

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 13, 2026
MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING NO. 6

A meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey was held on April 13, 2026, and was called to order by Mayor Guindi at 7:00 PM with the following Council Members in Attendance:

Mayor and Council Roll Call	Present	Absent	Excused Tardy
<i>Mayor Peter S. Guindi</i>	X		
<i>Councilwoman Sandra DaSilva</i>	X		
<i>Councilman Joseph Donato</i>	X		
<i>Councilman Hank Dziemian</i>	X		
<i>Councilman Nick Giannakopoulos</i>	X		
<i>Councilman James Gurchensky</i>	X		
<i>Council President Matt DeSantis</i>	X		

Also attending this meeting were Interim Business Administrator Mark Tinitigan, DPW Director Adriano Soares, Fire Chief Scott Wolf, Borough Attorney John DeLuca, and Borough Engineer Justin Cornell

IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 231 OF PUBLIC LAW OF 1975, NOTICE OF THIS MEETING TO BE HELD AT THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE BUILDING, 61 MAIN STREET, SOUTH RIVER HAS BEEN PUBLISHED IN THE HOME NEWS TRIBUNE ON JANUARY 7, 2026, POSTED ON THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING BULLETIN BOARD, THE BOROUGH WEBSITE, THE FRONT DOOR OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE BUILDING AT 61 MAIN STREET, SOUTH RIVER.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Guindi lead the salute to the Flag and a moment of silence.

PROCLAMATIONS, HONORS, AWARDS & PRESENTATIONS

- Water Main Replacement Project Update – Felipe Contreras from CDM Smith provided an update on the project
- National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week Proclamation – Mayor Guindi reads the Proclamation:

Proclamation

National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

April 12 – 18, 2026

Whereas emergencies can occur at any time that require police, fire or emergency medical services; and,

Whereas when an emergency occurs the prompt response of police officers, firefighters and emergency medical technicians is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and,

Whereas the safety of our police officers, firefighters and emergency medical technicians is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the South River Police Department's emergency communications center; and,

Whereas Public Safety Telecommunicators are the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and,

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Whereas Public Safety Telecommunicators are the single vital link for our police officers and firefighters by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information, and ensuring their safety; and,

Whereas Public Safety Telecommunicators of the South River Police Department have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires and treatment of patients; and,

Whereas each dispatcher has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year.

Now, therefore, I, Mayor Peter S. Guindi along with the members of the Council of the Borough of South River do hereby proclaim April 12 through 18, 2026, to be.

National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week in South River

In honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our community and citizens safe.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Borough of South River, NJ, this 13th day of April 2026.

Peter S. Guindi, Mayor

INTRODUCTION OF THE 2026 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

2026-118 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2026

RESOLUTION #2026-118

MUNICIPAL BUDGET NOTICE

Section 1.

Municipal Budget of the BOROUGH of SOUTH RIVER, County of MIDDLESEX for the Fiscal Year 2026

Be it Resolved, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2026;

Be it Further Resolved, that said Budget be published on the official website www.southrivernj.org on April 20th, 2026;

Also, if applicable, it will be advertised in the following on-line publication of N/A on , 2026.

The Governing Body of the BOROUGH of SOUTH RIVER does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 2026:

RECORDED VOTE
(Insert Last Name)

Ayes

DaSilva
Donato
Dziemian
Giannakopoulos
Gurchensky
DeSantis

Nays

Abstained

Absent

Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the COUNCIL MEMBERS of the BOROUGH of SOUTH RIVER, County of MIDDLESEX, on April 13th, 2026.

A Hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at Public Safety Building, on May 11th, 2026 at 7:00 o'clock P.M. at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2026 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

AGENDA SESSION

- Discussion on Ordinances –Business Administrator Mark Tinitigan explains the ordinances on the agenda.

ORDINANCE– SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 2026-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, SO AS TO AMEND CHAPTER 193 ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT OF CODE

Chapter 193 of the Borough Code of the Borough of South River, titled "Vehicles and Traffic," at Section 193-39, titled, "Schedule X, Loading Zones," is hereby amended so as to modify the increase the area of the loading zone for the following location:

[Additions are shown thusly and deletions ~~thusly~~.]

