March 11	March 25
April 8	April 22
May 13	May 27
June 10	June 24
July 8	July 22
*August 12	
September 9	September 23
October 14	October 28
November 11	November 23 (Monday)
*December 9	
* Indicates only one meeting for that month	

*26-003 FIXING INTEREST RATE FOR 2026

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-67 provided that the governing body of a municipality is to fix the rate of interest to be charged for the delinquent payment of real estate taxes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the interest shall be charged at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum on the first FIFTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,500) of the delinquency, and eighteen percent (18%) per annum on any amount in excess of FIFTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,500), to be calculated from the date the tax or

assessment was payable until the date of actual payment.

In connection with any delinquency of taxes, assessments or municipal charges exceeding \$10,000 which has not been paid prior to the end of a calendar year, there shall be imposed a penalty in the sum equal to **six percent (6%)** of the delinquency.

With respect to tax certificates held by the municipality, the following additional penalties shall be charged:

Two percent (2%) on the amount due over \$200 up to \$5,000;

Four percent (4%) on the amount due over \$5,000 up to \$10,000; **and;**

Six percent (6%) should the certificate amount exceed \$10,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no interest shall be charged if payment of any installment is made within ten (10) days after the date upon which the same became payable.

***26-004 ISSUANCE OF WARRANTS**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter, in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that the proper officers of the Borough of Closter be and they are hereby authorized and directed, for the year 2026, to issue proper warrants in payment of all items, the payment of which are mandatory under the Laws of the State of New Jersey, or pursuant to ordinance or resolutions of the Borough of Closter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such payments may be made without the passage of any special resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter authorizing the same.

***26-005 DESIGNATING OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter, in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that the following banks be and the same are hereby designated as OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES for funds of the Borough of Closter for the calendar year 2026:

FIRST COMMERCE
Lakewood/Closter, New Jersey

VALLEY NATIONAL BANK
Township of Washington, New Jersey

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer/Tax Collector are hereby authorized to wire funds if and when necessary.

***26-006 DESIGNATING SIGNATURES ON BANK ACCOUNTS**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter, Bergen County, that the following Borough Officials are hereby authorized and directed to maintain accounts and to sign withdrawals against same at: **Valley National Bank**, Township of Washington, and **First Commerce Bank**, Closter, NJ and Lakewood, NJ, to title of which shall be as follows:

Payroll Account
James B. Winters, Borough Administrator/Treasurer

Accounts Payable
John C. Glidden, Jr., Mayor
James B. Winters, Borough Administrator/Treasurer

Alternate Signatories
Council President – for Mayor
Maria Passafaro, Deputy Treasurer – for Treasurer

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter, Bergen County, that the following Borough Officials are hereby authorized and directed to maintain accounts and to sign withdrawals against same at **NVE Bank**, Closter Branch Office, Closter, New Jersey, the title of which shall be as follows:

Magistrate Account & Bail Account
Francis J. Leddy, Jr., Judge
and
Antoinette Ceccon, Court Administrator

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the Clerk shall forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Treasurer and Assistant Financial Officer.

***26-007 ADOPTING CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR 2026**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 requires each municipality to have a Cash Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has prepared the attached plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter that the attached plan be adopted as the Cash Management Plan of the Borough of Closter for 2026.

***26-008 SELECTING OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter, in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that:

THE RECORD
STAR-LEDGER

be and the same are hereby designated as official newspapers of the Borough of Closter for the calendar year 2026 for the publication of ordinances, resolutions, notices and advertisements required by law, or authorized or required by ordinance of the Borough of Closter, or by the Mayor and Council thereof, all to be in the manner required by law.

***26-009 ESTABLISHING TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2026**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19 provides that where contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to final adoption of the 2026 Budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided, and

WHEREAS, this resolution will take effect on **January 1, 2026** and,

WHEREAS, said total temporary appropriations are limited to **26.25%** of the total appropriations in the 2025 budget exclusive of any appropriations made for debt service, and capital improvement fund in the said 2025 budget,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Closter, that the following appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Assistant Chief Financial Officer for the Borough's records.

2026	SALARIES	OTHER	
APPROPRIATIONS	AND	EXPENSES	TOTAL
	WAGES		
CURRENT FUND			
General Administration	65,000.00	25,000.00	90,000.00
Municipal Clerk	50,000.00	4,500.00	54,500.00
Mayor and Council	0.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Financial Administration	65,000.00	35,000.00	100,000.00
Audit Services	0	25,000.00	25,000.00
Information Technology	10,000.00	15,000.00	25,000.00
Revenue Administration	60,000.00	25,000.00	85,000.00
Tax Assessment Administration	25,000.00	25,000.00	50,000.00
Legal Services	0	60,000.00	60,000.00
Engineering Services	0	20,000.00	20,000.00
Closter Improvement Commission	0	3,000.00	3,000.00
Historic Commission	0	1,500.00	1,500.00
Joint Land Use	15000.00	0.00	15,000.00
Planning Board	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Zoning Board of Adjustment	0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Uniform Construction Code	95,000.00	12,000.00	107,000.00
Zoning Officer	20,000.00	0	20,000.00
Property Maintenance	10,750.00	100	10,850.00
Liability Insurance	0	75,000.00	75,000.00
Workers Compensation	0	75,000.00	75,000.00
Group Health & Dental	0	610,000.00	610,000.00
Unemployment Compensation	0	10,000.00	10,000.00
Other Insurance	0	200.00	200.00
Police Department	900,000.00	35,000.00	935,000.00

