

**MINUTES
GREEN TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 20, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Phillips called the November 20, 2023, meeting of the Green Township Committee to order at 7:04 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC NOTICE: The Township Clerk read the statement of adequate notice.

ROLL CALL: Present: James DeYoung, Bader Qarmout, Virginia “Ginnie” Raffay, Michael Rose, and Mayor Margaret “Peg” Phillips

Also present: Mark Zschack, Township Clerk/Administrator; Ursula Leo, Esq., Township Attorney; Jason Miller, Superintendent of Public Works; and Patty DeClesis, Deputy Clerk

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mayor Phillips requested a motion to approve the agenda

Motion: Rose

Seconded: DeYoung

Discussion: None

All were in favor.

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION #1: Mayor Phillips opened the meeting for public comments. There being no public comments offered, Mayor Phillips closed Open Public Session #1.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. RESOLUTIONS: *(Approval of the Following)*

- a. *Resolution 2023-170- Raffle License Approval - Green Township PTA*
- b. *Resolution 2023-172 - In Support of Assembly Bill No. 5548 Prohibiting the State from Imposing a Mileage-Based User Fee*

2. CORRESPONDENCE: *(Acceptance for Filing of the Following)*

- a. *NJ Transit Informational Public Hearing Scheduled for December 6, 2023*
- b. *JCPL Notice of Public Hearing Scheduled for November 30, 2023*
- c. *Aqua NJ Notice of Public Hearing Scheduled for November 27, 2023*

3. REPORTS: *(Acceptance for Filing of the Following)*

- a. *Sussex County Division of Health Inspection Report (10/07/2023 to 11/06/2023)*
- b. *Permit Fee Log Report - October 2023*
- c. *Green Township Municipal Court Cashbook Report - October 2023*

Motion: Qarmout

Seconded: Raffay

Discussion: None

All were in favor.

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GREEN TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION - The following officers were present for the presentation: Jeremy Willis, Captain; Bob Olivier, Chief; Randy Gould, Assistant Chief; and Rich Porzilli, President.

Jeremy Willis spoke for the Fire Department stating they are requesting permission to proceed with the design of a new mini pumper. The current mini pumper/brush truck is owned by the New Jersey Forest Fire and was given to the Fire Department 15 years ago to assist with large scale calls. The Fire Department has contacted State Forest Fire about possibly getting a new or a replacement for the 1989 truck and learned that Forest Fire only leases trucks now. Furthermore, the mini pumper/brush truck is currently out of service as it cannot hold water due to rusted and corroded pipes and fittings. The members of the Fire Department would like to explore the purchase of a mini pumper in the price range of \$375,400.00.

The Fire Department answered questions asked by the Committee. Mayor Phillips stated that the request will be taken into consideration and asked that exact numbers be forwarded to the Township Clerk.

DISCUSSIONS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. **Public Hearing Ordinance 2023-15** - Revising Sections 30-34.2, 30-44.2, 30-45.2 and 30-50.2 to Permit Rooftop Solar Arrays on Existing Structures

Mayor Phillips opened the meeting for public comments.

There being no public comments offered, Raffay motioned to close Public Hearing and adopt the ordinance.

Seconded: DeYoung

Discussion: None

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: DeYoung, Qarmout, Raffay, Rose, Mayor Phillips

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Resolution 2023-167** - Revising Resolution 2023-166 Authorizing the Hiring of a New Receptionist/Office Clerk

Motion: Rose

Seconded: Qarmout

Discussion: None

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: DeYoung, Qarmout, Raffay, Rose, Mayor Phillips

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: None

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b. Resolution 2023-168 - Appoint Risk Management Consultant

Motion: Raffay

Seconded: DeYoung

Discussion: None

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: DeYoung, Qarmout, Raffay, Rose, Mayor Phillips

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: None

c. Resolution 2023-169 - Appoint Statewide Insurance Fund Commissioner

Motion: Qarmout

Seconded: Rose

Discussion: None

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: DeYoung, Qarmout, Raffay, Rose, Mayor Phillips

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: None

d. Resolution 2023-171 - Disabled Veterans Property Tax Exemption - Block 14, Lot 28

Motion: Rose

Seconded: Qarmout

Discussion: Rose asked for clarification if the exemption is just for municipal portion or for all. Mayor Phillips explained the exemptions are for all (school, county, etc.). Raffay commented that a letter be sent to the legislatures again.