Name of Street	Side	Hours	Location
Marks Place	West	<u>7 a.m. – 5 p.m.</u>	From a point 130 feet north of its intersection of Jackson Street to a point ~~110~~ <u>85</u> feet north thereof

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect. The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

SECTION 3. REPEALER

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency. Nothing herein is intended to repeal or abrogate any existing ordinance or resolution that is not in conflict with this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. CONFLICT WITH OTHER LAWS

Whenever the requirements or provisions of this Ordinance are in conflict with the requirements or provisions of any other lawfully adopted Ordinance, law, rule, or regulation of the State of New Jersey, the more restrictive requirements shall apply.

SECTION 5. CODIFICATION

This Ordinance shall be a part of the Code of the Borough of South River as though codified and set forth fully herein. The Borough Clerk shall have this Ordinance codified and incorporated in the official copies of the Code.

SECTION 6.**EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication or as soon thereafter as permitted by law.

Council President DeSantis motioned to waive the full reading; seconded by Councilman Dziemian. All in Favor. The Clerk read Ordinance 2026-6 by title only. Mayor Guindi opened the floor for public hearing of Ordinance 2026-8 only.

Being no public came forth, Council President DeSantis motioned to close public hearing of said Ordinance; seconded by Councilman Gurchensky. All in Favor.

Adopted 4-13-26

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>	X		X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>			X			

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

ORDINANCES— FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY

The Borough Clerk read Ordinance 2026-9 by title only

ORDINANCE 2026-9

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, CHAPTER 193
ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC” BY AMENDING SECTION 193-31.1, SCHEDULE IIA
“HANDICAPPED PARKING” THEREOF**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, that Chapter 193 of the Code of the Borough of South River entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” be amended by amending Section 193-31.1, Schedule IIA as follows:

SECTION 1. Schedule IIA. HANDICAPPED PARKING

Street	Side	Location
Phillip Street	West	43 Feet South of Burton Avenue, extending 28 feet Thereof

SECTION 2. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION 3. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage, adoption, and publication according to law.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, held on April 13th, 2026, and will be considered for second reading and final passage at the regular meeting of said Governing Body to be held on the 11th day of May, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as this matter can be reached, at the Council Chamber of the Criminal Justice Building located at 61 Main Street, South River, New Jersey, and/or virtually via Zoom meeting code 826 6082 9597: password: 000000 at which time all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning this ordinance.

Introduced 4-13-26

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

The Borough Clerk read Ordinance 2026-10 by title only

ORDINANCE 2026-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, SO AS TO AMEND CHAPTER 193 ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 193 of the Borough Code of the Borough of South River, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic," is hereby amended and supplemented so as to amend § 193-31 entitled, "No Parking Certain Hours," so as to add the following location:

Street	Side	Location
William Street	West	From the northwest corner of Henry Street, extending 220 feet north thereof

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect after final passage, adoption, and publication according to law.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, held on April 13th, 2026, and will April 13, 2026 Council Regular Meeting Minutes- APPROVED 5/11/26

be considered for second reading and final passage at the regular meeting of said Governing Body to be held on the 11th day of May, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as this matter can be reached, at the Council Chamber of the Criminal Justice Building located at 61 Main Street, South River, New Jersey, and/or virtually via Zoom meeting code 826 6082 9597: password: 000000 at which time all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning this ordinance.

