BERNARDS TOWNSHIP - TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

COMBINED AGENDA - REGULAR MEETING

August 15, 2023 - 7:30 PM Executive Closed Session; 8:00 PM Public Open Session

The Municipal Building, 1 Collyer Lane, Basking Ridge, is open and is following the CDC's current guidelines. The meeting will be live streamed and can be found by clicking on the "Watch a Meeting Live" icon on the home page, www.bernards.org and can also be viewed live on Optimum/Cablevision TV - Channel 15 and Verizon FiOS TV - Channel 35.

Estimated Times

AGENDA

7:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Video

- 2. FLAG SALUTE
- 3. MAYOR'S OPENING MEETING STATEMENT
- 4. ROLL CALL
- 5. EXECUTIVE SESSION (if required)
 - A. Resolution #2023-0342 Authorizing an Executive Session Meeting of the Bernards Township Committee

8:00 PM

- 6. PRESENTATION
 - A. Resolution #2023-0341 Recognizing Ridge High School Drama Club 2023 State Championship Awards
- 7. PUBLIC WORK SESSION (if required)
- 8. REPORTS
- 9. CORRESPONDENCE

8:05 PM

- 10. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 11. STAFF COMMENTS, TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE COMMENTS AND BOARD / LIAISON REPORTS
- 12. FIRE & RESCUE APPOINTMENT
 - A. Resolution #2023-0336 Appointment to Membership in Township of Bernards Volunteer First Aid Squad of the Basking Ridge Fire Company #1 Monica Schwed, Junior Member
 - B. <u>Resolution #2023-0345</u> Appointment to Membership in Township of Bernards Volunteer Liberty Corner Fire Company Evan Borchert, Full Member
- 13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. <u>Ordinance #2531</u>- An Ordinance to Amend the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards, Chapter 21 "Land Development" Section 63.3 "Certificates of Occupancy." Planning Board Report Public Hearing
 - B. Ordinance #2532 Accepting a First Amendment to Tree Conservation Easement on Property Located at 3, 6, 7, 10 and 11 Fenwick Place; Block 7702, Lots 10.01, 10.02, 10.03, 10.04 and 10.05, from Leonard Soled and Alexis Soled, Veeraj Jadeja and Priya Jadeja, Brian Krawitz and Brooke Krawitz, Waqas Rehman and Urooj Rehman, and Gaurav Patel and Payal Joshi to the Township of Bernards Map Public Hearing



14. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consent Agenda

The items listed within the consent agenda portion of the meeting have been referred to the Township Committee for reading and study, are posted on the agenda on the website, are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Township Committee with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is required, the item may be removed from the agenda by township committee action and placed on the regular agenda under new business.

- 1) Resolution #2023-0332 Approval of the Bill List Dated 08/15/2023
- 2) Resolution #2023-0333 Approval of Block Party Permit for Juniper Way, 09/09/2023
- 3) <u>Resolution #2023-0334</u> Renewal of Membership in the Suburban Municipal Joint Insurance Fund
- 4) Resolution #2023-0337 Approving the Person-to-Person Transfer of Liquor License #1802-36-009-005, Valor Hospitality Partners LLC t/a Delta Hotels by Marriott Basking Ridge to 80 Allen V6 JV LLC t/a Delta Hotels by Marriott Basking Ridge
- 5) Resolution #2023-0338 2024 Holiday Schedule
- 6) Resolution #2023-0339 Approval of Block Party Permit for Harrison Brook Drive, 09/09/2023 (Rain date 09/10/2023)
- 7) Resolution #2023-0340 Approval of Block Party Permit for Culberson Road, 09/09/2023 (Rain date 09/10/2023)
- 8) Resolution #2023-0343 Authorizing and Approving Purchase of Commercial Toro Parts and Equipment Repairs from the Somerset County Cooperative #CC-0091-22 to Storr Tractor Company, 3191 Route 22, Branchburg, New Jersey Somerville, NJ 08876 In the Amount Not to Exceed \$60,000.00
- 9) Resolution #2023-0344 Approval of Block Party Permit for Grist Mill Drive, 09/09/2023 (Rain date 09/10/2023)
- 10) Resolution #2023-0346- Authorization for Tax Refund
- 11) Resolution #2023-0347 Award of Change Order #2 for 2022 Road Improvements To MECO, Inc., PO Box 536, Clarksburg, NJ 08510 Decrease of \$8,260.89 (0.85%)
- 12) Resolution #2023-0348 Authorization for Tax Refund due to Veteran Exemption
- 13) <u>Resolution #2023-0349</u> Consenting to an Application by Steven Annese, to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for a Transition Area Averaging Plan Waiveron Property Known as 3 Emerald Valley Way; Block 11401, Lot 21
- 14) Resolution #2023-0350 Award of Purchase Orders for Identified Vendor; PMG SM AP LLC d/b/a Seal Master Atlantic Visiting Nurse
- 15) Resolution #2023-0351 Award of Bid for Municipal HVAC Services to Unitemp Mechanical Degrees, LLC, 26 Worlds Fair Drive Unit D, Somerset, NJ 08873
- 16) Resolution #2023-0352 Award of Bid for the Re-Bid 2023 Sidewalk Improvements to Messercola Excavating Co., Inc., 549 East Third Street, Plainfield, NJ 07060 In the Amount of \$125,300.00.
- 17) Resolution #2023-0353 Partial Rescinding of Resolution 2023-0271
- 18) Resolution #2023-0354 Return of Performance Surety for Dewey Meadow, Block 8501, Lots 39 & 43
- Resolution #2023-0355 Personnel Appointment Keine Dorsey Truck Driver Department of Public Works
- 20) <u>Resolution #2023-0356 -</u> Personnel Appointment Robert Kovach Groundskeeper Department of Public Works
- 21) <u>Resolution #2023-0357 -</u> Approval of Special Event Permit Liberty Corner Food Truck and Music Festival – Liberty Corner Fire Company Sunday, August 27, 2023, 11:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- 22) <u>Resolution #2023-0358</u> Approval of Special Event Permit Bernards Chinese American Association Mid-Autumn Festival September 23, 2023 Pleasant Valley Park
- 23) <u>Resolution #2023-0359</u> Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application to the Somerset County Board of County Commissioners for a Grant Entitled Somerset County Municipal Youth Services Commission 2023-2024 Abbreviated Annual Grant Application: \$6,000 for funding Ridge Education Action & Community Health (REACH) and Grab and Go Teen Outreach
- 24) Resolution #2023-0360 Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application to the Somerset County Board of County Commissioners for a Grant Entitled Somerset County Municipal Youth Services Commission "2023-2024 Competitive Grant Application" for \$4,000"



- 25) <u>Resolution #2023-0361</u> Approval of Special Event Permit Concert on The Green at Fellowship Village 09/09/2023
- 26) Resolution #2023-0363 Authorization for Tax Refund
- 27) Resolution #2023-0364 Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application to the Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission for a State/County Partnership Local Arts Program Grant: \$8,000 for the Department of Parks & Recreation
- 28) <u>Resolution #2023-0365</u> Personnel Appointment Kendra Kelly Administrative Assistant Municipal Clerk's Office
- 29) Resolution #2023-0366 Approval of Block Party Permit for Cayuga Way, 10/07/2023 (Rain date 10/14/2023)
- 30) Resolution #2023-0367 Award of Change Order #1 for FY NJDOT Municipal Aid Funded Grant Keats Road, Thackeray Drive, & Highland Avenue Reconstruction To Reivax Contracting Corp., 165 River Road, Flemington, NJ 08822 Decrease of \$1,532.84 (0.13%)
- B. <u>Resolution #2023-0335</u> Personnel Appointments Special Law Enforcement Officer (SLEO) III Police Department
- C. <u>Resolution #2023-0362</u> Memorializing Resolution of the Township Committee Action Regarding Ridge Baseball Club's One-Time Departure from the Lease to Allow a Pilot Program for Light Usage from September 1, 2023, to November 15, 2023, and from April 1, 2024, to April 23, 2024
- D. Resolution #2023-0368 Change Order # 1 Authorizing And Approving An Additional Amount Of \$54,000.00 For New Jersey State Co-Operative Contract #T0106 (17-Fleet 00749) For The Upfit Of First Responder And Public Works Vehicles To Elite Vehicle Systems, 1000 Bennet Blvd-Unit 6, Lakewood, NJ 08701
- E. <u>Ordinance #2533</u> Accepting a Second Amended Declaration of Restrictions and Easement on Property Located at 49 Liberty Corner Road; Block 9601, Lot 4.03, from James E. and Kyung-Mi Orthmann to the Township of Bernards Map Introduction
- F. Approval of Minutes: 07/25/2023 Open Session Minutes
- 15. EXECUTIVE SESSION (if required)
- 16. ADJOURNMENT

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Note(s):

Ordinance #2523 introduced on July 25, 2023, to Authorize the Renewal of the Leasing of Property to the Ridge Baseball Club, Inc. for a Period of an Additional Twenty Years for Nominal Consideration is withdrawn and will not be acted upon.





