RESOLUTION NO. 2025-269

Approval of Consent Agenda

BE IT RESOLVED that the following resolutions herewith listed by consent having been considered by the Governing Body of the Borough of Waldwick are hereby passed and approved:

2025-269 Approval of Consent Agenda2025-270 Approval of Minutes - September 9, 2025Policy Votes

- a. Stacy Caraccio request to hold a Block Party on October 31 from 4:00 pm 9:00 pm with Harrison Avenue to be closed between Frederick Street and Walter Nightengale Place with alcoholic beverages being served
- 2025-271 Supporting RevolutionNJ Crossroads of the American Revolution; Waldwick's Living History
- 2025-272 Approve Raffle License 2025-07 for 2025/2026 Waldwick High School Graduation Ball Association Calendar Raffle
- 2025-273 Appointment of Municipal Housing Liaison Tatiana Marquis
- 2025-274 Appointment of the Municipal Recycling Coordinator Tatiana Marquis
- 2025-275 Appointment of Public Agency Compliance Officer Tatiana Marquis
- 2025-276 Appointment of Designated Employee Representatives
- 2025-277 Amending the Appointment of Jake Putterman as a Police Officer
- 2025-278 Approval of Salary Melissa Librizzi, Clerk 1
- 2025-279 Appointment to the Waldwick Green Team
- 2025-280 Authorization to Cancel and Refund Taxes for 100% Veteran Exemption: Block 149, Lot 59
- 2025-281 Payment of Vouchers

Approved:	
	Thomas A. Giordano, Mayor

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick at its Regular Meeting of September 30, 2025.

Kelley Halewicz, RMC/CMC	
Municipal Clerk	

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Brennecke			Х			
Cericola-Drake			Х			
Martinello		Х	Х			
Ramundo	Х		Х			
Ritchie			Х			
Weber						Х
Mayor Giordano						

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-270

Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting, September 9, 2025

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick hereby approve the following Minutes:

Regular Meeting, September 9, 2025

Regular Meeting, September 9, 2025		
	Approved:	
		Thomas A. Giordano, Mayor
I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick at its Regular Meeting of September 30, 2025.		

Kelley Halewicz, RMC/CMC Municipal Clerk

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Brennecke			Х			
Cericola-Drake			Х			
Martinello		Х	Х			
Ramundo	Х		Х			
Ritchie			Х			
Weber						Х
Mayor Giordano						

Reso book

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-271 (Page 1 of 2)

Supporting RevolutionNJ - Crossroads of the American Revolution; Waldwick's Living History

WHEREAS, Governor Philip Murphy and the New Jersey State Legislature created RevolutionNJ in 2018 to plan, encourage, develop, and coordinate the commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States, New Jersey's pivotal role in the American Revolution, and the contributions of its diverse peoples to the nation's past, present, and future; and,

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Historical Commission, under the leadership of Secretary of State Tahesha Way, with its non-profit partner Crossroads of the American Revolution established RevolutionNJ to advance the role that history plays in public discourse, community engagement, education, tourism, and scholarship in New Jersey; and,

WHEREAS, RevolutionNJ will engage New Jerseyans in all 21 counties and 564 municipalities through its officially recognized programs, initiatives, and events over the next ten years; and,

WHEREAS, it is fitting and desirable that we commemorate the beginning of the Nation and the role New Jersey played over the past 250 years as well as its present and future role as part of the United States, with particular focus on the individuals, ideas, and events that shaped our Country, State, and the Borough of Waldwick; and

WHEREAS, RevolutionNJ will consider the role New Jersey played during the American Revolution when it saw more battles and skirmishes than any other state and was truly the Crossroads of the American Revolution – Waldwick's Living History; and,

WHEREAS, RevolutionNJ will highlight the role New Jerseyans played beyond the battlefield during the American Revolution when people of diverse backgrounds contributed to the development of the State and the Nation in various ways and fought for the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; and,

WHEREAS, preserving, studying, and enjoying state history strengthens communities and builds bonds between New Jersey residents as we work together toward the goals of justice and equality embedded in the United States Constitution,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick hereby endorse RevolutionNJ and its mission to advance the role that history plays in public discourse, community engagement, education, tourism and scholarship in New Jersey.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-271 (Page 2 of 2)

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that:

- 1. The Mayor and Council commemorate the 250th anniversary of the establishment of the United States as an independent Nation.
- 2. The Mayor and Council authorize the Borough Administrator to develop a plan for this commemoration that will promote the maximum involvement of our residents, neighborhoods, businesses, schools, civic organizations, and institutions in the commemorations.
- 3. The Mayor and Council further urge all its residents to reflect upon the significance of this event and the role that our State and its diverse people have played in the history and development of our Nation and to participate in this important commemoration, endeavoring to include the stories of all those whose lives are part of the history of what we now know as New Jersey, and understanding that the revolution continues today as we uphold the revolutionary ideals articulated in our founding documents.

