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The Regular Meeting of the Governing Body was called to order by Mayor Michele Dale at 6:30 p.m.

### **Adequate Notice Statement**

Mayor Dale read the following statement:

Pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-8) adequate notice of this Regular Meeting was advertised in the Herald News in and The Record in its issues of January 9, 2024, and posted on the bulletin board in the main corridor of the Town Hall and on file in the Office of the Township Clerk.

Please also make note of all fire and emergency exits – located to the left, right and rear of this room – for use in case of an emergency. Thank you.

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### Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Dale led all in attendance in a salute to the flag.

Agenda No. II

Roll Call

Present: Councilmembers Ada Erik, Michael Chazukow, Marilyn Lichtenberg,

Kevin Goodsir, Matthew Conlon, David Marsden

Absent:

Also Present: Mayor Michele Dale, Township Administrator William Senande,

Township Attorney Ed Pasternak

Agenda No. III

### **Reading of or Approval of Unapproved Minutes**

October 16, 2024 Regular Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes.

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Moved: Erik Seconded: Lichtenberg
Voted Aye: Erik, Chazukow, Lichtenberg, Goodsir, Conlon, Marsden

Abstain:

Voted Nay: None

Motion carried:

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Agenda No. IV

### **Meetings**

December 11, 2024 Regular Meeting

Agenda No. V

### **Proclamations**

Small Business Saturday – Mayor Dale read the proclamation. November 30, 2024 is Small Business Saturday in the Township of West Milford.

Agenda No. VI

### **Presentations and Recognitions**

Belcher's Creek Trail Feasibility Study – Achievement in Planning Award – Mayor Dale invited Steve Sangle, Chris Garcia, Jim Rogers and Don Weise to join her at the podium while she spoke about the Greenway. The purpose of the study was to evaluate the trails around Belcher's Creek and the connections with other trails and roadways, Township businesses and pedestrian walkways connecting the Hewitt Village Center and West Milford Town Center. The Greenway also connects to Greenwood Lake and the Wallisch Homestead as well as state, county and local parks. The project was funded by a grant from the Highlands Council. Currently we are working on procuring Engineering Plans for phase 1. Mayor Dale congratulated Jessica Caldwell, the Planner, and all of the many volunteers from the Greenway Committee and the Environmental Commission who worked on the project. Steve Sangle thanked the Mayor and Administrator and said that the Greenway Project is for all the residents and he hopes that the plan allows all the people in the community access. Don Weise indicated that he was very excited about the plan, even though we have a long way to go to make West Milford a more bikeable, runnable, walkable community. Chris Garcia stressed that the project will connect all the businesses in Town and people will have increased access to support businesses. Jim Rogers said "go green, go Greenway".

The Opioid Settlement Fund Survey – West Milford Municipal Alliance will be addressed at the December 11, 2024 meeting.

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**Executive Session** 

None

Agenda No. VIII

### **Discussion Items / Official Communications**

1. Best Practices – Administrator Senande indicated that once again we had to submit our Best Practices checklist to the State. It is an annual checklist that has become more of a survey. We answered enough questions in the affirmative to not affect any State funding. We are meeting a lot of the best practices from the State. As part of the checklist we need to discuss this at a meeting and this is the meeting where it will be discussed. This is the final step in getting the checklist approved and finalized by the State. There were no questions.

Mayor Dale opened the meeting to the public comment portion.

Agenda No. IX

### **Public Comments**

None

Seeing no one wishing to speak Councilwoman Erik made a motion to close the public portion. Seconded by Councilwoman Lichtenberg. All were in favor.

Agenda No. X

### **Council Comments**

None

Agenda No. XVII

### **Discussion Items / Official Communications**

1. Board of Health – Araceli Pintle indicated that Passaic County would be having free HIV/STI testing November 20 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in Totowa. She continued to provide the Health Education Reports for August, September and October. Information has been provided on the topics of radon, lead, ticks, mosquitoes and diabetes. 12 different programs took place. Wale Akande proceeded to give the Environmental Health Report. There are radon test kits available free of charge. They are provided by the State. Additional staff has been added to the Health Department to help them keep up. Councilwoman Erik asked how long the radon test kits needed to stay out. Mr. Akande indicated that he believed it was 24 hours and they come with a prepaid envelope to send them back in. They can be picked up at the Health Department. Sandy Cameron indicated that for the wellness clinics from August through October the department has seen 26 children and given 45 immunizations. The Health Department has flu vaccines available to people regardless of insurance status. Those over 50 will receive a \$25 gift card. There was also a clinic conducted at Bald Eagle Commons and 60 residents were vaccinated. From September 1st to the 13th of November there have been 50 deaths in Passaic County due to Covid and anyone wanting a shot can contact the Health Department.

Agenda No. XI

### **Unfinished Business, Final Passage of Ordinances**

None

Agenda No. XII

### New Business, Introduction of Ordinances, Resolutions

Agenda No. XII 1

~ Ordinance 2024 - 040 ~

# ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY CONCERNING SALARIES AND COMPENSATION FOR SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS AMENDED

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that pursuant to Chapter 33 entitled Personnel of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Milford, New Jersey, 2007 the following Officers and Employees here below stated shall be classified by job title with the corresponding pay ranges:

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1. TEMPORARY, PART TIME AND SEASONAL EMPLOYEES

	Effective January 1, 2025
Special Police Officer Class I	\$24.00
Special Police Officer Class II	\$25.00
*Night Rate 11pm - 7am	\$2.00
(Additional per hour)	
Municipal Court Attendant Class I	\$24.00
Municipal Court Attendant Class II	\$25.00
Clothing Allowance	\$410.00

- 2. CLOTHING ALLOWANCE Special Officers qualify for a clothing and maintenance allowance annually. Half the annual amount payable on or about December 1st of each year for those officers working a minimal of 35 hours since January 1st of that year, with an additional payment of \$2.50 each hour worked in addition to the minimum 35, with the total allowance not exceeding the maximum amount for that year regardless of the number of all hours worked. Special Officers qualifying for a clothing and maintenance allowance upon the submission for receipts for actual purchases of up to \$410.00.
- 3. HOLIDAY PAY Officers shall be entitled to time and one-half pay for all hours worked on New Year's Day, Easter, Memorial Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Labor Day and December 25.
- 4. CALL-OUTS All callouts are payable for time worked, with a minimum of three hours pay. including mandatory training.
- 5. Mandatory Training will be on an hourly basis.
- 6. Township Road Work Callouts payable by normal hourly wage.
- 7. Contractor Road Work Callouts payable at \$30.00 per hour.
- 8. GENERAL PROVISIONS Any ordinance or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to such extent as they are in conflict or inconsistent.
- 9. EFFECTIVE DATE This ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 2025.

Introduced: November 13, 2024

Adopted: Effective Date:

Second reading and public hearing for this Ordinance is set for the Regular Meeting of the Township Council scheduled for December 11, 2024. Notice of this public hearing shall be published in the Herald News on or about November 19, 2024.

Motion to move Ordinance 2024-040.

Moved: Conlon Seconded: Lichtenberg
Voted Aye: Erik, Chazukow, Lichtenberg, Goodsir, Marsden

Abstain: Conlon

Voted Nay: Motion carried:

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Agenda No. XII 2

~ Ordinance 2024 - 041 ~

# ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING VARIOUS CHAPTER 135 "FEES AND COSTS" OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford, in the County of Passaic, New Jersey that Chapter 135 "Fees and Costs" be amended as:

**SECTION 1.** § 135-10. Alcoholic beverage licenses

Reference Chapter 63, Alcoholic Beverages, Article II Licensing, Regulations.

A. The annual fees for the sale or distribution of alcoholic beverages per the Township shall be as follows:

		<u>2024</u>	<u> 2025</u>	<u> 2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
(1)	Plenary retail consumption license	\$1,037.00	\$1,089.00	\$1,144.00	\$1,201.00
(2)	Club license	\$ 188.00	\$ 188.00	\$ 188.00	\$ 188.00
(3)	Plenary retail distribution license	\$1,000.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,103.00	\$1,158.00

Authorize an increase in the current license fee of \$1,037.00 by 5% every year. The annual fee for renewal of a plenary retail consumption and a distribution license per the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control of the State of New Jersey may not be raised or lowered more than 20% from the fee

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charged the preceding year. Club license capped at \$188.