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Resolution #2023-0342

Authorizing an Executive Session Meeting of the Bernards Township Committee

WHEREAS, NJSA 10:4-12 allows for a public body to go into closed session during a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the public; and

WHEREAS, the regular meeting of the Township Committee will reconvene.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee will go into closed session for the following reason(s) as outlined in NJSA 10:4-12; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Committee hereby declares that the discussion of subject(s) may be made public at a time when the Township Attorney advises the Township Committee that the disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect any right, interest or duty of the Township or any other entity with respect to said discussion. That time is currently estimated as the time of said matter.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Township Committee, hereby declares that the public is excluded from the portion of the meeting during which the discussion(s) shall take place and hereby directs the Municipal Clerk to take the appropriate action to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

·	Reason for Closed Session	Estimated Time of Disclosure or Upon
	Any matter which by express provisions of Federal Law, State Statute or Rule of Court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from discussion in public Provision relied upon .	Occurrence Of
	Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the federal government.	
	Any matter the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy.	
	Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions of which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of terms and conditions with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.	
	Any matter involving the purpose, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.	

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	imposition of a specific civil penalty upo	rring after a public hearing that may result in the on the responding party or the suspension or loss of ponding party as a result of an act of omission for sibility.	
	Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose right could be adversely affect request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting subject to the balancing of the public's interest and the employee's privacy rights under <i>South Jersey Publishing</i> , 124 NJ 478. The employee(s) and nature of discussion is:		
	Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations which the public body is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as lawyer. Under certain circumstances, if public disclosure of the matter would have a potentially negative impact on the Township's position in the litigation or negotiation, this information may be withheld until such time that the matter is concluded, or the circumstances no longer present a potential impact. Attorney Client Privilege – Litigation – Harrison Brook Drive Upon resolution		
	Any investigations of violations or possi	ble violations of the law.	
	Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection.		



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Resolution #2023-0341

Recognizing Ridge High School Drama Club 2023 State Championship Awards

WHEREAS, Ridge Drama Club's musical production of "NEWSIES" participated in the State Musical Competition; and

WHEREAS, out of over 100 schools participating in the state musical competition, the club was nominated for 10 state awards for their musical production of "NEWSIES"; and

WHEREAS, Ridge Drama Club won six state championship awards for their production of "NEWSIES" at the Paper Mill Playhouse Rising Star Awards:

Outstanding Overall Production of a Musical

Outstanding Performance by a Featured Ensemble

Member: Jaidyn Reilly

James K. Mosser Memorial Rising Star Awards Scholarship for Performance: Libby Schmitt Outstanding Achievement in Choreography and staging: Rachel Miranda & Jennifer Disuiseppe

Outstanding Performance by a Chorus

Outstanding Performance by an Orchestra

Outstanding Educator Awards: Tim Lynch

and:

WHEREAS, the greatest of these awards being the Overall Outstanding Production of a Musical, for the second year in a row, ranking Ridge Drama Club as the highest Production in the state of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Drama Club has requested the display of a temporary cross-street banner recognizing this accomplishment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that we do hereby recognize and congratulate the Ridge Drama Club, their Musical Director and staff, on their impressive accomplishments and their extraordinary talents and commitment to the arts; and

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards hereby memorializes the display of a cross-street banner to be hung in downtown Basking Ridge center to celebrate their outstanding success.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

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Resolution #2023-0336

Appointment to Membership in Township of Bernards Volunteer First Aid Squad of the Basking Ridge Fire Company #1 Monica Schwed, Junior Member

WHEREAS, pursuant to §2-14.1 and §2-16.1 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards, the Bernards Township Fire Department shall consist of the Basking Ridge Fire Company #1 and the Liberty Corner Fire Company; and the Bernards Township First Aid and Emergency Department shall consist of the First Aid Squad of the Basking Ridge Fire Company No. #1; and

WHEREAS, the First Aid Squad of the Basking Ridge Fire Company #1 is recommending Monica Schwed, residing at 131 Mountain Road, Basking Ridge, NJ, for appointment as a Junior Member.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that the above individual is hereby appointed as a Junior Member of the First Aid Squad of the Basking Ridge Fire Company #1 effective this date.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

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Christine V. Kieffer, Municipal Clerk

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Application has been made by the applicant to the above referenced organization who has vetted said person and recommends appointment. In addition, a police background check has been performed.

Municipal Clerk



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Resolution #2023-0345

Appointment to Membership in Township of Bernards Volunteer Liberty Corner Fire Company Evan Borchert, Full Member

WHEREAS, pursuant to §2-14.1 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards, the volunteer fire department consisting of the Basking Ridge Fire Company #1 and the Liberty Corner Fire Company, are hereby made the fire department for the Township of Bernards; and

WHEREAS, the Liberty Corner Fire Company is recommending, Evan Borchert, 23 Tysley Street, Basking Ridge, NJ, for appointment as a Full member.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that Evan Borchert is hereby appointed as a Full Member of the Liberty Corner Fire Company effective this date.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

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Ordinance of the Township of Bernards

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ORDINANCE #2531

An Ordinance to Amend the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards, Chapter 21 "Land Development" Section 63.3 "Certificates of Occupancy"

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards in the County of Somerset that Chapter 21, "Land Development," Section 63.3 "Certificates of Occupancy" of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards is hereby amended: (new text is in double underline; deletions are stricken):

§ 21-63.3. Certificates of Occupancy. [Ord. #585, § 1002C; Ord. #808; Ord. #1103, § 61]

- a. It shall be unlawful to use or permit the use of any structure or part(s) thereof occupied for a new use; or in the case of any nonresidential use, occupied by a new occupant; or occupied as a low- or moderate income residential sales or rental unit, whether upon initial sale or rental, resale or rerental; or hereafter erected, altered, converted or enlarged wholly or in part, until a certificate of occupancy shall have been issued by the Construction Code Enforcement Official with the consent (as to matters outside of the Uniform Construction Code) of the Zoning Enforcement Officer. The Construction Code Enforcement Official shall issue a certificate of occupancy only when he or she is satisfied that the structure satisfies all code requirements; the Zoning Enforcement Officer has certified that the development complies with the provisions of this chapter; the Township Engineer has certified that the development and is not in violation of the ordinances of the Township; and all other officials have made such certifications as this chapter may require prior to the issuance of a certificate of occupancy.
 - 1. Notwithstanding any other time requirement in this section, no certificate of occupancy shall be issued for a low- or moderate-income residential sales or rental unit unless the Municipal Housing Liaison of the Township has made a written determination that the unit is to be controlled by the deed restriction and mortgage lien required by the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing, under N.J.A.C. 5:92, Subchapter 12, as amended from time to time. [Ord.

#2021, 7-15-2008, amended]

- b. Unless additional time is agreed upon by the applicant in writing, a certificate of occupancy shall be granted or denied in writing within 10 days from the date that a written notification pursuant to Section 5:23-2.7 of the Uniform Construction Code of the State of New Jersey is filed with the Construction Code Enforcement Official and a duplicate is filed with the Zoning Enforcement Officer stating that the erection of the structure is completed in accordance with the approved permit and development plan.
- c. A temporary certificate of occupancy may be issued for any structure or use for which

development plan approval has been granted although not all conditions of the approval have been complied with. Such temporary certificates of occupancy shall be issued only in extenuating circumstances and only with the approval of the Board which approved the development plan, which Board may establish specific terms and conditions for the issuance of a temporary certificate of occupancy, including the posting of a performance guaranty for any improvements not yet completed.

