

**Borough of Surf City**  
**Governing Body Meeting Minutes**

Mayor F. Hodgson called the meeting to order, reading the following statement. In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting of the Borough Council has been provided to two newspapers, the Asbury Park Press and published in the November 28, 2025, edition of the Beach Haven Times.

The roll call reflected the following members present: Councilman Joe DeBenedetto, Councilman Peter M. Hartney, Councilman William D. Hodgson, Councilman Lee Lieber, Councilman Gerry P. Little, Councilwoman Jacqueline L. Siciliano, and Mayor Francis R. Hodgson.

Borough Superintendent Art Yahn, Water & Sewer Superintendent Ryan Brady, and Chief Jack Casella attended.

All present joined Mayor F. Hodgson in a salute to the Flag.

Councilman Lieber moved to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2025, meeting. Councilman DeBenedetto seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the minutes were approved. The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Councilman Hartney moved to open public comment for the 2026 Community Development Block Grant application. Councilwoman Siciliano seconded the motion. With an affirmative vote, public comment was open. The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano. There were no comments. Councilwoman Siciliano moved to close the public comment portion of the meeting. Council President Wm. Hodgson seconded the motion. With an affirmative vote, public comment was closed. The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Resolutions 2026-24 to 2026-38 were approved, as attached.

Mayor F. Hodgson asked the public if anyone had comments or questions.

Kathy Casey of Barnegat Avenue confirmed that all appointments will be on the Borough website.

Alan Casey of Barnegat Avenue inquired about the Premier Parking system agreement for the boat ramp.

Mayor F. Hodgson and Councilman DeBenedetto explained how the license plate reader system worked.

Barbara Boetticher of 5<sup>th</sup> Street asked if multiple vehicles can be used for the new system.

Ron Fiore asked if the temporary budget or cash management plan would be on the website.

Mayor F. Hodgson advised that the system the Borough uses now for the boat ramp has been abused. He also noted that the police have more time within the Borough since the school switched to a private company for SRO services.

Councilman Lieber presented the December 2025 police department statistical report.

Councilman DeBenedetto talked more about the boat ramp system. The Borough will call and get some estimates for landscaping and benches at the Veterans' Park. He also reported that he will meet with the pickleball committee.

Council President Wm. Hodgson read the sanitary landfill analysis and recycling report for December 2025. He thanked DPW for salting and plowing in recent storms.

Councilwoman Siciliano reported that during December, Public Works prepared equipment for snow plowing. Arawak Paving, which has the contract for eight blocks as well as Bay Terrace, is scheduled to complete drainage work on January 23<sup>rd</sup> with paving from mid-March through the beginning of April, weather permitting. On December 11<sup>th</sup>, the Borough hosted a pre-construction meeting with Monmouth Dock Works. The project will start on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Streets, then move to the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup> Street bulkheads. Homeowners on affected blocks will be invited to attend a Public Pre-Construction Meeting via Zoom on Thursday, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. Representatives from our engineer's office, as well as the Borough of Surf City, will be present to answer questions. The meeting will be recorded and available for viewing if unable to attend. Earle Asphalt is scheduled to begin the work on the 300 blocks of 10<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 15<sup>th</sup> Streets on January 19<sup>th</sup>. Drainage work will be completed first, with paving thereafter as we move into warmer weather and Spring.

Councilman Hartney reported on the holiday-season beach badge sales. We still have some available. He shared the proposed 2026 regular-season badge artwork, which reflects a patriotic flag background with the Surf City 13<sup>th</sup> Street water tower centered on the badge.

Councilman Little provided the December 2025 water and sewer report. December was a very busy month. The Well 7 transmitter was replaced and insulated. The booster pump there replaced through an insurance claim. Alan's Electric removed the transformer at Well 7, and the department rewired 2 outlets. A flow meter was installed to monitor chlorine. The locks and latches were replaced at all facilities. We are purchasing a fail-safe communication system. The system we use has been offline frequently over the past year.

Mayor F. Hodgson asked if anyone had comments or questions.

Council President W. Hodgson moved to pay the bills. Councilwoman Siciliano seconded the motion. The bills were approved for payment. The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Mayor F. Hodgson called for public comments.

