## MINUTES OF THE HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MAY 22, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Cicerale at approximately 9:30 P.M. with the opening statement that the meeting had been duly advertised and met all the requirements of the Sunshine Law. Also present were: Deputy Mayor Kaminski, Councilman Kula, Councilman Verrilli, Manager Carrine Piccolo-Kaufer, Clerk Jane Bakalarczyk, and Township Attorney Robert Rossmeissl of Dorsey & Semrau. Councilman Miller was absent from this meeting.

#### SALUTE THE FLAG

CONSENT AGENDA: ALL MATTERS LISTED BELOW ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE IN NATURE AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF ANY DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT PARTICULAR ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

## **Monthly Reports:**

- 1. Municipal Clerk Report April 2024
- 2. Tax Collector Report April 2024
- 3. Construction Certificate Activity Report April 2024
- 4. Construction Permit Activity Report Hardyston April 2024
- 5. Construction Permit Activity Report Hamburg April 2024
- 6. Construction Permit Activity Report Franklin April 2024
- 7. Construction Permit Activity Report Newton April 2024
- 8. Construction Permit Activity Report Sussex April 2024
- 9. Construction Permit Activity Report Wantage April 2024
- 10. Municipal Court Report April 2024
- 11. Police Department Report April 2024
- 12. Land Use Report March 2024
- 13. Department of Public Works Report April 2024
- 14. Sussex County Health Department Report March 2024

## **Agreements/Applications/Licenses:**

- 1. Raffle DePaul Diocesan HS Parents Association
- 2. Raffle The Eric C. Blohm Foundation
- 3. Raffle Friends of Robbie Foundation

A motion was made by Verrilli to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Kaminski. All in favor. Motion carried.

## **MANAGERS REPORT:**

Township Manager reported and gave the Council updates on the following:

- Email
- Volunteer of the Year Award 2023
- DEP Bear Can Program
- Snufftown Garden Club

#### **ORDINANCE 2024-07**

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDYSTON, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ADOPTING A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 43 LASINSKI ROAD AND 141 OLD PROSPECT SCHOOL ROAD, AND DESIGNATED, RESPECTIVELY, AS BLOCK 75 LOT 53 AND BLOCK 75, LOTS 72.01 AND 72.02, ON THE TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDYSTON, WITHOUT CONDEMNATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12A ET SEQ, AND AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDYSTON IN ORDER TO CODIFY SAID REDEVELOPMENT PLAN

**WHEREAS**, the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. (the "Act"), authorizes municipalities to determine whether certain parcels of land in the municipality constitute areas in need of redevelopment or areas in need of rehabilitation, as such terms are defined in the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Hardyston is interested in the redevelopment of the properties identified as Block 75, Lots 53, 72.01, and 72.02 on the Township tax map ('Redevelopment Area'); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township on August 24, 2022, approved Resolution #76-22, authorizing a preliminary investigation in order to determine whether the Redevelopment Area is an area in need of Non-Condemnation Redevelopment pursuant to the Redevelopment Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq., as amended, specifically pursuant to the criteria set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township on December 14, 2022, approved Resolution #121-22, authorizing Joseph H. Burgis, of Burgis Associates, Inc., to complete an Initial Assessment, a power point presentation, and an Area in Need of Redevelopment Study in connection with the Redevelopment Area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township on July 26, 2023, approved Resolution #66-23, authorizing Joseph H. Burgis, of Burgis Associates, Inc., to prepare a Redevelopment Plan for the Redevelopment Area ('Redevelopment Plan'); and

**WHEREAS**, the Redevelopment Plan having been completed and the Township Council and Administration having reviewed same, the Township Council wishes to adopt the Redevelopment Plan as the ordinance governing development in the Redevelopment Area.

- **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by the Municipal Council of the Township of Hardyston, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, as follows:
- **SECTION 1.** The Township approves the Redevelopment Plan prepared by Burgis Associates, Inc. and dated May 10, 2024, concerning the properties identified as Block 75, Lots 53, 72.01, and 72.02 on the Township tax map, which is attached hereto as <u>Appendix A</u> ('Lasinski Road Redevelopment Plan').
- **SECTION 2.** The zoning map of the Township of Hardyston is hereby amended to incorporate the provisions of the Lasinski Road Redevelopment Plan.
- **SECTION 3.** All ordinances of the Township of Hardyston which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 4.** The Lasinski Road Redevelopment Plan is hereby incorporated into the Township's General Legislation, specifically Chapter 185, 'Zoning.'