- d. Should the Construction Code Enforcement Official decline to issue a certificate of occupancy, his or her reason for doing so shall be so stated on two copies of the application and one copy shall be returned to the applicant. If the reason for declining the issuance of the certificate of occupancy is based upon objections of the Zoning Enforcement Officer, said Officer shall state his or her objections and they shall be attached to the copy of the application which is returned to the applicant.
- e.d. Upon notice being served of any condition found to exist in violation of any provision(s) of this chapter with respect to any land use, the certificate of occupancy for such use shall thereupon, without further notice, be null and void and a new certificate of occupancy shall be required for any further use of such structure of land.
- e. A monthly report of the certificates of occupancy issued shall be filed with the Township Tax Assessor. A record of all certificates of occupancy shall be kept in the office of the Construction Code Enforcement Official and copies shall be furnished on request to any person having a proprietary or tenancy interest in the structure and affected. The charge for each copy shall be established by resolution of the governing body except that there shall be no charge to a municipal- agency.

Explanatory Statement:

These revisions are required to align this ordinance with the NJ Uniform Construction Code and Regulations. The current ordinance was impractical and not being adhered to. This is administratively required.

Dennis Bettler C.B.O., Construction Official

TOWNSHIP OF BERNARDS PUBLIC NOTICE

Ordinance #2531 was introduced and passed on first reading by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards in the County of Somerset on 07/11/2023 and then ordered to be published according to law. It will be further considered for final passage and adoption at a public hearing held at a meeting of the Township Committee at the Municipal Building, 1 Collyer Lane, Basking Ridge, NJ in said township on 08/15/2023, at 8 P.M., when and where, or at such time and place to which said meeting may be adjourned, all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance. A complete text of this ordinance is available in the Office of the Municipal Clerk, 1 Collyer Lane, Basking Ridge, NJ, from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday. Copies are also available via e-mail from ckieffer@bernards.org.

By Order of the Township Committee Christine V. Kieffer, Municipal Clerk

BERNARDS TOWNSHIP DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING SERVICES PLANNING BOARD

TO: Christine Kieffer, Township Clerk

John P. Belardo, Esq., Township Attorney

CC: Kippy Piedici, Chairwoman

Jonathan Drill, Esq., Board Attorney David Schley, Township Planner David Banisch, Board Planner Thomas Timko, Township Engineer

FROM: Cyndi Kiefer, Board Secretary

DATE: August 9, 2023

SUBJECT: Ordinance #2531 – An Ordinance of the Township of Bernards, County of

Somerset, State of New Jersey, Amending, Revising and Supplementing the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards, Chapter 21, "Land

Development," Regarding Certificates of Occupancy.

The Planning Board reviewed proposed Ordinance #2531 at its public meeting held on May 16, 2023, and found that the ordinance is *not inconsistent* with the master plan.

A motion was made by Mr. Seville and seconded by Mr. Crane, finding that Ordinance #2531 is *not inconsistent* with the Township's master plan.

Roll Call:

Aye: Baumann, Crane, Cuozzo, Ladyzinski, Manduke, Piedici, Seville

Nay: NONE Abstain: NONE

Motion carried.



Ordinance of the Township of Bernards

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ORDINANCE #2532

Accepting a First Amendment to Tree Conservation Easement on Property Located at 3, 6, 7, 10 and 11 Fenwick Place; Block 7702, Lots 10.01, 10.02, 10.03, 10.04 and 10.05, from Leonard Soled and Alexis Soled, Veeraj Jadeja and Priya Jadeja, Brian Krawitz and Brooke Krawitz, Waqas Rehman and Urooj Rehman, and Gaurav Patel and Payal Joshi to the Township of Bernards

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to the Local Land and Buildings Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq., Bernards Township hereby accepts from Leonard Soled and Alexis Soled, with a mailing address of 54 Red Hill Road, Warren, New Jersey, 07059; and Veeraj Jadeja and Priya Jadeja, with a mailing address of 34 Fillmore Drive, Morristown, New Jersey, 07960; and Brian Krawitz and Brooke Krawitz, with a mailing address of 17 Alleghany Drive, Basking Ridge, New Jersey, 07920; and Waqas Rehman and Urooj Rehman, with a mailing address of 7 Fenwick Place, Basking Ridge, New Jersey, 07920; and Gaurav Patel and Payal Joshi, with a mailing address of 5 Adrian Terrace, Bridgewater, New Jersey, 08807, a First Amendment to Tree Conservation Easement on Block 7702, Lots 10.01, 10.02, 10.03, 10.04 and 10.05, in Bernards Township.
- 2. The easement is on file with the office of the Township Clerk.
- 3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage and publication according to law.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The grantors of this amended easement are the owners of the five single-family lots under construction on Fenwick Place pursuant to subdivision approvals granted by the Planning Board in 2016 and 2018. As required by the subdivision approvals, each of the lots contains a Tree Conservation Easement along its rear boundary, the purpose of which is to protect and maintain existing and newly planted trees between the new homes and the adjoining existing residences. No structures, including fences, are permitted within the Tree Conservation Easement.

As set forth in a resolution adopted by the Planning Board on February 21, 2023 (Application #PB22-002), the Board approved an application filed by Fenwick Basking Ridge Homeowners Association to allow limited fencing within the Tree Conservation Easement. The Board's 2023 approval allows limited fencing within the easement provided that no trees are disturbed and subject to various other conditions, including the recording of an amended easement setting forth the terms of the approval. In their resolution, the Planning Board specifically recommends to the Township Committee that the Committee consent to an amended easement. This First Amendment to Tree Conservation Easement serves as the amended easement required by the Planning Board. An escrow account is maintained by the Planning Board to reimburse the Township for costs incurred in the processing of the amended easement.

Date: July 11, 2023 David Schley, PP, AICP, Township Planner

TOWNSHIP OF BERNARDS PUBLIC NOTICE

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By Order of the Township Committee Christine V. Kieffer, Municipal Clerk



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Resolution #2023-0332

Approval of the Bill List Dated 08/15/2023

BE IT RESOLVED, that the bill list dated 08/15/2023 be audited, and if found correct, be paid.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.



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Resolution #2023-0333

Approval of Block Party Permit for Juniper Way, 09/09/2023

WHEREAS, Diana Hackett, 23 Prospect Avenue, Basking Ridge, NJ, hereinafter "the applicant," has requested permission to close Juniper Way, on 09/09/2023 from 1:00PM to 7:00PM for the purpose of holding a block party; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has satisfied the requirements of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards § 7-16.1. et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk and Police Chief have reviewed the application and recommend approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that the request be approved.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

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I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.



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Resolution #2023-0334

Renewal of Membership in the Suburban Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

WHEREAS, Bernards Township is a member of the Suburban Municipal Joint Insurance Fund; and

WHEREAS, said renewed membership terminates as of December 31, 2023, unless earlier renewed by agreement between the Municipality and the Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality desires to renew said membership.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

- 1. The Township of Committee of the Township of Bernards agrees to renew its membership in the Suburban Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and to be subject to the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, coverages, and operating procedures thereof as presently existing, or as modified from time to time by lawful act of the Fund, for a three-year period beginning January 1, 2024 and ending 12:01 am, January 1, 2027.
- 2. The Mayor and Clerk shall be and hereby are authorized to execute the agreement to renew membership annexed hereto and made a part hereof and to deliver same to the Suburban Municipal Joint Insurance Fund evidencing the Municipality's intention to renew its membership.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

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Resolution #2023-0337

Approving the Person-to-Person Transfer of
Liquor License #1802-36-009-005,
Valor Hospitality Partners LLC t/a Delta Hotels by Marriott – Basking Ridge
to 80 Allen V6 JV LLC t/a Delta Hotels by Marriott – Basking Ridge

WHEREAS, an application has been filed for a Person-to-Person Transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption License #1802-36-009-005, heretofore issued to 80 Allen V6 JV LLC, for premises located at 80 Allen Road, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920; and

WHEREAS, the submitted application form is complete in all respects, the transfer fees have been paid, and the license has been properly renewed for the current license term; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all standards established by Title 33 of the New Jersey Statutes, regulations promulgated thereunder, as well as pertinent local ordinances and conditions consistent with Title 33; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has disclosed and the issuing authority reviewed the source of all funds used in the purchase of the license and the licensed business and all additional financing obtained in connection with the license business.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards does hereby approve, effective August 15, 2023, the transfer of the aforesaid Plenary Retail Consumption License to 80 Allen V6 JV LLC t/a Delta Hotels by Marriott – Basking Ridge, and does hereby direct the Municipal Clerk to endorse the license certificate to the new ownership as follows: "This license, subject to all its terms and conditions, is hereby transferred to 80 Allen V6 JV LLC, effective August 15, 2023.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.