Ayes: DeYoung, Qarmout, Raffay, Rose, Mayor Phillips

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: None

e. Resolution 2023-173 - Refund Property Tax Due to Overpayment - Block 08, Lot 07

Motion: Raffay

Seconded: Rose

Discussion: None

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: DeYoung, Qarmout, Raffay, Rose, Mayor Phillips

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: None

f. Resolution 2023-174 - Authorize Change Order and Payment for Creek Road Phase I

Motion: Qarmout

Seconded: Raffay

Discussion: The Township Clerk commented that there is a savings in these two resolutions for Creek Road totaling \$102,000.00, but there will be another \$33,000.00 taken as part of this project for the Fieldview section, still a \$69,000.00 savings.

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Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: DeYoung, Qarmout, Raffay, Rose, Mayor Phillips

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: None

g. Resolution 2023-175 - Authorize Change Order and Payment for Creek Road Phase II

Motion: Rose

Seconded: DeYoung

Discussion: None

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: DeYoung, Qarmout, Raffay, Rose, Mayor Phillips

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: None

h. Minutes ready for approval - November 6, 2023, regular meeting and executive session

Motion: Qarmout

Seconded: Raffay

Discussion: None

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: DeYoung, Qarmout, Raffay, Rose, Mayor Phillips

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: None

MATTERS FROM THE TOWNSHIP CLERK: Mr. Zschack noted the following matters:

OEM Council - Due to a new position on the Region 2 US Department of Homeland Security Task Force, Pete Sklannik must resign from the OEM Council.

Professional Rotation - On the request of Mayor Phillips we have reviewed the current rotation list for the renewal of professional services. This indicates that the Land Use Attorney is to be evaluated for 2024 and the Auditor position in 2025.

Planet Networks - On Tuesday, November 28th Planet Networks will be on site from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. upgrading our systems. Emails and phones will be intermittent during this time and office personnel will be working on the paper filing system. We are also in discussions with Planet Networks to provide additional services.

Recreation Committee - We have received a recommendation from the Recreation Committee to remove the current holiday tree and plant a new twelve (12) foot tree in its place. If there are no objections, DPW will be directed to plant said tree.

Municipal Aid Grant - Green Township has been informed that a \$174,196.00 grant was awarded for the reconstruction of Henry Road. With an estimated cost of approximately \$294,000.00, the Township's cost is about \$120,000.00. The bridge will be taken into consideration.

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Garbage Contract - The current contract expires in March 2025. It is recommended to start the RFP process at least 18 months to 2 years ahead of time. The QPA will be contacted for a basic RFP to start the discussion on options.

MATTERS FROM THE GOVERNING BODY:

Rose attended the League of Municipalities Conference last week and commented that it was very well attended.

Rose commented about possibly utilizing Open Space funds to pay for a pickle ball court to add to EverGreen Park.

Rose asked if there was a response regarding the fire coverage services. The Township Attorney responded there has been no response.

Rose asked if the Subcommittee assignments can be reviewed and diversified for 2024 to allow for more participation from the Committee members. Mayor Phillips stated that Subcommittees are appointed by the Mayor. The 2024 Mayor will review and consider suggestions for any revisions.

DeYoung had no report.

Qarmout stated that he received two phone calls in reference to the electronic sign not working. The Superintendent of Public Works responded that the sign was picked up today for service.

Raffay commented on the new sign at the intersection of County Route 517 and Whitehall Road. Raffay commented that consideration be taken on a stop sign on the Whitehall Roadside.

Mayor Phillips wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

MATTERS FROM THE TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY: The Township Attorney requested a provision to the agenda to update the Committee on Potential Litigation for the Frelinghuysen Fire Department Coverage in Executive Session.

Raffay motioned to suspend the rules to add a discussion in Executive Session regarding Potential Litigation - Fire Department Coverage

Seconded: Qarmout

Discussion: None

All were in favor.

