

ALLOWAY TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 19, 2026 at 7:00PM

The Regular Meeting of the Alloway Township Committee met in the Auditorium of the Municipal Building on February 19, 2026 at 7:00pm. Mayor P. Ed McKelvey presided. Mayor McKelvey called the meeting to order and stated that the meeting was transmitted to the Township designated newspapers in accordance with Public Law 1975, Chapter 231.

Mayor McKelvey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pastor Mike Eggenburgh, Alloway Baptist, opened the meeting in prayer.

ROLL CALL Present: Deputy Mayor Angelus, Committeeman Leady, Mayor McKelvey
Absent: 0

MINUTES

The following meeting minutes were reviewed by the Committee:

January 12, 2026 Finance

January 15, 2026 Regular

Approved on motion by Deputy Mayor Angelus, seconded by Committeeman Leady, Vote: All in favor, yes

PAYMENT OF BILLS

On motion by Committeeman Leady, seconded by Deputy Mayor Angelus, the attached Bill List was approved by the Finance Committee on January 12, 2025 and was ordered paid.

Roll Call: Deputy Mayor Angelus – yes, Committeeman Leady – yes, Mayor McKelvey - yes
Motion carried.

PUBLIC SESSION

Mayor McKelvey asked for a motion to open Public Session and anyone wishing to speak, state their name and where they reside, and briefly in three (3) minutes or less state your comments to the Township Committee.

On motion by Deputy Mayor Angelus, seconded by Committeeman Leady, Public Session was opened.

Vote: All in favor-yes

Mr. Joe Quather, 61 E Main Street, stated that a few months ago the committee had contacted the State Police regarding increased traffic monitoring in the area. He noted that he has not observed any State Police presence since that request and asked the committee to reach out to them again.

Mr. Quather also inquired about the status of the proposed change to convert the traffic light in the center of town back to the original 4-way stop. He acknowledged that the committee had previously sent a letter to the county requesting the change. Mayor McKelvey responded that he had initially been led to believe the change would be made, however, the county later informed the Township that the traffic signal would remain in place despite requests from residents and the Committee. Deputy Mayor Angelus added that the county is in agreement with the engineer's recommendation to keep the traffic light as is.

Mr. Quather said two public hearings will take place this evening on two Ordinances; where are the ordinances for residents to review? Mr. Quather said they should be available to the public not just posted on the website.

On motion by Committeeman Leady, seconded by Deputy Mayor Angelus, Public Session was closed.

Vote: All in favor -yes

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 575 – Public Hearing and Final Adoption

Ordinance No. 575 was called up for a Public Hearing, and second reading, an ordinance entitled:

"Fixing the Salary Ranges for Certain Officers and Employees of the Township of Alloway in the County of Salem"

Publication of summary of Ordinance No. 575 as required has been made. On motion by Deputy Mayor Angelus, seconded by Committeeman Leady Ordinance No. 575, the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 575 was opened and Clerk Dolbow read the ordinance by title on the second reading. Mayor McKelvey announced that all interested parties would now be given an opportunity to be heard on this ordinance.

Vote: All in favor-yes

Mr. Joe Quather in response to this Ordinance stated that back in November the Committee decided to take a ten percent reduction in salaries, however, the ordinance that is before us this evening has increase of 3%, this certainly does not add up to a ten percent reduction. Mayor McKelvey responded that the Ordinance is for Salary Ranges, the Committee did take a reduction in salary, in 2026 every employee received a 3% percent increase, so the committee will get a 3% increase on the 2025 salary range with the 10 percent deduction.

There being no further questions or comments from the public, on a motion by Committeeman Leady, seconded by Deputy Mayor Angelus, the Public Hearing was closed. Vote: All in favor, yes.

Deputy Mayor Angelus moved to adopt Ordinance No. 575 on second and final reading Committeeman Leady seconded the motion. Roll Call: Deputy Mayor Angelus-yes, Committeeman Leady- yes, Mayor McKelvey -yes. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 576 – Public Hearing and Final Adoption

Ordinance No. 576 was called up for a Public Hearing, and second reading, an ordinance entitled:

"Calendar Year 2026 To Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and To Establish a Cap Bank (N.J.S.A. 40a: 4-45.14)"

Publication of summary of Ordinance No. 576, as required has been made. On motion by Committeeman Leady, seconded by Deputy Mayor Angelus, the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 576 was opened and the Mayor read the ordinance by title on second reading. Mayor McKelvey announced that all interested parties would now be given opportunity to be heard on this ordinance. Vote: All in favor- yes

There being no questions or comments from the public, on a motion by Deputy Mayor Angelus, seconded by Committeeman Leady, the Public Hearing was closed. Vote: All in favor- yes