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Resolution # 2023-0338

2024 Holiday Schedule

Now, Be It Resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that the 2024 Holiday Schedule is as follows:

Monday, January 1, 2024 Monday, January 15, 2024 Monday, February 19, 2024 Friday, March 29, 2024 Monday, May 27, 2024 Thursday, July 4, 2024 Monday, September 2, 2024 Monday, October 14, 2024 Thursday, November 28, 2024 Friday, November 29, 2024 Tuesday, December 24, 2024 Wednesday, December 25, 2024

One (1) floating holiday will be offered.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

New Year's Day

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Presidents' Day Good Friday Memorial Day Independence Day

Labor Day Columbus Day Thanksgiving Day

Day after Thanksgiving Day

Christmas Eve Christmas Day

CERTIFICATION

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Christine V. Kieffer, Municipal Clerk

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT:

The above holiday schedule represents the township's policy of providing 13 paid holidays. Carol Ackerman, HR Generalist



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Resolution #2023-0339

Approval of Block Party Permit for Harrison Brook Drive, 09/09/2023 (Rain date 09/10/2023)

WHEREAS, Desiree Noland, 88 Harrison Brook Drive, Basking Ridge, NJ, hereinafter "the applicant," has requested permission to close Harrison Brook Drive, on 09/09/2023 (rain date 09/10/2023), from 3:00 PM to 10:00 PM for the purpose of holding a block party; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has satisfied the requirements of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards § 7-16.1. et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk and Police Chief have reviewed the application and recommend approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that the request be approved.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

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Resolution #2023-0340

Approval of Block Party Permit for Culberson Road, 09/09/2023 (Rain date 09/10/2023)

WHEREAS, Jaclyn Rudderow, 67 Culberson Road, Basking Ridge, NJ, hereinafter "the applicant," has requested permission to close a section of Culberson Rd, on 09/09/2023 (rain date 09/10/2023), from 12:00 PM to 7:00 PM for the purpose of holding a block party; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has satisfied the requirements of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards § 7-16.1. et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk and Police Chief have reviewed the application and recommend approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that the request be approved.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

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Resolution #2023-0343

Authorizing and Approving Purchase of Commercial Toro Parts and Equipment Repairs from the Somerset County Cooperative #CC-0091-22 to Storr Tractor Company, 3191 Route 22, Branchburg, New Jersey Somerville, NJ 08876

In the Amount Not to Exceed \$60,000.00

WHEREAS, the Township of Bernards wishes to purchase Commercial Toro Parts and Equipment Repairs from the Somerset County Cooperative #CC-0091-22; and

WHEREAS, the Somerset County Cooperative # CC-0091-22 awarded a contract to Storr Tractor Company, 3191 Route 22, Branchburg, New Jersey 08876, and

WHEREAS, the Township is authorized to make purchases through cooperative and State contracts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10 and 12; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the DPW Director and Purchasing Agent to purchase Commercial Toro Parts and Equipment Repairs from the Somerset County Cooperative #CC-0091-22 awarded to Storr Tractor Company, 3191 Route 22, Branchburg, New Jersey 08876.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to issue purchase orders to Storr Tractor Company, 3191 Route 22, Branchburg, New Jersey 08876.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

PURCHASING CERTIFICATION

Adoption will permit the purchase of recurring technological commodities from noted vendor relative to the day-to-day operation of the township departments. I hereby certify that I have prepared this resolution and reviewed it for accuracy.

Francis J. Decibus, QPA, RPPO Purchasing Agent

Date: August 2, 2023

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.



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Resolution #2023-0344

Approval of Block Party Permit for Grist Mill Drive, 09/09/2023 (Rain date 09/10/2023)

WHEREAS, Shari Brower, 370 Grist Mill Drive, Basking Ridge, NJ, hereinafter "the applicant," has requested permission to close Grist Mill Drive from 375 to 343, on 09/09/2023 (rain date 09/10/2023), from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM for the purpose of holding a block party; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has satisfied the requirements of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards § 7-16.1. et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk and Police Chief have reviewed the application and recommend approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that the request be approved.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

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Resolution #2023-0346

Authorization for Tax Refund

WHEREAS, the following tax overpayment exists due to receipt of property tax money and the property becoming Veteran Exempt; and

WHEREAS, the overpayment must be returned to the Veteran property owner to clear the account; and

WHEREAS, the tax collector is recommending a refund be issued.

Block/Lot	Quarter/Year	Amount	Issue Refund to
7803/5	2Q 2023	\$1,399.68	John J. Burns 105 Lurline Dr Basking Ridge, NJ 07920

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that we do hereby approve and authorize these refunds.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.

Christine V. Kieffer, Municipal Clerk

INTERPRETIVE STATEMENT:

This property was granted a Veteran Exemption from property taxes. As such, the above payment received is due back to the Veteran property owner. I recommend a refund be issued to clear this account.

Kevin Sant'Angelo, Tax Collector



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Resolution # 2023-0347

Award of Change Order #2 for 2022 Road Improvements To MECO, Inc., PO Box 536, Clarksburg, NJ 08510 Decrease of \$8,260.89 (0.85%)

WHEREAS, the Engineering Department requests the following change order be authorized by the Township Committee:

CO	Original Award	Change Amount	New Total
	\$974,775.50		\$974,775.50
	RA2023-0175		
CO #1	RA2023-0304	+\$6,300.00 (0.65%)	\$981,075.50
CO #2		- \$8,260.89 (0.85%)	\$972,814.61
TOTAL			\$972,814.61

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Township Engineer and Purchasing Agent to award this change order to MECO, Inc., PO Box 536, Clarksburg, NJ 08510; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer is directed to credit Capital Ordinance #2499, line account #C-04-55-499-A01.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, Somerset County, New Jersey, that the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a change order to MECO, Inc., PO Box 536, Clarksburg, NJ 08510 in the amount of \$8,260.89 for a new total award of \$972,814.61.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This change order represents the net contract change as a result of the revisions per field conditions.

Date: August 3, 2023 Katelyn E. Dmitruck, P.E.
Assistant Township Engineer

PURCHASING CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I have prepared this resolution and reviewed it for accuracy.

Francis J. Decibus, QPA, RPPO Purchasing Agent

Date: August 3, 2023

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.



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Resolution #2023-0348

Authorization for Tax Refund due to Veteran Exemption

WHEREAS, the following tax overpayment exists due to funds being collected through direct withdrawal and a mortgage company also remitting payment for the same period; and

WHEREAS, the overpayment must be returned to the homeowner to clear the account; and

WHEREAS, the tax collector is recommending a refund be issued.

Block/Lot	Quarter/Year	Amount	Issue Refund to
7102/28	3Q 2023	\$2,498.15	Saideswara R Vadlamudi 453 Lyons Rd Basking Ridge, NJ 07920

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that we do hereby approve and authorize these refunds.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.

Christine V Kieffer, Municipal Clerk

INTERPRETIVE STATEMENT:

A double payment of 3^{rd} Quarter 2023 property taxes was received for this account. The tax collector suggests a refund of the erroneous overpayment to the property owner to clear the account.