Emergency Management	5,000.00	5,000.00	10,000.00
Fire Prevention	20,000.00	3,000.00	23,000.00
Fire Protection	0.00	45,000.00	45,000.00
Fire Hydrant Service	0	60,000.00	60,000.00
Municipal Prosecutor	0	3,500.00	3,500.00
DPW Streets and Roads	450,000.00	50,000.00	500,000.00
Snow Removal	0	15,000.00	15,000.00
Shade Tree Commission	2,500.00	20,000.00	22,500.00
Sanitation	121,000.00	2000.00	123,000.00
Recycling	20,000.00	0	20,000.00
Public Building and Grounds	50,000.00	50,000.00	100,000.00
Vehicle Maintenance	75,000.00	70,000.00	145,000.00
Board of Health	25,000.00	15,000.00	40,000.00
Environmental Commission	0	2,500.00	2,500.00
Animal Control	0	5,000.00	5,000.00
Board of Recreation	30,000.00	10,000.00	40,000.00
Senior Citizens	0	5,000.00	5,000.00
Maintenance of Parks & Playgrounds	0	30,000.00	30,000.00
Library	-	350,000.00	350,000.00
Electricity	-	40,000.00	40,000.00
Street Lighting	-	40,000.00	40,000.00
Telephone	-	25,000.00	25,000.00
Water	-	20,000.00	20,000.00
Natural Gas	-	20,000.00	20,000.00
Sewer System	-	7,500.00	7,500.00
Gasoline	-	80,000.00	80,000.00
Bergen County Utilities Authority	-	315,000.00	315,000.00
Solid Waste Recycling & Contingency	-	100,000.00	100,000.00
Contribution to Social Security System	-	100,000.00	100,000.00
Defined Contribution Retirement Plan	-	3,000.00	3,000.00
Interborough Radio	\$	35,000.00	35,000.00
Municipal Court	\$ 30,000.00	5,000.00	35,000.00
Public Defender	-	1000.00	1,000.00
TOTAL TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS	\$2,144,250.00	\$2,624,800.00	\$4,769,050.00
Principal		\$265,500.00	\$265,500.00
Interest		\$166,000.00	\$166,000.00
Payment of Note Principal		\$113,000.00	\$113,000.00
Total Debt Service			\$544,500.00
Capital Improvement Fund	\$ -	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00
TOTAL TEMPORARY BUDGET			\$5,893,050.00

***26-010 AUTHORIZING PETTY CASH FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter has established certain petty cash funds in accordance with N.J.S.A 40A: 5-21;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the **Finance Clerk** be and hereby is authorized to draw the following checks to re-establish the said funds for the year **2026**:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.....	\$100.00
DETECTIVE BUREAU.....	\$100.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT.....	\$150.00

***26-011 CANCELING SMALL BALANCES**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40 A:5-17.1 provides that a municipality *may* authorize the processing of tax refunds of less than TEN dollars (\$10.00) and the cancellation of tax delinquencies of less than TEN dollars (\$10.00) without further action of the Governing Body.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Closter that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to process, without any further action on the part of the Governing Body, any property tax refund of less than \$10.00 AND the cancellation of any property tax delinquency of less than \$10.00.

***26-012 AUTHORIZING TREASURER AND ASSISTANT CFO THE AUTHORITY TO PAY CERTAIN OBLIGATIONS AS NEEDED**

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Closter, Closter, New Jersey to grant authority to the Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Chief Financial Officer to pay certain obligations when due and owing prior to the regular payment of bills; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter that the Treasurer and Assistant Chief Financial Officer be designated to pay the following as needed and is necessary for the orderly operation of the Borough of Closter:

- Association Meetings/Educational Sessions/Conference Costs
- Bergen County Taxes – Regular & Open Space
- Borough Payrolls including Social Security/Medicare
- Debt Payments – Bonds, Notes & Loans, Principal & Interest
- Gasoline/Diesel Vendors
- Boards of Education
- Postmaster
- Healthcare Reimbursements
- Health & Dental Insurance Premiums
- Lease Payments (previously authorized)
- Petty Cash
- Purchases Associated with Borough Events (including Recreation)
- Sewer Disposal – BCUA
- State or County Permit Applications
- Utilities

All payment of bills will be formally signed and approved at the next scheduled Council meeting.

***26-013 TO REAFFIRM THE BOROUGH OF CLOSTER’S CIVIL RIGHTS POLICY WITH RESPECT TO ALL OFFICIALS, APPOINTEES, EMPLOYEES, PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT COME INTO CONTACT WITH MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, OFFICIALS AND VOLUNTEERS**

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Borough of Closter to treat the public, employees, prospective employees, appointees, volunteers and contractors in a manner consistent with all applicable civil rights laws and regulations including, but not limited to the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 as subsequently amended, the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination, the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Conscientious Employee Protection Act; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Borough of Closter has determined that certain procedures need to be established to accomplish this policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT REAFFIRMED by the Borough of Closter that:

Section 1: No official, employee, appointee or volunteer of the Borough of Closter by whatever title known, or any entity that is in any way a part of the Borough of Closter, shall engage, either directly or indirectly, in any act including the failure to act that constitutes discrimination, harassment or a violation of any person’s constitutional rights while such official, employee, appointee, volunteer, or entity is engaged in or acting on behalf of the Borough of Closter’s business or using the facilities or property of the Borough of Closter.

Section 2: The prohibitions and requirements of this resolution shall extend to any person or entity, including but not limited to any volunteer organization or inter-local organization, whether structured as a governmental entity or a private entity, that receives authorization or support in any way from the Borough of Closter to provide services that otherwise could be performed by the Borough of Closter.

Section 3: Discrimination, harassment and civil rights shall be defined for purposes of this resolution using the latest definitions contained in the applicable Federal and State laws concerning discrimination, harassment and civil rights.

Section 4: The Borough Administrator shall establish written procedures for any person to report alleged discrimination, harassment and violations of civil rights prohibited by this resolution. Such procedures shall include alternate ways to report a complaint so that the person making the complaint need not communicate with the alleged violator in the event the alleged violator would be the normal contact for such complaints.