Introduced 4-13-26

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

DEPARTMENTAL/PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

Borough Engineer Justin Cornell

- **NJDOT FY 2023 Local Aid Program and NJDOT FY 2024 Local Aid Program**
 - The borough received a \$681,405.00 grant Leonardine Ave. from the OBT to Grand Ave., Prentice Ave., from Willet Ave. to Sheldon Ave., & Beryl St. from Cleveland Ave. to Wilcox.
 - The NJDOT has awarded the Borough a grant in the amount of \$606,980.00 for the Improvements to Darrow Street from Virginia Street to Bright Street, Dailey Street from Ferris Street to John Street and John Street from Colfax Street to George Street.
 - Our office is working with the contractor to complete the punchlist and close the project.
- **NJDOT FY 2023 Local Transportation Projects Grant**
 - The Borough received a \$575,000 grant for the improvements to Albourne Street from Ferris Street to Seppi Avenue, Franklin Street from Wilson Avenue to Pulawski Avenue and Olchaskey Avenue from Kamm Avenue to Prentice Avenue.
 - The NJDOT agreed with the Bid Recommendation to award the project to Crossroads Paving. A preconstruction meeting will be scheduled in the coming weeks.
- **NJDOT FY 2025 Local Aid Program**
 - The Borough received a \$506,913 grant for the following roads:
 - Prentice Avenue from Willett Avenue to Sheldon Avenue;
 - Tice Avenue from the Old Bridge Turnpike to David Street;
 - Cleveland Avenue from Virginia Street to Terminus.
 - The project has been advertised and the bid opening is scheduled for April 30th, at 10:00 am.
- **2025 Electrical Substation Maintenance**
 - The project was approved for award in the amount of \$131,540.00 to RESA Service, LLC of Farmingdale, New Jersey. Sign contracts were submitted to the Borough.

- Work has begun on the Electrical Substation Improvements.
- **NJDOT FY 2026 Local Aid Program**
 - The Borough received a \$582,753.00 grant for the following roads:
 - Mercer Street from Willett Avenue to Johnson Place.
 - Lyons Street from Sunset Street to Frandsen Avenue.
 - Mitchell Avenue from Old Bridge Turnpike to Garden Street.
 - The project has been authorized, and design work has begun.

CFO Joseph Zanga

- Speaks on resolutions 2026-120, 2026-122, and 2026-129
- Speaks on the 2026 Budget Introduction

DPW Director Adriano Soares

- 4/20 - 5/8 is hydrant flushing. All the information is on the borough calendar. Please don't do laundry
- 4/25 is the shred event at 9 Ivan Way

Fire Chief Scott Wolf

- 132 calls for the year
- 1 engine is out of service
- The Ladies Auxiliary will be having a Spring Food Drive on 5/9 from 9-11
- May will start testing season

Borough Attorney John Deluca

- No report

Borough Clerk Alyssa Hager

- No report

Interim Business Administrator Mark Tinitigan

- On 4/25, DEA will be collecting pills and tablets
- On 5/4, the Police Department will be collecting applications for the Junior Police Academy. There are 20 spaces and it will be from 8/24-8/28
- On 5/16, the Police Department will be checking car seats from 9-11
- The Police Department is still looking for Crossing Guards

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS

Councilman Gurchensky

- OOA programs for April is now closed. Please check the website and register early for events
- DPW will be having their Shred Event on 4/25 at 9 Ivan Way

Councilwoman DaSilva

- The Free Rabies Clinic was very successful.
- Cultural Arts will be having a Flag Raising event at Daleys Pond

Council President DeSantis

- Spring Recreation has started and they are practicing on the new turf
- The Chess Program will be starting in May. Please visit the borough website for more information
- The next Recreation meeting will be on 5/18 at 6 pm

Councilman Giannakopoulos

- The Environmental Commission meeting that was scheduled for 4/23 will now be moved to 4/30

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- The next EDC meeting will be on 4/15 at 7 pm
- The Shade Tree will be working on planting trees in the next few weeks

Councilman Donato

- No report

Councilman Dziemian

- The renovations for dispatch will be updated on the Project Blog
- Councilman Dziemian will be teaching youth fundamentals for basketball

Mayor Guindi

- No report

PUBLIC COMMENT- Consent Resolutions Only (5 min per speaker)

Mayor Guindi opened the floor for Public Comment.