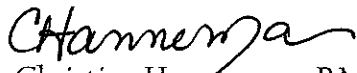
Kathy Casey asked whether the Borough has an ordinance requiring the use of a tanker to fill pools. She believes pool filling has led to higher water fees.

Council President Wm. Hodgson advised that we were not aware this was an issue and that some people use water only in the summer but pay year-round. Councilman Little followed up that the Borough was in line with the other towns on LBI. Councilwoman Siciliano questioned how that would be enforced.

Mayor F. Hodgson explained that capital and increased operating expenses, along with employee salaries, have led to the fee increase.

Councilman Hartney moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Siciliano seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the meeting was adjourned. The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Respectfully submitted,



Christine Hannemann, RMC/CMR/QPA

Borough Clerk/Administrator

RESOLUTION 2026-24  
ADOPT TEMPORARY BUDGET

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19 provides for the making of temporary appropriations for the first quarter of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City in the County of Ocean desires to provide for an orderly method in which to meet claims during the period before the adoption of the 2026 budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT BE RESOLVED THAT the appropriations, as attached hereto, which do not exceed twenty-six and one-quarter (26.25%) percent of the 2026 appropriations exclusive of Debt Service, Capital Improvement Fund, and Public Assistance, are hereby adopted as the 2026 Temporary Budget and Temporary Capital Budget.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on January 7, 2026, at 10:00 AM.

*Christine Hannemann*

CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator

Method	Approved			Denied	Carried		
	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
Council Member							
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney			✓				
Wm. Hodgson		✓	✓				
Lieber			✓				
Little	✓		✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION 2026-25

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City that the Cash Management Plan of the Borough of Surf City be and is hereby adopted for the year 2026.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on January 7, 2026, at 10:00 AM.



CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA

Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney	✓		✓				
Wm. Hodgson			✓				
Lieber			✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano		✓	✓				

RESOLUTION 2026-26

BE IT RESOLVED that the following listed employees shall be paid the base compensation rates below, effective January 1, 2025. Said compensation shall be based on a work year of 260 working days for full-time salaried employees, only increasing the workday by one half hour to form a 6.5-hour workday to a 7-hour workday for administrative staff.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT FULL-TIME Police Officers shall be paid per their respective contracts.

Christine Hannemann	Municipal Clerk (tenure 1/2022), Administrator, QPA, Registrar, Assessment Search Official, CDBG Coordinator, CRS Coordinator, Clean Communities Coordinator, Emergency Management Coordinator, Deputy Zoning Officer, Public Agency Compliance Officer, Pending Improvement Search Official, Supplemental Fire Services Coordinator	\$117,164
Michael Gross	Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer, Collector – water/ sewer rents, JIF Safety Coordinator, Recycling Coordinator	\$119,514
John Casella	Chief of Police	\$151,776
John Casella	Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator	\$3,000
John Casella	Police Liaison to the Mayor	\$17,376
Carrie Haberstroh	Tax Collector (tenure 1/2022), Assistant Treasurer	\$90,917
Sandi Gomez	Zoning Officer, Clerk in the Municipal Offices	\$54,183
Tracey Figueiras	Court Administrator	\$66,668
Tracey Figueiras	Court ADA Supervisor	\$551
Leonard Wilson	Mechanic - Laborer	\$66,379
Ryan Brady	Water/Sewer Foreman	\$110,000
Michael Parmigiana	Laborer, Plumber #2- Water/Sewer Maintenance	\$45,000
Kenneth Wilson	Laborer	\$45,843
Kenneth Wilson	Custodian – Class 2	\$1,357
Connor Calnan	Laborer	\$57,917
Matthew Fishman	Laborer	\$45,843
Arthur Yahn	Superintendent	\$110,000
Ryan Boyd	Laborer – Water/Sewer Maintenance	\$53,691
Davonte Olivio	Laborer	\$57,575
Anthony Triola	Laborer	\$50,003

