OXFORD TOWNSHIP MEETING SEPTEMEBR 3, 2025

The meeting of the Township Committee of Oxford Township was held on August 20, 2025, in the Oxford Township Municipal Building, 11 Green Street, Oxford, NJ.

Notice of time, date, location and agenda of this meeting, to the extent then known was provided at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of this meeting in the following manner pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 231 of the law of 1975 "the Open Public Meetings Act":

- Emailing to the Express Times and he Star Ledger online publication
- Posting on the Township website and Facebook page

In attendance were Gerald Norton, Mayor, Georgette Miller, Deputy Mayor, Linda Koufodontes, Township Committee, Rich Wenner, Township Attorney, Bryce Good, Township Engineer, Tim O'Brien, Township Planner, Lee Geller, Municipal Clerk

Mayor Norton opened the meeting at 6:30 PM.

Meeting Minutes:

August 20, 2025 – Meeting Minutes

Georgette Miller moved to approve August 20, 2025, Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Linda Koufodontes and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Ayes: 3, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0.

August 20, 2025 - Executive Session Minutes

Georgette Miller moved to approve August 20, 2025, Executive Session Minutes. Seconded by Linda Koufodontes and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Ayes: 3, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0.

Presentation:

No presentation

Public Comment on Agenda items: -

No Public Comment

Ordinances: 1st Reading:

ORDINANCE 2025-13

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF OXFORD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY DECLARING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWNSHIP NO LONGER NEED FOR PUBLIC USE AND AUTHORIZING SAME FOR SALE TO ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH NJSA 40A:12-13(B)((5)

Rich Wenner stated that we need to change the date of BID from October 8, 2025 to October 14, 2025

Georgette Miller moved to approve Ordinance -13 amending the date of BID. Seconded by Linda Koufodontes and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Ayes: 3, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0. Motion Passed

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WHEREAS, the Township is the owner of Block 3, Lot 34, which lot is a non-conforming lot; and

WHEREAS, the property is not needed for public use and the Township desires to authorize the sale of same, in accordance with NJSA 40A:12-13(b)(5), to the highest bidder of adjacent property owners that own property contiguous to the property; and

WHEREAS, the Township has determined the minimum required to be \$5,000.00.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Oxford that:

1. Block 3, Lot 34 is no longer needed for public use

2. The property shall first be offered for purchase to the adjacent property owners of Block 3, Lot 34 with the minimum bid price of \$5,000.00

3. Sealed bids shall be submitted to the Municipal Clerk no later than October 14, 2025 at 10am, at which time bids shall be opened and read.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced to pass on first reading at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Oxford held on September 3, 2025, at 6:30 PM and ordered published in accordance with the law. Said Ordinance will be considered for final reading and adoption at a regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on October 1, 2025, at 6:30 PM, or as soon thereafter as the Township Committee may hear this Ordinance at the Municipal Building, 11 Green Street, Oxford, New Jersey, at which time all persons interested may appear for or against the passage of said Ordinance.

Georgette Miller moved to approve Ordinance 2025-13 as amended. Seconded by Linda Koufodontes and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Ayes: 3, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0. Motion Passed

Ordinances: 2nd Reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-12

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF OXFORD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO VACATE AN UNNAMED ALLEY IN BLOCK 2 NOT NEEDED FOR A PUBLIC PURPOSE

WHEREAS there is a "paper street" in Block 2 which the Township Committee believes that it is not needed for a public purpose; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Engineer of the Township of Oxford has reviewed the proposed vacation and finds that same is consistent with the public interest, and that it is in the best interest of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, it appears that the interests of the public will be served by this vacation, since the vacation will lead to the improvement of the property in the surrounding areas without any detriment to the interests of the public.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Oxford,

County of Warren and State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1:

The following described lands are hereby vacated and all the public rights, interests and title arising from the dedication or shown on any map filed or otherwise or any reference to same in any deed or instrument, recorded or otherwise, are hereby vacated, relinquished and extinguished. Those lands constituting of the following are hereby vacated and described as follows:

See Exhibit A, attached hereto.

Section 2:

<u>Severability.</u> The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 3:

Repealer. Any ordinance or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to their inconsistencies only.

Section 4:

Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

CERTIFICATON

I, Lee Geller, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Township of Oxford, County of Warren and State of New Jersey, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that this is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Oxford, at their regular meeting held on September 3, 2025.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced to pass on first reading at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Oxford held on August 6, 2025, at 6:30 PM and ordered published in accordance with the law. Said Ordinance will be considered for final reading and adoption at a regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on September 3, 2025, at 6:30 PM, or as soon thereafter as the Township Committee may hear this Ordinance at the Municipal Building, 11 Green Street, Oxford, New Jersey, at which time all persons interested may appear for or against the passage of said Ordinance.