Kevin Sant'Angelo, Tax Collector



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Resolution #2023-0349

Consenting to an Application by Steven Annese, to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for a Transition Area Averaging Plan Waiver on Property Known as 3 Emerald Valley Way; Block 11401, Lot 21

WHEREAS, Steven Annese, 3 Emerald Valley Way, obtained a permit to construct an inground pool in 2021; and

WHEREAS, the approval was for a project that did not encroach in the Township's wetlands buffer easement; and

WHEREAS, the improvements were constructed several feet into the buffer and approval from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection is required for a modified buffer; and

WHEREAS, once NJDEP approval is obtained the easement will be modified for acceptance by the Township; and

WHEREAS, due to the existing buffer easement, the NJDEP application requires that the property owner obtain the Township's consent to submit the application.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that the Township consents to Steven Annese's submittal of a NJDEP Transition Area Averaging Plan Waiver application and authorizes the Township Engineer to sign the application on behalf of the Township.

Agenda and Date Voted: 8/15/2023

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Approvals for the construction of the pool were exceeded placing the improvements several feet into the Township's easement. The effect on the buffer is minimal while relocating the improvements would be extremely difficult. Approval of this resolution authorizing the submittal of a Transition Area Waiver Averaging Plan application will offset the reduced buffer in one area by increasing the buffer in another area.

Thomas Timko, PE, CME, Township Engineer

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 8/15/2023.



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Resolution #2023-0350

Award of Purchase Orders for Identified Vendor; PMG SM AP LLC d/b/a Seal Master Atlantic Visiting Nurse

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of Bernards has adopted Ordinance #1854 "Known as Pay to Play" and P. L. 2004, Chapter 19; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the ordinance window contracts determined to exceed \$17,500.00 and within the bid threshold of \$44,000.00 requires governing body approval; and

WHEREAS, the purchasing agent has determined that the value of the expenditures with the vendor(s) listed below will exceed \$17,500.00 in purchases; and

Vendor	Not to Exceed
PMG SM AP LLC d/b/a Seal Master Atlantic Visiting Nurse	\$ 44,000

WHEREAS, in anticipation of the listed expenditure, a Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been secured in compliance with N.J.S.A.19:44A 20-4 et seq., and that the principals of the said companies, have not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of Bernards in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit the principals of said companies from making ANY contributions through the term of the contract pursuant to Bernards Township Ordinance #1854 adopted on February 28, 2006, that would prohibit any business entity or professional that procures goods, services or contracts from the Township without the formal bid process from making "any" contribution whatsoever in the prior calendar year.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, Somerset County, New Jersey that the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue purchase orders to the vendors listed above to maintain continuity and facilitate the ordering process through December 31, 2023.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Pursuant to the adoption of the Bernards Township Pay to Play ordinance #1854 and P. L. 2004, Chapter 19, adoption will permit the purchases from noted vendor(s) relative to the day-to-day operation of the township departments.

Date: August 7, 2023

Francis J. Decibus, QPA, RPPO Purchasing Agent

PURCHASING CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I have prepared this resolution and reviewed it for accuracy.

Date: August 7, 2023

Francis J. Decibus, QPA, RPPO, Purchasing Agent

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.



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Resolution #2023-0351

Award of Bid for Municipal HVAC Services to Unitemp Mechanical Degrees, LLC, 26 Worlds Fair Drive Unit D, Somerset, NJ 08873

WHEREAS, the Township of Bernards received bids on Thursday, August 3, 2023 at 10:30 AM for Municipal HVAC Services: The Bid Summary is as follows:

BIDDER	DPW/YR	LIBRARY	MUNICIPAL	POLICE	HOURLY	OT	PARTS	BID ALT
NAME		/YR	BLDG/YR	DEPT/YR	RATE	RATE	DISCOUNT	TOTAL
Unitemp	\$6,000.00	\$6,960.00	\$6,200.00	\$6,000.00	\$135.00	\$185.00	2%	\$6,180.00
Mechanical								
Degrees,								
LLC								
McCloskey	\$11,160.00	\$15,808.00	\$39,060.00	\$7,440.00	\$95.00	\$142.00	10%	\$23,272.00
Mechanical								
Contractors,								
Inc.								

WHEREAS, it is the combined recommendation of the Director of Public Works, Administrator and Purchasing Agent to award the contract to Unitemp Mechanical Degrees, LLC, 26 Worlds Fair Drive Unit D, Somerset, NJ 08873; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in the budget; the line item appropriations to be charged are: 3-01-29-390-241, 3-01-26-310-241 and 3-01-26-310-231 (4-01-29-390-241, 4-01-26-310-241, 4-01-26-310-231, 5-01-29-390-241, 5-01-26-310-241, 5-01-26-310-231 and 6-01-29-390-241, 6-01-26-310-241, 6-01-26-310-231) (pending Township Committee budget year approval); and

WHEREAS, this contract has been awarded to Unitemp Mechanical Degrees, LLC, through a "fair and open process" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, as provided by Local Public Contract Law 40A:11-15, this contract is for one (1) year with an option for renewal for two (2) additional one (1) year periods providing that funds are appropriated in the respective operating budgets for the expenditure and performance is satisfactory.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a contract and purchase order to: Unitemp Mechanical Degrees, LLC, 26 Worlds Fair Drive Unit D, Somerset, NJ 08873.

I agree to the terms as stated in this Resolution and by signing this document, as I am committed to follow al
terms of this award.

Ray Haydian / President

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

There were two bidders who bid for the Municipal HVAC Services contract. McCloskey Mechanical Contractors, Inc. failed to comply with the specifications of the bid and therefore were rejected. Unitemp Mechanical Degrees, LLC was the only bidder to meet all specifications of the bid, in particular they were the only bidder to submit proof of a technician possessing Distech Controls Certification. It is my recommendation, based on the review of the bid packages submitted, to award a contract to Unitemp Mechanical Degrees, LLC. They were the lowest bidder to meet all of the bid specifications and possess the required certifications.

Date: 8/7/2023 Ryan Wallace
Director of Public Works

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I, Sean McCarthy, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Bernards, hereby certify that adequate funds are available for the above referenced contract for Municipal HVAC Services. Monies are available in: 3-01-29-390-241, 3-01-26-310-241 and 3-01-26-310-231 (4-01-29-390-241, 4-01-26-310-241, 4-01-26-310-231, 5-01-29-390-241, 5-01-26-310-231 and 6-01-29-390-241, 6-01-26-310-241, 6-01-26-310-231) (pending Township Committee budget year approval).

Date: August 7, 2023

Date: August 7, 2023

Sean McCarthy, Chief Financial Officer

PURCHASING CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I have prepared this resolution and reviewed it for accuracy.

Francis J. Decibus, QPA Purchasing Agent

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.



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Resolution #2023-0352

Award of Bid for the Re-Bid 2023 Sidewalk Improvements to Messercola Excavating Co., Inc., 549 East Third Street, Plainfield, NJ 07060 - In the Amount of \$125,300.00.

WHEREAS, the Township of Bernards received bids on Tuesday August 1, 2023 at 11:00 AM for the Re-Bid 2023 Sidewalk Improvements:

BIDDERS NAME	TOTAL BID AMOUNT
Messercola Excavating Co., Inc.	\$125,300.00
AA Berms, LLC	\$149,200.00
Ochoa Enterprises, LLC	\$349,900.00

WHEREAS, it is the combined recommendation of the Township Engineer, Administrator and Purchasing Agent to award the contract to the lowest bidder Messercola Excavating Co., Inc., 549 East Third Street, Plainfield, NJ 07060 in the amount of \$125,300.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in the budget; the line-item appropriations or Capital Ordinance #2470 line account C-04-55-470-A02 (\$100,000.00), and Capital Ordinance #2499 line account C-04-55-499-A03 (\$25,300.00); and

WHEREAS, this contract has been awarded to Messercola Excavating Co., Inc., through a "fair and open process" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the bid be awarded to Messercola Excavating Co., Inc., 549 East Third Street, Plainfield, NJ 07060 in the amount of \$125,300.00; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that in accordance with the bid specifications, the contract between Bernards Township ("Owner") and Messercola Excavating Co., Inc. ("Contractor") shall contain:

- 1. Provisions of all labor, material, and equipment necessary to perform all work as indicated as Specified for the Re-Bid 2023 Sidewalk Improvements.
- 2. This contract shall, for all purposes, be deemed a New Jersey Contract and any provision of this contract shall be governed and interpreted with the Laws of the State of New Jersey.
- 3. Any modification to this contract shall be in writing and signed by both parties and upon obtaining said signatures shall immediately become part of the contract.
- 4. The cost of this contract is not to exceed the total bid amount unless negotiated in advance of service delivery, and the Township Committee approves an amendment revising that figure.
- 5. Billing must be rendered within 30 days of service delivery.
- 6. As required by law, the parties to this contract agree to incorporate into this contract the mandatory affirmative action language promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to P.L. 1975, c.127, which is attached to resolution as Exhibit B.
- 7. The Township may terminate this contract if contractor does not fulfill the services as outlined in the Bid Specification, upon five (5) days written notice via certified mail.