Being that no one else came forward for public comment, Mayor Guindi requested motion to close. Councilman Gurchensky motioned to close; seconded by Councilman Giannakopoulos. All in Favor.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

- Shade Tree:
 - John Frost (1/1/26- 12/31/28)
 - Richard Byrne (1/1/26 – 12/31/28)
 - Marie Frost (1/1/26 – 12/31/27)
 - Emily Grasso (1/1/26 – 12/31/27)
 - John Rizco (1/1/26 – 12/31/26)
 - William Solnosky (1/1/26 – 12/31/26)
 - Jesse Hare, Alt 1 (1/1/26-12/31/27)
 - Lisa Byrne, Alt 2 (1/1/26- 12/31/26)
 - Councilman Giannakopoulos, Council Liaison
- Environmental Commission/Green Team:
 - Emily Grasso, Chair
 - Richard Byrne
 - William Solnosky
 - Ann Marie Briscese
 - Shari White
 - Madelina Rivera
 - Lisa Byrne, Alt 1
 - Dorianne Kerber, Advisory Consultant
 - Councilman Joseph Donato, Council Liaison

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS 2026-119 TO 2026-131

WHEREAS RESOLUTION 2025-01 AUTHORIZES THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO UTILIZE A CONSENT AGENDA TO ADOPT VARIOUS RESOLUTIONS OF A ROUTINE AND NONCONTROVERSIAL NATURE AT ONE TIME. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE BELOW LISTED RESOLUTIONS ARE HEREBY ADOPTED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL IN WHOLE AS IF THE SAME WERE INDIVIDUALLY ACTED UPON.

The Borough Clerk read the resolution titles on the consent agenda.

RESOLUTION 2026-119

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE
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REQUISITION OF FUNDS FOR PAYMENT TO THE CUSTODIAN OF THE SCHOOL MONIES

WHEREAS, pursuant to the applicable Statutes of the State of New Jersey, the Local School District is required to requisition funds for Operating Expense and Debt Service Expense from the Borough; and

WHEREAS, a requisition dated March 25, 2026 has been received from the Local School District for the following amount:

CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSE:	\$1,612,331.00
RESTORED FUNDS:	0.00
DEBT SERVICE EXPENSE:	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,612,331.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to draw the above stated amount from the proper accounts and pay to the Custodian of the School Monies the amount so drawn pursuant to the applicable Statutes of the State of New Jersey by May 8, 2026.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>		X	X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on April 13, 2026

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-120 AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT MILLTOWN – MUNICIPAL COURT

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., (the “Act”) and N.J.S.A. 2B:12-1 pertaining to the operation of municipal courts permit units of local government to share services for a particular purpose and to effectuate agreements for any service or circumstance that will aid and encourage a reduction of local expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River and the Borough of Milltown are public bodies corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey and are authorized under New Jersey law to enter into a Shared Services Agreement pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River and the Borough of Milltown desire to enter into a shared services agreement for municipal court services; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the Borough of South River and the Borough of Milltown have negotiated a Shared Services Agreement, copy of which is annexed hereto as Exhibit A, and the terms of which are incorporated into this resolution as if set forth at length herein; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River find it would be in the best interest of the residents and taxpayers of the Borough to authorize the execution of the Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Milltown in substantially the form annexed hereto and made a part hereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the appropriate officials be and are hereby authorized to execute the Share Services Agreement with the Borough of Milltown for municipal court services in substantially the form of the Shared Services Agreement annexed hereto and made a part hereof.
2. The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to forward a duly certified copy of this Resolution to the Mayor and Borough Clerk of the Borough of Milltown; and
3. The Borough Clerk is further directed to forward a duly certified copy of this Resolution and Executed Agreement to the Administrative Office of the Courts.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>		X	X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-121
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUILDING SUBCODE SALARY

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby make the following hourly rate to Dave Wroblewski:

Building Subcode – \$70.00/hour

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>		X	X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-122

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING LOSAP ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO QUALIFIED MEMBERS

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has adopted a Length of Service Award Program ordinance for their fire volunteers: and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River LOSAP provides Annual Contributions to Qualified Members who meet the criteria stated in the Borough ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Qualified Members on the attached list have been certified by their respective departments to have the said amounts deposited into their LOSAP Accounts.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the individuals on the attached list have been certified by their respective departments to have fulfilled all the requirements and qualifications of a Length of Service Award Program by the Borough of South River for the year 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Qualified Members shall have said amounts deposited into their Length of Service Award Program accounts.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>		X	X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on April 13, 2026.