**SECTION 5.** If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court or competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this ordinance.

**SECTION 6.** This Ordinance may be renumbered for purposes of codification.

**SECTION 7.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval and publication as required by law.

#### ATTACHMENT A

#### LASINSKI ROAD REDEVELOPMENT PLAN

Do to the size and scope of this document and for the purposes of advertising, Attachment A is available for viewing on the official Township website: hardyston.com. In addition, any member of the public may request a printed copy of the Redevelopment Plan by contacting the Hardyston Township Municipal Clerk's office during regular business hours.

A motion was made by Kula to approve Ordinance 2024-07 on first reading, seconded by Verrilli. All in favor. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

2<sup>ND</sup> READING:

#### 2024-05

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE TOTAL SUM OF \$352,192 FROM GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR FUNDING VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS OR PURPOSES BY THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDYSTON, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY

**BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Hardyston, County of Sussex, New Jersey, as follows:

**Section 1:** The sum of Three Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Two Dollars (\$352,192) to be utilized out of the General Capital Improvement Fund, is hereby appropriated for the following purpose:

For Various Capital Improvements or Purposes for the Township of Hardyston.

**Section 2:** In connection with the amount authorized in Section 1 hereof, the Township makes the following determination:

- (a) The purpose described in Section 1 and Section 2 hereof is not a Current Expense and is an improvement, which the Township of Hardyston may lawfully make as general improvement.
- (b) The period of usefulness of the purpose described in section 1 hereof is not in the limitations of the said Local Bond Law and according to the aggregate reasonable life thereof is five (5) years.

**Section 3:** All ordinances or parts of ordinances, which are inconsistent with the terms of this ordinance, be and the same is hereby-repealed on to the extent of their inconsistency:

**Section 4:** This ordinance becomes effective immediately upon final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

A motion was made and seconded to open the meeting to the public. All in favor. Motion carried. No public comment. A motion was made and seconded to close the meeting to the public. All in favor. Motion carried. A motion was made by Verrilli to approve Ordinance 2024-05 on second reading, seconded by Kaminski. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### 2024-06

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDYSTON, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 33, LAND USE PROCEDURES OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES TO INCORPORATE CHANGES TO THE PROCEDURES FOR FILING APPLICATIONS AND CHANGES TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND SCHEDULE A CHECKLISTS

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Municipal Council of the Township of Hardyston, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 33, Land Use Procedures, Section 33-49, Administrative and Schedule A checklists, Attachments 1 of the aforesaid Revised General Ordinances are hereby repealed and replaced with the attached checklist:

**SECTION 2.** All ordinances of the Township of Hardyston which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 3.** If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court or competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** This Ordinance may be renumbered for purposes of codification.

**SECTION 5.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval and publication as required by law.

# ADMINISTRATIVE CHECKLIST TOWNSHIP OF HARDYSTON, SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

CASE NUMBER:		DA	DATE:		
PREPARED BY:					
PRC	JECT NAME:				
I.	ALL APPLICATIONS:	YES	WAIVER REQUESTED		
1.	Application fees * Fees and escrow require separate checks.				
2.	Escrow account deposit *				
3.	Written explanation of fee and escrow calculation				
4. 5.	One original application package consisting of the completed application form with original signatures, completed Administrative Checklist, completed Schedule A Checklist(s), required plan(s), and any additional requirements as noted below. Seventeen collated copies of this application package and a .pdf copy are required. One current quarter certification from the tax collector verifying payment of taxes, liens, and assessments.				
6.	One copy of the legal notice				
7.	List of other agency approvals required and one copy of the application to or approval from each agency. Attach one original list to the original application packet and one copy of the list to each of the 17 packets.				
8.	List of any variances requested including a reference to the ordinance section and a description of the variance (s) requested. Attach one original list to the original application packet and one copy of the list to each of the 17 packets.				
9. 10.	List of waivers being requested from the Administrative Checklist and Schedule A Checklist (technical). Attach a copy of the list to each packet.  Provide photographs of on-site conditions taken within six months of the date of submission.				
П.	ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS: ALL SITE PLAN APPLICATIONS				
1.	18 copies of building plans showing elevations and floor plans of any proposed building				
2.	18 copies of a Fire Suppression Plan in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 147, Section 8, Subsection O of the Township's Revised General Ordinances.				
3.	18 copies of the Affordable Housing Compliance Plan in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 185, Section 90.1 of the Township's Revised General Ordinances.				
IП.	ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT: AMENDED SITE PLAN AND/OR AMENDED	SUBD	DIVISION		
1.	Identify, describe, and list the changes made to the original application form and plans. Attach one original list to the original application and one copy to each of the 17 application packets.  Provide one original and 17 copies of an Affordable Housing Compliance Plan. Attach the original plan to the original application, and attach one copy to each of the 17 application packets.				
IV.	ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT: FINAL SUBDIVISIONS				
1.	Provide confirmation from the tax assessor that the proposed lot numbers and street addresses are correct. Attach the original confirmation to the original application, and attach one copy to each of the 17 application packets.				
2.	Acknowledgement of the Tax Map Maintenance Fee as required by §88-3.5(A)				

