RESOLUTION 2026-77

AUTHORIZING ADOPTION OF
2026 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of Colts Neck Township that it hereby adopts the 2026 Municipal Budget as follows:

General Appropriations	$ 19,118,181.67
Dedicated Open Space	$ 586,826.76
TOTAL	$ 19,705,008.43

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that $ 12,417,065.99 will be raised by property taxes to support the Budget.

I, Kathleen Capristo, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and accurate copy of a Resolution passed by the Township Committee of Colts Neck Township during the regular meeting held on the 29th day of April 2026.

Kathleen Capristo, Municipal Clerk

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RESOLUTION 2026-78

ESTABLISHING 2026 SALARIES AND WAGES FOR NON-UNION TOWNSHIP POSITIONS

WHEREAS, the Township Ordinance 2026-05 provides for salary and wage ranges for designated municipal employees; and

WHEREAS, the exact amount of each salary or wage is to be determined by the Township Committee of Colts Neck Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that non-contractual individuals shall be paid the regular base salary or hourly wage for the year 2026, for their services to Colts Neck Township in the designated positions as follows:

Title	Name	Department	2026 Salary
Township Administrator	Kathleen Capristo	Administration	$208,764
Municipal Clerk	Kathleen Capristo	Administration	$46,500
Deputy Municipal Clerk	Brian O'Malley	Administration	$35.00/Hour
Clerical – Administration	Angelo Scanelli	Administration	$15.92/Hour
Code Enforcement Manager	Antonio Cardosa	Code Enforcement	$82,553
Construction Official	Paul Vitale	Construction	$47,783
Technical Assistant to Construction Official	Linda Stagliano	Construction	$49,590
Technical Assistant to Construction Official – Assistant	Kelly Marshall	Construction	$23,239
Electric Inspector/Sub-Code Official	Ed Carvin	Construction	$33,323
Building Inspector	Tom Conticchio	Construction	$33,651
Plumbing Inspector/Sub-Code Official	David Dafeldecker	Construction	$43,293
Plumbing Inspector	Mike Winch	Construction	$20,457
Building Inspector/Sub-Code Official/Fire Inspector	Matt Young	Construction	$66,064
UCC Inspector	Ralph Rosamilia	Construction	$18,900
UCC Inspector	Jeffrey Losacco	Construction	$18,900
Director	Louis Bader	Department of Public Works	$163,115
Foreman	Gustavo Baxes	Department of Public Works	$140,510
Foreman	Frank Bradach	Department of Public Works	$70,000
Mechanic	John Connell	Department of Public Works	$82,000
Facility Maintenance Worker	Tom Fischer	Department of Public Works	$68,000
Laborer	Ryan Amato	Department of Public Works	$55,831
Laborer	Phil Connell	Department of Public Works	$53,000

Title	Name	Department	2026 Salary
Laborer	Trevor Cutter	Department of Public Works	$53,000
Laborer	Sean Kelly	Department of Public Works	$50,000
Laborer	Anthony Roma	Department of Public Works	$48,000
Laborer	Kyle Davis	Department of Public Works	$45,000
Mechanic – Part-time	Edward Damon	Department of Public Works	$32/Hour
Convenience Center Attendant	Thomas Carpenter	Department of Public Works	$19.85/Hour
Secretary to Director of Public Works	Jeanie Roseti	Department of Public Works	$66,470
Finance Officer/Treasurer	John Antonides	Finance	$119,500
Tax Collector/Tax Search Officer	John Antonides	Finance	$44,500
Purchasing Agent	John Antonides	Finance	$7,500
Deputy Treasurer/Deputy Tax Collector	Lauren Ondrush	Finance	$48,500
Tax Clerk/Bookkeeper	Christine Eschert	Finance	$66,500
Finance Clerk/Administrative Assistant – Clerk's Office	Alexandra Tucker	Finance	$46,000
Tax Assessor	William Laird	Tax Assessment	$51,264
Health Officer	Thomas Frank	Health Department	$132,063
Well Inspector	Antonio Cardoso	Health Department	$2,000
Municipal Court Judge	Nicole Sonnenblick	Municipal Court	$37,132
Court Administrator	Kathryne Bradach	Municipal Court	$81,326
Deputy Court Administrator	Sharon O'Conner	Municipal Court	$57,000
Violations Clerk	Jackeline Cruz	Municipal Court	$45,176
Violations Clerk	Christina Salinas	Municipal Court	$42,024
Township Planner	Timothy Anfuso	Planning & Zoning	$132,601
Planning Board/BOA Secretary	Krista Hill-Kane	Planning & Zoning	$36,050
Police Chief	Daniel DeVito	Police	$207,525
Secretary to the Police Chief	Rae Behrens	Police	$62,209
Police Lieutenant	Todd Mayer	Police	$185,985
Police Lieutenant	Brian Caswell	Police	$185,985
Police Lieutenant	Morgan Savage	Police	$185,985
SLEO II	Anthony Casiano	Police	$22.50/Hour

Title	Name	Department	2026 Salary
SLEO III	Joseph Chaplinski	Police	$37.50/Hour
SLEO III	Michael Tozer	Police	$37.50/Hour
SLEO III	James McNamara	Police	$37.50/Hour
SLEO III	Brian Murphy	Police	$37.50/Hour
Police Records Clerk	Cassie Halpin	Police	$46,800
Police Clerk	Jeanine Cambria	Police	$21.00/Hour
Police Clerk	Lisa Costa	Police	$21.00/Hour
Director of Recreation and Parks	Colby Marques	Recreation	$92,400
Secretary Recreation and Parks	Barbara Byrne	Recreation	$54,514
Fire Official	Phil Engle	Fire Prevention	$25,750
Smoke Certification Inspector	Antonio Cardosa	Fire Prevention	$4,000
Secretary, Farmland and Open Space Committee	Jena Cosimo	Boards, Committees, and Commissions	$50/Mtg + $10/Hour
Secretary, Environmental Commission	Dina Ryan	Boards, Committees, and Commissions	$50/Mtg + $10/Hour
Secretary, Historic Preservation Committee	Michele Battista	Boards, Committees, and Commissions	$50/Mtg + $10/Hour
Committee Members	Frank Rizzuto	Township Committee	$2,000

I, Kathleen Capristo, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and accurate copy of a Resolution passed by the Township Committee of Colts Neck Township during the regular meeting held on the 29th day of April 2026.