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-123
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF ERIC LABELLA AS LABORER A FOR THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER
SANITATION DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the South River Director of Public Works, Adriano Soares, recommends Eric LaBella for the position of Laborer A within the Sanitation Department with a starting salary of \$20.49 per hour pursuant to the Local 255 United Service Workers Union Contract; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River Mayor and Council desire to approve said recommendation of appointment for Eric LaBella.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Borough of South River Mayor and Council hereby authorize the appointment of Eric LaBella for the position of Laborer A within the Borough of South River Sanitation Department with a starting salary of \$20.49 per hour pursuant to the Local 255 United Service Workers Union Contract on or about April 14, 2026.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on April 13, 2026.

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-124
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF AN EMPLOYEE AS SUMMER HELP TO
THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint the following to the part-time position of summer help in the Department of Public Works at a rate of \$18.00/per hour;

Thomas Servon Jr 4/14/26 – 10/30/26

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>		X	X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on April 13, 2026.

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-125
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF 2026 SPRING RECREATION DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint the following positions for the 2026 Spring Recreation Department Employees effective as of April 14, 2026.

Zumba: Monica Maltez	\$50.00/class
Yoga: Angela Deerson	\$50.00/class
Chess: Alex Braylovskiy	\$15.00 per child/per class

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>		X	X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-126
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN UTILITY REFUNDS

WHEREAS, the official utility records of the Borough of South River, New Jersey show certain refunds which include electric, water and consumer deposits (CD); and

WHEREAS, the Collector of Utility Revenue recommends that the following refunds should be made to the consumer noted herein below listed; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Collector of Utility Revenue is hereby authorized to make the following refunds and adjustments indicated below and any attached list.

<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>PAYABLE TO:</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF CHECK</u>
65-999-009-838 CD	XHULIO DEDI 4206 SCHINDLER CT PISCATAWAY, NJ 08854	\$141.03
65-999-009-933 CD	WAFAA MASOUD MILAD GADEL SAYED 120 B JOHNSON PL SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$150.50
65-999-004-119 CD	MARIANNE SQUIRE-MASZER	\$200.00
65-999-004-119 ELEC CURRENT	356 RIDGE RD APT IO1 DAYTON, NJ 08810	\$21.23
65-999-009-122 CD	JASURBEK & DILNOZA MATYAKUBOVA 120 LEONARDINE AVE B1A SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$142.60
65-999-003-653 CD	ANDRE MIKOLAKCZAK 3181 COZUMEL CT CAPE CORAL, FL 33909	\$93.26
66-999-979-132 WATER CURRENT	DONALD & NANCY PERKIN C/O CHRISTINE PERKIN 160 A PELHAM LANE MONROE TWP, NJ 08831	\$250.30
65-999-008-380 ELEC PREVIOUS	ELDOR & UMIDA RUSTAMOV	\$41.39
66-999-003-798 WATER PREVIOUS	138 VASSAR ST STATEN ISLAND, NY 10314	\$111.66

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>		X	X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on April 13, 2026.