Mayor Norton opened Public Comment: No public comment

Georgette Miller moved to approve Ordinance 2025-12. Seconded by Linda Koufodontes and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Ayes: 3, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0. Motion Passed

Resolution:

TOWNSHIP OF OXFORD WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY RESOLUTION #2025-104

RESOLUTION IMPOSING A HALLOWEEN CURFEW AND ESTABLISHING OBSERVANCE OF TRICK-OR-TREAT WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF OXFORD

The Township committee discussed in detail the hours of Trick or Treating. The resolution will be amended for hours of 5pm-7pm to 4pm-7pm. Also updated the curfew dates.

Georgette Miller moved to approve Resolution 2025-104 amending Trick or Treating hours and dates of curfew. Seconded by Linda Koufodontes and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Ayes: 3, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0. Motion Passed

TOWNSHIP OF OXFORD WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY RESOLUTION #2025-104

RESOLUTION IMPOSING A HALLOWEEN CURFEW AND ESTABLISHING OBSERVANCE OF TRICK-OR-TREAT WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF OXFORD WHEREAS, Halloween Night and several nights before and after have historically been nights when acts of criminal mischief and vandalism have increased throughout the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Oxford desires to take some action to help reduce the likelihood of such incidents by establishing a suggested curfew to assist parents and lawful guardians of minor children; and

WHEREAS, said curfew is viewed as an important part of maintaining the peace and order of the community and all persons are strongly urged to cooperate with the Washington Township Police Department by abiding by the curfew; and

WHEREAS, the door to door solicitation of treats is a tradition enjoyed by many as well as an annoyance and inconvenience to others and, therefore, needs to be regulated to provide for the safety, health, and welfare of all persons within the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Oxford, County of Warren has established a suggested curfew for all persons seventeen (17) years of age or younger of 9:00 pm Wednesday, October 29, 2025 until 6:00 am Monday, November 3, 2025. The curfew shall be extended for school sponsored events to one (1) hour after the conclusion of the event.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Trick-or-Treat Night shall be observed within the Township of Oxford on Friday, October 31, 2025 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Adopted: September 3, 2025

Certification:

I, Lee Geller, Clerk of the Township of Oxford, Warren County do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and exact copy adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Oxford on September 3, 2025.

Georgette Miller moved to approve Resolution 2025-104 as amended. Seconded by Linda Koufodontes and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Ayes: 3, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0. Motion Passed

New Business:

No new business

Old Business:

Georgette Miller

- Water Chestnut treatment. We received 2 quotes out of 4 companies we contacted.
 - 1. Solitude Lake Management quote was for \$18,000 to hydro rack the water chestnut.
 - 2. Lake Management Sciences said not to hydro rack and treat the whole lake. Quote is \$2,200.00 for 2025, \$16,331.00 for 2026 and a permit fee of \$225.00

RESOLUTION 2025-106

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF OXFORD, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR WEED MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE OXFORD FURNACE LAKE

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has a need to retain weed management services for the Oxford Furnace Lake("Project"); and

WHEREAS, quotes were solicited and obtained for the Project; and

WHEREAS, Lake Management Sciences, LLC submitted a quote in the amount of:

1. \$2,200.00

2025

2. \$16,331.00-

2026; and

WHEREAS, the value of these services will be \$NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000.00 for the years 2025 and 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee finds it to be in the best interest of the Township to authorize said work, which is not subject to public bidding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Oxford, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to enter into a Contract with lake Management Sciences, LLC. as described therein, subject to the certification of funds, NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000.00 without further authorization from the Council.

CERTIFICATION

I, Lee Geller, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Township of Oxford, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing to be true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee at a meeting held on September 3, 2025.

Georgette Miller moved to approve Resolution 2025-106 for Lake Management Science subject to the conditions of the quote and certified funds from the CFO. Seconded by Linda Koufodontes and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Ayes: 3, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0. Motion Passed

Township Committee Reports and Correspondence:

Linda Koufodontes

- The BOE meeting was on August 21, 2025, nothing new to report, they ratified a contract for 2 years. School has started.
- Parking is still an issue the Washington Township Police is recommending that there is no parking on Kent Street during drop off and pick up. Rich Wenner will draft an ordinance for this with no parking on Kent St during the hours of 7:30am-9:30am and 2pm to 4pm Monday thru Friday.

Georgette Miller

- Lake
 - Lake is closed. Not a busy last weekend with the weather.
 - o Inflatables have been removed from the lake.
 - o Our last event is tomorrow night with Catherine McCall.
 - O Staff will be finishing the cleaning of the lake by next week.
 - o Garden State Lab sent us a letter for special pricing discount for the lake for 2026 this offer will expire September 25, 2025. Will call to find out the price.

