MINUTES TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 22, 2024

Mayor Ewald called the Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham to order at 7:00 P.M.

Adequate Notice of this meeting of the Township Committee was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows: Notice was given to both *The Chatham Courier* and the *Morris County Daily Record* on January 3, 2024; notice was posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on January 3, 2024; and notice was filed with the Township Clerk on January 3, 2024.

Roll Call

Answering present to the roll call were Committeeman McHugh, Committeewoman Rowland, Deputy Mayor Choi and Mayor Ewald.

Committeeman Lois arrived during Executive Session.

Executive Session

RESOLUTION 2024-P-18

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING CONFERENCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 of the Open Public Meetings Act permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

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

- 1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the specified subject matter.
- 2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - a. Contract Negotiations
 - b. Litigation
- 3. The matters to be discussed in closed session are to remain in the strictest of confidence by all Township Committee Members in furtherance of their fiduciary duties to the Township of Chatham.
- 4. It is anticipated that the minutes on the subject matter of the Executive Session will be made public upon conclusion of the matter under discussion; and in any event, when appropriate pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-7 and 4-13.
- 5. The Committee will come back into Regular Session and may take further action.
- 6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Committeewoman Rowland moved to adopt Resolution 2024-P-18 to enter Executive Session at 7:04 PM. Committeeman McHugh seconded the motion.

Roll call: Committeeman Lois, Absent; Committeeman McHugh, Aye; Committeewoman Rowland, Aye; Deputy Mayor Choi, Aye; Mayor Ewald, Aye.

The Township Committee returned to Public Session at 7:31 PM.

Mayor Ewald led the Flag Salute.

Citizen Awards

Mayor Ewald read aloud the attached proclamation for Citizen Awards for Pat and Martha Wells.

Mayor Ewald opened the floor for Township Committee comments on behalf of the Wells Sisters.

Committeewoman Rowland expressed her appreciation of the work the Wells Sisters do on the Chatham Township Historical Society, and noted the historical stories they tell during meetings.

Mayor Ewald opened the floor for comments on behalf of the Wells Sisters.

- 1. Bob Ewald, Nicholson Drive, spoke about the success that the Wells Sisters have running programs for the Chatham Township Historical Society. He thanked them for the work they do for the community.
- 2. Mike Kelly, Mountain Ave, said that Martha and Pat Wells are the heart and soul of the Historical Society and thanked them for their work.
- 3. Joe Basralian, Fairfax Terrace, said that the Wells Sisters give him a sense of awe and wonder about the history of the Township.
- 4. Laurie DeBiasse, River Road, President of the Town & Country Garden Club, said that the Wells Sisters do as much for the Garden Club as they do for the Historical Society.
- 5. Kathy Woodward, River Road, a Board Member of the Friends of the Great Swamp, said that Pat and Martha Wells do a lot of volunteering for the Great Swamp.
- 6. Jessica Romeo, Pine Street, said that the Township is lucky to have Pat and Martha Wells, and noted Pat's service on the Environmental Commission.

Seeing no further comment, Mayor Ewald closed the floor.

Mayor Ewald commented on the work that Pat and Martha Wells do for the community.

Martha Wells thanked the Township Committee and Township Administration, as well as the various organizations with which they work. Pat Wells commented on an upcoming new gallery opening at the Municipal Building. The opening will be on October 25th from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM, and the exhibit will focus on the Great Swamp flora and fauna in honor of the 60th anniversary of the dedication of the Great Swamp.

The Wells Sisters were presented with the proclamation, certificates and lapel pins.

Mayor Ewald addressed the many accomplishments of Joe Basralian, with a focus on his work for open space preservation and in the founding of Troop 280 BSA.

Mayor Ewald read aloud the attached proclamation recognizing Joe Basralian with a Citizenship Award.

Mayor Ewald opened the floor to the public to give comments.

- 1. Pat Wells, Southern Boulevard, thanked Mr. Basralian on behalf of the Historical Society for the preservation of the corn crib at the Dixiedale site.
- 2. Kevin Sullivan, Stafford Road, commented on behalf of Joe Basralian's work with the Open Space Committee. He noted the preservation of the Seven Acre Wood property on Southern Boulevard. Mr. Sullivan also noted the work that Mr. Basralian does to help maintain the Township's open space trails.
- 3. Mike Kelly, Mountain Ave, said that the blend of skills needed to be the Open Space Committee Chairman are often overlooked, and he thanked Mr. Basralian for all his work.
- 4. Bo Ewald, Nicholson Drive, commented on the passion and enthusiasm shown by Mr. Basralian in his volunteer work.

