HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS FOR 2025

WHERAS, there exists a need for the retention of an engineer for the Hardyston Township Municipal Utilities Authority (the "Authority") to render professional advice and engineering consulting services to the Authority and to examine or prepare all engineering documents; and

WHEREAS, Van Cleef Engineering Associates through Michael G. Vreeland, P.E. has provided a proposal to serve as the Authority's consulting engineer and bill at the following rates for such services:

Engineer (Licensed) \$152.00 per hour And such other rates as included in the attached proposal attached hereto

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the retention of an attorney for the Hardyston Township Municipal Utilities Authority to render professional advice and consulting services to the Authority and to examine and prepare all legal documents; and

WHEREAS, the firm of DeCotiis, FitzPatrick, Cole and Giblin LLP has provided a proposal for such services and bill for such services at the rate of One Hundred Seventy (\$180.00) Dollars per hour for work performed; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the retention of Certified Public Accountants for the Hardyston Township Municipal Utilities Authority to render professional advice and consulting services to the Authority and to examine or prepare budgets and financial statements; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Wielkotz & Company, LLC has provided a proposal for such services and bill at the rate for such services as follows: Partner \$155.00 per hour Manager \$135.00 per hour Senior Accountant \$130.00 per hour Staff Accountant \$110.00 per hour Secretarial \$95.00 per hour; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contract 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 on the contract itself must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Hardyston Township Municipal Utilities Authority as follows:

- 1. The proposal of Van Cleef Engineering Associates through Michael G. Vreeland, P.E., the engineers who shall perform engineering services submitted to this Board, a copy of which is annexed hereto, shall be and is hereby approved.
- 2. A contract is awarded for the period February 3, 2025 to reorganization in February 2026 without competitive bidding as a "professional service" in accordance with 40A: 11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because Michael Vreeland has served as engineers for the HTMUA in the past and has special knowledge as to the conditions in the Township which are particularly valuable to the Authority.
- 3. The proposal of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin LLP, who shall perform legal services submitted to this Board, a copy of which is annexed hereto, shall be and is hereby approved.
- 4. The contract with DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin LLP for the Hardyston Township Municipal Utility Authority for the period February 3, 2025 to reorganization in February 2026, is a contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "professional service" in accordance with 40A: 11-5(1) (a) of the Local Public Contracts Law.
- 5. The proposal of Wielkotz & Company, LLC submitted to this Board to perform auditing services, a copy of which is annexed hereto, shall be and is hereby approved.
- 6. A contract is awarded for the period February 3, 2025 to reorganization in February 2026 without competitive bidding as a "professional service" in accordance with 40A: 11-5(1) (a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because Wielkotz & Company, LLC a Professional Association, having extensive experience serving municipal and other public bodies for a number of years, including the Township of Hardyston, and has special knowledge as to the conditions in the Township which are particularly valuable to the Authority.
- 7. A notice of this action shall be printed once in the official newspaper of the Township of Hardyston.

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Frank Cicerale, Chairman	X			
Robert Codner Vice	X			
Brian Kaminski-Secretary	X			
Mike O'Grady-Treasurer				X
James Caizzo	X			
Donna Carey Alt#1				X
Deborah Card Alt#2				X

Certified to be a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the HTMUA at a meeting held on February 3, 2025

<u>Nicole Niebuhr</u>	
Recording Secretary	