- 8. The work contemplated under the Contract shall be started within fourteen (14) days of notice and completed within five (5) days of start for a particular location.
- 9. The Contractor shall commence the work not later than ten (10) calendar days after the owner has given the Notice to Proceed Date to the Contractor in writing.
- 10. This contract will be a 1-year contract with 2 possible 1-year extensions.
- 11. The completion time period shall include, but not be limited to, the time necessary to prepare shop drawings, to order, process, and deliver all equipment and materials, to obtain necessary permits and approvals, to perform the proper installation contemplated under this Contract and all else necessary and incidental in connection with the performance of this Contract.
- 12. If the Contractor fails to complete the work within the specified time plus extensions, the Contractor shall be responsible to the Township for liquidated damages in the sum of \$500.00 per day for every day thereafter until the completion and acceptance of the work. Such liquidated damages shall not be considered as a penalty. The Township shall deduct and retain out of any money due or to become due herein to Contract the amount of the liquidated damages.
- 13. In accordance with bid specifications, if the Contractor, upon notification by the Township of Bernards, fails to execute the contract prepared by the Township attorney within ten (10) days of such notification with the Township of Bernards, the Township may rescind the award of the bid to the Contractor and award the contract to another bidder, and shall have the right to proceed against the guaranty accompanying the bid.

I agree to the terms as stated in this Resolution and by signing this document, as I am committed to follow all terms of this award.

Fernando Messercola, President

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This contract represents an on-call contract for sidewalk repair and replacement throughout the Township. The award of this contract is part of the Township's capital improvement program.

Date: August 3, 2023 Katelyn E. Dmitruck, PE Assistant Township Engineer

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I, Sean McCarthy, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Bernards, hereby certify that adequate funds are available for the above referenced purchase in the not to exceed amount of \$125,300.00. Monies are available in the Capital Ordinance #2470 line item account C-04-55-470-A02 (\$100,000.00), and Capital Ordinance #2499 line account C-04-55-499-A03 (\$25,300.00).

Date: August 7, 2023

Sean McCarthy Chief Financial Officer

PURCHASING CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I have prepared this resolution and reviewed it for accuracy.

Date: August 3, 2023

Francis J. Decibus, QPA Purchasing Agent

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.



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Resolution #2023-0353

Partial Rescinding of Resolution 2023-0271

WHEREAS, Resolution 2023-0271, titled Authorizing the Mailing of Estimated 3rd Quarter 2023 Tax Bills, was passed on May 23, 2023; and

WHEREAS, said resolution has four conditions outlined for approval; and

WHEREAS, items 1 and 2 are no longer needed due to the receipt of the 2023 tax rate.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that we do be hereby approve and authorize rescinding items 1 & 2 of Resolution 2023-0271.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.

Christine V. Kieffer, Municipal Clerk

INTERPRETIVE STATEMENT:

Resolution 2023-0271 outlined the use of estimated bills which are no longer needed.

Kevin Sant'Angelo, Tax Collector



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Resolution # 2023-0354

Return of Performance Surety for Dewey Meadow, Block 8501, Lots 39 & 43

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer of the Township of Bernards, Somerset County, New Jersey, 07920, has the following Performance Surety:

Name of Applicant: Bernards Plaza Associates, LLC

Address: 820 Morris Turnpike

Short Hills, NJ 07078

Performance Surety: FP0024308

Insurance Company: First Indemnity of America Insurance Company

Address: 2740 Route 10

Morris Plains, NJ 07950

Amount: \$252,403.95

WHEREAS, the aforesaid applicant is requesting return of their Performance Surety; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer recommends return of the Performance Surety to the applicant; and

WHEREAS, no Maintenance Surety required.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that the aforesaid Performance Surety be released to the above named applicant.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.

Christine Kieffer, Municipal Clerk

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT:

The site work for this project has been satisfactorily completed. There are no site improvements that are to be accepted or maintained by the Township therefore no maintenance surety is required.

Jennifer Martins, Administrative Assistant 08/07/2023



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Resolution #2023-0355

Personnel Appointment Keine Dorsey – Truck Driver – Department of Public Works

WHEREAS, a full time Truck Driver position became available due to a vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works, Township Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and Human Resources Officer have deemed it necessary to fill this position; and

WHEREAS, Keine Dorsey has applied for and is qualified to fill said position; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works, Township Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and Human Resources Officer recommend appointment of Keine Dorsey to full-time Truck Driver.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that Keine Dorsey be appointed full-time Truck Driver with a hire date of Monday, August 21, 2023 at an hourly rate of \$19.78 for a 40-hour work week. This offer of employment is contingent upon the results of pre-employment screening as per Township policy.

Agenda and Dated Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.

Christine V. Kieffer, Municipal Clerk

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

A Truck Driver position became available due to a vacancy within the Roads division. The position was posted and advertised according to township policy. Keine Dorsey applied for the position and is qualified to fill said position. Mr. Dorsey comes to Bernards Township with seasonal public works experience, truck maintenance and driving experience as well as a CDL Class B license.

Carol Ackerman, HR Generalist



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Resolution #2023-0356

Personnel Appointment Robert Kovach – Groundskeeper – Department of Public Works

WHEREAS, a full time Groundskeeper position became available due to a vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works, Township Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and Human Resources Officer have deemed it necessary to fill this position; and

WHEREAS, Robert Kovach has applied for and is qualified to fill said position; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works, Township Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and Human Resources Officer recommend appointment of Robert Kovach to full-time Groundskeeper.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that Robert Kovach be appointed full-time Groundskeeper with a hire date of Monday, August 21, 2023 at an hourly rate of \$19.78 for a 40 hour work week. This offer of employment is contingent upon the results of pre-employment screening as per Township policy.

Agenda and Dated Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.

Christine V. Kieffer, Municipal Clerk

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

A Groundskeeper position became available due to a vacancy within the Grounds division. The position was posted and advertised according to township policy. Robert Kovach applied for the position and is qualified to fill said position. Mr. Kovach comes to Bernards Township with experience in building maintenance and mechanical work.

Carol Ackerman, HR Generalist



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Resolution #2023-0357

Approval of Special Event Permit Liberty Corner Food Truck and Music Festival – Liberty Corner Fire Company Sunday, August 27, 2023, 11:00 AM – 6:00 PM

WHEREAS, Ron DePasquale, representing Liberty Corner Fire Company, (LCFC) "the applicant," has requested a special event permit for 08/27/2023 from 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM for the purpose of holding a Food Truck and Music Festival Fundraiser at the Liberty Corner Firehouse on Fireman's Field; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is in receipt of the requirements of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards § 4-4. et. Seq.