Section 5: No person shall retaliate against any person who reports any alleged discrimination, harassment or violation of civil rights, provided however, that any person who reports alleged violations in bad faith shall be subject to appropriate discipline.

Section 6: The Borough Administrator shall establish written procedures that require all officials, employees, appointees and volunteers of the Borough of Closter, as well as all other entities subject to this resolution, to periodically complete training concerning their duties, responsibilities and rights pursuant to this resolution.

Section 7: The Borough Administrator shall establish a system to monitor compliance and shall report at least annually to the governing body the results of the monitoring.

Section 8: At least annually, the Borough Administrator shall cause a summary of this resolution and the procedures established pursuant to this resolution to be communicated within the Borough of Closter. This communication shall include a statement from the governing body expressing its unequivocal commitment to enforce this resolution. This summary shall also be posted on the Borough of Closter's web site.

Section 9: This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Section 10: A copy of this resolution shall be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter in order for the public to be made aware of this policy and the Borough of Closter's commitment to the implementation and enforcement of this policy.

***26-014 DESIGNATING PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER – JAMES B. WINTERS**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter, in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that the following Borough Official is hereby designated as the Public Agency Compliance Officer (PACO):

James B. Winters, Borough Administrator

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to complete the Designation of Public Agency Compliance Officer form via the online submission process available on the Department of Treasury's website at https://www.nj.gov/treasury/contract_compliance/ and submit same via email to CCAUC@treas.state.nj.gov or mailed to the address on the correspondence from the State.

***26-015 AUTHORIZING 2026 TAX SALE**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-1, et seq., authorizes a tax sale pursuant to the rules and regulations to be promulgated by the Director of the Division of Government Services.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to conduct a Standard Tax Sale of delinquent taxes for all delinquent properties and submit to Director of the Division of Local Government Services, if necessary.

***26-016 AUTHORIZING A REPRESENTATIVE TO BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNICATION ADVISORY BOARD – JAMES BUCCOLA**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter has entered into a shared service agreement with County of Bergen for Police, Fire, and Ambulance communication dispatch; and

WHEREAS, Bergen County has established a Communications Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Glidden has recommended Police Chief James Buccola as the Borough of Closter's representative, serve on the Bergen County Communication Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter's Administrator concurs with this recommendation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that James Buccola is authorized to serve as the Borough of Closter's representative as the Bergen County Communications Advisory Board for the year of 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk shall provide a certified copy of this resolution to the Police Department for filing of said resolution with the Bergen county Director of Communications.

***26-017 HIRING TEMPORARY DRIVER/LABORER FOR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
2026 SNOW REMOVAL/EMERGENCY WEATHER SEASON – ROBERT DIPPOLITO**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for a Temporary Driver / Laborer for 2026 Snow Removal and Emergent Severe Weather conditions within the Closter Department of Public Works; and,

WHEREAS, the following individual meets the requirements to fill the position at the Department of Public Works; and,

Robert Dippolito Driver / Laborer \$50.00 per hour

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that Robert Dippolito is hereby appointed to the position of Temporary Driver / Laborer in the Department of Public Works – Streets & Roads Division beginning January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026 at a rate of \$50.00 per hour as needed for the removal of snow and any emergent weather conditions; not to exceed 37.5 hours per week.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Clerk shall provide a certified copy of this Resolution to the Finance Office.

***26-018 APPOINTING DET. SGT. KEITH DOMBKOWSKI AS MUNICIPAL HUMANE LAW
ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

WHEREAS, in a letter dated May 8, 2018, from Deborah Yankow, Division Director Animal Services, advising of a new law (S3558/A5231) that abolished the State Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) ; and

WHEREAS, the letter requested that each municipal governing body appoint a Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer (MHLEO); and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police recommends appointing Det. Sgt. Keith Dombkowski as the Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer (MHLEO); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter that Det. Sgt. Keith Dombkowski is hereby appointed as the Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer (MHLEO).

***26-019 AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF
NORWOOD, NORTHVALE, RIVER VALE, AND DEMAREST FOR THE CLOSTER
POLICE FIRING RANGE**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter has a Police Department Firing Range for training and qualification of the members of its police department; and

WHEREAS, representatives from the Borough of Norwood, the Borough of Northvale, the Borough of Demarest and River Vale Township, have indicated a desire to share services with the Borough of Closter and to use the Closter Police Firearms Training Facility for members of their respective police departments from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Closter Chief of Police recommended this Shared Services Arrangement to the Mayor and Council and has prepared Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for the range as part of a Shared Services Agreement at a rate of \$200.00 per Officer for hand gun and small arms qualifications and an additional \$100.00 surcharge per Officer for qualifications of high powered rifles.

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney reviewed the SOPs and Shared Services Agreement and found same to be in order; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's Risk Manager reviewed the insurance provisions and found same to be in order.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Closter that:

1. A Shared Services Agreement between the Borough of Closter and the Borough of Norwood, the Borough of Northvale, the Borough of Demarest and the Township of River Vale for use of the Police Firing Range is hereby authorized; and
2. The Chief of Police is hereby authorized to forward the SOPs and Shared Services Agreement to the Borough of Norwood, the Borough of Northvale, the Borough of Demarest and the Township of River Vale; and
3. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the aforementioned Shared Services Agreement.

