

**TOWNSHIP OF BYRAM
TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2025
TRAINING SESSION – 6:30 P.M.
REGULAR SESSION – 7:30 P.M.**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER –Mayor Rubenstein called the meeting to order.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Both adequate and electronic notice of the meeting has been provided, specifying the time and place. In addition, a copy of this notice is available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk, posted on the main door, the bulletin board of the Municipal Building, on the Township website at: https://www.byrampwp.org/index.php/town_hall/township_council, and has been forwarded to those persons requesting notice.

ROLL CALL OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL –Councilwoman Franco, here; Councilman Gallagher, here; Councilman Proctor, here; Councilman Roseff, here; Mayor Rubenstein. Also present was Township Manager Joseph Sabatini, Township Attorney Tom Collins, and Municipal Clerk, Cynthia Church

RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION – Motion by Councilwoman Franco, second by Councilman Proctor, to go into executive session and adopt the below resolution.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, P. L. 1975, Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

- A. Attorney Client Privilege Communication
 - General
 - NJSACOP Accreditation Program – Harry Delgado
 - Violation Notices
 - Health Benefits Consultant
- B. Personnel

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BYRAM TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Certification: I certify that the Byram Township Council adopted the above resolution on September 16, 2025.

Cynthia Church, Municipal Clerk

	Councilwoman Franco	Councilman Gallagher	Councilman Proctor	Councilman Roseff	Mayor Rubenstein
Motion	x				
2nd			x		
Yes	x	x	x	x	x
No					
Abstain					
Absent					

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION - Motion by Councilwoman Franco, second by Councilman Proctor to return to open session at 7:31 p.m. All members were in favor. Motion Carried.

FLAG SALUTE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Motion by Councilwoman Franco, second by Councilman Proctor to approve the agenda

	Councilwoman Franco	Councilman Gallagher	Councilman Proctor	Councilman Roseff	Mayor Rubenstein
Motion	x				
2nd			x		
Yes	x	x	x	x	x
No					
Abstain					
Absent					

PD SWEARING IN – Ptl. Mark Bollmann

PTL. Bolman – sworn in by Mayor Rubenstein with his mother holding the bible.

Chief Mariani stated that Ptl. Bollman was a Sussex County Sheriff's Officer for five years before transferring to the Byram Township Police Department. Officer Bollman looks forward to continuing in our community policing efforts and professionally serving our community.

PD PROMOTIONS – Lt. Dellicker and Sgt. Kunken

Sgt. Derek J. Kuncken – sworn in by Mayor Rubenstein with his grandfather holding the bible and his family standing with him.

Employment Information:

- Hired by Byram Twp Police Department - July 2020
- Graduated from Morris County Public Safety Training Academy - 95th Basic Police Class - December 2020
- Member of the Sussex County Rescue Task Force - May 2023 - Present (not sure if this applies)
- Byram Twp PBA Local #406 President - July 2023 - September 2025

Certifications:

- Emergency Medical Technician
- Crisis/Hostage Negotiator
- Field Training Officer
- Active Shooter Instructor
- Resiliency Officer
- CPR Instructor

Education:

- Bachelor's Degree - Criminal Justice - Stockton University - 2019
- Lenape Valley Reg. High School - 2016

Derek lives in Byram Twp. with his father Richard, mother Catherine, and brother Dylan.

Lt. Dellicker – was sworn in by Mayor Rubenstein with his wife holding the bible.

Chief Mariani read the following: *Tonight, the Byram Township Police Department announces the promotion of Police Lieutenant Thomas Dellicker, Badge #19.*

Lieutenant Dellicker's law enforcement journey began in July of 2004 under then-Chief John Gutwerk. After graduating from the Morris County Police Academy, he hit the ground running, serving the Town of Byram with integrity and dedication. Throughout his tenure, he has worn many hats, each with a commitment to excellence and community service in mind.

Lt. Dellicker was promoted to Sergeant in February of 2020, where he became a Field Training Officer and supervised our patrol units.

Lt. Dellicker was involved in several high-profile cases and received many awards during his tenure, and he enjoyed working closely with our detective bureau whenever he could, especially with Detective Duffy.

Lt. Dellicker likes to credit the members of the Byram Township Volunteer Fire Department, in which he joined on his 18th birthday, his grandfather Alfred Dellicker, Father Robert Dellicker, Father-in-Law Tim Walker, and his mother & former dispatcher Carmen Dellicker for inspiring him to become involved in emergency services.

He looks forward to continuing to serve his community in his new role as lieutenant.

APPOINTMENT OF RECREATION COMMITTEE MEMBER – Maritsa Barosi Motion by Councilwoman Franco second by Councilman Proctor, all in favor.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER, MAYOR, AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Township Manager – Currently working on the 2026 budget. Capital budget requested by end of month. State Health Care benefits are going up 36%. Open enrollment will start in the next couple of weeks.