Committeeman Leady, moved to adopt Ordinance No. 576 on second and final reading, Deputy Mayor Angelus seconded the motion. Roll Call: Deputy Mayor Angelus- yes, Committeeman Leady- yes, Mayor McKelvey- yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS/CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 26-35	Appointments to the Environmental Commission
Resolution 26-36	Amending Resolution No. 26-10 Designating Committee Members as Liaisons to Alloway Townships Standing Committees
Resolution 26-37	Appointing Plumbing Subcode Official/Plumbing Inspector
Resolution 26-38	Supporting the Commemoration of the Semiquincentennial of The United States of America
Resolution 26-39	Approving a Fishing Tournament Permit Application for Philadelphia Bass Busters at Alloway Lake
Resolution 26-40	Approving a Fishing Tournament Permit Application for South Jersey Hook This! at Alloway Lake
Resolution 26-41	Authorizing an Off-Premise Merchandise Raffle License to the Alloway Township Fire Co
Resolution 26-42	Authorizing an Off-Premise Merchandise Raffle License to the Alloway Township Fire Co
Resolution 26-43	Transfer Appropriation Reserves
Resolution 26-44	Authorizing Executive Session

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Angelus and seconded by Committeeman Leady to vote by Consent Agenda on Resolutions No. 26-35 through No.26-44.

Roll Call: Deputy Mayor Angelus- yes, Committeeman Leady- yes, Mayor McKelvey- yes. Motion carried

A motion was made by Committeeman Leady and seconded by Deputy Mayor Angelus to adopt by Consent Agenda Resolutions No. 26-35 through 26-44.

Roll Call: Deputy Mayor Angelus-yes, Committeeman Leady- yes, Mayor McKelvey- yes. Motion carried.

MOTIONS

On a motion by Deputy Mayor Angelus, seconded by Committeeman Leady, a request from the Alloway Halloween Parade Committee for Closure of Various Roads for Parade Day activities held on 10/24/2026 (6:00pm-10:00pm) with the Rain date being 10/25/2026 (5:00pm-9:00pm)- was approved *Action Contingent Upon Approval from the Salem County Board of County Commissioners.*

Vote: All in favor- yes

On a motion by Committeeman Leady, seconded by Deputy Mayor Angelus, the Farmland Preservation Notice for T. Tedesco, Jr, Block 105, Lot 7 & Execution of Confirmation Letter was acknowledged and authorized for execution.

Vote: All in favor-yes

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor McKelvey called on each committee member present as follows:

Deputy Mayor Angelus – Reported he was not able to make the Environmental Commission meeting; however, the Planning Board has been very receptive to the ordinance that Deputy Mayor Angelus is working on which would make it difficult for a data centers and warehouses to come to Alloway Township. This ordinance would protect the Township in regards to protecting the Kirkwood Cohansey and Wenonah Mount Laurel aquifers by changing our land use laws also. Deputy Mayor Angelus stated he plans to work with Salem County Preservation and he is open to any input from the public.

Deputy Angelus said there will be a Community Resource page located on the Township website. Please reach out to him if anyone has any community resource information that would like on the page.

Deputy Angelus reported the Township is in the process of working on a Township Facebook page that way real time information can be shared.

Committeeman Leady – Steering Committee didn't meet this month. The Agricultural Advisory Committee is trying to get more applications.

Committeeman Leady said the Committee is working with the Fire Company to secure new equipment, including a fire truck. They have already obtained new extraction tools.

Committeeman Leady addressed the challenges our community faced during the last snowstorm, and the difficulties Public Works encountered, particularly with heavy ice accumulation and a statewide salt shortage that limited available resources. While it may have appeared at times that roads were not being cleared quickly, Public Works worked diligently under tough conditions and did they very best they could.

Committeeman Leady said a new excavator was purchased for the Public Works Department.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor McKelvey met with representatives from New Jersey American Water this week regarding a recent issue with the Quinton Alloway line. A blockage caused by debris that had not been cleaned prior to the company assuming control of the system led to necessary repairs. As a result, the township was billed for half of the repair costs.

Mayor McKelvey reported he met with members of the Alloway Township School Board and the districts CFO to review the school budget and discuss the ongoing feasibility study. While no specific figures were shared, officials indicated there may be budgetary shortfalls. They expressed uncertainty about whether regionalization would result in long term financial savings.

Mayor McKelvey announced the school is having a Regionalization meeting on March 10th, 2026 in Upper Pittsgrove. The Superintendent is meeting with Kristin Williams and a few other Superintendents to collaborate and get as much shared services as possible.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor McKelvey made the following announcements:

- > 2026 Dog Licenses: Licenses can be renewed by mail, drop box, or in person during business hours. Courtesy Reminder: \$25.00 late fee per renewal added April 1, 2026
- > Saturday, March 14, 2026 Rabies Clinic: 9:00 am -12 noon
- > Extended Hours for the Clerk's Office- every Thursday from 3:30pm-6:00pm, starting on February 26th, 2026.
- > Mayor McKelvey introduced Alloway Township's new Municipal Clerk, Jena Dolbow.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:24pm a motion was made by Deputy Mayor Angelus, seconded by Committeeman Leady to enter into Executive Session at this time. Vote: All in favor- yes

OPEN SESSION

At 8:21pm a motion was made by Committeeman Leady, seconded by Deputy Mayor Angelus to re-open the meeting to the public Vote: All in favor- yes

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion by Committeeman Leady, seconded by Deputy Mayor Angelus, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22pm
Vote: All in favor- yes

Jena L Dolbow, Municipal Clerk