Township Administrator:

No Report

Township Engineer Report:

Bryce Good

- 133 Jonestown Rd sewer connection
 - o County shut it down today.
 - Construction is to resume tomorrow. Finelli's office to check I on the connect as well as Lou from DPW.
- Wall St Sidewalk project
 - o Heard from JCPL and they will not move the poles
 - We have a second option see design I provided. This will change the project, and we will need to go out to rebid if we choose this plan.
 - o Will let Portofino Builders we will get back to them on the award.
 - O Set up a meeting with the Wall St Business to discuss the new plans and get feed back.

Township Planner's Report

- No Report

Township Attorney's Report:

Rich Wenner

- 40 Chestnut there is an appeal set for September 30, 2025, for the construction violation for unsafe building.
- We are set for our habitability hearing on September 17, 2025

Washington Police Department:

Capt. Smith

No Report

Motion To Pay Bills:

Georgette Miller moved to pay all bills presented and approved by the Committee. Seconded Linda Koufodontes Ayes: 3, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent 0. Motion passed.

Public Comment:

- No Public

Meeting Recap:

- Rich Ordinance for Parking, Habitability hearing on Sept. 17, 2025
- Bryce Wall St. Sidewalk Portofino Update and meeting for the businesses.

Executive Session:

- No Executive Session

Adjourn:

Linda Koufodontes moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 PM. Seconded by Georgette Miller Ayes: 3, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0. Motion passed.

Lee Geller, RMC Township Clerk



List of Bills - (All Funds)
Meeting Date: 09/03/2025 For bills from 08/21/2025 to 09/02/2025

Vendor	Desc	ription	Payment	Check Total
374 - ARAE NETWORK SOLUTIONS, LLC		RRENT FUND		
897 - COMCAST	PO 17248	Blanket - Arae Network Solutions, LLC Blanket - 11 Green St	1,904.13	1,904.13
1175 - Dingman's Dairy			152.46	152.46
529 - ELIZABETHTOWN GAS		Blanket - Dingman Dairy Blanket - 153 Mt. Pisgah	54.24	54.24
529 - ELIZABETHTOWN GAS		Blanket - 153 Mt. Pisgan Blanket - ELiz Gas - 11 Green St	46.89	46.89
529 - ELIZABETHTOWN GAS		Blanket - Eliz Gas - II Green St	57.43	57.43
75 - FRANK RYMON & SONS	PO 17344	Blanket - Frank Rymon	97.36	97.36
1047 - GARDEN STATE LABORATORIES, INC	DO 17335	Blanket - Garden State Lab - Lake	513.66	513.66
1068 - GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES	PO 17450	Blanket - Garden State Lab - Lake Blanket - Seal Stamp	430.00	430.00
724 - Griffith-Llied Trucking, LLC		Blanket - Seal Stamp Blanket - Griffith Allied	53.20	53.20
1287 - Harrahs	PO 17447	Blanket - Harrah's NJLM Conference NOv 2	542.48	542.48
1124 - John Kirkhum	PO 17257	Blanket - John Kirkhum	812.00	812.00
113 - KATHRYN BECKER			185.00	185.00
743 - MONTAGE ENTERPRISES, INC.	PO 17207	Blanket - Kathryn Becker	185.00	185.00
525 - NJ STATE LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES	PO 17449	Blanket - Montage Enterprises	515.30	515.30
175 - Oxford Twp. Payroll Account	PO 17471	Blanket - NJLM Conference NOv. 2025	240.00	240.00
The tageout	PO 17471	08-29-2025 Payroll 08-29-2025 Payroll	21,234.08	
228 - OXFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.	PO 17471		10,166.15	31,400.23
160 - PITNEY BOWES BANK INC- PURCHASE POWER			17,500.00	17,500.00
1292 - PMI Turn Key NJ - Cambridge East	PO 17467	Blanket - Pitney Bowes Power Purchase	532.94	532.94
1275 - Primo Brands	PO 17300	Reimbursement 2024 Street Lights Cambrid	1,809.24	1,809.24
1111 - Prudential DCRP	PO 17410	Blanket - Ready ReFresh	22.98	22.98
		07-03-2025 Payroll	202.59	
		8-15-25 payroll dcrp	491.61	
1263 - Quigley and Son Pest Solutions, LLC		08/29/2025 payroll	186.55	880.75
165 - QUILL CORPORATION	PO 17265	Blanket - Quigley and Son	125.00	125.00
717 - RK OCCUPATIONAL & ENVIRON ANALYSIS	PO 17267	Blanket - Quill office Supplies	741.02	741.02
289 - STATE OF NEW JERSEY		Right to Know Survey	725.20	725.20
695 - TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD		12/2024 end of year	172.57	172.57
705 - TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON	PO 17321	Blanket - Mansfield Shared Service Court	12,469.25	12,469.25
92 - VERIZON	PO 17273	Blanket - Wash, Twp Police Contract	174,431.58	174,431.58
22 VERTEON	PO 17276	Blanket - Verizon	95.86	95.86
541 - MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS	1000 1000 m	OPERATING		
1012 - MICHAEL BRADY	PO 17465		333.00	333.00
175 - Oxford Twp. Payroll Account	PO 17260	Blanket - Michael Brady	200.00	200.00
160 - PITNEY BOWES BANK INC- PURCHASE POWER		08-29-2025 Payroll	480.77	480.77
165 - QUILL CORPORATION	PO 17333	Blanket - Pitney Bowes Power Purchase	241.48	241.48
90 - USA BLUEBOOK		Blanket - Quill office Supplies	167.80	167.80
JO SA BLUEBOOK	PO 17469	Clamp	309.16	309.16
1120 - Common Sense for Animals		L - TRUST		
	PO 1/464	July and Bat hold	302.00	302.00
TOTAL				248,729.98