Mr. Basralian commented on the work done by others to help the Township acquire open space properties.

5. Jessica Romeo, Pine Street, commented on the legacy that Mr. Basralian has developed.

Mayor Ewald presented Mr. Basralian with his certificate, proclamation and lapel pin.

Hearing of Citizens

Mayor Ewald opened the Hearing of Citizens. Seeing no further public comment, Mayor Ewald closed the Hearing of Citizens.

Mayor's Message

Mayor Ewald said that there are resolutions on the Consent Agenda for awarding contracts for the Senior Center Lighting Upgrades and also for the Fiber Loop. Mayor Ewald commented on the benefits that the fiber loop project will offer the Township for public safety purposes. Mayor Ewald reiterated her thanks to Joe Basralian, Martha Wells and Pat Wells for their volunteer efforts. She further noted that there is a Fal Festival planned for October 26th being run by the volunteer Events Committee. Mayor Ewald also reported on an Environmental Commission restoration project at Shunpike Grove. She also commented on the variety of volunteer opportunities available to residents.

Township Committee Reports

Committeeman Lois reported that the Colony Pool Advisory Committee will be meeting to discuss the 2024 season. He also reported that he has received inquiries from local businesses about utility upgrades.

Committeeman McHugh reported on the Adopt-a-Drain program, and said there is a friendly competition with Berkeley Heights for the Scariest Drain. Committeeman McHugh further reported that the Environmental Commission is monitoring a few items. He further reported on upcoming programs at the Library of the Chathams. The Open Space Committee will be meeting on October 30th.

Committeewoman Rowland thanked the Chatham Township Volunteer Fire Department for the Community Appreciation Day event. She reported that the Historical Society will have new photos on display from the Great Swamp, and the Red Brick Schoolhouse will be open the first Sunday of the month.

Introduction of Ordinances

Ordinance 2024-20

ORDINANCE 2024-20

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 20, PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES, SECTION 20-3, SKATE PARK, AND COLONY RECREATION CENTER TENNIS RULES AND PROCEDURES, OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham (the "Township") desires to amend the Revised General Ordinances of the Township (the "Township Code") Chapter 20, Parks and Recreation Facilities, Section 20-3, Skate Park, and Colony Recreation Center Tennis Rules and Procedures, to implement rules and procedures governing the use of the Township's parks.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.

Section 2. The Township Code Chapter 20, Parks and Recreation Facilities, Section 20-3, Skate Park, and Colony Recreation Center Tennis Rules and Procedures is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 20-3 Parks and Recreational Areas

§ 20-3.1 Park Hours.

Hours of Closing; Special Permits. No person or group of persons shall occupy or use any public park or playground or any portion thereof for any purpose between the hours of (i) 7:00 p.m. to sunrise from November 1 through March 31 and (ii) 9:00 p.m. to sunrise from April 1 through October 31, except upon prior application for a special permit, upon good cause shown therefor, directly to the Township Administrator. The granting of any such permit shall be at the discretion of the Township Administrator. The parks operating hours are not applicable to Township's lighted fields for the use of Township sanctioned sports or recreational activities. No sports or recreational activity shall continue beyond 10:00 p.m. Use of the Township's tennis courts and/or basketball courts shall not exceed a two-hour limit.

§ 20-3.2 Prohibited Uses; Rules of Conduct.

On any land, park, playground, improvements and equipment owned by the Township of Chatham used for active and passive recreation activities, no person shall:

- a. Injure, deface, displace, remove, alter, disturb, tamper with, damage or destroy any trees, shrubs, soil, grass, plant life or any structure, building, post, playground equipment, water fountain, railing, fence, bench, seat, table, platform, walkway, telephone or electric pole, wires, pipes or appurtenances or any other park or recreational equipment or facility, or any hydrant, water, storm or sewer drain, pipe, main, basin covering, manhole or any appendage or appurtenance thereof, or any sign, inscription, post or monument erected or marked for any lawful purpose; or injure or in any way interfere with the operation of any machinery or equipment used under the direction of the Township or any of its departments, agencies or officials; or deface, destroy, alter, damage or tamper with any drive, path, walk, bridge, parking area or shelter; or take up, remove or carry away any asphalt, concrete, stone, rock, wood, gravel, clay or earth or make any excavation of any kind.
- b. Create a disturbance which constitutes a nuisance or to disturb any wildlife or commit any act of nuisance in any park, playground, public open space area or floodplain.
- c. Take any animal into any parks or playgrounds except on a leash not longer than six feet or to permit any pet to go into any active public play area, apparatus area, athletic field or recreational enclosure or building unless said pet is participating in a Township program.
- d. For any leagues or organizations, take part in or abet the playing of any games involving thrown or otherwise propelled objects such as balls, stones, arrows, javelins, horseshoes, quoits or model airplanes without a permit issued by the Township of Chatham.
- e. Play or practice golfing unless such facility is specifically designated for such activity by the Township. This prohibition excludes the use of plastic "practice" wiffle golf balls outside any active public play area, apparatus area, athletic field or recreational enclosure or building.
- f. Engage in fighting or violent behavior.
- g. Spit, urinate or defecate except in designated rest rooms and washroom facilities. Every person using the rest rooms and washrooms shall cooperate to maintain them in a neat and sanitary condition.
- h. Litter and dispose of any trash or garbage on any athletic field, park or playground. This also prohibits littering of ponds, lake, streams or other bodies of water in or adjacent to any park with any substance, matter or thing, liquid or solid, which will or may result in the pollution of the waters. All litter shall be deposited in the receptacles provided.
- i. Exhibit public nudity or public indecency.
- j. Use threatening or obscene language.
- k. Alter or adjust any fence, play surface, or piece of gym equipment (including but not limited to playground equipment or basketball rims) without the prior written approval of the Township of Chatham.
- 1. Vaping, Smoking (as such term is defined in the Township Code, Chapter 3, Section 11, Smoking Regulations, subsection 3-11.1, Smoking Prohibited), or possess or consume an alcoholic beverage, or illegal drugs.
- m. Carry or possess firearms of any kind, including air rifles, spring guns, paint ball guns, bow and arrow or sling shots, or any other form of weapons that pose a danger to human or wildlife safety. Hunting and trapping is also prohibited.
- n. Build fires or grill, except in designated areas where grills are made available for use by reservation through the Township of Chatham.
- o. Possess any type of glass container.

- p. Use any type of artificial illumination for any Township field or recreation facility without the prior approval of the Township of Chatham.
- q. Use of radios, stereos or any type of amplified sound without the prior approval of the Township of Chatham.
- r. Operate or utilize skateboards, roller skates, bicycles, scooters, or any type of motorized vehicle except on driveways or parking lots without the prior approval of the Township of Chatham.
- s. For-profit entities are strictly prohibited from using the Township's fields, basketball courts and tennis courts without a permit issued by the Township of Chatham.
- t. Posting of any sign.
- u. Solicit, sell or offer for sale any goods without a permit issued by the Township of Chatham.
- v. No food or beverages other than water are allowed inside the tennis courts.

§ 20-3.3 Exceptions.

Exceptions will be considered in Subsection 20-3.3 only when requested in advance, in writing, upon good cause shown, to the Township Administrator. A permit to do any act shall authorize the same only insofar as it may be performed in strict accordance with the terms and conditions thereof. Any violation by its holder or the holder's agents or employees of any terms or conditions thereof shall constitute grounds for its revocation by the Township Administrator or his/her authorized representative, whose action therein shall be final. The holder of such permit, together with the holder's agents and employees, who violates such terms and conditions, shall be jointly and severally liable to the Township for all damages and loss sustained by the Township. Neither the recovery or collection of such damage shall in any manner relieve such holder or person from liability to punishment for any violation of any provision of this section.

- **Section 3.** If any section or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid in any Court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect the other sections or provisions of this Ordinance and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective, except so far as the section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from the remainder or any portion thereof.
- **Section 4.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances, which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.
 - **Section 5.** This Ordinance shall take effect according to law.

Mrs. Cofoni reported that this ordinance has the amended language discussed at previous meetings.

Committeewoman Rowland moved to introduce Ordinance 2024-20. Committeeman McHugh seconded the motion.