A motion was made and seconded to open the meeting to the public. All in favor. Motion carried. No public comment. A motion was made and seconded to close the meeting to the public. All in favor. Motion carried. A motion was made by Kaminski to approve Ordinance 2024-06 on second reading, seconded by Kula. All in favor. Motion carried.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Stormwater Management Plan -4 Copies required

OLD BUSINESS: None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Tax Collector Resolutions
  - 1. Resolution #43-24 Estimated Tax Bills

#### **RESOLUTION #43 -24**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 54:4-66.2 allows for a governing body of a municipality operating on the calendar fiscal year to use an estimated 3rd quarter tax bill if it is determined that the tax collector will be unable to complete the mailing or delivery of tax bills by June 14 provided that the estimated and reconciled tax

bills shall be mailed by June 30 and September 30 respectively, and

**WHEREAS**, it is anticipated that the Township Tax Collector will not be in receipt of a certified tax rate in enough time to be able to complete the mailing and delivery of real property tax bills by June 14, 2024 as is required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector and the Chief Financial Officer have requested that the Council provide them with the latitude to submit estimated 3rd quarter real property tax bills in the event that they do not timely receive a certified tax rate, which would allow the Tax Collector to complete the mailing and delivery of real property tax bills by June 30, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer, in consultation with the Tax Collector has computed an estimated tax levy in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.3 and they have both signed a certification showing the tax levy for the previous year, and the range of permitted estimated tax levies; and

**WHEREAS,** in accordance with Chapter 72, P.L. 1994, the Tax Collector requests the Council approve the estimated tax levy of \$33,584,339.27 at a tax rate of 1.963; and

**WHEREAS**, the above levy and rate have been calculated on a worksheet that is attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference; and

**WHEREAS**, the above levy amount falls between the mandated estimated range required by N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.3(a)(1) and approval will enable the Township to meet its financial obligations; maintain the tax collection rate; provide uniformity for tax payments; and save the unnecessary cost of interest expenses on borrowing.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Hardyston, as follows:

- 1. The Tax Collector of the Township of Hardyston is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and issue estimated tax bills for the Township of Hardyston for the third installment of 2024.
- 2. The entire estimated tax levy for 2024 is hereby set \$33,584,339.27. The estimated tax rate for 2024 is hereby set at \$1.963.
- 3. In accordance with applicable law, the third quarter installment of 2024 taxes (whether estimated or not) shall not be subject to interest until the later of August 10<sup>th</sup> or the twenty-fifth calendar day after the date the estimated bills were mailed.

#### **CALCUATION OF THE 2024 ESTIMATED TAX RATE**

Proposed 2024 Municipal Budget 2024 Estimated School Budget 2024 Estimated County Levy

#### **2023 TAX LEVY & TAX RATE**

#### **2024 ESTIMATED RANGE FOR LEVY**

	<u>LEVY</u>	<u>TAX</u> RATE		<u>95%</u>	<u>105%</u>
Local School County and	7,768,710.04 18,428,612.00	0.7140 1.6960	Local School County and	7,380,274.54 17,507,181.40	8,157,145.54 19,350,042.60
Open Space	6,888,749.81	0.6350	Open Space	6,544,312.32	7,233,187.30
Totals	33,086,071.85	3.0450		31,431,768.26	34,740,375.44

#### 2024 ESTIMATED TAX RATE

2023 Ratable Total 1,334,080,808.00

Amount to be ra	ised by Taxation:	Tax Ra	te:
Local School	7,969,027.58 18,588,786.88	0.4658 1.0866	(Approved Budget) (2024 Estimated School Levy)
County and Open Space	7,026,524.81	0.4107	(2024 Estimated County Levy)
Totals	33,584,339.27	1.963	

A motion was made by Kula to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Kaminski. All in favor. Motion carried.