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RESOLUTION 2026-79

RESOLUTION OPPOSING S-1836

WHEREAS, municipalities are required to establish a Municipal Master Plan with acombination of mandatory and optional elements including Goals and Objectives, Land Use, Circulation, Housing, Community Facilities, Downtown Economic Development, Historic Preservation, and Sustainability; and

WHEREAS, municipalities are also required to reexamine the Municipal Master Plan every 10 years to ensure that the master plan meets the community needs and is relevant as communities, evolve, grow, and change; and

WHEREAS, municipalities complete this effort at great cost and community input to ensure their community has a roadmap for growth; and

WHEREAS, a municipality is best suited to plan for and understand their community's needs, the existing infrastructure to address the municipality's public safety, health, traffic, and character and the ability to expand such infrastructure for desired growth; and

WHEREAS, there are many mechanisms for exceptions and variances to the local planning process; and

WHEREAS, municipalities have been diligently working to comply with the changes outlined in the passage of A-4/S-50 in 2024 that made substantial changes to the 4th Round of Affordable Housing obligations; and

WHEREAS, affordable housing construction has generally comprised between 10 – 20 % of a total development, but municipalities will end up constructing far more units during this current round of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, recent legislative proposals that preempt the planning process by permitting the conversion of underutilized properties into mixed used developments, reducing the number of parking spaces required for new developments near transit, making Accessory Dwelling Units permissible, and most recently, legislation that enhances the ability of religious and nonprofit organizations to convert certain property to inclusionary
developments with affordable housing undermine the careful planning process outlined in the Municipal Land Use Law; and

WHEREAS, this proposal, S-1836 is particularly egregious because the required percentage of affordable housing units is only 20% with the remaining 80% at market rate as more than 400 municipalities have adopted plans to fulfill their 4th Round Affordable Housing obligations far in advance of previous rounds; and

WHEREAS, this legislation bypasses local planning for increased density and height, regardless of a municipality's ability to ensure safety; and

WHEREAS, a worthy project could, and should participate in the local planning and zoning process to engage with the public; and

WHEREAS, S-1836 permits the bypassing of the local planning process which is an egregious assault on municipal autonomy and local decision making.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED Colts Neck Township urges the legislature to defeat S-1836 and similar legislation that denies local autonomy in land use planning and ignores the well thought out master plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution is forwarded to the Senator Vin Gopal Assemblywoman Luanne Peterpaul, Assemblywoman Margie Donlon, Governor Mikie Sherrill, and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

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RESOLUTION 2026-80

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF FIREARMS EQUIPMENT FOR THE COLTS NECK POLICE DEPARTMENT N.J. STATE APPROVED NJ STATE CONTRACT, # 17-FLEET-00721
$ 48,262.20

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of Colts Neck Township that it hereby authorizes the purchase of firearms equipment for the Colts Neck Police Department, as follows:

VENDOR: Eagle Point Gun Shop
1707 Third Street
Thorofare, NJ 08086

PURCHASE: Police Firearms Equipment

AMOUNT: $ 48,262.20

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND CERTIFIED by John Antonides, Chief Financial Officer, that funds for this purpose are provided through but not limited to the Capital Ordinance # 2026-04, Capital Budget Account # C-02—083-201; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any documents in this regard; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the following:

1. Kathleen Capristo, Administrator;
2. John Antonides, Chief Financial Officer; and
3. Daniel DeVito, Police Chief

I, Kathleen Capristo, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and accurate copy of a Resolution passed by the Township Committee of Colts Neck Township during the regular meeting held on the 29th day of April 2026.

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RESOLUTION 2026-81

AUTHORIZING SUMMER CAMP AND SPRING LINE DANCE PROGRAM FEES REFUND

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of Colts Neck Township that based on the recommendation of the Colts Neck Township Recreation Director that it hereby authorizes the following refund for summer camp:

- Dana Bennett – Summer Camp Partial Refund - $400
- Sarah Towers – Summer Camp Partial Refund - $175
- Patricia Nicoletti – Spring Line Dance Refund - $100

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be provided to:

1. John Antonides, Chief Financial Officer; and
2. Colby Marques, Recreation Director

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RESOLUTION 2026-82

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GRAVE MARKERS TO BE PLACED BY THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (DAR) ON TOWNSHIP OWNED PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) was founded in 1890 to promote Historic Preservation, Education, and Patriotism across the United States; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Society DAR is an organization within the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, the Middletown Chapter of the DAR ("Middletown DAR"), is a vibrant group of women with a passion for serving the community, especially our veterans, and preserving history who all have a lineal descent from Patriots of the American Revolutionary War; and

WHEREAS, the Middletown DAR has requested to place grave markers at the Hart Family Burial Ground located on Colts Neck Township property;

WHEREAS, the Middletown DAR will provide the Township with an executed Liability Waiver, and an insurance certificate adding the Township as an additional insured; and

WHEREAS, the Township needs to authorize the placement of said grave markers on Township owned property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Colts Neck Township Committee authorizes the Middletown Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution to place a gravesite marker on Township property and further authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute any and all documents authorizing same.

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