B. Transfer of license fees. The fees to transfer a liquor license, per the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control of the State of New Jersey, shall be as follows:

The fee that must be paid to the municipality with a person-to-person transfer application is 10% of the annual license fee. The fee that must be paid to the municipality with a place-to-place transfer application is 10% of the annual license fee. If there is a combined person-to-person and place-to-place transfer application filed, it must be accompanied by a fee equal to 20% of the annual license fee. These fees are retained by the municipality whether or not the transfer is granted.

- **SECTION 2.** All ordinances of the Township of West Milford which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.
- **SECTION 3.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, preempted by Federal or State law, or otherwise invalid by any court or competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.
- **SECTION 4.** No provision of this Ordinance shall be construed to impair any common law or statutory cause of action, or legal remedy there from, of any person for injury or damage arising from any violation of this Ordinance or from other law.
- **SECTION 5.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval and publication as required by law and upon the posting of appropriate signs.
- **SECTION 6.** This Ordinance may be renumbered for codification purposes.

Introduced: November 13, 2024

Adopted: Effective Date:

Second reading and public hearing for this Ordinance is set for the Regular Meeting of the Township Council scheduled for December 11, 2024. Notice of this public hearing shall be published in the Herald News on or about November 19, 2024.

Councilman Chazukow asked if the increase would be in perpetuity and Administrator Senande indicated that at the end of 2027 there would need to be a new ordinance adopted. Councilman Conlon indicated that we were 75% below the maximum amount we could increase it under the statute.

Motion to move Ordinance 2024-041.

Moved: Conlon Seconded: Lichtenberg

Voted Aye: Erik, Chazukow, Lichtenberg, Goodsir, Conlon, Marsden

Abstain: Voted Nay: Motion carried:

Motion damed.

Mayor Dale asked to move Resolutions 2024-376 through 2024-399 and 2024-408 through 2024-412.

Agenda No. XII 3

~ Resolution 2024 - 376 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING TO BOSWELL ENGINEERING FOR AN ENVIRONMENT SITE ASSESSMENT

**WHEREAS**, the Township adopted Resolution 2023-353 accepting a federal grant in the amount of \$2,893,000 for the upgrade of the Townships radio communications system; and

**WHEREAS,** this grant requires the completion of an environmental site assessment for the following locations in the Township: the Upper Greenwood Lake Fire Company Cell Tower, the Macopin Fire Cell Tower, the West Milford Police Department, the Johner Building and the Bear Fort Fire Tower; and

**WHEREAS,** Boswell Engineering has submitted a proposal for said Environmental Site Assessment; and

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**WHEREAS**, the Township of West Milford has a need to appoint a Professional Services Contract, as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5 as appropriate; and

**WHEREAS**, Boswell Engineering has submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that the firm has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of West Milford with the elected officials in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit the firm of Boswell Engineering from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

**WHEREAS,** the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4 in an amount not to exceed \$40,500.00 from account numbers 04-215-55-829-011 (\$23,005.75), 04-215-55-834-008 (\$7,412.50) and 04-215-55-843-010 (\$10,081.75).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. The Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to execute a contract with Boswell Engineering, 330 Phillips Avenue, South Hackensack, NJ 07606 for professional services for road improvement construction documents and Environmental Site Assessment in an amount not to exceed \$40,500.00.
- 2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Services" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20 et seq. and the local public contracts law.
- 3. The total fee authorized for this contract shall not exceed \$40,500.00 without the prior written approval of the Township Council.
- 4. That a notice of this action shall be published in accordance with law, and said notice to provide that the contract awarded and this resolution authorizing same are available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk.

Adopted: November 13, 2024

### Agenda No. XII 4

### ~ Resolution 2024 - 377 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) CUES MPLUS+ PORTABLE LATERAL AND MINI-MAINLINE PUSH SYSTEM PIPE CAMERA FROM W.E. TIMMERMAN

**WHEREAS**, the Township wishes to purchase one (1) CUES MPlus+ Portable Lateral and Mini-Mainline Push System Pipe Camera from W.E. Timmerman, PO Box 71, Whitehouse, NJ 08888; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's Director of Public Works has provided a memo of recommendation for this purchase; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds for this purchase in the amount of \$27,319.00, said funds to be encumbered from Account # 04-215-55-844-004 in the amount of 25,000.00 and Account # 01-201-26-290-625 in the amount of \$2,319.00; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of this purchase is not to exceed \$27,319.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. The Township Council hereby authorizes the Township's Director of Public Works to purchase one (1) CUES MPlus+ Portable Lateral & Mini-Mainline Push System Pipe Camera from W.E. Timmerman, PO Box 71, Whitehouse, NJ 08888.
- 2. The Township's Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for same.
- 3. This resolution shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk.

Adopted: November 13, 2024

Agenda No. XII 5

### ~ Resolution 2024 - 378 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE INTENT TO PURCHASE SECURITY CAMERAS, INSTALLATIONS, MONITORING AND ALARM INSPECTIONS FROM ULTRASAFE SECURITY SYSTEMS INC. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PAY-TO-PLAY LAW N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 ET SEQ.

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**WHEREAS**, the Township of West Milford has a need for security cameras, installations, monitoring services and alarm inspections at various locations throughout the Township which expenses would exceed the Pay-to-Play threshold of \$17,500; and

**WHEREAS**, UltraSafe Security Systems Inc., 79 Timber Lane East, Newfoundland, NJ 07435 has complied with state pay-to-play regulation by completing and submitting a Business Entity Disclosure Certification; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b), no orders of materials shall be undertaken until such time as the funding for the goods or services are certified by the Chief Financial Officer; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that purchases from UltraSafe Security Systems Inc. is hereby authorized and approved purchases are made through a Cooperative pricing contract, State contract or a minimum of three quotations and the total purchases are not to exceed the budgeted appropriation established for this purpose for the 2024 calendar year.

Adopted: November 13, 2024

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 379 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF FOUR (4) FUEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS FROM INDEPENDENCE CONSTRUCTORS THROUGH STATE CONTRACT NO. 42270

**WHEREAS**, the State of New Jersey has awarded Contract #42270 to Independence Constructors Inc. and said contract was awarded through the open competitive bidding process and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40a:11 et seq., Local Public Contracts Law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township wishes to purchase four (4) Fuel Management Systems from Independence Constructors, 1200 Route 22 East, Bridgewater, NJ 08807 through State Contract No. 42270; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's Director of Public Works has provided a memo of recommendation for this purchase; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds for this purchase in the amount of \$69,180.00, said funds to be encumbered from Account # 04-215-55-809-000; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of this purchase is not to exceed \$69,180.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. The Township Council hereby authorizes the Township's Director of Public Works to purchase four (4) Fuel Management Systems from Independence Constructors, 1200 Route 22 East, Bridgewater, NJ 08807 through State Contract No. 42270.
- 2. The Township's Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for same.
- 3. This resolution shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk.

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 380 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE INTENT TO PURCHASE DRAINAGE MATERIALS FROM CAMPBELL FOUNDRY COMPANY INC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PAY-TO-PLAY LAW N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 ET SEQ.

**WHEREAS**, the Township of West Milford has a need for drainage materials at various locations throughout the Township which expenses would exceed the Pay-to-Play threshold of \$17,500; and

**WHEREAS**, Campbell Foundry Company has complied with state pay-to-play regulation by completing and submitting a Business Entity Disclosure Certification; and

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**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b), no orders of materials shall be undertaken until such time as the funding for the goods or services are certified by the Chief Financial Officer; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that purchases from Campbell Foundry Company is hereby authorized and approved purchases are made through a Cooperative pricing contract, State contract or a minimum of three quotations and the total purchases are not to exceed the budgeted appropriation established for this purpose for the 2024 calendar year.

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 381 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE INTENT TO PURCHASE DRAINAGE MATERIALS FROM GENERAL FOUNDRIES INC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PAY-TO-PLAY LAW N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 ET SEQ.

**WHEREAS**, the Township of West Milford has a need for drainage materials at various locations throughout the Township which expenses would exceed the Pay-to-Play threshold of \$17,500; and

**WHEREAS**, General Foundries Inc. has complied with state pay-to-play regulation by completing and submitting a Business Entity Disclosure Certification; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b), no orders of materials shall be undertaken until such time as the funding for the goods or services are certified by the Chief Financial Officer; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that purchases from General Foundries Inc. is hereby authorized and approved purchases are made through a Cooperative pricing contract, State contract or a minimum of three quotations and the total purchases are not to exceed the budgeted appropriation established for this purpose for the 2024 calendar year.