B. Board Appointment – Recreation Committee – Dean Carrigan

It was the consensus of the Council to table the above Item B to a future meeting.

C. Resolution #44-24 – Commodity Resale Agreement (Gasoline & Diesel Fuel) Hopatcong Board of Education dba Sussex County Regional Cooperative

#### **RESOLUTION #44-24**

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FOLLOWING AGREEMENT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Hardyston that the execution of the following agreement is hereby authorized:

1. Commodity Resale Agreement (Gasoline & Diesel Fuel) – Hopatcong Board of Education dba Sussex County Regional Cooperative

A motion was made by Kula to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Kaminski. All in favor. Motion carried.

 D. Resolution #45-24 - NJDEP Treatment Works Application – Consent By Governing Body – Lake Gerard – Block 60, Lot 17 – 139 South Shore Drive – Septic System

## **RESOLUTION #45-24**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Hardyston that the execution of the following is hereby authorized:

• NJDEP Treatment Works Application – Consent By Governing Body – Lake Gerard – 139 South Shore Drive —Septic System

A motion was made by Verrilli to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Kaminski. All in favor. Motion carried.

E. Resolution #46-24 – Grant Writer – Millennium Strategies

#### **RESOLUTION #46-24**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDYSTON, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO MILLENNIUM STRATEGIES LLC FOR GRANT WRITING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Township of Hardyston has a need for Grant Writing Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township through a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq., solicited and, on March 15, 2024, received proposals from qualified firms interested in providing professional services related to same ('Proposals'); and

**WHEREAS**, three such Proposals were received, from Bruno Associates, Aubrey Group, and Millennium Strategies LLC, respectively; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Administration reviewed these Proposals on the basis of several criteria, including Cost, Service Availability and Ability, and Municipal References; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Administration determined that the proposal submitted by Millennium Strategies LLC of Morristown, NJ ('Millennium'), is the winning proposal pursuant to the Township's review criteria; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Attorney reviewed the proposal from Millennium and confirms, from a legal standpoint, that Millennium has submitted all mandatory documents, properly completed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law (<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:11-1, et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "professional services" and the contract itself must be made available for public inspection.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Hardyston, in the County of Sussex, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. The Township of Hardyston hereby awards and authorizes the Township Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Millennium Strategies LLC, located at 60 Columbia Road, Suite 230, Morristown NJ, 07960, to provide Grant Writing Services pursuant to the service rate schedule in Appendix A, attached to this Resolution.
- 2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a professional service in accordance with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because said service is performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.
- 3. The total fee authorized for this contract shall not exceed \$10,000 without the prior written approval of the Township Council.
- 4. Notice of this action shall be published once in the Township's official newspaper as required by law.
- 5. A copy of this Resolution shall be provided to Millennium Strategies LLC, located at 60 Columbia Road, Suite 230, Morristown NJ, 07960, for its information and guidance.

- 6. A copy of this Resolution shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Clerk of the Township of Hardyston.
- 7. Final execution of any contract pursuant to this Resolution is subject to the review and approval of the Township Manager and Township Attorney.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

A motion was made by Kula to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Kaminski. All in favor. Motion carried.

- F. Tax Collector Resolutions
  - 1. Resolution #47-24 Lien Redemption Block 75, Lot 11.04 14 Estell Drive

#### **RESOLUTION #47-24**

**WHEREAS,** at the Municipal Tax Sale held on October 20, 2021, a lien was sold on Block 75 Lot 11.04, also known as 14 Estell Drive for 2020 delinquent taxes; and,

**WHEREAS,** this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate #2021-006, was sold to Glenn W. Gerisch, for a 1% redemption fee and \$0.00 premium,

**WHEREAS,** Patrick O. Lacsina Law Offices, LLC on behalf of the owner, has effected redemption for Certificate #2021-006 in the amount of \$10,831.21.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Hardyston that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$10,831.21 payable to Glenn W. Gerisch, for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #2021-006.