Mayor Rubenstein – On September 6th, Mayor Rubenstein, Councilwoman Franco and Councilman Proctor went to the grand opening at Freddys Bar and Grill. Tomorrow night at 7pm there is the CAG meeting.

Councilwoman Franco – Fall programs have begun this week and we have several new programs that residents are excited about and have signed up for. One new program is CPR which Deb is teaching on Wednesday and already has 10 people registered. Deb attended Back to school night at Byram Lakes and will attend this Thursday at the Intermediate school. The Recreation Committee met on September 9th and did a debrief on Byram Fest and will do a deeper dive at our

next meeting. We also discussed upcoming events such as Tree Lighting on December 7th, Halloween and the Holiday Decorating contests.

Reminded the council of the Bag for Hunger event at Shoprite this Saturday.

Councilman Gallagher – The next Byram Board of Education meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2025 will be going over budget figures for the remainder of the year.

Councilman Proctor – The next Planning Board meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2025 a 7:30 pm

Councilman Roseff – Nothing to Report.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION I

Motion by Councilwoman Franco, second by Councilman Proctor to open to the public. All members were in favor.

Jack Moran – asked about energy aggregation.

Motion by Councilwoman Franco, second by Councilman Proctor to close to the public. All members were in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 2, 2025, Regular & Closed Session Meeting Minutes - Councilwoman Franco, second by Councilman Proctor to approve minutes.

	Councilwoman Franco	Councilman Gallagher	Councilman Proctor	Councilman Roseff	Mayor Rubenstein
Motion	x				
2nd			x		
Yes	x	x	x	x	x
No					
Abstain					
Absent					

CONSENT AGENDA – All are considered to be routine by the Members of the Township Council and will be enacted on by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a citizen or Council member requests in which event the item may be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. Motion by Councilwoman Franco, second by Councilman Proctor to approve the consent agenda with Resolution No. 166-2025 being pulled.

- A. Authorizing Raffle License & 50/50 for Gunner J Bigley Foundation – Byram Firehouse 11/9/2025
- B. Resolution No. 169-2025 – Confirming the Redemption of TTL# 2022-23 – 14 Hunters Lane
- C. Resolution No. 170-2025 – Authorizing Byram Township Recreation to Hold a Wellness Program for Adults (WISE) Sponsored by the Sussex County Center for Prevention
- D. Resolution No. 171-2025 – Confirming the Redemption of TTL # 2024-00003 – 4 Waterloo Road

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Motion	x				
2nd			x		
Yes	x	x	x	x	x
No					
Abstain					
Absent					

BILL LIST – September 16, 2025 – Motion by Councilwoman Franco, second by Councilman Proctor to approve the bill list.

	Councilwoman Franco	Councilman Gallagher	Councilman Proctor	Councilman Roseff	Mayor Rubenstein
Motion	x				
2nd			x		
Yes	x	x	x	x	x
No					
Abstain					
Absent					

ORDINANCE – 1st Reading / Introduction

- **AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS (SCBA) FOR USE BY THE BYRAM TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000.00**
Purpose Statement: Acquisition of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) for use by the Byram Township Fire Department.

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Motion	x				
2nd			x		
Yes	x	x	x	x	x
No					
Abstain					
Absent					

BE IT RESOLVED, that said Ordinance shall be further considered for final passage at the meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Byram on October 7, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 10 Mansfield Drive, Byram Township, at which time and place all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF BYRAM TOWNSHIP, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE MUNICIPAL CONSENT OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR VEOLIA WATER NEW JERSEY, INC. TO PROVIDE WATER SERVICE TO CERTAIN PROPERTIES IDENTIFIED ON EXHIBIT A ANNEXED HERETO IN BYRAM TOWNSHIP AND FOR THE LAYING OF PIPES AND THE INSTALLATION OF OTHER UTILITY FACILITIES AS MAY BE NECESSARY.

Harvey suggested that Veolia attend the next meeting to answer any questions pertaining to the ordinance.

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ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Energy Aggregation Discussion

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION II

Motion by Councilwoman Franco, second by Councilman Proctor to open to the public.

Jack Moran asked about Viola as it relates to the park and who will be responsible for the right of way and the road.

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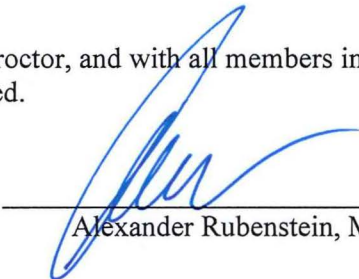
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No					
Abstain					
Absent					

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Councilwoman Franco, second by Councilman Proctor, and with all members in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 10:44 p.m. All members were in favor. Motion carried.


Cynthia Church, RMC
Township Clerk


Alexander Rubenstein, Mayor