	Approved:
I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick at its Regular Meeting of September 30, 2025.	Thomas A. Giordano, Mayor
Kelley Halewicz, RMC/CMC Municipal Clerk	

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Brennecke			Х			
Cericola-Drake			Х			
Martinello		Х	Х			
Ramundo	Х		Х			
Ritchie			Х			
Weber						Х
Mayor Giordano						

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-272

Approval of Calendar Raffle - Waldwick HS Graduation Ball Association

BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Waldwick hereby approves License 2025-07 for the Calendar Raffle for the Waldwick HS Graduation Ball Association.

	Approved:	Thomas A. Giordano, Mayor
I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick at its Regular Meeting of September 30, 2025.		
Kelley Halewicz, RMC/CMC Municipal Clerk		

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Brennecke			Х			
Cericola-Drake			Х			
Martinello		Х	Х			
Ramundo	Х		Х			
Ritchie			Х			
Weber						Х
Mayor Giordano						

Reso book, Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-273

Appointment of Municipal Housing Liaison - Tatiana Marquis

WHEREAS, as to be in compliance with the Council on Affordable Housing the Borough is in need of a Municipal Housing Liaison for the purposes of overseeing the Administrative Agent, serving as Waldwick's primary point of contact for all inquiries from the State, affordable housing providers, Administrative Agents and interested households, monitoring the status of all restricted units in Waldwick's Fair Share Plan, compiling, verifying and submitting annual monitoring reports as may be required by the Court, coordinating meetings with affordable housing providers and Administrative Agents, and attending continuing education opportunities on affordability controls, compliance monitoring and affirmative marketing at least annually and more often as needed; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of appointing Tatiana Marquis, Borough Administrator to such position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick that the Borough Administrator, Tatiana Marquis is hereby appointed as the Municipal Housing Liaison for the Borough of Waldwick; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk shall send a certified copy of this Resolution to all parties.

Kelley Halewicz, RMC/CMC Municipal Clerk

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Brennecke			Х			
Cericola-Drake			Х			
Martinello		Х	Х			
Ramundo	Х		Х			
Ritchie			Χ			
Weber						Х
Mayor Giordano						

Reso book, Adm, Clerk, Personnel file

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-274

Appointment of the Municipal Recycling Coordinator - Tatiana Marquis

BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Waldwick hereby appoint Tatiana Marquis as the Municipal Recycling Coordinator for the Borough of Waldwick as per Borough Code 71-2; and N.J.S.A. 13:1E-99.16.

	Approved:	
		Thomas A. Giordano, Mayor
I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick at its Regular Meeting of September 30, 2025.		
Kelley Halewicz, RMC/CMC		

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Brennecke			Х			
Cericola-Drake			Х			
Martinello		Х	Х			
Ramundo	Х		Х			
Ritchie			Х			
Weber						Х
Mayor Giordano						

Reso book, Adm, Personnel file

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-275

Appointment of Public Agency Compliance Officer - Tatiana Marquis

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick that Tatiana Marquis is hereby appointed as Public Agency Compliance Officer effective September 27, 2025; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to provide notice of same to the NJ Department of Treasury in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-3.2.

	Approved:	Thomas A. Giordano, Mayor
I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick at its Regular Meeting of September 30, 2025.		
Kelley Halewicz, RMC/CMC Municipal Clerk		

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Brennecke			Х			
Cericola-Drake			Х			
Martinello		Х	Х			
Ramundo	Х		Х			
Ritchie			Х			
Weber						Х
Mayor Giordano						

Reso book, Adm, Clerk, Personnel file

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-276

Appointment of Designated Employee Representatives

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation Commercial Driver's License (CDL) regulations require organizations with one or more CDL driver to designate at least one individual as the Designated Employee Representative (D.E.R.) who is responsible to make formal decisions regarding the drug and alcohol testing program; and,

WHEREAS, the D.E.R. must be an employee of the municipality or public agency and must have a complete understanding of the CDL drug and alcohol testing procedures and the employer's policies; they must be available to receive confidential test results and other communications concerning testing of employees; and,

WHEREAS, the D.E.R. must be authorized to take immediate action to remove employees from safety-sensitive duties if test results warrant that action incompliance with federal laws.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Tatiana Marquis is appointed as the Designated Employee Representative and Michael LaTorre is appointed as the backup Designated Employee Representative.