MATTERS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: The Superintendent of Public Works provided the following report:

- *Both mowers are down again hopefully having the green john deer fixed by next week.*
- *Trees taken down on Terhune, Hillside and Mackerley. Phase #2 will continue on 12/4/2023 or sooner depending on the weather.*
- *All trucks 80% plow ready, waiting for parts to be 100% ready.*
- *Luis completed and passed his CDL class.*
- *Fall clean-up of drains is on the way.*

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- *Creek road project is 100% complete, paving, line stripping and guide rail installation.*
- *Fall seasonal work on the trails and parks has begun. With the ground getting harder access to the fields and trail are made easier to do cleanup of brush and trees.*
- *We used a demo "Hot Box" trailer by one of our vendors to try out patching with hot mix in the cooler days of October. It worked out very well, we were able to lay down 20 tons of asphalt over a weeks' time. Three to four tons a load and keep the material hot and pliable. We were able to put down berm, holes, and even strip patching was done very efficiently.*
- *The new mason dump truck is at the Henderson shop and in line to have the plow and sander installed. The new truck is due to be delivered mid-December.*

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION #2: Mayor Phillips opened the meeting for public comments.

Josephine Fracasso asked about the disabled veteran's property tax exemption. If the veteran is working full time and making a regular salary, do they still get the tax exemption or only if they are on disability. The Township Attorney stated the government gets to decide if they are qualified.

Matt Fara asked if the solar ordinance passed. Mayor Phillips responded that the ordinance was adopted.

There being no further public comments offered, Mayor Phillips closed Open Public Session #2.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Resolution ES2023-17 - Attorney-Client Privilege - Personnel Policies
- Potential Litigation - Fire Department Coverage

DeYoung motioned to enter Executive Session at 7:56 p.m.

Seconded: Raffay

Discussion: None

All were in favor.

The Committee returned to Open Public Session at 8:33 p.m.

DeYoung motioned to close Executive Session and enter Open Public Session

Seconded: Raffay

Discussion: None

All were in favor.

Mayor Phillips requested a motion for Resolution 2023-178 - Authorize Vacation Payout for Todd Proshuto which was read for the record by the Township Attorney

Motion: Qarmout

Seconded: Rose

Discussion: None

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: DeYoung, Qarmout, Raffay, Rose, Mayor Phillips

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: None

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Mayor Phillips noted the next Township Committee Meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 18, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: None

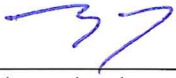
Raffay motioned to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.

Seconded: Rose

Discussion: None

All were in favor.

*ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES ARE ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THESE MINUTES



Mark Zschack, RMC
Township Clerk

Date Approved: December 4, 2023

**RESOLUTION 2023-170
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE - TOWNSHIP OF GREEN
SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

RAFFLE LICENSE APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GREEN IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY that one Raffle License be issued to the Green Township PTA for:

On Premise Merchandise Draw
To be held at Green Hills School on December 10, 2023

DATED: November 20, 2023

I, Mark Zschack, Township Clerk of the Township of Green, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing resolution to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee at a meeting held on November 20, 2023.



Mark Zschack, RMC, Township Clerk

Record of Vote:

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
DeYoung			√			
Qarmout	√		√			
Raffay		√	√			
Rose			√			
Mayor Phillips			√			

RESOLUTION 2023-172
TOWNSHIP OF GREEN – TOWNSHP OF GREEN
SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 5548 PROHIBITING THE STATE
FROM IMPOSING A MILEAGE-BASED USER FEE**

WHEREAS, on June 5, 2023, Assemblyman Parker Space introduced Assembly Bill No. 5548;
and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill No. 5548 would prohibit the State from imposing a mileage-based user fee and prohibit the use of State funding for any program, study, or pilot program related to the imposition of mileage-based user fees; and

WHEREAS, mileage-based user fee means “any fee imposed on the owner or operator of a motor vehicle, which fee is calculated based on the number of miles traveled by the motor vehicle during a designated period of time”; and

WHEREAS, the Green Township Committee recognizes that our residents have some of the longest commuting times and distances in the State and is extremely concerned that an imposition of a mileage-based user fee would have a negative effect on our residents.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Green Township Committee supports Assembly Bill No. 5548; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green Township Committee opposes the imposition of any mileage-based user fee upon its residents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be sent to New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy, The State House, P.O. Box 001, Trenton, NJ 08625; Senator Steven V. Oroho, 115 Demarest Road, Sparta, NJ 07871; Assemblyman Hal Wirths, One Wilson Drive, Suite 2B, Sparta, NJ 07871; Assemblyman Parker Space, One Wilson Drive, Suite 2B, Sparta, NJ 07871 and each municipality in the County of Sussex.