Adam Childs	Mechanic	\$57,663
Joseph Frazier	Laborer	\$52,083
Gaetano Balsamo	W/S -Laborer	\$45,843
Troy Luongo	Laborer	\$45,000
Daniel Sahin	Municipal Court Judge	\$20,833
Joseph Grisante	Temporary Municipal Court Judge – per session	\$1,736
Walter Higgins	Tax Assessor	\$19,676
Mark DiLeo	Lifeguard Captain -Part-time – no benefits, post/pre-season, Clerk in Offices	\$26.50/hour
Renee Pawlishak	Beach Badge Supervisor – Part-time – no benefits, post/pre-season	\$20.25 hour
Ashley Morris	LIT Director – part-time, no benefits, preseason prep work	\$18.00/hour
Cathy Richter	Full-time clerk in the Municipal Offices, Alt. Deputy Registrar, LUB Clerk #2	\$45,000
Jeannie Frazier	Part-time building tech assistant in the Municipal Offices – No Benefits	\$25 per hour
Christy Maimone	Full-time clerk in the Municipal Offices	\$48,788
Kathleen Gigantino	Part-time, No Benefits Clerk in the Municipal Offices, Deputy Registrar, LUB Clerk #1, Confidential Aide to Admin	\$35 per hour
Mayor		\$9,771
Members of Council		\$7,712
Board of Health Members		\$451
Board of Health Secretary		\$942

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on January 7, 2026, at 10:00 AM in the Council Chambers at 813 Long Beach Boulevard Surf City, NJ.

  
CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator

RESO 2026-26	Approved			Denied	Carried		
Method	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney			✓				
Wm. Hodgson			✓				
Lieber	✓		✓				
Little		✓	✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION 2026-27

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City that authorization be and is hereby given to proceed with the purchase of the following goods and services:

- A vehicle for the Police Department from Winner Ford for \$74,000.00.
- A fail-safe communication system from Essex Engineering, Inc. for \$30,650.00 for the Water & Sewer Department. This is an emergency addendum to the prior approval of the initial purchase for a communication system, which was \$39,810.00 per Resolution 2025-168.
- Pump and Colorimeter from USA Blue Book for \$6,002.38.
- Gate Valve from AC Schultes for \$6,213.00 for the Water & Sewer Department.

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DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney			✓				
Wm. Hodgson		✓	✓				
Lieber			✓				
Little	✓		✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION 2026-28

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Emergency Management Council Ledger be and is hereby approved and the 2026 Emergency Management Coordinator be authorized to execute same.

CERTIFICATION

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CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney		✓	✓				
Wm. Hodgson			✓				
Lieber	✓		✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION 2026-29

WHEREAS, from time to time, the Tax Assessor discovers an error in calculation, transposing, measurement, or typographical errors, in the tax assessments on the tax list after the time the County Board of Taxation has certified the tax rates for the tax year or property becomes subject to a roll-back assessment;

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Taxing District of the Borough of Surf City is desirous that every taxpayer pays his fair share of taxes; and

WHEREAS, if the above-discovered errors are not corrected or a roll-back assessment not applied, the taxpayers affected would not be paying their fair share of taxes; and

WHEREAS, correcting such errors is filing a Petition of Appeal or Complaint with the Ocean County Board of Taxation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Taxing District of the Borough of Surf City that the Tax Assessor or Municipal Attorney is hereby authorized to act as the agent for the taxing district during the year 2026 and file a Petition of Appeal or Complaint with the Ocean County Board of Taxation to correct such assessments to the proper value and that a copy of any Petition of Appeal or Complaint filed with the Ocean County Board of Taxation, under this resolution, be filed with the Municipal Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Assessor or Municipal Attorney is hereby authorized to execute stipulations of settlement on any tax appeal or complaint filed by the taxing district or by a taxpayer in the tax year 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ocean County Board of Taxation with any such Petition of Appeal.

CERTIFICATION

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Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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DeBenedetto		✓	✓				
Hartney			✓				
Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber			✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION 2026-30

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City that Mayor Hodgson be and is hereby authorized to execute the 1-year agreement with the Associated Humane Society for animal control services for the period from January 1, 2026, to December 31, 2026.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on January 7, 2026, at 10:00 AM.



CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto		✓					
Hartney							
Wm. Hodgson	✓						
Lieber							
Little							
Siciliano							

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-31

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING ENTRY INTO THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY FOR MUNICIPAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Borough of Surf City has need of the services of a Municipal Court Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Surf City has agreed to provide Municipal Court Administrator services to the Borough of Seaside Park on the terms and conditions set forth in the Shared Services Agreement attached hereto and incorporated herein as Schedule A; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., a municipality may enter into agreements for shared services with another municipality to provide or receive any service that the units participating in the agreement are empowered to provide or receive within their own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, each local unit authorized to enter into an agreement under the Shared Services and Consolidation Act must do so by the adoption of a resolution; and


WHEREAS, the agreement must comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A :65-7 and specify the services to be performed under the agreement, procedures for payment, and assignment and allocation of responsibility for meeting standards between and among the patties; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City does hereby authorize entry into a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Seaside Park for the provision of Municipal Court Administrator Services.
2. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and the Borough Clerk to attest to, respectively, the First Amendment to the Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Surf City, in the form attached hereto and incorporated herein as Schedule A.
3. That the Borough Clerk shall send the certified copy of this resolution to the Borough of Seaside Park which shall, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., file the Agreement for informational purposes, with the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs.

CERTIFICATION

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CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA  
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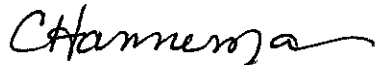
RESO 2026-31	Approved			Denied	Carried		
Method	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney		✓	✓				
Wm. Hodgson			✓				
Lieber			✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano	✓		✓				

RESOLUTION 2026-32

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City that the Borough Administrator be and is hereby authorized to execute a service agreement with the Premier Parking for boat ramp monitoring service.

CERTIFICATION

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DeBenedetto	/		✓				
Hartney		✓	✓				
Wm. Hodgson			✓				
Lieber			✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION 2026-33

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR ANIMAL SHELTERING SERVICES.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Surf City has a need for animal sheltering services; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Department of Health has agreed to provide animal sheltering services to the Borough of Surf City on the terms and conditions set forth in the Shared Services Agreement attached hereto and incorporated herein as Schedule A; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., a municipality may enter into agreements for shared services with another local government agency to provide or receive any service that the units participating in the agreement are empowered to provide or receive within their own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, each local unit authorized to enter into an agreement under the Shared Services and Consolidation Act must do so by the adoption of a resolution; and

WHEREAS, the agreement must comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A :65-7 and specify the services to be performed under the agreement, procedures for payment, and assignment and allocation of responsibility for meeting standards between and among the parties; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City does hereby authorize entry into a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Ocean for animal sheltering services.
2. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and the Borough Clerk to attest to the Shared Services Agreement.
3. That the Borough Clerk shall send the certified copy of this resolution to the County of Ocean Board of Commissioners and the Ocean County Department of Health, which shall, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., file the Agreement for informational purposes, with the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs.

CERTIFICATION

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CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney			✓				
Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

**RESOLUTION 2026-34**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGHES OF BEACH HAVEN, HARVEY CEDARS, SHIP BOTTOM, AND SURF CITY; WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF LONG BEACH ACTING AS THE LEAD AGENCY FOR ACCESS TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT VIGILANT LEARN SERVER IN ORDER TO OBTAIN VIGILANT AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE READER (ALPR)**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:65A et seq., the Township of Long Beach has agreed to enter into Shared Service Agreements for access to the Long Beach Township Police Department Vigilant LEARN Server in order to obtain Vigilant Automated License Plate Reader information with the following municipalities:

Beach Haven Borough  
Harvey Cedars Borough  
Surf City Borough  
Ship Bottom Borough

**WHEREAS**, the said Shared Service Agreements provide that the participating members shall pay to Long Beach Township a fee of \$800.00 per unit for 2026; \$850.00 per unit for 2027; and \$900.00 per unit for 2028 for access to the "P.I.P.S." Server for License Plate Recognition data.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, state of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute Shared Service Agreements with each of the abovementioned agencies in accordance with the provisions of law.
2. Each Shared Services Agreement shall have a three-year term January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028, with no option to extend, with the abovementioned municipalities.
3. A copy of the agreements referenced herein shall be kept on file and made available for public inspection at the Municipal Clerk's office during normal business hours.