	Approved:	
		Thomas A. Giordano, Mayor
I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick at its Regular Meeting of September 30, 2025.		

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Brennecke			Х			
Cericola-Drake			Х			
Martinello		Х	Х			
Ramundo	Х		Х			
Ritchie			Х			
Weber						Х

Reso, Adm, Clerk, Personnel file

Kelley Halewicz, RMC/CMC

Municipal Clerk

Mayor Giordano

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-277 (Page 1 of 2)

Amending the Appointment of Jake Putterman as a Police Officer

WHEREAS, the Borough of Waldwick, Bergen County, State of Jersey (hereinafter referred to as the "Borough") is a jurisdiction governed by Title 1IA and the Civil Service regulations and rules established under Title 4A of the Administrative Code; and,

WHEREAS, P.L.2021, C.7 permits municipalities to hire police officers who may not have taken an open competitive examination for the title of Police Officer, but are otherwise duly qualified, have completed training, and hold a valid NJ Police Training Commission Certificate as Police Officer (Basic Course for Police Officer); and,

WHEREAS, adopted State legislation, Bill S-3220, approved as P.L.2021, C.7, permits a municipality to exempt any person for an entry-level law enforcement person from taking the Civil Service law enforcement exam, as long as they have completed the full Basic Course for Police Officers training course at a school approved and authorized by the New Jersey Police Training commission; and,

WHEREAS, subsequently the legislature amended P.L.2021, C.7. to require that the full Basic Course for Correction Officers training course be taken within nine (9) months from the date of hire as a temporary entry-level officer; and,

WHEREAS, the legislation requires that a municipal police department may hire a person under this exemption only upon adoption of a conflict of interest and nepotism policy; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough has duly established written policies governing nepotism and conflicts of interest and meets all the criteria to utilize this exemption; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2022-208 the Borough has affirmatively "opted in" and authorized such a hiring policy; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator in consultation with the Police Chief is recommending that that the Borough make a conditional offer of employment to Jake Putterman as a police officer at the annual salary of \$42,215.00 effective September 1, 2025; and,

WHEREAS, at that time Mr. Putterman had not completed the Basic Course for a Police Officer and pursuant to statute, shall complete the same within nine (9) months of this temporary or conditional appointment and shall complete said training at a school approved and authorized by the New Jersey Police Training commission, such as the Passaic County Police Academy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Waldwick for the reasons set forth above that the Borough hereby conditionally appoints, Jake Putterman as a temporary Police Officer in the Borough of Waldwick; and,

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-277 (Page 2 of 2)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Jake Putterman is required to meet the conditions contained within the Employee Handbook and Policy and Procedures Manual, and Police Academy requirements, including but not limited to a background check, a medical screening exam, a physical exam, a psychological exam, a physical fitness test and a drug test; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that he shall serve at a salary of \$42,215.00 effective September 1, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mr. Putterman shall complete a full Basic Course for Police Officers training course within nine (9) months from the date of Resolution 2025-234 as required by law.

Approved:	
	Thomas A. Giordano, Mayor

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick at its Regular Meeting of September 30, 2025.

Kelley Halewicz, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Brennecke			Х			
Cericola-Drake			Χ			
Martinello		Х	Х			
Ramundo	Х		Х			
Ritchie			Х			
Weber						Х
Mayor Giordano						

Reso book, Adm, Police Chief, Lt Seifert, CFO, Payrol

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-278

Approval of Salary - Melissa Librizzi, Clerk 1

WHEREAS, Melissa Librizzi is a Clerk 1 in the Borough Clerk's Office; and,

WHEREAS, Melissa is being assigned additional responsibilities including maintaining the Borough's website, social media accounts, signboard and Nixle messaging; and,

WHEREAS, Melissa shall receive a salary increase to \$60,000 due to these increased responsibilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Waldwick hereby approves a salary increase to \$60,000 for Melissa Librizzi effective September 29, 2025 with any annual cost of living increase effective every January thereafter.

Approved:	
	Thomas A. Giordano, Mayor

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick at its Regular Meeting of September 30, 2025.