Roll call: Committeeman Lois, Aye; Committeeman McHugh, Aye; Committeewoman Rowland, Aye; Deputy Mayor Choi, Aye; Mayor Ewald, Aye.

Public Hearing on Ordinance 2024-20 will be scheduled for November 12, 2024.

Ordinance 2024-21

Mr. Shehady said that the sewer utility is self-liquidating, and this ordinance will not affect property taxes. He also noted that Mr. Ruschke has worked with the Plant Operator Mike Hajjar to discuss necessary repairs and upgrades. Before the capital ordinance can be introduced, a resolution to amend the capital budget needs to be adopted.

RESOLUTION 2024-196 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING SEWER CAPITAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham deems it necessary and desirable to revise the Funding Source and Debt Authorized to the existing Sewer Capital Projects not previously reflected in the 2024 Sewer Capital Budget of said municipality, and

WHEREAS, N.J. A.C. 5:30-4.4B provides that the Sewer Capital Budget of a governing body shall be amended to reflect any provisions, changes or inconsistencies with said Sewer Capital Budget,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the 2024 Sewer Capital Budget shall be amended to reflect the revised Funding Source and Debt Authorized as reflected in the attached 2024 Sewer Capital Budget Sheets not previously reflected for in the Sewer Capital Budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the attached form, as promulgated by the Local Finance Board shall represent the amended Sewer Capital Budget for the year 2024.

Committeeman McHugh moved to adopt Resolution 2024-196. Committeewoman Rowland seconded the motion.

Roll call: Committeeman Lois, Aye; Committeeman McHugh, Aye; Committeewoman Rowland, Aye; Deputy Mayor Choi, Aye; Mayor Ewald, Aye.

ORDINANCE 2024-21

CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE MAKING OF VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS AND ACQUISITIONS IN, BY AND FOR THE SEWER UTILITY OF THE TOWNSHIP, APPROPRIATING THEREFOR THE SUM OF \$650,000 AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE RAISED FROM THE SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL SURPLUS OF THE TOWNSHIP

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Township of Chatham, in the County of Morris, New Jersey (the "Township") is hereby authorized to make various improvements and acquisitions in, by and for the Sewer Utility of the Township, including, but not limited to: (i) replacement or rebuilding of pumps at the Water Pollution Control Plant (the "Plant"); (ii) replacement of the generator at the Southside Pump Station; (iii) replacement of the chemical treatment system at the Plant; (iv) undertaking of infiltration and inflow reduction studies, GIS mapping and related improvements; and (v) acquisition of a new truck, including original apparatus and equipment. Said improvements and acquisitions shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. The sum of \$650,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the improvements and acquisitions authorized and described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be raised from the Sewer Utility Capital Improvement Fund and Sewer Utility Capital Surplus of the Township. The sum of \$200,000 is hereby appropriated from the Sewer Utility Capital Improvement Fund of the Township to the payment of the cost of said purpose. The sum of \$450,000 is hereby appropriated from Sewer Utility Capital Surplus of the Township to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 3. Said improvements and acquisitions are lawful capital improvements of the Township having a period of usefulness of at least five (5) years. Said improvements and acquisitions shall be made as general improvements, no part of the cost of which shall be assessed against property specially benefitted.

Section 4. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this capital ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Township Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner provided by law.

Committeewoman Rowland moved to introduce Ordinance 2024-21. Deputy Mayor Choi seconded the motion. Mr. Shehady elaborated on the proposed repairs.

Committeeman Lois said that the Township needs to review the available capacity. He recommended that the capacity be enhanced and increased.

Roll call: Committeeman Lois, Aye; Committeeman McHugh, Aye; Committeewoman Rowland, Aye; Deputy Mayor Choi, Aye; Mayor Ewald, Aye.

Public Hearing on Ordinance 2024-21 will be scheduled for November 12, 2024.

Consent Agenda

RESOLUTION 2024-197

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLLS, SCHOOL TAXES AND COUNTY TAXES

BE IT RESOLVED that bills in the total amount of \$1,662,499.90 and the prior month's payroll of \$513,108.21 Current Fund, \$68,708.42 Sewer Utility, \$22,033.28 Open Space and \$42,902.15 Police Private Employment be paid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that taxes due to the School District of the Chathams, for the month of October 2024, in the amount of \$3,644,912.00 be paid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that taxes due to the County of Morris, for the 4th Quarter of 2024, in the amount of \$3,254,459.70 be paid.