Summary By Account

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT YR	APPROP.	YEAR	NON-BUDGETARY	CREDIT
01-101-01-000-001	Cash - Treasurer					
01-201-20-100-100	Governing Body - Salaries and Wages	1,346.15			0.00	236,045.38
01-201-20-100-200	Administrative & Executive - Other Expen	1,705.70				
01-201-20-110-200	Computerization	1,904.13				
01-201-20-120-100	Municipal Clerk - Salaries and Wages	2,211.54				
01-201-20-130-100	Finance - Salaries and Wages	1,394.23				
01-201-20-130-200	Finance - Other Expenses	241.47				
01-201-20-145-100	Tax Collector - Salaries and Wages	1,083.77				
01-201-20-145-200	Tax Collector - Other Expenses	153.03				
01-201-21-180-100	Planning Board - Salaries and Wages	571.44				
01-201-23-230-200	Employee Group Health Insurance	370.00				
01-201-23-472-200	Social Security System (OASI)	2,263.96				
01-201-23-474-200	Unemployment Compensation	22.41				
01-201-25-240-200	Police - Other Expenses	174,431.58				
01-201-25-260-200	Aid to Volunteer Fire Company	17,500.00				
01-201-26-290-100	Buildings and Grounds - Salaries and Wag	95.20				
01-201-26-290-200	Buildings and Grounds - Other Expenses	1,642.82				

	NON-BUDGETARY	PPROP. VEAD	CURRENT YR	DESCRIPTION	ACCOUNT
CREDI				Streets and Roads - Salaries and Wages	01-201-26-292-100
			12,245.38	Streets and Roads - Other Expenses	01-201-26-292-200
			22.98	Vehicle Maintenance - Other Expenses	01-201-26-315-200
			515.30	Street Lighting	01-201-31-435-200
			1,809.24	Telephone	01-201-31-440-200
			248.32	Natural Gas/Propane	01-201-31-446-200
			201.68	Gasoline	01-201-31-460-200
			542.48	DCRP	01-201-36-472-200
			880.75	Municipal Court - Other Expenses	01-201-43-490-200
			12,469.25	(2024) Unemployment Compensation	01-203-23-474-200
		172.57			
236,045.38	0.00	172.57	235,872.81	CURRENT FUND	TOTALS FOR
	=======================================			Cash - Treasurer	7-101-01-000-001
1,732.21	0.00				7-201-20-100-200
1,102.21			1,251.44	Other Expenses - Miscellaneous	7-201-26-220-100
			480.77	Salaries and Wages	
1 732 21	0.00	0.00	1,732.21	SEWER OPERATING	OTALS FOR
					2-101-01-000-001
302.00	0.00			Cash - Treasurer	2-299-56-840-100
302.00	302.00			Reserve for Animal Control Expenses	
302.00	302.00	0.00	0.00	ANIMAL - TRUST	OTALS FOR
			=======================================		
				INTERFUND - CURRENT	-161-05-000-001
10,650.39	0.00			RESERVE FOR LAKE EXPENSES	-286-56-850-800
				OXFORD LAKE TRUST	
10,650.39	10,650.39	0.00	0.00	ONFORD LAKE TRUST	

Total to be paid from Fund 01 CURRENT FUND	236,045.38
Total to be paid from Fund 07 SEWER OPERATING	
Total to be paid from Event 10 avenue	1,732.21
Total to be paid from Fund 12 ANIMAL - TRUST	302.00
Total to be paid from Fund 21 OXFORD LAKE TRUST	
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	248,729.98