

Ordinance of the Township of Bernards

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ORDINANCE #2554

Accepting an Amendment to Conservation Easement, a Riparian Zone Conservation Easement, and a Declaration of Easement Termination on Property Located at 8000 Fellowship Road, Block 9301, Lot 33, from Fellowship Village, Inc., 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 Fellowship Village, Inc., a New Jersey not-for-profit corporation with an address at 8000 Fellowship Road, Basking Ridge, New Jersey, 07920, the following:
 - A. Amendment to Conservation Easement.
 - B. Riparian Zone Conservation Easement.
 - C. Declaration of Easement Termination.
- 2. The documents are 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

These documents are provided in conjunction with a site plan approval granted by the Planning Board on June 8, 2021 (Application #PB20-005). The site plan approval allows various improvements to the existing continuing care retirement community, including a walking trail within a wetlands area. The purpose of the Amendment to Conservation Easement is to update the existing Conservation Easement to provide for the walking trail as approved by the Planning Board and to reflect the new boundaries of wetlands and wetlands transition areas as approved by the NJDEP. The purpose of the Riparian Zone Conservation Easement is to protect the stream located on the property. The purpose of the Declaration of Easement Termination is to extinguish the existing Stream Buffer Conservation Easement, whose function is being replaced by the Riparian Zone Conservation Easement. The grantor maintains an escrow account with the Planning Board to reimburse the Township for costs incurred in the processing of these documents.

Date: April 12, 2024 David Schley, PP, AICP, Township Planner

TOWNSHIP OF BERNARDS PUBLIC NOTICE

Ordinance #2554 was introduced and passed on first reading by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards in the County of Somerset on 04/23/2024 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 05/14/2024, 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

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