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 382 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE INTENT TO PURCHASE RESIDENTIAL LEAF REMOVAL SERVICES AT THE RECYCLING CENTER DROP-OFF AREA FROM NATURES CHOICE NJ LLC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PAY-TO-PLAY LAW N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 ET SEQ.

**WHEREAS**, the Township of West Milford has a need to purchase residential leaf removal services at the Recycling Center drop-off area which expenses would exceed the Pay-to-Play threshold of \$17,500; and

**WHEREAS**, Natures Choice NJ LLC has complied with State pay-to-play regulations by completing and submitting a Business Entity Disclosure Certification; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b), no orders of materials shall be undertaken until such time as the funding for the goods or services are certified by the Chief Financial Officer; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that purchases from Natures Choice NJ LLC is hereby authorized and approved purchases are made through a Cooperative pricing contract, State contract or a minimum of three quotations and the total purchases are not to exceed the budgeted appropriation established for this purpose for the 2024 calendar year.

Adopted: November 13, 2024

Agenda No. XII 10

~ Resolution 2024 - 383 ~

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A SITE LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD AND CROWN CASTLE

WHEREAS, the Township is the process of replacing its public safety radio system; and

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**WHEREAS**, two (2) new Omni antennas to upgrade the public safety radio system must be installed on the communications tower located at West Milford Volunteer Fire Company,1362 Macopin Road in West Milford; and

**WHEREAS**, the communication tower is owned by Crown Castle, 2000 Corporate Drive, Canonsburg, PA 15317; and

**WHEREAS**, Crown Castle will permit the equipment to be installed and remain on the communication tower at no cost to the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, Crown Castle supplied site license agreement to allow the installation of new radio equipment at West Milford Volunteer Fire Company, 1362 Macopin Road in West Milford.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council of the Township of West Milford hereby authorizes the Mayor to enter into the site license agreement with Crown Castle permitting the installation of public safety radio equipment at no cost to the Township on the communications tower located at West Milford Volunteer Fire Company, 1362 Macopin Road in West Milford.

Adopted: November 13, 2024

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 384 ~

# RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC FOR FUELING SERVICES

**WHEREAS**, under the New Jersey Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, namely C.40A:65-1 et seq. local units may enter into shared services agreements with other local units; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of West Milford, as a local unit, wishes to enter into Shared Services Agreement with Passaic County to fuel certain vehicles at Township facilities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, the following:

- 1. The Mayor and the Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement effective December 1, 2024 through November 30, 2026 with the County of Passaic and invoiced at the current rate of fuel plus a 10% ten percent administrative fee.
- 2. The Passaic County Officials will provide the West Milford DPW Director with a list of County employees and list of vehicles that will be the subject to this subject.
- 3. This resolution and contract shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk.
- 4. A copy of this resolution to be sent to the Division of Local Government Services.

Adopted: November 13, 2024

Agenda No. XII 12

### ~ Resolution 2024 - 385 ~

Agenda RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD LIBRARY TO PROVIDE SNOW REMOVAL SERVICES

**WHEREAS**, the Township of West Milford Library has expressed a need for snow removal services; and

**WHEREAS**, it is deemed to be in the best interests of the residents of the Township of West Milford and the Township of West Milford Library to enter into an agreement to enable the Township of West Milford to provide snow removal services to the Township of West Milford Library; and

**WHEREAS**, to effectuate this agreement, the Township of West Milford wishes to enter into a shared services agreement from November 15, 2024 through May 15, 2025 with the Township of West Milford Library that will fully set forth the complete terms of the agreement; and

**WHEREAS,** prior to execution of the agreement, the Governing Body of the Township of West Milford Library will also adopt a resolution approving execution of the agreement.

### TOWNSHIP OF WEST MU FORD, SOUNTY OF BASSAIS NEW JERSEY

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**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township of West Milford, in the County of Passaic and State of New Jersey, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the above referenced shared services agreement with the Township of West Milford Library for snow removal services.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Adopted: November 13, 2024

Agenda No. XII 13

~ Resolution 2024 - 386 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD COUNTY OF PASSAIC STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING PUBLIC SALE OF MUNICIPALITY OWNED PERSONAL PROPERTY AT A PUBLIC AUCTION TO BE HELD ONLINE AT MUNICIBID.COM PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 12A:2-328 SALE BY AUCTION AND N.J.S.A. 19:9-2.6 SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 12A:2-328 and N.J.S.A. 19:9-2.6, the Township of West Milford may sell any municipality-owned personal property at a public auction; and

**WHEREAS**, the sales are being conducted pursuant to the Division of Local Government Services' Local Finance Notice 2008-21: and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 19:9-2.6 and the Division of Local Government Services' Notice 2008-9 outline specific advertising requirements to provide for transparency and public participation in such sales; and

**WHEREAS**, The Township has secured the services of municibid.com to organize and conduct all aspects of the Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction; and

**WHEREAS,** prior to commencement of such sale, municibid.com shall confirm that the Township Administrator and Department of Public Works is apprised of all necessary information to provide such public notice and the date of sale shall be such that there is sufficient time within the law to advertise in the Township's official newspaper.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that the Township is hereby authorized to sell the municipality-owned property as indicated in Schedule "A" Property Auction Manifest shown below on an online auction website entitled <a href="https://www.municibid.com">www.municibid.com</a>.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the terms and conditions entered into between municibid.com and the Township of West Milford are available at <a href="https://www.municibid.com">www.municibid.com</a>; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the Township Clerk to the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, and that a notice will be published in the official newspaper in accordance with the requirements for same.

Schedule "A" - Property Auction Manifest

EQUIPMENT	DESCRIPTION
Shelving	Heavy Duty Shelving used for Records Retention at the
	Johnner Building.
File Cabinets	Various
Other Unused Equipment	Various
stored at the Johner Building	

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ACCEPTING THE BIDS FOR THE SALE OF CERTAIN MUNICIPAL LANDS AND PROPERTIES FROM THE TOWNSHIP AUCTION OF OCTOBER 16, 2024

**WHEREAS,** on October 16, 2024, the Township of West Milford conducted the sale of municipal properties no longer needed by the Township in accordance with Resolution 2024-319; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Clerk reports that the schedule below outlines the bidders and their respective proposals to purchase said lands and recommends that the Township Council accept these bids.

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford that the proposals set forth in the schedule below are hereby accepted and incorporated herein.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the terms of such acceptance will be set forth in the Contracts of Sale to be prepared by the Township Attorney as set forth in Resolution 2024-319.

This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

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Block	Lot	Buyer Address	Bid Amount
3201	1	5140 Northern Blvd, Glen Head NY	\$44,000.00
1608 1608	4 5	25 Risley Road, Hewitt, NJ	\$1,400.00
1612	9	43 Haggerty Road, Wantage, NJ	\$1,100.00
1701	25	5140 Northern Blvd, Glen Head, NY	\$650.00
1814	10	43 Haggerty Road, Wantage, NJ	\$800.00
1903	9	11 Southfield Drive, Sussex, NJ	\$900.00
1909	7	27 Hewitt Road, Hewitt, NJ	\$1,600.00
1911	2	8 Bergen Avenue, Haskell, NJ & 1858 Route 23 West Milford, NJ	\$900.00
2405	7	535 Terrace Drive, Highland Lakes, NJ	\$1,000.00
5307	11.04	307 Ridge Road, West Milford	\$10,000.00
9601	7.01	853 Macopin Road, West Milford, NJ	\$39,000.00
11002	1	23 Dudley Street, West Milford, NJ	\$6,400.00

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 388 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY REJECTING THE SALE OF CERTAIN MUNICIPAL LANDS AND PROPERTIES FROM THE TOWNSHIP AUCTION OF OCTOBER 16, 2024

**WHEREAS,** on October 16, 2024, the Township of West Milford conducted the sale of municipal properties no longer needed by the Township in accordance with Resolution 2024-319; and

**WHEREAS**, upon further review, the Township has determined that sale of the below noted block and lot is not in the best interests of the Township, and pursuant Resolution 2024-319, cancellation on that basis is at the Township's discretion.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford directs that the proposal as set forth to the block and lot reflected in the schedule below is herein rejected in the best interests of the Township.