DATED: November 20, 2023

I, Mark Zschack, Township Clerk of the Township of Green, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing resolution to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee at a meeting held on November 20, 2023.

ATTEST:



Mark Zschack, RMC, Township Clerk



Margaret Phillips, Mayor

RESOLUTION 2023-172
TOWNSHIP OF GREEN – TOWNSHIP OF GREEN
SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

Record of Vote:

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
DeYoung			√			
Qarmout	√		√			
Raffay		√	√			
Rose			√			
Mayor Phillips			√			

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-15
TOWNSHIP OF GREEN, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NJ

**AN ORDINANCE REVISNG GREEN TOWNSHIP CODE SECTIONS 30-34.2, 30-44.2,
30-45.2 AND 30-50.2 TO PERMIT ROOFTOP SOLAR ARRAYS ON EXISTING
STRUCTURES**

WHEREAS, Green Township Code Sections 30-34.2, 30-44.2, 30-45.2 and 30-50.2 permit rooftop solar arrays as accessory uses within the AR, R, NC, RB and AI-10 Districts; and

WHEREAS, the Township has received public comment regarding a desire to construct residential rooftop solar arrays in a more expedited way on existing residences without need for Land Use Board approval; and

WHEREAS, the Township has reviewed its Code and desires to amend the Township Code to permit roof-mounted solar systems on lawfully pre-existing structures in a more expedited way, to support renewable energy and the use of solar energy, as encouraged by New Jersey legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Green, Sussex County, New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1.

Green Township Code Section 30-34.2(i), concerning rooftop solar arrays as permitted accessory uses in the AR Agricultural Residential Districts and R Residential Districts, shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

- i. Rooftop solar arrays constructed within the confines of and not extending beyond the footprint of lawfully pre-existing structures, which solar array height shall not exceed twelve (12") inches above the existing roof surface and resulting in an overall height in conformance with that permitted for the principal structure in the zone district in which the property is located. All rooftop solar arrays shall be setback at least five (5') from all property lines. The design of the solar array shall conform to all applicable industry standards including the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code, the National Electric Code. A building permit shall be applied for and obtained prior to construction. All design and installation work shall comply with all applicable provisions in the National Electric Code and relevant building and fire regulations.

SECTION 2.

Green Township Code Section 30-44.2(e), concerning rooftop solar arrays as permitted accessory uses in the RB Business District, shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

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- e. Rooftop solar arrays constructed within the confines of and not extending beyond the footprint of lawfully pre-existing structures, which solar array height shall not exceed twelve (12") inches above the existing roof surface and resulting in an overall height in conformance with that permitted for the principal structure in the zone district in which the property is located. All rooftop solar arrays shall be setback at least five (5') from all property lines. The design of the solar array shall conform to all applicable industry standards including the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code, the National Electric Code. A building permit shall be applied for and obtained prior to construction. All design and installation work shall comply with all applicable provisions in the National Electric Code and relevant building and fire regulations.

SECTION 3.

Green Township Code Section 30-45.2(e), concerning rooftop solar arrays as permitted accessory uses in the NC Neighborhood Commercial Districts shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

- e. Rooftop solar arrays constructed within the confines of and not extending beyond the footprint of lawfully pre-existing structures, , which solar array height shall not exceed twelve (12") inches above the existing roof surface and resulting in an overall height in conformance with that permitted for the principal structure in the zone district in which the property is located. All rooftop solar arrays shall be setback at least five (5') from all property lines. The design of the solar array shall conform to all applicable industry standards including the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code, the National Electric Code. A building permit shall be applied for and obtained prior to construction. All design and installation work shall comply with all applicable provisions in the National Electric Code and relevant building and fire regulations.

SECTION 4.

Green Township Code Section 30-50.2(f), concerning rooftop solar arrays as permitted accessory uses in the AI-10 Agricultural Industrial District, shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

- f. Rooftop solar arrays constructed within the confines of and not extending beyond the footprint of lawfully pre-existing structures, which solar array height shall not exceed twelve (12") inches above the existing roof surface of a peaked roof and not exceeding a height of four (4') feet from the existing roof surface of a flat roof, and not resulting in an overall height in excess of that permitted for the principal structure in the zone district in which the property is located. All rooftop solar arrays shall be setback at least five (5') from all property lines. The design of the solar array shall conform to all

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applicable industry standards including the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code, the National Electric Code. A building permit shall be applied for and obtained prior to construction. All design and installation work shall comply with all applicable provisions in the National Electric Code and relevant building and fire regulations.