Kelley Halewicz, RMC/CMC Municipal Clerk

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Brennecke			Х			
Cericola-Drake			Х			
Martinello		Х	Х			
Ramundo	Х		Х			
Ritchie			Х			
Weber						Х
Mayor Giordano						

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-279

Appointment to the Waldwick Green Team

WHEREAS, Lina Kataoka has completed the Citizen Leadership form and expressed an interest in being appointed to the Waldwick Green Team.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick hereby appoint Lina Kataoka to the Waldwick Green Team.

	Approved:	Thomas A. Giordano, Mayor
I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick at its Regular Meeting of September 30, 2025.		
Kelley Halewicz, RMC/CMC Municipal Clerk		

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Brennecke			Х			
Cericola-Drake			Х			
Martinello		Х	Х			
Ramundo	Х		Х			
Ritchie			Х			
Weber						Χ
Mayor Giordano						

Reso book, Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-280

Authorization to Cancel and Refund Taxes for 100% Veteran Exemption: Block 149, Lot 59

WHEREAS, Mr. Robert Casey (deceased), who resided at Block 14/Lot 59, 54 Schuler Avenue, has been grated a 100% Disabled Veteran as so stated by the Veteran's Administration, and, WHEREAS, he has passed and Mrs. Carol Casey is now entitled to the 100% exemption, and, WHEREAS, this parcel becomes eligible for this exemption as of September 11, 2025. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick hereby authorize the Tax Collector to cancel 2025 taxes effective September 11th through December 31, 2025 in the amount of \$5,318.40 and issue a refund for overpaid taxes in the amount of \$1,103.63 to:

Cotality Centralized Refunds 3001 Hackberry Road Irving, TX 75063-0156

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said property shall remain exempt as long as it qualifies for the 100% Disabled Veterans exemption pursuant to law.

100% Disabled Veteralis exemption parso	uant to law.	
	Approved:	
		Thomas A. Giordano, Mayor
I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick at its Regular Meeting of September 30, 2025.		
Kelley Halewicz, RMC/CMC Municipal Clerk		

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Brennecke			Х			
Cericola-Drake			Х			
Martinello		Х	Х			
Ramundo	Х		Х			
Ritchie			Х			
Weber						Х
Mayor Giordano						

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-281

Payment of Vouc	n	er	3
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Approved:	
т гр	Thomas A. Giordano, Mayor

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick at its Regular Meeting of September 30, 2025.

Kelley Halewicz, RMC/CMC Municipal Clerk

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Brennecke			Х			
Cericola-Drake			Х			
Martinello		Х	Х			
Ramundo	Х		Х			
Ritchie			Х			
Weber						Х
Mayor Giordano						

Reso book, CFO

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-282 (Page 1 of 2)

Authorize Salaries - Municipal Clerk and Fire Department

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council adopted Ordinances which sets the salary ranges for certain Borough Employees effective January 1, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Waldwick that, in accordance with previously adopted Ordinances the annual base salary or hourly rate of each Borough Official and Employee is listed on the schedule annexed hereto and made a part hereof; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the rate or compensation of any other Borough Official or Employee heretofore fixed but not mentioned herein shall be deemed to be unaffected by the adoption of this resolution and shall continue as heretofore fixed or established.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY</u>			
Kelley Halewicz	Municipal Clerk	\$135,000.00*			
*Effective September 29, 2025					

	FIRE DEPARTMENT			
<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY</u>		
Andrew Agugliaro	Chief	\$3,500		
Michael Ferrara	1 st Asst. Chief	\$1,200		
David Guy	1st Captain	\$800		
Matthew Amos	2 nd Captain	\$800		
Christopher Moses	1 st Lieutenant	\$500		
Christina Agugliaro	President	\$400		
Keith Hockenbeck	Vice President	\$200		
Daniel Wagnes	Secretary - NIFRS	\$750		
Derrick Delgado	Secretary	\$400		
James O'Connell	Treasurer	\$200		
All Fire Department positions effective January 1, 2025				

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-282 (Page 2 of 2)

Approved:	
	Thomas A. Giordano, Mayor

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Waldwick at its Regular Meeting of September 30, 2025.

Kelley Halewicz, RMC/CMC Municipal Clerk

Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Brennecke					Х	
Cericola-Drake		Х	Х			
Martinello			Х			
Ramundo					Х	
Ritchie	Х		Х			
Weber						Х
Mayor Giordano						

Councilmen Brennecke & Ramundo abstained from 2025-282 due to affiliation with the Fire Department

Reso book, Adm, CFO, CA, Payroll