This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

Adopted: November 13, 2024

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~ Resolution 2024 - 389 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR DISPOSAL/RECYCLING OF MUNICIPAL ROAD WASTES (STREET SWEEPINGS) TO DEER CARCASS REMOVAL SERVICES, LLC THROUGH THE MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING COUNCIL, CONTRACT #49 (DISPOSAL/RECYCLING OF MUNICIPAL ROAD WASTES) IN AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000.00

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**WHEREAS**, the Township of West Milford by virtue of Resolution 2024-259 awarded a contract to Deer Carcass Removal Services LLC for the removal of street sweepings in a not to exceed amount of \$50,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of Public Works has submitted a written recommendation that the Township of West Milford utilize the services of Deer Carcass Removal Services LLC., for the removal of Municipal Road Clean-up Materials (Street Sweepings) of an additional approximately 450 tons of material through the use of Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council, Contract #49 in an additional amount not to exceed \$25,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds for these purchases, said funds to be encumbered from account number 01-201-26-290-303;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, the following:

- The Township Council hereby authorizes an expenditure of funds through the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council, Contract #49, to Deer Carcass Removal Services, LLC, PO Box 328, Cream Ridge, NJ 08514 for the Disposal/Recycling of Municipal Road Wastes (an additional approximately 450 tons) in an additional amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for this service.
- 2. The Township's Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for same.
- 3. This resolution shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk.

Adopted: November 13, 2024

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 390 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING RESOLUTION 2024-044 WITH FRED SEMRAU, ESQ. OF THE FIRM DORSEY SEMRAU, LLC FOR TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY SERVICES TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT VALUE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED BY \$40,000.00

**WHEREAS,** by virtue of Resolution 2024-044 adopted January 3, 2024 the Township Council did authorize the engagement of Legal Services to be provided by Fred Semrau, Esq. of Dorsey Semrau, LLC; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution 2024-044 and the related Professional Services Contract did authorize services in an amount not to exceed \$140,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Administrator has been advised that the Township's needs, necessitates an amendment in an additional amount not to exceed \$40,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds and said funds to be encumbered from account 01-201-20-155-501 for \$40,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, that a notice of this action shall be published in accordance with law, and said notice to provide that the originally awarded Professional Services Contract, and this resolution serving as the Addendum to the Contract are available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that they do hereby authorize the Township Administrator to approve an amendment of \$40,000 to Fred Semrau, Esq. for Legal Services which amount is in excess of the approved contract amount of \$140,000 bringing the contract total to an amount not to exceed \$180,000.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Adopted: November 13, 2024

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~ Resolution 2024 - 391 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE INTENT TO PURCHASE PLUMBING/HEATING REPAIRS AND INSTALLATIONS FROM GRIFFITHS PLUMBING & HEATING LLC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PAY-TO-PLAY LAW N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 ET SEQ.

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**WHEREAS**, the Township of West Milford has a need for plumbing/heating repairs and installations at various locations throughout the Township which expenses would exceed the Pay-to-Play threshold of \$17,500; and

**WHEREAS**, Griffiths Plumbing & Heating LLC, 12 Millington Avenue, Hewitt, NJ 074821 has complied with state pay-to-play regulation by completing and submitting a Business Entity Disclosure Certification; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b), no orders of repairs/installations shall be undertaken until such time as the funding for the goods or services are certified by the Chief Financial Officer; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that purchases from Griffiths Plumbing & Heating LLC is hereby authorized and approved purchases are made through a Cooperative pricing contract, State contract or a minimum of three quotations and the total purchases are not to exceed the budgeted appropriation established for this purpose for the 2024 calendar year.

Adopted: November 13, 2024

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 392 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY PROVIDING CONSENT TO FILE A TREATMENT WORKS APPROVAL (TWA) APPLICATION TO ALTER AN EXISTING INDIVIDUAL SUBSURFACE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS (ISSDS) ON LOTS 14 & 15 IN BLOCK 7903 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 1480 UNION VALLEY ROAD, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD WHICH IS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM, DISCHARGE TO GROUNDWATER (NJPDES-DWG) PROGRAM AUTHORIZATION NUMBER NJG0192112

**WHEREAS,** Township of West Milford is the owner of the property at 1480 Union Valley Road, West Milford, NJ 07480 in the Township of West Milford, which is otherwise known as Lots 14 & 15 in Block 7903; and

**WHEREAS**, the aggregate peak daily wastewater design flow for the use(s) on the property exceeds 2,000 gpd; and

**WHEREAS**, the construction, alteration or repair of an ISSDS designed to treat and dispose of wastewater flows in excess of 2,000 gpd is regulated by the NJDEP NJPDES program; and

**WHEREAS**, Township of West Milford has submitted a request to the Governing Body for Consent to file a Treatment Works Approval (TWA) with the NJDEP to alter the existing ISSDS on the property; and

**WHEREAS**, the Passaic County Division of Health Services has reviewed the request and has determined that the ISSDS is regulated by the NJDEP, conforms with the requirements of all municipal ordinances pertaining to the proposed disposal system; and

**WHEREAS**, a permit to alter the existing wastewater treatment and disposal systems must be authorized by the NJDEP through the TWA application process; and

**WHEREAS**, submittal of a TWA application to the NJDEP requires the municipality, by way of resolution, consent to the project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Passaic County Division of Health Services recommends to the Mayor and Township Council that it in fact consent to this application.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey hereby consents to the Treatment Works Application with respect to septic alterations as submitted for the Township of West Milford municipal realty improvements and facilities located on Lots 14 & 15 in Block 7903 in the Township of West Milford.

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**WHEREAS,** Family Restaurant Group, LLC is the owner of the property at 673 Macopin Road, West Milford, NJ 07480 in the Township of West Milford, which is otherwise known as the Town Tavern Country Inn on Lot 1 in Block 13901; and

**WHEREAS**, the aggregate peak daily wastewater design flow for the use(s) on the property exceeds 2,000 gpd; and

**WHEREAS,** the construction, alteration or repair of an ISSDS designed to treat and dispose of wastewater flows in excess of 2,000 gpd is regulated by the NJDEP NJPDES program; and

**WHEREAS**, Family Restaurant Group, LLC has submitted a request to the Township of West Milford for Consent to File a Treatment Work Approval (TWA) with the NJDEP to alter the existing ISSDS on the property; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer has reviewed the request and has determined that the ISSDS is regulated by the NJDEP, conforms with the requirements of all municipal ordinances pertaining to the proposed disposal system; and

**WHEREAS**, a permit to alter the existing wastewater treatment and disposal systems must be authorized by the NJDEP through the TWA application process; and

**WHEREAS**, submittal of a TWA application to the NJDEP requires the municipality by way of resolution, consent to the project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer recommends to the Mayor and Township Council that it in fact consent to this application.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey hereby consents to the Treatment Works Application with respect to septic alterations as submitted for the Family Restaurant Group, LLC realty improvements and facilities located on Lot 1 in Block 13901 in the Township of West Milford.

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~ Resolution 2024 - 394 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE DONATION OF ONE VEHICLE FROM THE WEST MILFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT TO BLOOMINGDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT

**WHEREAS**, the West Milford Police Department is no longer in need of a 2008 Acura TL vin #19UUA66238A024567 that was obtained by way of forfeiture; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bloomingdale Police Department has a need for such vehicle for police purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief of Police has recommended that the Township donate the vehicle to the Bloomingdale Police Department.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey that it be and hereby authorizes the Chief of Police to donate a 2008 Acura TL vin #19UUA66238A024567 to the Bloomingdale Police Department.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey further authorizes the West Milford Police Department to sign and process all requisite motor vehicle paperwork to transfer title from the Township of West Milford to the Borough of Bloomingdale.

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 395 ~

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY ENDORSING THE APPLICATION BY HIGH CREST LODGE, INC. FOR A GRANT AS PART OF THE HIGH HAZARD POTENTIAL DAMS GRANT PROGRAM BY WHICH TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD WILL ACT AS SUBRECEPIENT OF THE GRANT FOR THE PURPSE OF REHABILIATION OF HIGH CREST LAKE DAM TO BRING IT INTO COMPLIANCE WITH STATE REGULATIONS.