CERTIFICATION

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CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator

RESO 2026-34	Approved			Denied	Carried		
Method	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney		✓	✓				
Wm. Hodgson			✓				
Lieber	✓		✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-35

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ADOPTING THE CYBERSECURITY INCIDENT RESPONSE PLAN (CIRP).

WHEREAS, the protection of the Borough's information systems, data, and digital infrastructure is essential to ensuring operational continuity, safeguarding sensitive information, and maintaining public trust; and

WHEREAS, cyber threats, including but not limited to ransomware, phishing, data breaches, and other malicious activities, pose significant risks to the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of organizational assets; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Surf City recognizes the importance of having a formal, documented Cybersecurity Incident Response Plan (CIRP) to guide timely, coordinated, and effective responses to cybersecurity incidents; and

WHEREAS, the proposed CIRP aligns with recognized best practices, including the NIST Cybersecurity Framework and applicable federal, state, and industry standards; and

WHEREAS, adoption of the CIRP will enhance preparedness, improve incident detection and mitigation, and reduce potential impacts of cyber incidents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City that:

1. The Cybersecurity Incident Response Plan, attached hereto as *Exhibit A*, is hereby adopted and approved.
2. The Borough Administrator and Water Superintendent are authorized and directed to implement the CIRP, conduct regular training through the Ocean County JIF/MEL, and update the plan as necessary to address evolving threats and technologies.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

CERTIFICATION

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CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator

RESOLUTION 2026-35

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Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney	✓		✓				
Wm. Hodgson			✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

**RESOLUTION 2026-36**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REQUESTING THAT THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DECLARE A STATE OF EMERGENCY AND ISSUE A STATE DISASTER DECLARATION FOR THE JERSEY SHORE IN RESPONSE TO COASTAL STORM DAMAGE**

WHEREAS, beginning in August 2025, the New Jersey coast experienced a succession of severe coastal storm events, including Hurricane Erin, Hurricane Imelda, offshore Hurricane Humberto, and a prolonged October nor'easter, along with further wind and wave action since then;

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection specifically identified major erosion conditions in multiple Jersey Shore communities with documented dune scarping, near-total dune loss in certain segments, and damage to public access infrastructure;

WHEREAS, damaged shore protection features and eroded beaches increase the likelihood of flooding, infrastructure failure, emergency access limitations, and threats to life and property during subsequent storm events;

WHEREAS, a declaration of a State of Emergency, and issuance of a state disaster declaration, by the Governor of New Jersey would facilitate the rapid mobilization of State resources, requests for federal financial assistance, coordination with federal partners, and access to emergency authorities necessary to stabilize, repair, and protect impacted coastal areas; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, that it hereby formally requests that the Governor of the State of New Jersey declare a State of Emergency and issue a state disaster declaration for the Jersey Shore in response to coastal storm damage.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on January 7, 2026, at 10:00 AM.



CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator

RESO 2026-36	Approved			Denied	Carried		
Method	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney	✓		✓				
Wm. Hodgson		✓	✓				
Lieber			✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION 2026-37

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City, that the Chief Financial Officer be and is now authorized to pay the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, Environmental \$9,225.00 water allocation permit.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on January 7, 2026, at 10:00 AM.

*Christine Hannemann*

CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator

Method	Approved			Denied	Carried		
	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto		✓	✓				
Hartney			✓				
Wm. Hodgson			✓				
Lieber			✓				
Little	✓		✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION 2026-38

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City, that the Chief Financial Officer be and is now authorized to pay the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection Environmental \$9,225.00 water allocation permit.

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	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto	✓		✓				
Hartney		✓	✓				
Wm. Hodgson			✓				
Lieber			✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION 2026-39

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City that the applications for probationary membership in the Surf City Volunteer Fire Co. as submitted by John C. Branin is hereby approved.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on January 7, 2026, at 10:00 AM.

  
CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator

Method	Approved			Denied	Carried		
	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney							Recuse
Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber			✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano		✓	✓				