

2026 Municipal Budget

of the BOROUGH of HIGHTSTOWN County of
 MERCER for the fiscal year 2026.

Revenue and Appropriations Summaries

Summary of Revenues	Anticipated		
	2026	2025	2025
1. Surplus	1,099,734.37	1,072,619.00	
2. Total Miscellaneous Revenues	1,379,348.52	1,238,948.82	
3. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	200,000.00	170,000.00	
4. a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	6,958,118.68	6,806,652.67	
b) Addition to Local School District Tax			
c) Minimum Library Tax			
Tot Amt to be Rsd by Taxes for Sup of Muni Bnd	6,958,118.68	6,806,652.67	
Total General Revenues	9,637,201.57	9,288,220.49	

Summary of Appropriations	2026 Budget	Final 2025 Budget
1. Operating Expenses: Salaries & Wages	3,345,456.94	3,297,105.00
Other Expenses	3,762,300.04	3,657,080.07
2. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations	957,565.00	941,807.00
3. Capital Improvements		5,000.00
4. Debt Service (Include for School Purposes)	981,785.47	847,950.00
5. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	553,954.12	502,209.42
Total General Appropriations	9,601,061.57	9,251,151.49
Total Number of Employees		

2026 Dedicated	Water / Sewer	Utility Budget
Summary of Revenues		
	Anticipated	
	2026	2025
1. Surplus		
2. Miscellaneous Revenues		
3. Deficit (General Budget)		
Total Revenues		
Summary of Appropriations		
	2026 Budget	Final 2025 Budget
1. Operating Expenses: Salaries & Wages		
Other Expenses		
2. Capital Improvements		
3. Debt Service		
4. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations		
5. Surplus (General Budget)		
Total Appropriations		
Total Number of Employees		

2026 Dedicated	Utility Budget
Summary of Revenues	
	Anticipated
	2026
	2025
1. Surplus	128,023.99
2. Miscellaneous Revenues	
3. Deficit (General Budget)	
Total Revenues	128,023.99
Summary of Appropriations	
	2026 Budget
	Final 2025 Budget
1. Operating Expenses: Salaries & Wages	
Other Expenses	
2. Capital Improvements	
3. Debt Service	
4. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations	
5. Surplus (General Budget)	
Total Appropriations	
Total Number of Employees	

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Total Appropriations			
Total Number of Employees			

Balance of Outstanding Debt			
	General	Water / Sewer	
Interest			
Principal			
Outstanding Balance			

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Notice is hereby given that the budget and tax resolution was approved by the COUNCIL MEMBERS of the BOROUGH of HIGHTSTOWN, County of MERCER on _____, 2026.

A hearing on the budget and tax resolution will be held at Hightstowns Fire Company, on 5/4/2026, 2026 at 6:30 o'clock PM at which time and place objections to the Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2026 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested parties.

Copies of the budget are available in the office of _____ Municipal Clerk at the Municipal Building, 156 Bank Street Hightstown New Jersey, _____ during the hours of 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

Margaret Riggio, RMC/CMC
Borough Clerk