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-127
RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River that March 23rd, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes are approved.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>		X	X			

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RESOLUTION 2026-128
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BILLS AND CLAIMS LIST

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey that all bills, claims and statements against the Borough, in the total amount of \$1,313,370.62 and previously paid claims in the amount of \$2,848,324.71 listing attached, have been duly itemized, audited, approved and signed by the proper officers of the Borough, be and the same are hereby ordered paid.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>		X	X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-129
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A BID AND AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR
UNIDIRECTIONAL FLUSHING PROGRAM

WHEREAS the Borough of South requires a unidirectional flushing program to maintain the health and safety of water supply and quality and

WHEREAS, under the New Jersey Local Public Contracts Law, the Township sought public bids for such Services in a fair and open manner consistent with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and

WHEREAS the Township publicly advertised and received invitations for bids for the second time, consistent with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4a, on April 8, 2026, at 1:30 P.M., and

WHEREAS the Borough received one (1) bid on the above date, to wit:

Valve Tek Utility Services
\$153,900.00

WHEREAS, Valve Tek Utility Services, 16 Interhaven Ave, North Plainfield, NJ 07606, has been determined to be the lowest responsible bidder as above per N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4a,

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in the Municipal budget in account W-07-24-010-101 and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South River, that the contract for public bid for the Unidirectional Flushing Program is hereby awarded to Valve Tek Utility Services, 16 Interhaven Ave, North Plainfield, NJ 07606, and that the Mayor is authorized to enter into the contract as per the bid documents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to:

- Administrator
- Chief Financial Officer
- Director of Public Works
- Valve Tek Utility Services

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>		X	X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-130
RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO ILM SERVICES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
RELATED TO VALVE EXERCISING AND UDF FLUSHING PROGRAM

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that ILM Services is authorized to perform professional engineering services related to Valve Exercising and UDF Flushing Program, at a cost not to exceed \$81,000.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in account W-07-24-010-201.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>		X	X			

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RESOLUTION 2026-131
RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO CME ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATED TO
SUBMISSION OF NJDEP STORMWATER DISCHARGE PERMIT

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that CME Associates is authorized to perform professional engineering services related to submission of the NJDEP Stormwater Discharge Report, as outlined in the Borough Engineer's letter dated April 9, 2026, at a cost not to exceed \$3,667.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in account 6-01-20-165-205.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>					X	
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>		X	X			

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****Councilman Donato abstained from voting on Resolution 2026-131**

PUBLIC COMMENT- Good and Welfare of the Borough (5 min per speaker)

Mayor Guindi opened the floor for Public Comment.

Doriann Kerber, 24 Riva Avenue, speaks on the community outreach for Keep Middlesex Moving.

Being that no one else came forward for public comment, Mayor Guindi requested motion to close. Councilman Gurchensky motioned to close; seconded by Council President DeSantis. All in Favor.

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS (For the Good and Welfare of the Borough)

Councilwoman DaSilva

- Thank you to the South River Dispatchers
- Please be careful on ebikes and scooters

Councilman Gurchensky

- Thank you to all public safety officers
- Children are outside, please be careful driving

Councilman Giannakopoulos

- Speaks on the dangers of electric bikes

Councilman Dziemian

- Thank you to all dispatchers
- The next Imperial concert will be on 4/19 at 3 pm

Councilman Donato

- Thank you to all public safety officers
- Please keep all military in your prayers

Council President DeSantis

- Thank you to all first responders
- The Police are always out, keeping South River safe

Mayor Guindi

- The planters on Main Street have been removed
- Speaks on Frost on the Pumpkin. It is underway
- Speaks on fire hydrant flushing
- Thank you to all dispatchers
- The weather is getting nice, please be safe outside
- Happy Birthday to Councilwoman DaSilva and Council President DeSantis. Their birthdays are in April and May

EXECUTIVE SESSION

2026-132 **WHEREAS**, Section 8 of Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 permits the exclusion of the general public from a meeting of the Governing Body under certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River are of the opinion such circumstances presently exist.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex of the State of New Jersey, that the public be excluded upon the hereinafter specific subject matter and that such subject matter to be so discussed is as follows:

- Litigation
- Property Acquisition

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such record of the above discussion will be made public when confidentiality is no longer required. The Borough Council of the Borough of South River may or may not take formal action at the conclusion of the Executive Session.

Adjourn to Executive Session at 8:04 pm

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

Reconvene to Public Session at 8:36 pm

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business; Mayor Guindi requested motion to adjourn. Councilman Gurchensky motioned to adjourn; seconded by Council President DeSantis. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyssa Hager

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