A motion was made by Kula to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Verrilli. All in favor. Motion carried.

2. Resolution #48-24 – Lien Redemption – Block 75.01, Lot 2 – 15 Estell Drive

### **RESOLUTION #48-24**

**WHEREAS,** at the Municipal Tax Sale held on October 20, 2021, a lien was sold on Block 75.01 Lot 2, also known as 15 Estell Drive for 2020 delinquent taxes; and,

**WHEREAS,** this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate #2021-007, was sold to Glenn W. Gerisch, for a 1% redemption fee and \$0.00 premium,

**WHEREAS,** Patrick O. Lacsina Law Offices, LLC on behalf of the owner, has effected redemption for Certificate #2021-007 in the amount of \$10,843.78.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Hardyston that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$10,843.78 payable to Glenn W. Gerisch, for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #2021-007.

A motion was made by Kula to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Verrilli. All in favor. Motion carried.

3. Resolution #49-24 – Lien Redemption – Block 75.01, Lot 5 – 21 Estell Drive

## **RESOLUTION #49-24**

**WHEREAS,** at the Municipal Tax Sale held on October 20, 2021, a lien was sold on Block 75.01 Lot 5, also known as 21 Estell Drive for 2020 delinquent taxes; and,

**WHEREAS,** this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate #2021-009, was sold to Glenn W. Gerisch, for a 1% redemption fee and \$0.00 premium,

**WHEREAS,** Patrick O. Lacsina Law Offices, LLC on behalf of the owner, has effected redemption for Certificate #2021-009 in the amount of \$10,793.48.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Hardyston that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$10,793.48 payable to Glenn W. Gerisch, for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #2021-009.

A motion was made by Kula to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Verrilli. All in favor. Motion carried.

G. Resolution #50-24 – Resolution authorizing the disposal of surplus property

#### **RESOLUTION #50-24**

## A Resolution Authorizing the Disposal of Surplus Property

WHEREAS, the Hardyston Township is the owner of certain surplus property which is no longer needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Hardyston Township Council is desirous of selling said surplus property in an "as is" condition without express or implied warranties.

NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED by the Hardyston Township Council, as follows:

- (1) The sale of the surplus property shall be conducted through Municibid pursuant to State Contract T2581 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the State Contract. The terms and conditions of the agreement entered into with Municibid is available online at Municibid.com and also available from Hardyston Township.
- (2) The sale will be conducted online and the address of the auction site is Municibid.com.
- (3) The sale is being conducted pursuant to Local Finance Notice 2008-9.
- (4) A list of the surplus property to be sold is as follows:

1980	Pettibone Roller	R134
1990	Case IH Road Mower	B470005B022645

- (5) The surplus property as identified shall be sold in an "as-is" condition without express or implied warranties with the successful bidder required to execute a Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement concerning use of said surplus property.
- (6) Hardyston Township reserves the right to accept or reject any bid submitted.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

A motion was made by Kula to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Verrilli. All in favor. Motion carried.

At this time, Mayor Cicerale recommended that the size requirements for political signs be waived until the Zoning Ordinance can be reviewed and amended. A motion was made by Kula to waive the requirements, seconded by Verrilli. All in favor. Motion carried.

## H. Correspondence

- 1. Hampton Township

- Ogdensburg Borough
   State of NJ
   Capricorn Engineering, Inc.
- 5. Careago Engineering, Inc.
- 6. Damon LeMay

A motion was made by Kula to approve the correspondence as presented, seconded by Verrilli. All in favor. Motion carried.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:** None

A motion was made by Kula to approve the bill list of 5/8/24 in the **BILLS TO BE PAID:** amount of \$2,159,461.29 and the bill list of 5/22/24 in the amount of 1,922,881.49, which includes payroll for pay period ending 4/30/24 and 5/15/24, as presented, seconded by Kaminski. All in favor. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC PORTION:** A motion was made and seconded to open the meeting to the public. All in favor. Motion carried. No public comment. A motion was made and seconded to close the meeting to the public. All in favor. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Verrilli to adjourn at approximately 9:50 p.m., seconded by Kula. All in favor. Motion carried.

> Jane Bakalarczyk, RMC/CMC Municipal Clerk