



AGENDA FOR THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG
HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 111 RIVER STYX RD., HOPATCONG, NJ
MARCH 4, 2026
PUBLIC SESSION BEGINS AT 7:30PM

1. Mayor Galate will state: "This meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-6 et seq., annual notice has been forwarded to the New Jersey Herald and the Daily Record. It was posted on the bulletin board maintained in the Municipal Building for public announcements".
2. Roll Call
3. Flag Salute
4. Proclamations: none
5. Committee Reports
6. Administrator's Report
7. Public Comment

An opportunity is given to the public for commentary twice during a meeting. Members of the public should identify themselves by stating their name and spelling it for the record. Both public comment periods shall provide an opportunity for each individual to speak once for three (3) minutes per session and when appropriate, as determined by the presiding official, an extension may be granted. Members of the governing body may respond to the individual at the end of the person's comment. All comments should be addressed to the governing body, not to the general public, and delivered in a polite, respectful, non-provocative manner.

8. Approval of minutes
Approval of the February 18, 2026, regular & Exec minutes (all eligible)
9. Correspondence
10. Consent Agenda

All matters listed below are considered routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of the items. If any discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

Reports

- Tax Collector's Report – 2025 Annual Report

Applications

- None at this time

Resolutions

- **2026-63**, Authorizing a second in rem foreclosure of Tax Sale Certificates.

Vote to pass Consent Agenda items

11. Resolutions *(roll call vote)*
 - a. **2026-64**, Authorizing Side Bar agreement between Borough of Hopatcong and Blue-Collar Employees of Union Council 196, I.F.P.T.E
 - b. **2026-65**, Authorizing a Grant Agreement between Hopatcong Borough and the Department of Environmental Protection.
 - c. **2026-66**, Authorizing transfers between certain budget appropriations in the 2025 Current Fund budget pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:4-58



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- d. **2026-67**, Approve refund of Tax Overpayment and cancel future taxes Block 11210 Lot 5
 - e. **2026-68**, Approve refund of Tax Overpayment and cancel future taxes Block 40102 Lot 30
 - f. **2026-69**, Authorizing the Governing Body Operational Policy
 - g. **2026-70**, Opposing Legislation S-4736 Preempting Local Zoning

12. Bills List

2026-71, Approval of Bills List

13. Ordinances

Introduction (motion and second, needed)

4-2026, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 129-3 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED GAMES OF CHANCE: FEES AND CHAPTER 171 ENTITLED PEDDLING & SOLICITING, SECTION 171-6

5-2026, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE TO REVISE CHAPTER 13 ENTITLED COURT, JOINT MUNICIPAL. (Change of Names in the Joint Court)

6-2026, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF A CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY THE BOROUGH AND NOT REQUIRED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES COMMONLY KNOWN AS BLOCK 40414 L 57

7-2026, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF A CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY THE BOROUGH AND NOT REQUIRED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES COMMONLY KNOWN AS BLOCK 41001 L 16

Final Hearing (roll call vote)

- **2-2026**, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF A CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY THE BOROUGH AND NOT REQUIRED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES AND MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS BLOCK 40911, LOT 38
- **3-2026**, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE TO REVISE CHAPTER 66 ENTITLED "ANIMALS."

14. Old Business

- Cannabis
- Local Government Week
- Town Hall Hours
- Live-streaming

15. New Business

16. Public Comment

17. Mayor's Comments

18. Executive Session (if needed):

19. Adjournment