Township of West Milford

Passaic County, New Jersey

~ Resolution 2023 - 054 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION IN THE DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY, LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT OFFICE, 1033 PROGRAM TO ENABLE THE WEST MILFORD TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT TO REQUEST AND ACQUIRE EXCESS DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the United States Congress authorized the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) 1033 Program to make use of excess Department of Defense personal property by making that personal property available to municipal, county and State law enforcement agencies (LEAs); and

WHEREAS, DLA rules mandate that all equipment acquired through the 1033 Program remain under the control of the requesting LEA; and

WHEREAS, participation in the 1033 Program allows municipal and county LEAs to obtain property they might not otherwise be able to afford in order to enhance community preparedness, response, and resiliency; and

WHEREAS, although property is provided through the 1033 Program at no cost to municipal and county LEAs, these entities are responsible for the costs associated with delivery, maintenance, fueling, and upkeep of the property, and for specialized training on the operation of any acquired property; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-30.2 requires that the Governing Body of the municipality or county approve, by a majority of the full membership, both enrollment in, and the acquisition of any property through the 1033 Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey that the West Milford Township Police Department is hereby authorized to enroll in the 1033 Program for no more than a one-year period, with authorization to participate terminating on December 31st of the current calendar year from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that West Milford Township Police Department is hereby authorized to acquire items of Non Controlled and/or Controlled Equipment property designated "DEMIL A," which may include office supplies, office furniture, computers, electronic equipment, generators, field packs, non-military vehicles, clothing, traffic and transit signal systems, exercise equipment, farming and moving equipment, storage devices and containers, tools, medical and first aid equipment and supplies, personal protection equipment and supplies, construction materials, lighting supplies, beds and sleeping mats, wet and cold weather equipment and supplies, respirators, binoculars, and any other supplies or equipment of a non-military nature identified by the LEA, if it shall become available in the period of time for which this resolution authorizes, based on the needs of the West Milford Township Police Department, without restriction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that West Milford Township Police Department is hereby authorized to acquire the following "DEMIL B through Q" property, if it shall become available in the period of time for which this resolution authorizes (1) utility truck, 5.56 millimeter rifles, 308 cal. Rifles, communications consoles, lights and illuminators, camera equipment, rifle and pistol magazines, optical sighting and ranging equipment, weapon sights, night vision equipment, thermal imaging equipment, non-lethal firing devices, unmanned ground vehicles.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the West Milford Township Police Department shall develop and implement a full training plan and policy for the maintenance and use of the acquired property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the West Milford Township Police Department shall provide a quarterly accounting of all property obtained through the 1033 Program which shall be available to the public upon request.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately and shall be valid to authorize requests to acquire "DEMIL A" property and "DEMIL B through Q" property that may be made available through the 1033 Program during the period of time for which this resolution authorizes; with Program participation and all property request, authorization terminating on December 31st of the current calendar year from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

Adopted: January 4, 2023

Adopted this 4th day of January, 2023 and certified as a true copy of an original.

William Senande, Township Clerk