WHEREAS, the applicant has secured a Social Affairs Permit from the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control and alcohol control will be in accordance with said permit; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk, Police, Recreation Director, Fire Official, Health Director, DPW Director, Risk Manager, and Township Administrator has reviewed the application; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that approval is hereby granted contingent upon submission of the outstanding final documents.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

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Resolution #2023-0358

Approval of Special Event Permit Bernards Chinese American Association Mid-Autumn Festival September 23, 2023 – Pleasant Valley Park

WHEREAS, Jane Zhang, representing Bernards Chinese American Association, 3 Wellington Drive, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920, "the applicant," has requested a special event permit for Mid-Autumn Festival on September 23, 2023, with the event time being from 2:00PM – 5:00PM; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has satisfied the requirements of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards § 4-4. et. seq. and has applied for, and received, the necessary departmental permits; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk, Police Department, Recreation Director, Health Officer, Risk Manager, Fire Official, and Director of Public Works have reviewed the application and find it complete.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that the request be approved as submitted.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

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Resolution #2023-0359

Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application to the Somerset County Board of County Commissioners for a Grant Entitled Somerset County Municipal Youth Services Commission 2023-2024 Abbreviated Annual Grant Application: \$6,000 for funding Ridge Education Action & Community Health (REACH) and Grab and Go Teen Outreach

WHEREAS, the Youth Services Coordinator is recommending the Township Committee approve a grant application to the Somerset County Board of County Commissioners for a Grant Entitled Somerset County Municipal Youth Services Commission 2023-2024 Abbreviated Annual Grant Application which would provide \$6,000 for funding Ridge Education Action & Community Health (REACH) youth leadership group and Grab and Go Teen Outreach; and

WHEREAS, the Township has received notification of the availability of grant funds that have been awarded to Bernards Township since 2000 for the purpose of conducting the youth activities; and

WHEREAS, funds this year will be used to fund REACH in the context of training and providing support for a group of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug free peer leaders in the Bernards Township community and funds will also be used to fund "Grab and Go Teen Outreach", which would provide take-home activity kits for adolescents in the Bernards Township community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that it does hereby authorize submission of a grant application to the Somerset County Board of County Commissioners entitled Somerset County Municipal Youth Services Commission 2023-2024 Abbreviated Annual Grant Application for: \$6,000 for the Municipal Youth Services Commission; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that Kaitlin Cartoccio of the Bernards Township Health Department serves as the project manager for this grant application which is due on August 31, 2023.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This resolution authorizes a contract between Bernards Township and the Somerset County Board of County Commissioners for funding of training and supplies for Ridge Education Action & Community Health (REACH) and Grab and Go Teen Outreach. The Township Committee of the Township of Bernards has established, by Ordinance #1963, a Municipal Alliance Against Substance Abuse ("Municipal Alliance") and **the** Municipal Youth Services Commission.

Date: 8/15/23 Kaitlin V. Cartoccio, MPH, MCHES
Health Educator/ Municipal Alliance Grant Coordinator

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.



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Resolution #2023-0360

Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application to the Somerset County Board of County Commissioners for a Grant Entitled Somerset County Municipal Youth Services Commission "2023-2024 Competitive Grant Application" for \$4,000"

WHEREAS, the Youth Services Coordinator is recommending the Township Committee approve a grant application to the Somerset County Board of County Commissioners for a Grant entitled Somerset County Municipal Youth Services Commission "2023-2024 Competitive Grant Application" which would provide \$4,000 for funding a program entitled "Creating Opportunities for Positive Emotions (COPE)"; and

WHEREAS, the Township has received notification of the availability of grant funds that are available to Bernards Township with the purpose of conducting youth activities. Funds for this grant would be used to sponsor "Creating Opportunities for Positive Emotions (COPE)" which will provide students at Cedar Hill Elementary School, Oak Street Elementary School, Mount Prospect Elementary School, and Liberty Corner Elementary School with the opportunity to learn how to cope with difficult emotions and the tools necessary to do so.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that it does hereby authorize submission of a grant application to the Somerset County Board of County Commissioners entitled Somerset County Municipal Youth Services Commission "2023-2024 Competitive Grant Application" for \$4,000; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that Kaitlin Cartoccio of the Bernards Township Health Department serves as the project manager for this grant application which is due on August 31, 2023.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This resolution authorizes a contract between Bernards Township and the Somerset County Board of County Commissioners for funding supplies for "Creating Opportunities for Positive Emotions (COPE)" for Bernard Township Schools. The Township Committee of the Township of Bernards has established, by ordinance #1860, a Municipal Alliance Against Substance Abuse ("Municipal Alliance"); and ordinance #1963 Established a Municipal Youth Services Commission.

Date: 8/15/23

Kaitlin V. Cartoccio, MPH, MCHES Health Educator/ Municipal Alliance Grant Coordinator

CERTIFICATION

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Resolution #2023-0361

Approval of Special Event Permit

Concert on The Green at Fellowship Village – 09/09/2023

WHEREAS, Patricia Yannotta, Executive Director, Sieminski Theater & Lifestyle Director, representing Fellowship Village "the applicant," 8000 Fellowship Road, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920, has requested a special event permit for September 9, 2023, from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM for the purpose of holding a Concert on The Green at their site, "special event"; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has satisfied the requirements of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards § 4-4. et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk, Police Chief, Health Officer, Fire Official, and Parks and Recreation Director have reviewed the application; and

WHEREAS, the applicant will hire one off-duty police officer for this event.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that we do hereby approve the special event application.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

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Resolution #2023-0363

Authorization for Tax Refund

WHEREAS, an overpayment exists due to the former owner of the property not advising our office that he sold the property, and the County not relaying the change of ownership information to us, and the pulling of an ACH direct withdrawal for 3rd Quarter 2023 property taxes from the former owner's bank account; and

WHEREAS, per written request of former property owner, the Tax Collector has suggested that a refund be issued and made payable to the former owner.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that we do be hereby approve and authorize the following refund.

Block & Lot	Quarter & Year	Amount	Issue Refund To	
10601/15.03/CONDO	3Q2023	\$2,845.91	Jinhui Zhao 42 Spincaster Drive Spring, TX 77389	

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023. Christine V. Kieffer, Municipal Clerk

INTERPRETIVE STATEMENT:

This property has an erroneous overpayment due to the former owner of the property neglecting to advise us of the sale and the pulling of 3^{rd} Quarter 2023 property taxes via direct withdrawal from his bank account.

Kevin Sant'Angelo, Tax Collector



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Resolution #2023-0364

Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application to the Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission for a State/County Partnership Local Arts Program Grant: \$8,000 for the Department of Parks & Recreation

WHEREAS, the Director of Parks and Recreation is recommending the Township Committee approve a grant application to the Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission for the NJ State Council on the Arts State/County Partnership Local Arts Program Grant, which would provide up to \$8,000 towards the 2024 productions for Plays in the Park; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that it does hereby authorize submission of a grant application to the Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission for a State/County Partnership Local Arts Program Grant; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that Jennifer Gander of the Bernards Township Parks & Recreation Department serves as the Project Manager for this grant application and the Project Manager and CFO are hereby authorized to sign the grant on behalf of the Township.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Department applies for the LAP Grant annually to help support the production of Plays in the Park. We apply for approximately 50% of our total production cost. In 2022 we were awarded \$3,500.

Date: 8/9/2023 Jennifer Gander
Director, Parks & Recreation

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.



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Resolution #2023-0365

Personnel Appointment Kendra Kelly – Administrative Assistant – Municipal Clerk's Office

WHEREAS, the full-time position of Administrative Assistant become available due to a vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk, Township Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and Human Resources Officer have deemed it necessary to fill this position; and

WHEREAS, Kendra Kelly has applied for and is qualified to fill said position; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk, Township Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and Human Resources Officer recommend appointment of Kendra Kelly to the position of full-time Administrative Assistant.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that Kendra Kelly be appointed full-time Administrative Assistant with a hire date of Monday, September 11, 2023 at an hourly rate of \$24.00 for a 40-hour work week.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023. Christine V. Kieffer, Municipal Clerk

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Administrative Assistant position in the Municipal Clerk's Office became available due to a vacancy. The position was approved and advertised per Township policy. Kendra Kelly applied for the position and is qualified to fill said position. Ms. Kelly has 18 years of experience in project management and administrative work.

Carol Ackerman, HR Generalist



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Resolution #2023-0366

Approval of Block Party Permit for Cayuga Way, 10/07/2023 (Rain date 10/14/2023)

WHEREAS, Scott & Holly Oberman, 14 Cayuga Way, Basking Ridge, NJ, hereinafter "the applicant," has requested permission to close Cayuga Way, on 10/07/2023 (rain date 10/14/2023), from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM for the purpose of holding a block party; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has satisfied the requirements of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards § 7-16.1. et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk and Police Chief have reviewed the application and recommend approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that the request be approved.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

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Resolution # 2023-0367

Award of Change Order #1 for FY NJDOT Municipal Aid Funded Grant Keats Road, Thackeray Drive, & Highland Avenue Reconstruction

To Reivax Contracting Corp., 165 River Road, Flemington, NJ 08822 Decrease of \$1,532.84 (0.13%)

WHEREAS, the Engineering Department requests the following change order be authorized by the Township Committee:

Vendor	CO	Original Award	Amount of Decrease	New Total
Reivax Contracting	Number 1	\$1,168,961.89	\$1,532.84 (0.13%)	\$1,167,429.05
Corp.		RA2023-0220		
TOTAL CO	CO #1		\$1,532.84 (0.13%)	\$1,167,429.05

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Township Engineer and Purchasing Agent to award this change order to Reivax Contracting Corp., 165 River Road, Flemington, NJ 08822; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer is directed to credit Capital Ordinance #2499, line account #C-04-55-499-A02.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, Somerset County, New Jersey, that the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a change order to Reivax Contracting Corp., 165 River Road, Flemington, NJ 08822.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

Date: August 7, 2023

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This change order represents the net contract change as a result of the revisions per field conditions.