***26-020 AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF CLOSTER THROUGH THE CLOSTER POLICE**

**DEPARTMENT TO FILE AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FEDERAL
1033 PROGRAM TO ENABLE SAID DEPARTMENT TO REQUEST AND ACQUIRE
EXCESS DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EQUIPMENT**

WHEREAS, the United States Congress authorized the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) 1033 Program to make use of excess Department of Defense personal property by making that personal property available to municipal, county and State law enforcement agencies (LEAs); and

WHEREAS, DLA rules mandate that all equipment acquired through the 1033 Program remain under the control of the requesting LEA; and

WHEREAS, participation in the 1033 Program allows municipal and county LEAs to obtain property they might not otherwise be able to afford in order to enhance community preparedness, response, and resiliency; and

WHEREAS, although property is provided through the 1033 Program at no cost to municipal and county LEAs, these entities are responsible for the costs associated with delivery, maintenance, fueling, and upkeep of the property, and for specialized training on the operation of any acquired property; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-30.2 requires that the governing body of the municipality or county approve, by a majority of the full membership, both enrollment in, and the acquisition of any property through, the 1033 Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter, County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey that the Closter Police Department is hereby authorized to enroll in the 1033 Program for no more than a one-year period with authorization to participate terminating on December 31 of the current calendar year from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Closter Police Department is hereby authorized to acquire items of non-controlled property designated "DEMIL A," which may include office supplies, office furniture, computers, electronic equipment generators, field packs, non-military vehicles, clothing, traffic and transit signal systems, exercise equipment, farming and moving equipment, storage devices and containers, tools, medical and first aid equipment and supplies, personal protection equipment and supplies, construction materials, lighting supplies, beds and sleeping mats, wet and cold weather equipment and supplies, respirators, binoculars and any other supplies or equipment of a non-military nature identified by the LEA, if it shall become available in the period of time for which this resolution authorizes, based on the needs of the Closter Police Department, without restriction; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Closter Police Department is hereby authorized to acquire the following "DEMIL B through Q" property, if it shall become available in the period of time for which this resolution authorizes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the "DEMIL B thorough Q" controlled 3-page property list is hereby approved and hereto attached to this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Closter Police Department shall develop and implement a full training plan and policy for the maintenance and use of the acquired property; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Closter Police Department shall provide a quarterly accounting of all property obtained through the I033 Program which shall be available to the public upon request; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately and shall be valid to authorize requests to acquire "DEMIL A" property and certain "DEMIL B through Q" property that may be made available through the 1033 Program during the period of time for which this resolution authorizes; with Program participation and all property request authorization terminating on December 31st of the current calendar year.

***26-021 PARTICIPATION IN THE BERGEN COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT MUTUAL AID**

WHEREAS, the police departments in Bergen County have a day to day responsibility to provide for the security of lives and property, for the maintenance and preservation of the public peace and order; and

WHEREAS, Law Enforcement Officials also have a responsibility to provide for preparedness against natural emergencies, such as floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, major storms, etc., man-made causes, civil unrest, and civil disobedience such as riot, strikes, jail or prison riots, train wrecks, aircraft crashes, major fires, ethnic disorders, riots, terrorist incidents and bombings, state and national emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Police Chief's Association has proposed a Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force to deal with these emergencies; and

WHEREAS, this Plan is adopted in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.1, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.4 and N.J.S.A. App. A:9-40.6; and

WHEREAS, this Plan will provide a uniform procedure for the coordination of the requesting, dispatching, and

utilization of law enforcement personnel and equipment whenever a local law enforcement agency requires mutual aid assistance from any other jurisdiction, both contiguous and non-contiguous, in the event of an emergency, riot or disorder, in order to protect life and property; and

WHEREAS, it is also recognized that the Closter Chief of Police, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118 and under the authority of the Bergen County Prosecutor, has the authority to assign officers to the Task Force, Rapid Deployment Team (RDF,RDT), or Regional SWAT team operated in conjunction with the Bergen County Prosecutor's office; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter to participate in a Mutual Aid Plan /Protocol and Rapid Deployment Force in accordance with the Plan as submitted by the Bergen County Police Chief's Association and Prosecutors Office 2020-14.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter that the police Department of the Borough of Closter, under the direction of the Chief of Police, cooperate with the Bergen County Police Chief's Association to create an Interlocal Services Agreement with all municipalities in the County of Bergen in order to put into place the Mutual Aid Plan / Protocol and Rapid Deployment Force.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the Resolution be forwarded to the County Executive, the Board of Commissioners, the County Prosecutor, and all municipalities in the County of Bergen.

***26-022 ADOPTING A FORM REQUIRED TO BE USED FOR THE FILING OF NOTICES OF TORT CLAIMS AGAINST THE BOROUGH OF CLOSTER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY TORT CLAIMS ACT N.J.S.A. 59:8-6**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Tort Claims Act N.J.S.A. 59:8-6 provides that a public entity may adopt a form to be completed by claimants seeking to file a Notice of Tort Claim against the public entity; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter is a public entity covered by the provisions of the New Jersey Tort Claims Act; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter deems it advisable, necessary, and in the public interests to adopt a Notice of Tort Claim form in the form set forth in paragraphs 1 and 2 herein.

1. **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the governing body of the Borough of Closter, that the attached Notice of Tort Claim form be and hereby is adopted as the official Notice of Tort Claim form for the Borough of Closter; and
2. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all persons making claims against the Borough of Closter, pursuant to the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, N.J.S.A. 59:8-1 et seq., be required to complete the form herein adopted as a condition of compliance with the notice requirement of the New Jersey Tort Claims Act.

***26-023 REDEMPTION CALCULATION FEES**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-97.1 was amended to allow a municipality to charge a \$50.00 fee for a redemption calculation that has been requested by a lienholder on a certificate they own. N.J.S.A. 54:5-54 states a municipality may charge \$50.00 after two calendar year calculations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter, County of Bergen, New Jersey that the Tax collector is hereby authorized to charge a lienholder \$50 for a redemption calculation and any party entitled to redeem a tax sale certificate a fee of \$50 for any subsequent redemption calculations during a calendar year.

