COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES
June 16, 2026 - 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Jakubowski called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

MAYOR JAKUBOWSKI READ THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT: "Notice of this meeting has been provided in a legal notice published in the Courier Post and the Retrospect; and posted in accordance with Title 10 of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, specifying a 7:00 p.m. meeting time; and that formal action may or may not be taken at all Caucus and Commissioners' meetings".

Those in attendance: Mayor Jakubowski, Commissioner Wendell, Commissioner Alemi, Solicitors Sal Siciliano & Jennifer McPeak, Borough Administrator/Municipal Clerk Danielle Ingves, Randolph Callaway, Superintendent Public Works & Police Chief David Bauer

Mayor Jakubowski led the audience in the Flag Salute.

Meeting Minutes Approval: May 5, 2026 Caucus Meeting Minutes & May 5, 2026, Closed Caucus Meeting Minutes; the foregoing motion was made by Commissioner Wendell and seconded by Commissioner Alemi. All in favor motion carried.

ORDINANCES: N/A

RESOLUTIONS:

2026-132 Authorizing the payment of bills for the month of June 2026. The foregoing motion was made by Commissioner Alemi and seconded by Commissioner Wendell. Unanimous roll call vote.

2026-133 Authorizing the Approval of a Social Affairs Permit for the Audubon Volunteer Fire Department for July 4, 2026, from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm at 221 W. Merchant Street. The foregoing motion was made by Commissioner Wendell and seconded by Commissioner Alemi. All in favor motion carried.

2026-134 Resolution of Borough of Audubon authorizing the borough engineer to make a grant application and execute a grant contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for reconstruction of South Davis Avenue – Phase III, Bringhurst Avenue & Ervin Avenue. The foregoing motion was made by Commissioner Wendell and seconded by Commissioner Alemi. All in favor motion carried.

2026-135 Authorizing the following appointments of Members of Joint Land Use Board.

- James Rosell, Class II, July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030
- James Kindya, Class IV July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030
- Daniel Gaspari, Class IV July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

The foregoing motion was made by Mayor Jakubowski and seconded by Commissioner Wendell. All in favor motion carried.

2026-136 Authorizing Limited Brewery Off-Premises Events for Farm Truck Brewing LLC, 100 W. Merchant Street, for the following dates:

June 26, 27, 28 2026
July 3, 4, 5, 2026

The foregoing motion was made by Commissioner Wendell and seconded by Commissioner Alemi. All in favor motion carried.

2026-137 Authorizing the Approval of a Social Affairs Permit for the Audubon Fathers Association, For Audubon High School 100th Anniversary Celebration, September 26, 2026 from 1:00 pm – 10:00 pm at FJW Rec & Com Center, 602 Hampshire Ave. . The foregoing motion was made by Commissioner Wendell and seconded by Commissioner Alemi. All in favor motion carried. (Mayor Jakubowski Abstained)

2026-138 Resolution authorizing the insertion of a Special Item of Revenue, Chapter 159, into the 2026 Municipal Budget for NJ DCA Local Recreational Improvement Grant FY2025, for Audubon Family Park Improvements in the amount of $80,000.00. . The foregoing motion was made by Commissioner Wendell and seconded by Commissioner Alemi. Unanimous roll call vote.

2026-139 Resolution authorizing the insertion of a Special Item of Revenue, Chapter 159, into the 2026 Municipal Budget for Round 25 – Camden County Recreation Facility Enhancement Grant FY2025 for All Accessible Playground Equipment at Audubon Family Park. . The foregoing motion was made by Commissioner Wendell and seconded by Commissioner Alemi. Unanimous roll call vote.

OPEN SESSION: Commissioner Alemi made a motion to open the meeting to the public; seconded by Commissioner Wendell. All in favor motion carried.