**WHEREAS**, High Crest Lake Lodge, Inc. ("Association") is a private lake association in West Milford; and

WHEREAS, the Association is a 501 (c)(7) entity, and

**WHEREAS**, the Association is the operator of a dam located on High Crest Lake which dam has been determined, based upon engineering investigations to be in need of repair, improvement and rehabilitation to help ensure the safety of people downstream, and

WHEREAS, the High Hazard Potential Dams (HHPD) grant program was authorized by Congress in the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act and signed into law by the President on December 16, 2016 thereby adding a grant program under FEMA's National Dam Safety Program (33USC 467f-2) which provides technical, planning, design, and construction assistance in the form of grants to eligible subrecipients for rehabilitation of eligible high hazard potential dams, and

**WHEREAS**, under the "Fiscal Year 2024 Fall Rehabilitation of HHPD" the State of New Jersey has been awarded \$6,510,995 through the HHPD grant program, and

**WHEREAS**, High Crest Lake Dam has been identified as being eligible as a possible benefactor of the HHPD grant by the Division of State Police, Jersey Office of Emergency Management, and

**WHEREAS**, the Notice of Funding Opportunity for this grant found at <a href="https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/350857">https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/350857</a> section C.3 "Subrecipient Eligibility Criteria" limits subrecipients to any non-federal government entity, a nonprofit organization, or a 501(c)(4) Homeowner Association, and

**WHEREAS**, the repair, improvement and rehabilitation of the High Crest Lake Dam is a project separate and distinct from the repair and replacement of the bridge located by the spillway of the High Crest Lake Dam, and

**WHEREAS**, West Milford Township is owner of High Crest Drive, the road which traverses the dam.

**WHEREAS**, the Township determines that the repair, improvement and rehabilitation of the High Crest Lake dam are in the best interests of the residents of the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township has conditioned the Township's agreement to act as subrecipient of the grant upon the Association's successful application of said grant, the application of which is in progress; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council desires to grant the Mayor and Township Clerk the authority to act as subrecipient of the HHPD grant; and

**WHEREAS**, by way of resolution 2024 - 342, adopted October 2, 2024, the Township has endorsed the application of a HHPD grant by the Association with the Township of West Milford identified as subrecipient, to effectuate dam repairs at the High Crest Lake Dam in the Township of West Milford; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey State Police Office of Emergency Management, as part of the HHPD grant application, is requesting confirmation from the subrecipient of ongoing maintenance of the project improvements for the life of the dam; and

**WHEREAS**, the Association has provided to the New Jersey State Police Office of Emergency Management, confirmation that the Association will continue to operate and maintain the dam for its useful life in accordance with New Jersey State Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Dam Safety regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the township owns and has responsibility for the roadway, bridge and related elements that traverse High Crest Lake Dam within the township right of way; and

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### TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY

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**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey State Police Office of Emergency Management is requesting confirmation that the subrecipient will comply with the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Subrecipient Eligibility Criteria listed below:

Eligible subrecipients under Fiscal Year 2024 HHPD are non-federal governmental organizations (other than the designated applicant) and nonprofit organizations. Under FY 2024 HHPD, eligible subrecipients apply for and receive subawards directly from the SAA. Subrecipients must meet the following criteria to be eligible:

- a. Acts in accordance with the state dam safety program. Additionally, the project dam must be regulated by the state dam safety program. All activities must be approved by the state dam safety agency. Any engineering studies, plans, or design drawings and specifications must be approved, signed, and stamped by a qualified design professional registered in the state in which the project is located.
- b. The community in which the dam is located participates in, and complies with, all applicable regulations of the National Flood insurance Program, and is in good standing, not on probation, suspended, or withdrawn from such Program.
- c. The Tribal or local government with jurisdiction over the area in which the dam is located has in place an approved hazard mitigation plan that includes all dam risks and complies with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (Public Law 106–390; 114 Stat. 1552). For more information on the Mitigation Plan Requirements, see Section E.1.a., Programmatic Criteria for Mitigation Plan Requirement. If the Tribal or local mitigation plan does not include all dam risks, the subrecipient may request an extension to meet this requirement. For more information on the Mitigation Plan Requirements, see Section H.13, Mitigation Plan Requirement Extension Requests. For links to mitigation plan guidance documents and for questions, see Section H.12., Mitigation Plan Requirement Resources.

(FEMA's Mitigation Planning Program defines "local government" as any county, municipality, city, town, township, public authority, school district, special district, intrastate district, council of governments (regardless of whether the council of governments is incorporated as a nonprofit corporation under State law), regional or interstate government entity, or agency or instrumentality of a local government; any Indian tribe or authorized tribal organization, or Alaska Native village or organization; and any rural community, unincorporated town or village, or other public entity" (44 Code of Federal Regulations § 201.2).)

- d. Commit to provide operation and maintenance of the project for the expected life of the dam following completion of rehabilitation.
- e. Carries out activities relating to the public in the area around the dam in accordance with the hazard mitigation plan.
- f. Complies with section 5196(j)(9) of title 42 of the U.S. Code (as in effect on December 16, 2016) with respect to projects receiving assistance under this section in the same manner as recipients are required to comply in order to receive financial contributions from the Administrator for emergency preparedness purposes. See Section D.13.a., Requirements Related to Contractor and Subcontractor Wages, for additional information.
- g. Complies with chapter 11 of the title 40, Selection of Architects and Engineers. (See Section D.13.b., Requirements Related to Contract and Subcontract Services.) h. Have in place (or will be developed not later than 2 years after the date of execution of a dam rehabilitation or removal project agreement and implemented not later than 2 years after the date of completion of a project) a floodplain management plan to reduce the impacts of future flood events in the area impacted by the project. The floodplain management plan shall address:
  - 1. potential measures, practices, and policies to reduce loss of life, injuries, damage to property and facilities, public expenditures, and other adverse impacts of flooding in the area protected by the project.
  - 2. plans for flood fighting and evacuation; and
  - 3. public education and awareness of flood risks.

For additional information, please see Section H.17., Floodplain Management Plan.

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i. For the purposes of the HHPD program, all dam risk includes the incremental risk, non breach risk, and residual risk associated with each eligible high hazard potential dam, as well as the reason(s) the state has determined the dam is an eligible high hazard potential dam.

For the purposes of meeting the mitigation planning requirements, Applicants (SAA) must address the requirements for state mitigation plans and subrecipients / jurisdictions where the dam is located must address the requirements for local or tribal mitigation plans as set forth in mitigation planning policies. The requirements include the planning process, risk assessment, goals, and mitigation strategy. In the mitigation planning risk assessment, including all dam risks is done at a scale appropriate to the planning area and should include descriptions of incremental, breach, and non-breach risks for high hazard potential dams (not limited to eligible) as described in Section 5.8 of the Rehabilitation of High Hazard Potential Dams Grant Program Guidance (June 2020) FEMA Policy FP 104-008-7. "

j. Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

Signage FEMA encourages the use of public signage for Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funded projects. Please note, these actions highly are encouraged but are not required.

Subrecipients are encouraged to place signs at project sites identifying the funding source of the project. The cost of such signs is an eligible project cost. Sub applicants may request up to \$10,000 per project for costs relating to signage. Project costs for signage are subject to the applicable cost-sharing requirements. For assistance with template design, please email: design@fema.dhs.gov.

; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey State Police Office of Emergency Management is requesting confirmation that the subrecipient is capable of funding at a minimum a 35% cost share of the project with non-federal funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Association has previously worked with the township of West Milford and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Dam Safety to secure a low interest loan for up to \$575,000 to fund dam rehabilitation costs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Association has worked with the township of West Milford and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Dam Safety and received approval for second loan for up to and additional \$1,250,000 to fund dam rehabilitation costs and this funding for this loan is pending approval by the state legislature.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford that the Township does confirm it will continue to operate and maintain the roadway, bridge and related elements on High Crest Lake Dam within the township right of way for the expected life of the dam following completion of the rehabilitation.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford as follows:

- 1. The Township of West Milford will comply with the subrecipient eligibility criteria listed on page 11 and 12 of the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) under Section C. 3. Subrecipient Eligibility Criteria.
- 2. The Township of West Milford as subrecipient confirms that through measures such as the Dam Restoration or Inland Waters Project Loans in which the Association and township are participating, the Association is capable of funding at a minimum a 35% cost share of the project with non-federal funds.