***26-024 APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH ATTORNEY – HUNTINGTON BAILEY, LLP**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional, legal services for the time period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, fund are available for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, William J. Bailey, Esq., Huntington Bailey, LLP, is qualified to provide professional legal services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40:A11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bidding be publicly advertise.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with:

William J. Bailey, Esq.

Huntington Bailey, LLP

2. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
3. This contract is being awarded through a Fire and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
4. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
5. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-025 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR – LERCH, VINCI & BLISS LLP**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional auditing services for 2026; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, Gary J. Vinci / Lerch, Vinci & Bliss LLP, is qualified to provide professional, auditing services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertised.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with:

LERCH, VINCI & BLISS, LLP

2. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
3. This contract is being awarded through a Fair and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
4. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed (in accordance with the publication of notice provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) to publish a notice of this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
5. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-026 APPOINTMENT OF BOND COUNSEL – GIBBONS P.C.**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional bond counsel services for 2026; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Gibbons P.C. is qualified to provide professional, bond counsel services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with: GIBBONS P.C. (REP. JOHN D. DRAIKIWICZ)
2. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
3. This contract is being awarded through a Fair and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
4. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed (in accordance with the publication of notice provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) to publish a notice of this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
5. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-027 APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH ENGINEER – BOSWELL ENGINEERING**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional engineering services for 2026; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, Boswell Engineering, is qualified to provide professional, engineering services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with:

BOSWELL ENGINEERING
(REP. NICK DeNICOLA)

2. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
3. This contract is being awarded through a Fair and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
4. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed (in accordance with the publication of notice provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) to publish a notice of this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
5. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-028 APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH PLANNER – T AND M ASSOCIATES**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional planning services for 2026 including the Master Plan Re-Examination; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, Caroline Reiter, P.P., AICP, T and M Associates, is qualified to provide said professional planning services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with:
T and M Associates
(REP. CAROLINE REITER, P.P., AICP)
2. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
3. This contract is being awarded through a Fair and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
4. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed (in accordance with the publication of notice provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) to publish a notice of this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
5. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-029 APPOINTMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLANNER – T AND M ASSOCIATES**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional COAH/Affordable Housing planning services for 2026; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, Caroline Reiter, P.P., AICP, T and M Associates, is qualified to provide professional Affordable Housing planning services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:

The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with:

1. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
2. This contract is being awarded through a Fair and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
3. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed (in accordance with the publication of notice provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) to publish a notice of this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
4. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-030 APPOINTMENT OF FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES – ACACIA FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC.**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional, financial advisory services for 2026; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, Acacia Financial Group, LLC, is qualified to provide financial advisory services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:
The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with:

Acacia Financial Group, LLC

1. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
2. This contract is being awarded through a Fair and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
3. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed (in accordance with the publication of notice provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) to publish a notice of this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
4. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-031 APPOINTMENT OF LANDSCAPER FOR FORECLOSED AND ABANDONED PROPERTIES LUPARDI’S NURSERY, INC.**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional landscaping – foreclosed and abandoned property services for 2026; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, Mark Lupardi, Lupardi’s Nursery, Inc., is qualified to provide landscaping-foreclosed and abandoned property services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:
The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with:

LUPARDI’S NURSERY, INC.

1. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
2. This contract is being awarded through a Fair and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
3. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed (in accordance with the publication of notice provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) to publish a notice of this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
4. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-032 APPOINTMENT OF QUALIFIED PURCHASE AGENT – ERIK LENANDER**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the professional services of a Qualified Purchasing Agent for 2026; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, Erik Lenander, is qualified to provide professional Qualified Purchasing Agent services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with:
ERIK LENANDER
2. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
3. This contract is being awarded through a Fair and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
4. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed (in accordance with the publication of notice provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) to publish a notice of this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
5. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-033 APPOINTMENT OF RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT – BARSА INSURANCE AGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter is a current member of the Bergen County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Fund Bylaws require the appointment of a Risk Management Consultant; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter desires a Risk Management Consultant to perform various services in connection with its membership in the insurance fund for 2026; and

WHEREAS, insurance consultant services are an exception to the bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq) by virtue of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(ii) and 40A:11-5(1)(m) in that said services are considered to be Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services; and

WHEREAS, James Barsa, Barsa Insurance Agency, is qualified to provide insurance and risk management services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with:
2. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
3. This contract is being awarded through a Fair and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
4. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed (in accordance with the publication of notice provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) to publish a notice of this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
5. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-034 APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH PROSECUTOR – DIMIN FERRO**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional legal services of a Prosecutor for 2026; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, Mark P. Fierro, Esq., Dimin Fierro, is qualified to provide professional legal services as a Prosecutor; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:

The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with:

MARK P. FIERRO, ESQ.

DIMIN FIERRO

1. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
2. This contract is being awarded through a Fair and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
3. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed (in accordance with the publication of notice provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) to publish a notice of this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
4. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-035 APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH ALTERNATE PROSECUTOR – ELSBETH J. CRUSIUS, LLC.**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional legal services of an Alternate Prosecutor for 2026; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, Elsbeth J. Crusius, Esq., Elsbeth J. Crusius, LLC, is qualified to provide professional legal services as an Alternate Prosecutor; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertised; and

WHEREAS, the services by the Alternate Prosecutor will be up to the amount of, but not to exceed \$1,200.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with:

ELSBETH J. CRUSIUS, ESQ.

ELSBETH J. CRUSIUS, LLC

2. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.