RESOLUTION 2024-198 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM APPROVING MINUTES OF MEETINGS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham acknowledges receipt of and approves the minutes of the Township Committee meetings held on September 24, 2024 and October 8, 2024.

RESOLUTION 2024-199 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM APPROVING EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham acknowledges receipt of and approves Executive Session minutes of the Township Committee meetings held on September 24, 2024 and October 8, 2024.

RESOLUTION 2024-200

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REFUNDING TAX AND SEWER LIEN

WHEREAS, due to payment by property owner of the lien amount, a redemption of the tax and sewer lien is appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has recommended the refund of redemption monies as well as the Premium to the Outside Lien Holder;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that the following refund be made as indicated:

BLOCK	<u>LOT</u>	<u>LIEN HOLDER</u>	AMOUNT
13	16	Lienholder: Pro Cap 8, FBO Firstrust Bank PO Box 774 Fort Washington, PA 19034-0774 Certificate #21-00001 LDJ Development One, LLC 108 Meyersville Road Chatham, NJ 07928	\$ 1,704.27 Certificate \$ 500.00 Premium \$ 2,204.27 Total
64.04	3.05	Lienholder: Pro Cap 8, FBO Firstrust Bank PO Box 774 Fort Washington, PA 19034-0774	\$ 1424.25 Certificate \$ 1200.00 Premium \$ 2624.25 Total

		Certificate #22-00010 Andrea Santiago 109 Terrace Drive Chatham, NJ 07928	
62.08	19	Lienholder: Pro Cap 8, FBO Firstrust Bank PO Box 774 Fort Washington, PA 19034-0774 Certificate #22-00008 Brian Wurdemann 805 Fairmount Avenue Chatham, NJ 07928	\$ 1,953.29 Certificate <u>\$ 1,200.00 Premium</u> \$ 3,153.29 Total

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Collector is authorized to prepare and sign a Discharge of Certificate 21-00001, 22-00010 and 22-00008.

RESOLUTION 2024-201 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REFUNDING OVERPAYMENT OF SEWER TAXES

WHEREAS, an overpayment of sewer taxes has been made for the following property; and WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has recommended the refund of such overpayment, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that the following refunds be made:

BLOCK	<u>LOT</u>	NAME & ADDRESS	AMOUNT
27	7	Denny Moynihan 1504 Pine Bluff Way Arnold, MD 21012 Re: 37 Lisa Drive	\$187.50 3 rd Quarter 2024

RESOLUTION 2024-202 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS MUNICIPAL EQUIPMENT

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

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

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

- (1) The sale of the surplus property shall be conducted through GovDeals pursuant to State Contract A-83453/T2581 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the State Contract. The terms and conditions of the agreement entered into with GovDeals is available online at govdeals.com.
- (2) The sale will be conducted online and the address of the auction site is govdeals.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:

ITEM

Gast Air Compressor

Lot of Five (5) Yaskawa P7 Varispeed

Lot of Two (2) Positive Pressure Blowers w/ Silencers

Lot of Two (2) Flygt Water & Wastewater pumps

Labconco Kjeldahl Distillation Apparatus

- (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) The Township of Chatham reserves the right to accept or reject any bid submitted.

RESOLUTION 2024-203

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING DEVELOPER ESCROW ACCOUNT AND/OR PERFORMANCE BOND BALANCES

WHEREAS, developers are required to deposit monies with the Township for the purposes of offsetting Township professional costs to review plans or to inspect approved development and for the purpose of ensuring the satisfactory completion of public or private improvements; and

WHEREAS, these deposited monies, following all necessary withdrawals to cover Township expenses or costs, may be released upon satisfactory completion of work, receipt of review board decisions, or completion of guaranteed work, upon passage of a Township resolution authorizing such release.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that the following guarantee amount or account balances, with interest adjustments as prescribed by state and local laws, may be released to the depositor of record:

NAME	<u>Project</u>	A/C NUMBER	AMOUNT
Ivan Levytskyy 3 Laurel Court Hackettstown N.J., 07840	BOA-23-010 Re: 32 Mountainview Road	E7766323247	\$220.00
Claus-Christian Tempke 71 Fairview Avenue Chatham, NJ 07928	BOA-19-78-10	E7765172455	\$40.40
Hickory Donuts LLC 641 Shunpike Road Chatham, NJ 07928	BOA-23-012	E7766323271	\$0.00