Date: August 3, 2023 Katelyn E. Dmitruck, P.E.
Assistant Township Engineer

PURCHASING CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I have prepared this resolution and reviewed it for accuracy.

Francis J. Decibus, QPA, RPPO

Purchasing Agent

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.



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Resolution #2023-0335

Personnel Appointments Special Law Enforcement Officer (SLEO) III - Police Department

WHEREAS, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-146.10, local unit may, as it deems necessary, appoint Special Law Enforcement Officer(s) III sufficient to perform the duties and responsibilities permitted by local ordinances authorized by N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118 and within the conditions and limitations as may be established pursuant to the act; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Bernards wish to have Special Law Enforcement Officer(s) III specifically trained for the safety and security of the students, faculty, staff and visitors of the Bernards Township District Schools located in Bernards Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Bernards has entered into a Memorandum of Agreement, per resolution 2023-0293, with the Bernards Township Board of Education regarding the hiring of Special Law Enforcement Officer(s) III; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police, Township Administrator, and Human Resources Officer recommend appointment of the following individual(s), who have met the hiring requirements, to the position of Special Law Enforcement Officer III on a regular, part time basis, effective September 1, 2023 at an hourly rate of \$40.00, with hours to be determined in conjunction with the Board of Education:

David Malina, SLEO III James Nugent, SLEO III Randy Pelley, SLEO III Daniel Snyder, SLEO III Brian Stanton, SLEO III Todd Widitz, SLEO III

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that the above individuals be appointed as a Special Law Enforcement Officer III for the 2023-2024 school year.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.

Christine V. Kieffer, Municipal Clerk

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The SLEO III position became available per the agreement with the Board of Education. All the individuals listed above are qualified to fill the SLEO III position. The Board of Education will reimburse the Township for the officer's expenses on a monthly basis.

Carol Ackerman, HR Generalist



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Resolution #2023-0362

Memorializing Resolution of the Township Committee Action Regarding Ridge Baseball Club's One-Time Departure from the Lease to Allow a Pilot Program for Light Usage from September 1, 2023, to November 15, 2023, and from April 1, 2024, to April 23, 2024

WHEREAS, Ridge Baseball Club, Inc. (RBC") is a nonprofit corporation, organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey, which operates the Ridge Baseball Complex located on Valley Road (the "Premises") in the Township of Bernards (the "Township") to provide recreational baseball opportunities for members of the RBC; and

WHEREAS, RBC entered into a Lease Agreement for the Premises dated May 13, 2004, and First Amendment to Lease Agreement dated November 27, 2007, Second Amendment to Lease Agreement dated March 25, 2008, and Third Amendment Agreement to Lease Agreement dated November 30, 2011 (the "Lease"); and

WHEREAS, in order to run an effective Fall program, because of the early Fall and Spring sunsets, RBC has requested artificial lighting from September 1, 2023, to November 15, 2023, and from April 1, 2024, to April 23, 2024, which periods of time lighting is not presently permitted under the Lease;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township that this resolution will memorialize the decision of the Township Committee made at their August 15, 2023, meeting as follows:

- 1. The request for a one-time departure from the Lease to allow for light usage from September 1, 2023, to November 15, 2023, (the "Pilot"); and from April 1, 2024, to April 23, 2024, is granted; and
- 2. RBC will continue to adhere to the lighting times specified in the Lease at Section D, Paragraph 15, Subsections (a) through (d), and are as follows:
 - a. Sundays no later than 9:00 P.M.
 - b. Fridays and Saturdays no later than 10:00 P.M.
 - c. Mondays through Thursdays when school is in session no later than 9:00 P.M.
 - d. Mondays through Thursday when school is <u>not</u> is session no later than 10:00 P.M.
- 3. Ordinance #2523 introduced on July 25, 2023, to Authorize the Renewal of the Leasing of Property to the Ridge Baseball Club, Inc. for a Period of an Additional Twenty Years for Nominal Consideration is withdrawn.
- 4. The Township Committee during the pilot program of light usage from September 1, 2023, to November 15, 2023, will monitor the impact of the lights during that period as to its impact on the adjoining residential properties in the area of the RBC baseball complex so as to evaluate RBC's request to include in a future Lease amendment the permanent allowance of lights from September 1 to November 15 and from April 1 to April 23.

Agenda Date and Vote: 08/15/2023

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.



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Resolution #2023-0368

Change Order # 1 Authorizing And Approving An Additional Amount Of \$ 54,000.00 For
New Jersey State Co-Operative Contract #T0106 (17-Fleet 00749) For The Upfit Of First Responder And Public Works Vehicles To
Elite Vehicle Systems, 1000 Bennet Blvd-Unit 6, Lakewood, NJ 08701

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of Bernards Township adopted resolution # 2023-0234 on April 25, 2023 for the upfit of first responder and public works vehicles to New Jersey State Co-Operative Contract #T0106 (17-Fleet 00749) to Elite Vehicle Systems, 1000 Bennet Blvd-Unit 6, Lakewood, NJ 08701; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of three (3) 2023 AWD Dodge Chargers will require upfitting of emergency equipment upon delivery; and

WHEREAS the Township is authorized to make purchases through cooperative and state contracts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10 and 12; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Police Department and Purchasing Agent to utilize this contract for the upfit of new first responder vehicle.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to issue a change order in the amount of \$ 54,000.00 to Elite Vehicle Systems, 1000 Bennet Blvd-Unit 6, Lakewood, NJ 08701 for a new not to exceed amount of \$ 96,000.00.

Agenda and Date Voted: 08/15/2023

PURCHASING CERTIFICATION

Adoption will permit the upfitting of first responder vehicles from noted state cooperative vendor in acquiring required equipment due to supply chain issues. I hereby certify that I have prepared this resolution and reviewed it for accuracy, acquiring

Francis J. Decibus, QPA, RPPO Purchasing Agent

Date: August 10, 2023

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Bernards Township Committee on 08/15/2023.



Ordinance of the Township of Bernards

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ORDINANCE #2533

Accepting a Second Amended Declaration of Restrictions and Easement on Property Located at 49 Liberty Corner Road; Block 9601, Lot 4.03, from James E. and Kyung-Mi Orthmann to the Township of Bernards

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to the Local Land and Buildings Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq., Bernards Township hereby accepts from James E. Orthmann and Kyung-Mi Orthmann, 49 Liberty Corner Road, Far Hills, NJ, 07931, a Second Amended Declaration of Restrictions and Easement relating to Block 9601, Lot 4.03, in Bernards Township.
- 2. The declaration is on file with the office of the Township Clerk.
- 3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage and publication according to law.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Second Amended Declaration of Restrictions and Easement is provided in conjunction with a February 21, 2023, Planning Board approval (Application #PB22-004) that modifies certain conditions of prior Board approvals. Under prior approvals, an existing carriage house on the subject property was planned to remain as an accessory building when a new dwelling was constructed on the property. Under the 2023 approval, the existing carriage house will remain as the principal dwelling on the property, and a new dwelling will not be constructed. The modified approval requires that two prior declarations recorded in 2011 and 2014 be amended to be consistent with the modified approval. In their resolution, the Planning Board specifically recommends to the Township Committee that the Committee consent to a Second Amended Declaration and Easement. An escrow account is maintained by the Planning Board to reimburse the Township for costs incurred in the processing of this document.

Date: August 4, 2023

David Schley, PP, AICP, Township Planner