***26-036 APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH LABOR ATTORNEY – WISS LAW, P.C.**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional legal services for 2026; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, Raymond Wiss, Wiss Law, P.C. is qualified to provide professional legal services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with:
Raymond Wiss
Wiss Law P.C.
2. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
3. This contract is being awarded through a Fair and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
4. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed (in accordance with the publication of notice provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) to publish a notice of this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
5. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-037 APPOINTMENT OF ACTUARIAL CONSULTING SERVICE – CIRKIEL CONSULTING, LLC**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional actuarial services for 2026; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, Robert Cirkiel, Cirkiel Actuarial Consulting, LLC. Is qualified to provide professional actuarial services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an
2. agreement with:
Robert Cirkiel
Cirkiel Actuarial Consulting LLC
3. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
4. This contract is being awarded through a Fair and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
5. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed (in accordance with the publication of notice provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) to publish a notice of this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
6. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-038 APPOINTMENT OF CONFLICT ATTORNEY – WISS LAW, P.C.**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional, legal services for 2026; and

WHEREAS, fund are available for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, Wiss Law P.C., is qualified to provide professional legal services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40:A11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertise.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:

- The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with:
Wiss Law, P.C.
(Raymond R. Wiss)

1. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
2. This contract is being awarded through a Fire and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
3. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
4. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-039 APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH ARCHITECTS – SETTEMBRINO ASSOCIATES**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional legal services for 2026; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, SETTEMBRINO ASSOCIATES, is qualified to provide professional legal services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:
The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with:

Settembrino Associates
(Rep. Kevin M. Settembrino)

1. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
2. This contract is being awarded through a Fair and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
3. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed (in accordance with the publication of notice provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) to publish a notice of this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
4. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-040 TO PURSUE A “FAIR AND OPEN” PROCESS IN AWARDING CERTAIN CONTRACTS
IN THE BOROUGH OF CLOSTER**

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of New Jersey regarding the awarding of certain municipal contracts requires that said contracts be awarded pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20, et. seq., commonly called the “Pay to Play” law; and

WHEREAS, the governing body desires to pursue the “Fair and Open” process set forth in the law in awarding contracts for the following positions for 2026:

Borough Auditor	Borough Bond Attorney
Borough Attorney	Borough Appraiser-Commercial/Residential
Borough Labor Attorney	Actuarial Consulting Services
Attorney to the Planning Board*	Architect
Attorney to the Zoning Board*	Borough Planner (Master Plan Reexamination)
Affordable Housing Planner	Financial Advisory Services
Risk Manager	Ethics Board Attorney
Qualified Purchasing Agent	Landscaper-Foreclosed & Abandoned Properties
Borough Engineer;	Alternate Prosecutor
Including Planning Board & Zoning Board of Adjustments	
Public Prosecutor	
Public Defender	
Duly licensed personnel to carry out the following public health activities:	

- a) Public Health Administration: health Officer, electronic information notification (LINCIS), health education.
- b) Environmental Health Services – Registered Environmental Health Specialist (approximately 4 days per week but additional hours may be assigned subject to Board of Health approval)

All of the services described in a & b shall meet “Public Health Practice Standards of Performance for Local Boards of Health in New Jersey”.

***WHEREAS**, the governing body recognizes that under the law, the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment may make the final decision as to whether or not to use the Fair and Open process when awarding their contracts; however, the governing body strongly recommends that these Boards use the Fair and Open process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Closter that the governing body desires to pursue

the Fair and Open Process in awarding contracts for the positions set forth above and the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for said positions pursuant to the law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk and Borough Attorney are hereby authorized to take all further steps necessary to carry out the governing body's desire to pursue the Fair and Open process in awarding the contracts for the positions set forth above.

***26-041 AWARD OF 2026 SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT- BERGEN COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES - EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter desires to enter into an Agreement with the County of Bergen Department of Health for provision of certain professional health clinic services for the period January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Department of Health Services has agreed to provide certain health services to the Borough of Closter for a fee; and

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Department of Health Services is qualified to provide the Employee Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, such agreements are authorized pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2) and N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, this contract is in the best interest of the Borough of Closter; and

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Department of Health Services is the existing provider of the Employee Assistant Program services in an Agreement which expired on December 31, 2025; and

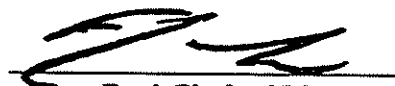
WHEREAS, this Agreement will be renewed on the same billing cycles as the existing agreement beginning **January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026** in an amount of **\$1,268.25** (\$22.25 per employee) in 2026 for an Employee Assistance Program (Exhibit A); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Closter, in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that the Shared Services Agreement between the Borough of Closter and the Bergen County Department of Health for the provision of certain professional health services is authorized and accepted and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement in the amount and **\$1,268.25** annually with the County of Bergen; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract shall take effect upon the adoption of the appropriate Resolution by the Borough of Closter and the execution of the contract by the parties in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq.

CERTIFICATE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I, Frank Elenio, CFO of the Borough of Closter, hereby certify, pursuant to NJSA 40A:9-140.1, et seq. and NJAC 5:30.4, that the funds will be available to the Borough of Closter for calendar year 2026 in account 06-01-27-340-000-020.


Frank Elenio, CFO

Dated: January 5, 2026

***26-042 FOR APPROVAL TO PURCHASE ANY GOODS OR SERVICES UNDER THE STATE
OF NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM FOR CALENDAR YEAR
2026**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29 (C), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing State contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter intends to enter into contracts with the Referenced State Contract Vendors through this resolution and properly executed contracts, which shall be subject to all of the conditions applicable to the current State contracts; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Closter authorizes the Purchasing Agent to purchase certain goods or services from those approved New Jersey State Contract Vendors, pursuant to all conditions of the individual State contracts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that governing body of the Borough of Closter pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b), the certification of available funds, shall either certify the full maximum amount against the budget at the time the contract is awarded, or no contract amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as the goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for prior to placing the order, and a certification of availability of funds is made by the Chief Financial Officer; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the duration of the contracts between the Borough of Closter and the Referenced New Jersey State Contract Vendors shall be from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026.