John Poliero – 47 Beloit – expressed concerns about neighbors and the ongoing disputes of people trespassing on his property. It was suggested that he goes to mediation with the neighbors. He would prefer that the neighbors to parent their children. The solicitor and the police chief suggested mediation. There is nothing that the Borough of Audubon can do based on his concerns. He then inquired about fire pit permits and where he can obtain those.

Commissioner Wendell made a motion to close the meeting to the public; seconded by Commissioner Alemi. All in favor motion carried.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

COMMISSIONER WENDELL: I am excited to say that we were awarded the grant that we submitted for Green Acres, and we were awarded $150,000 with the optional $350,000 loan for our inclusive play for the playground at Audubon Family Park. So we are very excited about that. Mayor Jakubowski commented that he has done many grants in his lifetime, and this was probably one of the most complicated grants. A lot of extra steps. We did have the help of a grant writing company, but it only happened because of your workmanship, Com. Wendell. You worked hard and you delivered. Your vision for that part of the park is going to come true sooner than we ever imagined. So, we thank you. We are not the beneficiaries.

Com. Wendell continued that she is happy that came through for us even after we didn't receive the initial one, but this one we did. So that was nice and not a bad amount either. The second thing we will be having a ribbon cutting at our new Audubon Honors, the American 250 memoria, which is to the left of the rec center on July 2,

Independence at the same memorial on July 4 immediately following the parade. So, probably between 9-9:30 am. I also want to say a big thank you to Jim Howard from the Sons of the American Revolution because our original plaque didn't fit right, but he drove to Long Island on Wednesday and had them refit it because they made a misstate and then he installed it for us on Thursday. So this is all coming together. Thanks to Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution. Thanks to our tree grant, and thanks to the companies that were really involved in this because Cooper Memorial and Paul's Awards companies both really pitched in. A couple of months and a vision. If you haven't seen the granite bench that was installed a few weeks ago, it is spectacular as well as the people that installed it.

COMMISSIONER ALEMI – I can't wait to get over there and see it. Great job Com. Wendell. All is coming together at the Borough. I want to thank the staff for all their hard work. We are looking forward to the holiday.

MAYOR JAKUBOWSKI – The Library is hosting an historical talk about all about the 250th anniversary. The two speakers will be Craig Burgess, who is also the master of ceremonies for our parade, and then also Mayor Jakubowski will be the other speaker who actually has a background in American History. This is on June 30 at the Audubon Senior Center. Sustainable Audubon has a garden tour this week, on June 20. The grant that Com. Wendell spoke about is not our only grant. We have a DCA grant for planning local strategic plan were to develop an office of community development that tie together all of our inspectors. So, we are working with our own consultant already, Civic Solutions. We are going to explore what does that mean? How can we save money or in this case, how can it be more efficient for the residents and businesses in Audubon. Part of the plan, we are going to be exploring conversations with neighboring towns to see. Is this potential SSA where so many towns have a part-time inspector, part-time inspector there. We are not going to do this yet; we are going to study it first. I have been caught up in the 250th celebration for a while. We have a company these flags made and said limited edition and only 10,000 were made. I bought one for my home and one for the borough. So, it's an American flag. It's go the Pennsylvania circle and 250th in the middle. I am donating it to the Borough and ask RJ to find a home for it, please. When the borough is done with it, please hand it over to the museum.

Resolution 2026: 140 for purposes of litigation: The foregoing motion was made by Commissioner Wendell and seconded by Commissioner Alemi. All in favor motion carried at 7:23 pm.

Motion to come out of closed session. The foregoing motion was made by Commissioner Wendell and seconded by Mayor Jakubowski. All in favor motion carried at 8:43 pm.

Motion was made to adjourn by Commissioner Wendell, seconded by Commissioner Alemi. All in favor motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:44 P.M.

MAYOR ROBERT JAKUBOWSKI

COMMISSIONER ANDREA WENDELL

COMMISSIONER DAVID F. ALEMI

ATTEST: _____

DANIELLE INGVES, MUNICIPAL CLERK

DATE: 7/7/2026