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## RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF VARIOUS LICENSES FOR THE LICENSE YEAR 2024

**WHEREAS**, applications have been made for the new licenses and the renewal of various Licenses for the 2024 license year; and

**WHEREAS**, reports of recommendation have been received from applicable Township Departments recommending the issuance of said licenses as listed below; and

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council of the Township of West Milford does hereby approve the issuance of 2024 Licenses as listed below:

	2024 PRECIOUS SECONDHAND METALS
2024-02	J. Alexander Fine Jewelers

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## RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF VARIOUS LICENSES FOR THE LICENSE YEAR 2025

**WHEREAS**, applications have been made for the new licenses and the renewal of various Licenses for the 2025 license year; and

**WHEREAS**, reports of recommendation have been received from applicable Township Departments recommending the issuance of said licenses as listed below; and

**WHEREAS**, four (4) junk yards/shops have historically existed in the Township although the Township Code currently limits the number of junk yards/yards to only three (3); and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council of the Township of West Milford does hereby approve the issuance of 2025 Licenses as listed below:

License No.	2025 JUNK YARD		
2025-01	Mountain Top Auto, Inc. – John Kardanow		
2025-02	Milford Motors LLC – Emad Jaber		
2025-03	Vans & Trucks LLC - Yourik Atakhanian		
2025-04	AC-3 LLC		
License No.	2025 JUNK SHOP		
2025-01	Mountain Top Auto, Inc. – John Kardanow		
2025-02	Vans & Trucks LLC - Yourik Atakhanian		
License No.	2025 RECYCLING CENTER		
2025-01	Skytop Recycling Inc. – Peter Downes		

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## RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY REQUESTING APPROVAL OF SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUES AND APPROPRIATION

**WHEREAS** N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget and,

**WHEREAS**, the Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for an equal amount,

**WHEREAS**, the Township of West Milford wishes to amend its 2024 Budget to include an amount as revenue,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governing body of the Township of West Milford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item in the budget of the year 2024 which is now available as a revenue from:

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written consent of the Director of Local Government Services:

Public and Private Revenues Off-Set with Appropriations:

Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant;

\$7,278.97

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum be and the same is herby appropriated under the caption of:

**General Appropriations** 

(A) Operations – Excluded from CAPS

Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenue

Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant; \$7,278.97 Local Match \$0.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Township Finance Department will electronically file with the State of NJ in accordance with LFN 2014-11.

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~ Resolution 2024 - 399 ~

# RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD COUNTY OF PASSAIC STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO TRANSFER ITEMS OF CURRENT FUND APPROPRIATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISION OF N.J.S.A. 40:4-58

**WHEREAS**, there appears to be a surplus in the 2024 appropriation over and above the demand deemed to be necessary for the balance of the year:

APPROPRIATION	ACCOUNT NUMBER	TRANSFER PROPOSAL
Treasurer, S&W	20-130-100	\$15,000
General Services, OE	20-161-200	\$34,000
Streets & Roads, OE	26-290-200	\$18,000
Public Properties, S&W	26-291-100	\$40,000
Snow Removal, OE	26-294-200	\$18,000
Bubbling Springs, S&W	28-371-100	\$15,000
Shared Services-Health, OE	47-500-200	\$119,000
	TOTAL TRANSFERS OUT	\$259,000

**WHEREAS**, there appears to be insufficient funds in the following appropriations to meet the demands thereon for the balance of the 2024 budget year:

APPROPRIATION	ACCOUNT NUMBER	TRANSFER PROPOSAL
Information Technology, S&W	20-140-100	\$7,000
Tax Collection, S&W	20-145-100	\$2,000
Elections, OE	20-146-200	\$35,000
Zoning, S&W	21-185-100	\$2,000
Other Insurance	23-210-200	\$65,000
Police Administration, S&W	25-242-100	\$35,000
Special Police, S&W	25-244-100	\$7,000
Streets & Roads, S&W	26-290-100	\$100,000
Recreation Administration, S&W	28-372-100	\$1,000
Parks, S&W	28-375-100	\$5,000
	TOTAL TRANSFERS IN	\$259,000

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Council of the Township of West Milford in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58, part of the 2024 appropriation heretofore mentioned be and the same are hereby transferred to the appropriations mentioned as being insufficient to meet prior demands.

A certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded by the Township Clerk to the Township Treasurer.

Adopted: November 13, 2024

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~ Resolution 2024 - 408 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING TO STORMWATER COMPLIANCE SOLUTIONS, LLC TO PROVIDE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SERVICES

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**WHEREAS**, the Township of West Milford has a need to appoint a stormwater management professional as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. or 20.5 as appropriate to comply with the Municipal Stormwater Permit under N.J.A.C. 7:14, Tier A Municipal Stormwater General Permit; and

**WHEREAS,** it is beneficial to retain assistance of appropriately registered experts in the field of stormwater management with knowledge and experience in these matters, to assist in assuring compliance with NJPDES Permit for stormwater discharge; and

**WHEREAS,** Stormwater Compliance Solutions LLC of Chester, NJ was awarded a contract, by resolution, on February 14, 2024 for the initial work required as part of the enhanced regulations; and

**WHEREAS,** Stormwater Compliance Solutions LLC of Chester NJ will provide stormwater management services as sought by the Township of West Milford and outlined in a contract in an amount not to exceed \$8,150.00 as part of the continued required work; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et. seq. requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for professional services without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

**WHEREAS**, Stormwater Compliance Solutions LLC has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that the business has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of West Milford with the elected officials in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Stormwater Compliance Solutions, LLC from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

**WHEREAS,** the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 5:30-5.4 in an amount not to exceed \$8,150.00 from account #01-201-26-290-451.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. The Township Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to execute a contract for stormwater management services with Stormwater Compliance Solutions, LLC., 180 Main Street, P.O. Box 572, Chester, NJ 07930 to assist the Township with compliance to the NJPDES Permit in an amount not to exceed \$8,150.00.
- 2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Services" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20 et seg. and the local public contracts law.
- 3. The total fee authorized for this contract shall not exceed \$8,150.00 without the prior written approval of the Township Council.
- 4. That a notice of this action shall be published in accordance with law, and said notice to provide that the contract awarded and this resolutions authorizing same are available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk.

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 409 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A COMPETITIVE BIDDING CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO DLS CONTRACTING, INC. FOR THE HANOVER ROAD, ALPINE COURT, PRINCETON ROAD, LYONS ROAD AND BEVERLY COURT ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

**WHEREAS,** the Township of West Milford advertised for the receipt of sealed competitive bids in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A 40A:11-1 et seq, to be received on November 8, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. for the Hanover Road, Alpine Court, Princeton Road, Lyons Road and Beverly Court Road Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford received three (3) bids for this contract; and

**WHEREAS,** said bids have been duly reviewed and analyzed by the West Milford Township Engineering Division, Clerk's Office and Township Attorney; and

**WHEREAS,** the bid received from the low bidder, DLS Contracting, Inc., has been found to be in proper form and in compliance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-23.5 and the specifications as written; and

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**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that encumbrances for these services shall come from account numbered 04-215-55-838-001; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. The Township Council hereby awards a contract to DLS Contracting, Inc., 36 Montesano Road, Fairfield, NJ 07004 for the Hanover Road, Alpine Court, Princeton Road, Lyons Road and Beverly Court Road Improvement Project in an amount not to exceed \$1,229,871.00.
- 2. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with DLS Contracting, Inc., in accordance with its bid for said road improvements to Hanover Road, Alpine Court, Princeton Road, Lyons Road and Beverly Court in the Township of West Milford.
- 3. The Township's Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for same.
- 4. This resolution and contract shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk.

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 410 ~

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INDOOR SALES EVENT AND SEASONAL FARMERS' MARKET FROM MID-OCTOBER 2024 THROUGH MID-MAY 2025

**WHEREAS**, Section 414-6 of the Township Code prohibits temporary outdoor sales events and seasonal farmers' markets from mid-October through mid-May; and

**WHEREAS**, the West Milford Presbyterian Church, located at 1452 Union Valley Road in West Milford, wishes to host a temporary sales event and seasonal farmers' market indoors and during the prohibited period; and

**WHEREAS**, many of the vendors that will participate in the indoor temporary sales event and seasonal farmers' market will be the same vendors that participated in their temporary outdoor sales event and seasonal farmers' market from mid-May through mid-October; and

**WHEREAS**, the West Milford Presbyterian Church and most, if not all, of the vendors obtained the necessary permits and paid the required fees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Township Council believe that the residents of West Milford would be well served by having access to an indoor temporary sales event and seasonal farmers' market from mid-October through mid-May; and

**WHEREAS**, the West Milford Presbyterian Church will be required to meet all other requirements including obtaining a separate permit and ensuring that all vendors obtain their necessary inspections and permits; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Township Council that the West Milford Presbyterian Church is permitted to obtain a temporary indoor sales event and seasonal farmers' market from mid-October 2024 through mid-May 2025.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the fee for the permit shall be waived.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any vendor that obtains a permit to participate in the temporary outdoor sales event and seasonal farmers' market at West Milford Presbyterian Church from mid-October through mid-May shall have their fee waived, but shall apply for a separate permit and pass all required inspections.