***26-043 APPOINTING MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE – FRANCIS J. LEDDY, JR.**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter operates a Municipal Court and is required by law to have a Municipal Court Judge to reside over court sessions;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Governing Body of the Borough of Closter hereby appoints Francis J. Leddy, Jr., as the Municipal Court Judge for a three (3) year term, commencing January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028.

***26-044 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES APPOINTMENT DRUG TESTING SERVICES – VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter has a policy for alcohol and drug abuse testing of applicants and/or employees; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises set forth, the parties hereby enter into an agreement; and

WHEREAS, Valley Health Systems, Inc., is qualified to provide alcohol and drug testing services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bidding be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with:
2. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, as a professional service.
3. This contract is being awarded through a Fair and Open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
4. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed (in accordance with the publication of notice provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) to publish a notice of this action once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Closter.
5. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-045 APPOINTING DEPUTY RECORDS CUSTODIANS UNDER THE OPEN PUBLIC RECORDS ACT N.J.S.A 47:1A ET SEQ.**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Open Public Records Act, N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq. (“OPRA”), the Municipal Clerk is designated as the Records Custodian for a municipality; and

WHEREAS, OPRA allows a municipality to develop reasonable and practical measures for responding to OPRA requests, which may include the designation of deputy custodians for particular types of records; and

WHEREAS, the governing body recognizes that the Borough regularly receives requests for government records from certain departments that maintain custody of their records pursuant to their respective statutorily-defined responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, upon the request of the Municipal Clerk, and to facilitate the efficient administration of OPRA requests and timely public access to government records, the governing body deems it to be in the best interest of the Borough to appoint Deputy Records Custodian(s) for those departments which maintain custody of records that are frequently the subject of OPRA requests;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the following Deputy Records Custodian(s) appointments are hereby made for the following departments for the purpose of fulfilling requests for government records from their respective departments:

Police Department Records - Deputy Custodians

1. Joseph Baldomero
2. MaryEllen Cerbasi
3. Daniel Hargrave

4. Joseph Sanfilippo

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, notwithstanding the appointment of Deputy Custodians hereunder, all requests for Borough records shall continue to be made in the manner set forth in the Borough's policy directly to the Municipal Clerk, who shall thereafter, in her discretion, refer the request to the Deputy Records Custodians as deemed appropriate for response; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each of the custodians deputized herein shall be primarily responsible for responding to OPRA requests issued to their respective departments, shall adhere to the time limits and requirements for compliance set forth under OPRA, and shall notify the Municipal Clerk of the production of any records and the date of compliance; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in the event that any of the above-named Deputy Custodian(s) should no longer be employed by the Borough of Closter, or shall become employed in a different capacity than identified above, the person hired or designated to assume the responsibilities of the position shall be deemed the Deputy Records Custodian(s) for that department unless and until further action of this governing body; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to the Chief of Police.

***26-046 AWARD BLOODBORNE PATHOGEN COMPLIANCE 2026-2027 PROGRAM – BERGEN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter has identified the need to maintain the provision of a Bloodborne Pathogen Compliance Program; and

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Department of Health Services has agreed to provide a Bloodborne Pathogen Compliance Program to the Borough of Closter for a fee; and

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Department of Health Services is qualified to provide the Bloodborne Pathogen Compliance Program; and

WHEREAS, this contract is in the best interest of the Borough of Closter; and

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Department of Health Services is the existing provider of the Bloodborne Pathogen Compliance Program in an agreement which expired on December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, this agreement will be renewed on the same billing cycles as the existing agreement beginning January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027 in an *amount not to exceed \$3,500.00* annually for a Bloodborne Pathogen Compliance Program (Exhibit A attached);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement for an amount *not to exceed \$3,500.00* annually with The County of Bergen Department of Health Services
2. This contract is being awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2) and N.J.S.A. 40A-65-1 et seq., as a service being provided by a governmental entity
3. That the award of this contract be in accordance with and subject to compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations of the State of New Jersey and the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 127.

***26-047 AUTHORIZE CONTRACT WITH CERTAIN APPROVED STATE CONTACT PRICING SYSTEM VENDORS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11 – AXON ENTERPRISE INC.**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System ("CPS") and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.11(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services for any contracts under the CPS and entered into by the Lead Agency; and

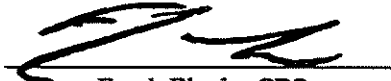
WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing such contracts for Axon Core+ Program Police Tasers for use by the Closter Police Department; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Closter authorizes the purchase of certain goods or services from Axon Enterprise, Inc., 17800 North 85th Street, Scottsdale, AZ 85255, New Jersey State Contract T0106, Bid Solicitation #17DPP00046, #17-FLEET-00738 valid through May 14, 2026 in the amount of pursuant to all conditions of the individual contracts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Borough of Closter, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b), the certification of available funds, shall either certify the full maximum amount against the budget at the time the contract is awarded, or no contract amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as the goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for prior to placing the order, and a certification of availability of funds is made by the Chief Financial Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I, Frank Elenio, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Closter, hereby certify, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-140.1, et seq. and N.J.A.C. 5:30.4, that the funds will be available to the Borough of Closter for calendar year 2025, Capital Account: C-04-23-320-000-003 in the amount of \$46,367.78 for the total purchase amount of \$46,367.78.


