

**TOWNSHIP OF LUMBERTON
LAND DEVELOPMENT BOARD**

RESOLUTION 2026 - 06

**RESOLUTION REGARDING DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL MUNICIPAL
NEWSPAPERS AND NEW PROCEDURE FOR PUBLIC NOTICES FOR THE
TOWNSHIP OF LUMBERTON LAND DEVELOPMENT BOARD UNTIL PUBLIC
LAW 2025, C. 72 BECOMES EFFECTIVE**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lumberton is required by law to designate an official newspaper or newspapers for the publication of legal notices and other municipal matters; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 2025, c. 72 becomes effective on March 1, 2026, eliminating the need or requirement for physical newspaper publication and instead creating online publications on the Township's official website; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has enacted legislation to ensure that all required public information is published in newspapers of general circulation which reliably serve the residents of Lumberton Township until such time that the new law comes into effect and all official publications are displayed on the Township's website; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution # 2026-12 adopted by the Governing Body, the Township has designated the Burlington County Times and the Courier Post the Official Newspapers for all public notices required by law from January 1, 2026 through February 28, 2026; and

WHEREAS, in conformance with Public Law 2025, c. 72, which becomes effective on March 1, 2026, all municipal public notices shall be posted on the Township's Official Website, www.lumbertontwp.com and non-public entities seeking to publish notices shall also utilize an "online news publication" which, according to statute, is a news publication in electronic format that contains news on matters of public concern, has published news predominantly in the English language at least once per week for at least one year continuously, is based upon the geographic target of Burlington County, maintain notices in a manner that is fully accessible and searchable by members of the public at all times, maintains an archive for at least one year, displays the notice for at least one week or longer if required by law, ensures adequate security and recovery, does not charge a fee, registration or subscription to view legal notices, maintains up to \$1 million in media liability coverage, has continuous operation for at least three years and receives at least 4,000 unique monthly visits on average as calculated annually, no less than 50 percent of which shall be from IP addresses with the Township or within a 10 mile radius of the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township of Lumberton Land Development Board, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey, that:

1. In conformance with the requirements of the State statute and the legislation adopted by the governing body of Lumberton Township, effective March 1, 2026, all public notices, including notices of hearings for Applications or other matters to be heard by the Land Development Board, shall be posted on the Township's Official Website, www.lumbertontwp.com and non-public entities seeking to publish notices shall also utilize an "online news publication" consistent with the requirements of the State statute.

2. All Applicants, developers, persons or entities which have matters before the Land Development Board requiring notice of a hearing or other Board action to be posted on the Township website are required to submit their notice by email to the Land Development Board Secretary and/or the Township's designee no later than noon of the deadline date for the meeting for which notice is requested to be posted on the Township's website. The Meeting schedule and deadlines for submitting the request to post required notices on the Township's website is hereby established for 2026 by the Board as follows:

2026 Meeting Schedule and submission deadline for requests to post notice on the Township Website:

<u>Meeting Date</u>	<u>Application Submission Deadline</u>	<u>Notice request deadline</u>
February 12, 2026	January 12, 2026	January 29, 2026
March 12, 2026	February 12, 2026	February 26, 2026
April 9, 2026	March 9, 2026	March 26, 2026
May 14, 2026	April 14, 2026	April 30, 2026
June 11, 2026	May 11, 2026	May 28, 2026
July 9, 2026	June 9, 2026	June 25, 2026
August 13, 2026	July 13, 2026	July 30, 2026
September 10, 2026	August 10, 2026	August 27, 2026
October 8, 2026	September 8, 2026	September 24, 2026
November 12, 2026	October 12, 2026	October 29, 2026
December 11, 2026	November 11, 2026	November 25, 2026

3. The notice to be posted on the website shall be submitted in, pdf format.

Adopted: January 21, 2026

Catherine A. Borstad, Board Secretary

Land Development Board Chairman