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 411 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR APPROVAL TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR FIREFIGHTER JACKETS, PANTS, BOOTS, GLOVES, RESCUE HELMETS AND HOODS

WHEREAS, the six (6) fire departments serve the residents of the Township of West Milford and

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applied for and received a grant for \$75,000 from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

**WHEREAS**, the firefighter grant funds will help to cover costs associated with the purchases to outfit each of the Fire Companies No. 1 through No. 6 with approximately 2-3 new sets, per company, of turnout gear, including firefighter jackets, pants, boots, gloves, rescue helmets and hoods; and

**WHEREAS**, that the Township Administrator is authorized to sign the grant, and that he or his successors in said titles are authorized to sign the agreement and any other documents necessary in connection therewith.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of West Milford and County of Passaic that the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to accept the grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs grant funds to be utilized to purchase firefighter protective equipment.

Adopted: November 13, 2024

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 412 ~

## RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY REQUESTING APPROVAL OF SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUES AND APPROPRIATION

**WHEREAS** N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget and,

**WHEREAS**, the Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for an equal amount,

**WHEREAS**, the Township of West Milford wishes to amend its 2024 Budget to include an amount as revenue,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governing body of the Township of West Milford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item in the budget of the year 2024 which is now available as a revenue from:

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written consent of the Director of Local Government Services: Public and Private Revenues Off-Set with Appropriations:

NJ Department of Community Affairs;

\$75,000.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations

(A) Operations – Excluded from CAPS
 Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenue
 NJ Department of Community Affairs;

\$75,000.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Township Finance Department will electronically file with the State of NJ in the FAST system.

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Councilman Conlon asked what the purpose of Resolution 2024-388 rejecting a bid for the sale of certain municipal lands was. Township Attorney Pasternak indicated that it was in the best interests of the Township and Administrator Senande indicated that the neighbors were discussing the property and did not want to offend the other neighbor, so the buyer backed out.

Motion to move Resolutions 2024-376 through 2024-399 and 2024-408 through 2024-412.

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Moved: Erik Seconded: Lichtenberg

Voted Aye: Erik, Chazukow, Lichtenberg, Goodsir, Conlon, Marsden

Abstain: Voted Nay: Motion carried:

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### **Consent Agenda**

### ~ Resolution 2024 - 400 ~

### RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD COUNTY OF PASSAIC STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING PASSAGE OF CONSENT AGENDA

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of West Milford has reviewed the Consent Agenda consisting of various proposed Resolutions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following Resolutions on the Consent Agenda are hereby approved:

### **Resolutions:**

- a) 2024-401 – Refund Recreation Fees
- 2024-402 Refund of Overpayments b)
- 2024-403 Refund Other Liens Amended c)
- 2024-404 Refund Other Liens d)
- 2024-405 Reinstatement of Taxes e)
- 2024-406 Bond Releases

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 401 ~

### RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF RECREATION FEES

BE IT RESOLVED that the following recreational fees upon the report of the Director of Community Services and Recreation be refunded:

REC BASKETBALL					
\$85.00	224 Highcrest Drive				
\$65.00	West Milford, NJ 07480				
	FLOOR HOCKEY CLUB				
\$70.00	11 Melrose Ave. Hewitt, NJ 07421				

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 402 ~

### RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT

WHEREAS, there appears on the tax records overpayment as shown below and the Collector of Taxes recommends the refund of such overpayment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the proper officers be and they are hereby authorized and directed to issue checks refunding such overpayment as shown below:

**REASON:** 1. Incorrect Payment

6. Tax Appeal County Board 7. Tax Appeal State Tax Court8. 100% Disabled Veteran 2. Duplicate Payment

3. Senior Citizen 4. Veteran Deduction

9. Replacement Check

10. Bank/Mortgage Co.

5. Homestead Rebate

Block/Lot	Name	Amount	Interest	Year	Reason
14201-009	308 Germantown Road West Milford, NJ 07480	\$1,474.30		2024	2
01816-017	FNA DZ, LLC 201 W LAKE ST. #165 CHICAGO, IL 60606	\$8,632.52 \$11,662.65 \$2,916.00	\$160.74 \$153.99 \$40.82	2022 2023 2024	10
TOTALS:		\$24,685.47	\$355.55		

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 403 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING RESOLUTION 2024-371 REFUND OF OTHER LIENS ADOPTED OCTOBER 16, 2024 FOR THE REDEMPTION OF THE RESPECTIVE LIEN ON BLOCK 12604 LOT 004 AND REISSUE WITH CORRECT DOLLAR AMOUNT

**WHEREAS**, Resolution 2024-371 "Refund of Other Liens" adopted October 16, 2024 was paid to Getro Maceno Sole Mbr on Block 12604 Lot 004; in the amount of \$194.78; and

**WHEREAS**, upon the recommendation of the Collector of Taxes that Resolution 2024-371 be amended to cancel the check to Getro Maceno Sole Mbr on Block 12604 Lot 004 in the amount of \$194.78; and reissue to Getro Maceno Sole Mbr in the amount of \$184.54.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the proper officers be and they are hereby authorized to cancel the check to Getro Maceno Sole Mbr in the amount of \$194.78 and reissue a check to Getro Maceno Sole Mbr in the amount of \$184.54 as listed below:

Certificate	Certificate	Block/Lot/Qual	Reimbursement	Pay to Lien Holder
No.	Date		Amount	
<del>23-0048</del>	10/10/2023	12604-004	<del>\$194.78</del>	Getro Maceno Sole Mbr
				339 North 5 <sup>™</sup> Street
				Newark, NJ 07107
23-0048	10/10/2023	12604-004	\$184.54	Getro Maceno Sole Mbr 339 North 5 <sup>TH</sup> Street Newark, NJ 07107
	I	TOTAL	\$184.54	

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 404 ~

## RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF OTHER LIENS

**WHEREAS**, the Collector of Taxes has reported receiving the amounts shown below for the redemption of the respective lien.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Township of West Milford that the proper officers be and are hereby authorized and directed to pay the indicated amount to the holder of the lien certificate as hereinafter shown below:

Certificate No.	Certificate Date	Block/Lot/Qual	Reimbursement Amount	Premium	Pay to Lien Holder
21-0057	10/12/2021	16302-017	\$71,809.96	\$138,000.00	FNA VI, LLC 201 W LAKE STREET #165 CHICAGO, IL 60606
22-0017	10/11/2022	05501-002.03	\$65,411.59	\$108,100.00	CHRISTIANA TRUST AS CUSTODIAN GSRAN-Z LLC DEPOSIT ACCOUNT PO BOX 71276 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19176
24-0017	10/15/2024	05301-020	\$4,450.49	\$0.00	TAX LIEN FUND LP PO BOX 132 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104
24-0018	10/15/2024	05405-008	\$1,502.54	\$0.00	TAX LIEN FUND LP PO BOX 132 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104
24-0026	10/15/2024	11702-008	\$445.50	\$0.00	TAX LIEN FUND LP PO BOX 132 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104

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24-0034	10/15/2024	17004-002.04	\$7,930.08	\$41,900.00	RTLF-NJ II LLC PO BOX 71054
24-0025	10/15/2024	10602-053	\$2,218.05	\$13,100.00	CHICAGO, IL 60694  AMERICAN TAX LIEN FUND LLC PO BOX 18503  PALATINE, IL 60055-8503
24-0012	10/15/2024	03703-005.02	\$785.73	\$1,100.00	PRO CAP 8, LLC PRO CAP 8 FBO FIRSTRUST BANK PO BOX 774 FORT WASHINGTON, PA 19034-0774
24-0033	10/15/2024	14602-002	\$9,715.05	\$77,200.00	RTLF-NJ II LLC PO BOX 71054 CHICAGO, IL 60694
TOTAL			\$164,268.99	\$379,400.00	

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### ~ Resolution 2024 - 405 ~

## RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REINSTATEMENT OF TAXES

WHEREAS, there appears on the tax records receipt of payment of taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Collector of Taxes recommends the reinstatement of taxes due to reasons stated below.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the proper officers be and they are hereby authorized and directed to reinstate as listed below:

**REASON**: 1) INSUFFICIENT FUNDS

- 2) NO ACCOUNT/CANNOT LOCATE
- 3) ACCOUNT CLOSED
- 4) STOP PAYMENT
- 5) UN-AUTHORIZED PAYMENT
- 6) FROZEN/BLOCKED ACCOUNT
- 7) NON TRANSACTION ACCOUNT
- 8) INVALID ACCOUNT

BLOCK/LOT	AMOUNT	INT	YEAR	REASON
11501-020	\$4,086.92	\$127.65	2024	1
00103-002	\$1,000.00		2024	8
00803-011	\$1,000.00		2024	2
00803-011	\$420.52		2024	2
13701-051	\$2,246.42		2024	2
01207-014	\$188.02		2024	3
01101-039	\$1,069.08		2024	3

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~ Resolution 2024 - 406 ~

## RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF RIGHT OF WAY ENTRY BOND FEE

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following Right of Way Entry bond fee upon the recommendation of the Township Engineering Division be refunded:

Receipt No.	Refund Amount	Refund to	Street Excavation Project Permit No.
853831	\$508.00	16 Cozy Lake Road Oak Ridge, NJ 07438	Adams Ave 2023-03
422826	\$615.00	16 Cozy Lake Road Oak Ridge, NJ 07438	Eagle Rock Road 2023-10

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Motion to move Resolutions 2024-400 through 2024-406.

Moved: Erik Seconded: Conlon

Voted Aye: Erik, Chazukow, Lichtenberg, Goodsir, Conlon, Marsden

Voted Nay: None

Motion carried:

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Agenda No. XIV

### **Approval of Expenditures**

### ~ Resolution 2024 - 407 ~

### **RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Treasurer has submitted to the members of the Township Council a supplemental report listing individual disbursement checks prepared by this office in payment of amounts due by the Township.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Treasurer's report of checks prepared by the Treasurer's Office be approved and issued as follows:

Acct #	Account Name	Amount	
1	Current Account	\$1,197,658.94	
3	Reserve Account	142.06	
2	Grants	125,761.00	
6	Refunds	570,172.55	
1	General Ledger	17,500.94	
26	Refuse	274,316.83	
4	Capital	40,282.75	
19	Animal Control	0.00	
19	Heritage Trust	0.00	
19	Open Space Trust	0.00	
19	Trust	12,509.95	
16	Development Escrow	0.00	
19	Tax Sale Trust	1,455.00	
21	Assessment Trust	0.00	
	Special Reserve	1,949.00	
Total		\$2,241,749.02	
Less Refund Re	esolution	-570,172.55	
<b>Actual Bills Lis</b>	st	\$1,671,576.47	
Other Payments	s:		
Payroll		1,136,545.73	
Board of Education		5,520,667.00	
Total Expenditures		\$8,328,789.20	

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Moved: Erik Seconded: Conlon Voted Aye: Erik, Chazukow, Lichtenberg, Goodsir, Conlon

Voted Aye: Erik, Chazukow, Lichtenberg, Goodsir, Conlon, Marsden

Voted Nay: None

Motion carried:

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### Reports of Mayor, Council Members, Administrator, and Attorney

Mayor Dale – On December 1, 2024 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Recreation Center there is going to be a blood drive. Contact Liz Santos at 201-412-9813 for help signing up. It is on Mayor Dale's social media page. An update was received from JCPL regarding the trimming of the trees away from the power lines. Mayor Dale read a list of roads. Work will begin on January 2, 2025.

<u>Councilman Chazukow</u> – Congratulated Councilwoman Erik and Councilwoman Lichtenberg on recent Election results. The EDC discussed the Tourism Map again and is expecting to have a working draft put together to discuss and review at the next meeting. Some members of the Heritage Committee are also members of Long Pond Iron Works and they were discussing the fact that some of the relics were

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removed from the site to try to save them from the fire. He hopes that the attention to the site stays long after the fire is out because it is an important site and it needs a lot of help from the State to make sure that it stays preserved. Happy Thanksgiving to all and today is World Kindness Day so everyone should be nice to each other.

<u>Councilwoman Lichtenberg</u> – There will be a Christmas Market Sunday December 1 at Wallisch Homestead from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. The Tree Lighting Ceremony will take place December 2 at Town Hall at 6 p.m. with free hot chocolate. She asked the West Milford residents to go easy on water usage, due to the fires and drought conditions. Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilman Goodsir – The Recreation Department would like to thank all the volunteer coaches who stepped up and coached this fall soccer season. The Township of West Milford Holiday Business decorating contest is taking place. The contest is open to any business with a physical store front in West Milford. The winning business will be presented with a plaque at the Township Tree Lighting Ceremony. Decorate and submit a picture to <a href="recreation@westmilford.org">recreation@westmilford.org</a> by Wednesday November 27th. The Township Christmas Tree lighting Ceremony will be at Town Hall Monday December second at 6 p.m. with the tee lighting taking place at 7 p.m. There will be carols, music, ice carving, and hot cocoa. The Recreation Department will be accepting letters to Santa until December 10th. Letters can be dropped off in the box outside the Recreation building. Include the child's name, age and address. Happy Thanksgiving to all. Councilman Goodsir and Councilman Marsden did a lot of work in the last few days with the CERT Team, because of the fire. We thank the other fire departments that helped with the fire. There were 50-60 other apparatuses from 5 other counties that came to help. We received a lot of donations as well with whole trailer loads full of supplies. Thank you to the DPW and the CERT team and all involved. The community really came together.

<u>Councilman Conlon</u> – Thanked all for the overwhelming support with the Jennings Creek wildfire. From our Town, surrounding Towns and even across State lines we have some amazing people. Congratulations to the West Milford High School Highlander Marching Band. They came in 4<sup>th</sup> at Nationals and had their highest score of the season. This comes after winning the Group 4 New Jersey State Championship. Our Marching Band is very well known and they deliver incredible results year in and year out. Congratulations to Councilwoman Erik and Councilwoman Lichtenberg. Happy Thanksgiving to everyone, we all have a lot to be thankful for.

<u>Councilman Marsden</u> – Regarding the fire, it is very humbling to see all the volunteers at work. He got to witness events first hand. Even with the controlled burns the volunteers were putting themselves in harms' way and one young man lost his life. Congratulations to Councilwoman Erik and Councilwoman Lichtenberg. Happy Thanksgiving.

<u>Councilwoman Erik</u> – Thank you to all the people that voted and also to her opponents, because it shows that they care.

Administrator Senande - No report.

Attorney Pasternak - No report

Mayor Dale - Gave an update regarding the wildfires. She has been in meetings several times a day. As of the last report that she received at 1:00 p.m. we are in great shape. She is expecting another update at 8:00 p.m. this evening, but was given the news that if things went well the rest of the day, the news would be good. It has been a difficult process because you can hear a report, and then due to the nature of the conditions, things may change in the next 10 minutes. Because the fire spread in both New Jersey and New York, that further complicated things. New York and New Jersey do not have the same responses for wildfires. New Jersey is one of only three states in the entire United States that have a dedicated Forest Fire Team, so we operate differently. The other two states are Colorado and Michigan. New Jersey has specialized teams dedicated as resources and we have deployed resources over to New York to assist them. We had every resource that we needed and no one said no to any request. There were a lot of agencies involved and it was a massive operation. New Jersey has completed its back burning operations. New York is going to be doing some back burning so there will be some additional smoke in the area. The smoke is going to continue for weeks. Even as we continue to wind down operations, there will be weeks and weeks of monitoring and investigating the situation. Mayor Dale expressed how impressed she was with the entire community. Fire Departments, EMS, CERT, Search and Rescue and all the many volunteers are invaluable to the community. Lists will be made and personal thank you letters will be sent to those from Town and from other Towns who helped out.

Agenda No. XVI

**Appointments and Resignations** 

None

Agenda No. XVIII

TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY					
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Moved: Voted Aye: Voted Nay: Motion carried.	Unanimous voice vote None	Seconded: Lichtenberg			
The meeting ac	ljourned at 7:16 p.m.				
Approved: Dec	cember 11, 2024 bmitted:				
Deidre Ellis, Ke	yboarding Clerk III				
			MICHELE DALE, MAYOR		
		,	WILLIAM SENANDE, TOWNSHIP CLERK		