RESOLUTION #98-26

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 FOR QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Township of Hardyston is in need of Qualified Purchasing Agent ("QPA") Services on an interim basis, for the period commencing immediately and continuing through March 1, 2027 (the "Interim Period"); and

WHEREAS, Sean P. Canning, MPA, QPA, of The Canning Group, LLC, possesses a valid Qualified Purchasing Agent certificate issued by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services and possesses substantial experience providing QPA and public procurement services to municipalities and other public entities throughout the State of New Jersey in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Hardyston desires to enter into an agreement with Sean P. Canning of the Canning Group, LLC for QPA services, effective immediately and terminating on March 1, 2027, based on the proposal submitted October 28, 2026 in the amount of $175.00 per hour; and

WHEREAS, the Canning group, LLC has provided the Business Entity Disclosure Certification in accordance with the N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.8 and completed the Political Contribution Disclosure Form; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11 et. seq.) requires that a resolution authorizing the payment of such professional fees, without competitive bidding must be publicly advertised; and

WHEREAS, the Township Manager and Township Attorney have reviewed the proposal submitted by the Canning Group, LLC, and recommend approval of same; and

WHEREAS, a professional services agreement has been prepared, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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 proposal for professional services for Qualified Purchasing Agent ("QPA") Services on an interim basis, for the period commencing immediately and continuing through March 1, 2027, submitted by Sean P. Canning of the Canning Group, LLC, a copy of which is attached hereto, be and is hereby approved.

2. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with the Canning Group, LLC, 45 S Park Pl, Morristown, NJ 07960 for QPA Services, as detailed in their submitted proposal dated October 28, 2026.

3. Sean P. Canning of the Canning Group, LLC is appointed as Interim Qualified Purchasing Agent for the period commencing immediately and continuing through March 1, 2027.

4. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services are to be performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.

5. A copy of this Resolution shall be provided to the Canning Group, LLC, at 45 S Park Pl, Morristown, NJ 07960, for its information and guidance.

6. Final execution of any contract pursuant to this Resolution is subject to the review and approval of the Township Manager and Township Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, the Township Clerk is hereby directed to post a copy of this resolution on the bulletin board of the Township Municipal Building and publish a brief public notice stating the nature, duration, service and amount of the contract herein awarded, and stating that said contract and this resolution are on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Adopted: October 28, 2026

TOWNSHIP OF HARDYSTON

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Stanley J. Kula, Mayor

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of the resolution passed by the Hardyston Township Council at a duly convened meeting held October 28, 2026.

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Jane Bakalarczyk, Township Clerk