SECTION 5

If any provision of this Ordinance or the application of this Ordinance to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6 - REPEALER

All ordinances or parts of ordinances or resolutions that are inconsistent or in opposition to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed in their entirety.

SECTION 7: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption and publication in accordance with law.

SECTION 8: NOTICE

The Township Clerk is directed to give notice at least ten days prior to the hearing on the adoption of this Ordinance to the County Planning Board and to all others entitled pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:55D-15. Upon the adoption of this Ordinance, after public hearing, the Municipal Clerk is further directed to publish notice of the passage and to file a copy of this Ordinance, as finally adopted, with the Sussex County Planning Board, as required by N.J.S.A. 40:55D-16.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF GREEN,
 IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX



 Mark Zschack, RMC, Township Clerk



 Margaret Phillips, Mayor

Record of Vote - Introduction:

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
DeYoung			√			
Qarmout	√		√			
Raffay		√	√			
Rose			√			
Mayor Phillips			√			

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-15
TOWNSHIP OF GREEN, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NJ

Record of Vote - Adoption:

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
DeYoung		√	√			
Qarmout			√			
Raffay	√		√			
Rose			√			
Mayor Phillips			√			

INTRODUCED: November 6, 2023
ADOPTED: November 20, 2023

ADVERTISED: November 12, 2023
ADVERTISED: November 26, 2023

**RESOLUTION 2023-167
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE – TOWNSHIP OF GREEN
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NJ**

**RESOLUTION REVISING RESOLUTION 2023-166 AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF A
NEW RECEPTIONIST/OFFICE CLERK**

WHEREAS, the Township of Green is in need a Receptionist/Office Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the role of Receptionist/Office Clerk is considered to be a full-time Township employee; and

WHEREAS, the Township has advertised for a Receptionist/Office Clerk and the Personnel subcommittee recommends the hiring of Gwen Santos; and

WHEREAS, the Township finds that Gwen Santos is duly qualified to serve as Township Receptionist/Office Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Green, Sussex County, New Jersey that as follows:

1. The Township hereby appoints Gwen Santos, as Receptionist/Office Clerk effective November 8, 2023, **at an annual salary of \$36,400.00.**
2. The Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized to execute any document necessary to implement the intent of this Resolution.

DATED: November 20, 2023

I, Mark Zschack, Township Clerk of the Township of Green, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing resolution to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee at a meeting held on November 20, 2023.



Mark Zschack, RMC, Township Clerk

Record of Vote:

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
DeYoung			√			
Qarmout		√	√			
Raffay			√			
Rose	√		√			
Mayor Phillips			√			

**RESOLUTION 2023-168
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE - TOWNSHIP OF GREEN
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NJ**

APPOINTING RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT

WHEREAS, the Township of Green (hereinafter “Local Unit”) has joined the Statewide Insurance Fund (hereinafter “Fund”), a joint insurance fund as defined in N.J.S.A. 40A:10-36 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws require participating members to appoint a Risk Management Consultant, as those positions are defined in the Bylaws, if requested to do so by the “Fund”; and

WHEREAS, the Local Unit has complied with relevant law with regard to the appointment of a Risk management Consultant; and

WHEREAS, the “Fund” has requested its members to appoint individuals or entities to that position; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of “Local Unit”, in the County of Sussex and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Township of Green hereby appoints Skylands Risk Management, Inc. its Risk Management Consultant.
2. The Township of Green Clerk/Administrator and the Risk Management Consultant are hereby authorized to execute the Risk Management Consultant’s Agreement for the year 2024 in the form attached hereto.

DATED: November 20, 2023

I, Mark Zschack, Clerk of the Township of Green, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the governing body on November 20, 2023.