Frank Elenio, CFO

***26-048 AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF POLICE DEPARTMENT TRAFFIC AND
EMERGENCY SIGNAGE FROM ADMINISTRATIVE FEES TRUST – PREMIUM
DIGITAL OFFICE**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter's Police Department needs to purchase police department traffic and emergency signage; and

WHEREAS, the funds from the Administrative Fees Trust are available for this purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department would like to purchase police department traffic and emergency signage from Premium Digital Office for \$1,700.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council do hereby authorize the Police Department to purchase police department traffic and emergency signage from Premium Digital Office for \$1,700.00, funded by the Administrative Fees Trust.

CERTIFICATE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I, Francis Elenio, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Closter, hereby certify, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-140.1 et seq. and NJAC 5:30.4, that the funds are available to the Borough of Closter for the calendar year 2025 in account: T-13-56-000-096-999 for \$1,700.00.


Frank Elenio, CFO

***26-049 AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF POLICE VEHICLE GRAPHICS FROM
ADMINISTRATIVE TRUST FEES – GRAPHICS SHOPPE**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter's Police Department needs to purchase police vehicle graphics; and

WHEREAS, the funds from the Administrative Fees Trust are available for this purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department would like to purchase police vehicle graphics from Graphix Shoppe for \$575.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council do hereby authorize the Police Department to purchase police vehicle graphics from Graphix Shoppe for \$575.00, funded by the Administrative Fees Trust.

CERTIFICATE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I, Francis Elenio, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Closter, hereby certify, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-140.1 et seq. and NJAC 5:30.4, that the funds are available to the Borough of Closter for the calendar year 2025 in account: T-13-56-000-096-999 for \$575.00.


Frank Elenio, CFO

***26-050 AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF POLICE VEHICLE GRAPHICS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE TRUST FEES – HAWORTH SERVICE CENTER**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter's Police Department needs to purchase police vehicle graphics installation; and

WHEREAS, the funds from the Administrative Fees Trust are available for this purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department would like to purchase police vehicle graphics installation from Haworth Service Center, Inc. for \$600.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council do hereby authorize the Police Department to purchase police vehicle graphics installation from Haworth Service Center, Inc. for \$600.00, funded by the Administrative Fees Trust.

CERTIFICATE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I, Francis Elenio, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Closter, hereby certify, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-140.1 et seq. and NJAC 5:30.4, that the funds are available to the Borough of Closter for the calendar year 2025 in account: T-13-56-000-096-999 for \$600.00.


Frank Elenio, CFO

***26-051 AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF POLICE VEHICLE AUTOMOTIVE PARTS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE FEES TRUST – P & G AUTO INC.**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter's Police Department needs to purchase police vehicle automotive parts; and

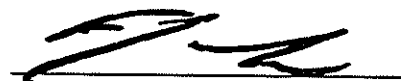
WHEREAS, the funds from the Administrative Fees Trust are available for this purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department would like to purchase police vehicle automotive parts from P & G Auto Inc. for \$2,151.52; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council do hereby authorize the Police Department to purchase police vehicle automotive parts from P & G Auto Inc. for \$2,151.52, funded by the Administrative Fees Trust.

CERTIFICATE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I, Francis Elenio, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Closter, hereby certify, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-140.1 et seq. and NJAC 5:30.4, that the funds are available to the Borough of Closter for the calendar year 2025 in account: T-13-56-000-096-999 for \$2,151.52.


Frank Elenio, CFO

***26-052 AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF POLICE VEHICLE EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT FROM ADMINISTRATIVE FEES TRUST – 10-75 EMERGENCY VEHICLES**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Closter's Police Department needs to purchase police vehicle emergency equipment and installation; and

WHEREAS, the funds from the Administrative Fees Trust are available for this purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department would like to purchase police vehicle emergency equipment and installation from 10-75 Emergency Vehicles under New Jersey State Contract #17-Fleet-00743 for \$5,910.81; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council do hereby authorize the Police Department to police vehicle emergency equipment and installation from 10-75 Emergency Vehicles under New Jersey State Contract #17-Fleet-00743 for \$5,910.81, funded by the Administrative Fees Trust.

CERTIFICATE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I, Francis Elenio, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Closter, hereby certify, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-

140.1 et seq. and NJAC 5:30.4, that the funds are available to the Borough of Closter for the calendar year 2025 in account: T-13-56-000-096-999 for \$5,910.81.


Frank Elenio, CFO

***26-053 CHANGE IN MONETARY AMOUNT FOR PETTY CASH FUND – CLERK’S OFFICE**

WHEREAS; N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund, and,

WHEREAS; it is the desire of the Mayor and Council, Borough of Closter, County of Bergen that the petty cash fund for the Borough Clerk be increased from \$150.00 to \$200.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council, Borough of Closter, County of Bergen hereby authorizes such action and two copies of this resolution be filed with the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approval.

16. REVIEW AND VOTE ON ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

COUNCILMEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Councilwoman Amitai			✓			
Council President Cho			✓			
Councilwoman Chung			✓			
Councilwoman Latner	✓		✓			
Councilwoman Maroules			✓			
Councilman Yammarino		✓	✓			

17. ANY OTHER MATTER WHICH MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE GOVERNING BODY

None

18. OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC FOR ANY MATTER, PER N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (a) (5-MINUTE LIMIT)

No one asked to be heard.

19. BENEDICTION

Pastor Robert Holsten of St. Paul’s Evangelical Lutheran Church stated the benediction.

20. ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILMEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Councilwoman Amitai			✓			
Council President Cho			✓			
Councilwoman Chung			✓			
Councilwoman Latner		✓	✓			
Councilwoman Maroules			✓			
Councilman Yammarino	✓		✓			

The Reorganization Meeting adjourned at **8:08 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,


Mari J. Margiotta, RMC, CMR
Borough Clerk

Date of Minutes approval: March 25, 2026