Mark Zschack, RMC, Township Clerk

Vote on Resolution:

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
DeYoung		√	√			
Qarmout			√			
Raffay	√		√			
Rose			√			
Mayor Phillips			√			

RESOLUTION 2023-169
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE – TOWNSHIP OF GREEN
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NJ

APPOINTING STATEWIDE INSURANCE FUND COMMISSIONER

WHEREAS, the Township of Green (hereinafter “Local Unit”) is a member of the Statewide Insurance Fund (hereinafter “Fund”), a joint insurance fund as defined in N.J.S.A. 40A:10-36 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Fund’s Bylaws require participating members to appoint a Fund Commissioner;

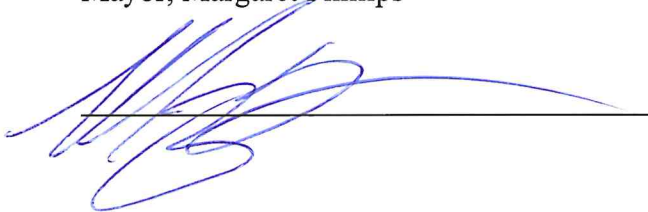
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Township of Green (Local Unit) that he Green Township Clerk/Administrator is hereby appointed as the Fund Commissioner for the Local Unit for the Fund Year 2023; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green Township Deputy Clerk is hereby appointed as the Alternate Fund Commissioner for the Local Unit for the Fund Year 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Local Unit’s Fund Commissioner is authorized and directed to execute all such documents as required by the Fund.

DATED: November 20, 2023

Township of Green
Mayor, Margaret Phillips



ATTEST:

I, Mark Zschack, Clerk of the Township of Green, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the governing body on November 20, 2023.



Mark Zschack, RMC, Township Clerk

Vote on Resolution:

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
DeYoung			√			
Qarmout	√		√			
Raffay			√			
Rose		√	√			
Mayor Phillips			√			

**RESOLUTION 2023-171
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE - TOWNSHIP OF GREEN
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NJ**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF TAXES FOR 100%
PERMANENTLY AND TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN, BLOCK 14, LOT 28**

WHEREAS, Nickilee Jonas, who resides at and is the assessed owner of certain real estate in the Township of Green, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey known as Block 14, Lot 28 located at 10 Stone Bridge Drive was declared a 100% Permanently and Totally Disabled Veteran; and

WHEREAS, Nickilee Jonas has applied for and been granted the status of 100% Permanently and Totally Disabled Veteran by the United States Veteran's Administration as of August 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Green Township Tax Assessor received the application on November 1, 2023, and has confirmed Nickilee Jonas is qualified to receive said exemption effective November 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30, any such disabled veteran is entitled to tax exempt status for their home; and

WHEREAS, per Township of Green Ordinance 2022-07:

2-65 100% Disabled Veterans Tax Refund.

For a veteran, or his or her surviving spouse or domestic partner, entitled to exemption under N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30, after a formal written request for refund of property taxes, submitted to the Township Tax Assessor with all required documentation, including the Total Disability Termination Letter issued by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, the Township Committee, by appropriate resolution, shall refund taxes previously paid only for the period of time commencing on the date that the fully completed disabled veteran tax exemption application, with all required documentation is filed with the Tax Assessor by the veteran, or his surviving spouse or domestic partner, was received by the Township Tax Assessor.

No further or additional refund of taxes shall be permitted, regardless of the date of the disability of the veteran as determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

RESOLUTION 2023-171
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE - TOWNSHIP OF GREEN
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NJ

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Green, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, that the property known as 10 Stone Bridge Drive, Block 14 Lot 28 is hereby exempt from taxation since the property owner, Nickilee Jonas, is a 100% Permanently and Totally Disabled Veteran, and any property taxes on said property paid after November 1, 2023, shall be cancelled from the 2023 tax billing and authorize a refund totaling \$2,382.00 of previously paid 2023 property taxes..

DATED: November 20, 2023

I, Mark Zschack, Township Clerk of the Township of Green, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing resolution to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee at a meeting held on November 20, 2023.



Mark Zschack, RMC, Township Clerk

cc: Karen Ferrone, Tax Collector
Linda Di Lorenzo, CFO
Penny Holenstein, Tax Assessor

Record of Vote:

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
DeYoung			√			
Qarmout		√	√			
Raffay			√			
Rose	√		√			
Mayor Phillips			√			

**RESOLUTION 2023-173
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE - TOWNSHIP OF GREEN
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NJ**

REFUND PROPERTY TAX DUE TO OVERPAYMENT

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector advises of overpayment of property taxes for calendar year 2023 due to a duplicate payment for the 4th quarter 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector is requesting a refund be made to the title company.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Green, in the County of Sussex, and State of New Jersey, is hereby authorized to refund said property taxes:

BLOCK	LOT	NAME AND ACCOUNT #	AMOUNT
08	07	55 Wintermute Rd	\$4,756.03

All-Pro Title group, LLC \$4,756.03
65 Madison Ave, Ste #440
Morristown, NJ 07960



Karen Ferrone, Tax Collector

DATED: November 20, 2023

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Mark Zschack, RMC, Township Clerk

cc: Karen Ferrone, CTC
Linda Di Lorenzo, CMFO

Record of Vote:

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
DeYoung			√			
Qarmout			√			
Raffay	√		√			
Rose		√	√			
Mayor Phillips			√			

**RESOLUTION 2023-174
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE - TOWNSHIP OF GREEN
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NJ**

**AUTHORIZE CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 AND PAYMENT FOR
MILLING AND PAVING CREEK ROAD – PHASE I**

WHEREAS, on July 17, 2023, the Township of Green adopted Resolution 2023-129 awarding a contract to Schifano Construction Corp. through the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council (MCCPC) in an amount not to exceed \$240,314.13 for milling and paving of Creek Road- Phase I; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has reviewed the submitted invoices and recommends the approval of said invoices; and

WHEREAS, the total amount to be paid to Schifano Construction Corp. for the work completed will result in a change order that will **decrease** the final contract amount by \$34,527.29, resulting in an adjusted amount of \$205,786.84.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Green that it does hereby approve the change order for a **decrease** of \$34,527.29 and authorize the payment of \$201,671.10 (\$205,786.84 less retainage of \$4,115.74) to Schifano Construction Corp.

DATED: November 20, 2023

I, Mark Zschack, Township Clerk of the Township of Green, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing resolution to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee at a regular meeting held on November 20, 2023.



Mark Zschack, RMC, Township Clerk

cc: Linda Di Lorenzo, CFO

Record of Vote:

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
DeYoung			√			
Qarmout	√		√			
Raffay		√	√			
Rose			√			
Mayor Phillips			√			

**RESOLUTION 2023-175
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE - TOWNSHIP OF GREEN
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NJ**

**AUTHORIZE CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 AND PAYMENT FOR
MILLING AND PAVING CREEK ROAD – PHASE II**

WHEREAS, on July 17, 2023, the Township of Green adopted Resolution 2023-130 awarding a contract to Schifano Construction Corp. through the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council (MCCPC) in an amount not to exceed \$262,420.42 for milling and paving of Creek Road - Phase II; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has reviewed the submitted invoices and recommends the approval of said invoices; and

WHEREAS, the total amount to be paid to Schifano Construction Corp. for the work completed will result in a change order that will **decrease** the final contract amount by \$67,978.05, resulting in an adjusted amount of \$194,442.37.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Green that it does hereby approve the change order for a **decrease** of \$67,978.05 and authorize the payment of \$190,553.52 (\$194,442.37 less retainage of \$3,888.85) to Schifano Construction Corp.

DATED: November 20, 2023

I, Mark Zschack, Township Clerk of the Township of Green, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing resolution to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee at a regular meeting held on November 20, 2023.



Mark Zschack, RMC, Township Clerk

cc: Linda Di Lorenzo, CFO

Record of Vote:

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
DeYoung		√	√			
Qarmout			√			
Raffay			√			
Rose	√		√			
Mayor Phillips			√			

**RESOLUTION ES 2023-17
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE - TOWNSHIP OF GREEN
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NJ**

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975 (N.J.S.A. 10:13-12) permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 requires the adoption of a resolution prior to the Township Committee going into Closed Session stating the general nature of the subject matter to be discussed and generally the time and circumstances under which the discussion conducted in Closed Session can be disclosed to the public;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Green, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon and hereinafter specified subject matter(s)
2. The general nature of the subject matter(s) to be discussed is as follows:

<input type="checkbox"/> Personnel	<input type="checkbox"/> Contract Negotiation	<input type="checkbox"/> Real Property
<input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Litigation/Potential Litigation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attorney-Client
3. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter(s) will be made public at the conclusion of each individual specified subject matter.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Dated: November 20, 2023

I, Mark Zschack, Township Clerk of the Township of Green, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing resolution to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee at a meeting held on November 20, 2023.



 Mark Zschack, RMC, Township Clerk

Record of Vote:

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
DeYoung	√		√			
Qarmout			√			
Raffay		√	√			
Rose			√			
Mayor Phillips			√			