RESOLUTION 2024-204

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT TO LARACY ASSOCIATES LLC FOR TAX COLLECTOR SERVICES 2024-2025

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham (the "**Township**"), pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, specifically <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) (the "**LPCL**"), is authorized to enter into contracts for professional services without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the LPCL, the Township desires to hire an outside consultant to provide the Township with Certified Tax Collector services commencing on November 1, 2024 for an initial term of three (3) months, and renewable up to a total term of one (1) year at the option of the Township Administrator (the "Services"); and

WHEREAS, the Township received a proposal dated September 26, 2024 from Laracy Associates, LLC ("Laracy") to provide the Services to the Township for an estimated total amount of Two Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$2,250.00) per month (the "Proposal"); and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to award a contract to Laracy to provide the Services to the Township in accordance with the Proposal.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that authorization is given as follows:

- 1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
- 2. The Township Committee hereby authorizes a contract with Laracy to provide the Services to the Township in accordance with the terms set forth in the Proposal, commencing on November 1, 2024 for an initial term of three (3) months, and renewable up to a total term of one (1) year at the option of the Township Administrator for an amount not to exceed Twenty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$27,000.00).
- 3. Within ten days of the adoption of this Resolution, notice of the nature, duration and amount of the contract shall be published once in the newspaper of general circulation and a copy of this Resolution and the agreements shall be on file and available in the offices of the Township.
- 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION 2024-205

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE SOLICITATION OF BIDS FOR THE TOWNSHIP-WIDE PROPERTY TAX REVALUATION

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, <u>N.J.S.A</u>. 40A:11-1, et seq. (the "**LPCL**"), the Township desires to solicit bids for the completion of the 2027 property tax revaluation of the Township of Chatham (the "**Contract**"); and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the cost of the Contract will exceed the bid threshold, which requires the Township to conduct public bidding in accordance with the LPCL.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that authorization is given as follows:

- 1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
- 2. The Township Committee hereby authorizes the Township's Qualified Purchasing Agent, under the direction of the Township Administrator and in consultation with the Township Tax Assessor and Township Attorney, to prepare bid specifications in accordance with the LPCL for the Contract.
- 3. The Township Committee hereby further authorizes the Municipal Clerk, once the bid specifications have been prepared, to solicit bids pursuant to the LPCL for the Contract.
- 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION 2024-206

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING THE BID AND AWARDING THE CONTRACT FOR THE SENIOR CENTER ELECTRICAL PROJECT TO O'MALLEY ELECTRIC, LLC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Chatham (the "Township") desire to make electrical improvements to the portion of the Municipal Building occupied by the Senior Center of the Chathams located at 58 Meyersville Road (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, on June 25, 2024, the Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 2024-163 authorizing the Township's Qualified Purchasing Agent, in consultation with John Ruschke, PE (the "Township Engineer") and under the direction of the Township Administrator, to prepare bid specifications for the Project in accordance with Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Township thereafter advertised for bids for the Project, and on September 25, 2024, opened and reviewed seven (7) bids received to perform the Project, including a total bid in the amount of \$53,000 from O'Malley Electric, LLC ("O'Malley"); a total bid in the amount of \$54,800 from Gilmore Electric, Inc.; a total bid in the amount of \$68,000 from Power With Prestige, Inc.; a total bid in the amount of \$87,600 from Electrical Design & Construction Corp.; a total bid in the amount of \$99,693 from Wojchik Electric, Inc.; a total bid in the amount of \$104,400 from Astro Electrical Contractor, LLC; and a total bid in the amount of \$133,000 from DEE-EN Electric; and

WHEREAS, the Township also received a bid in the total amount of \$21,000 from IGJO Electric, LLC, but such bid was withdrawn due to a mistake in their bid; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer recommends awarding the contract for the Project to O'Malley as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in the total amount of \$53,000 (the "Contract Amount"), which is consistent with the engineering estimates for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Township Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for the Contract Amount; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to adopt this Resolution authorizing the award of the contract for the Project to O'Malley.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. The foregoing recitals are hereby incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length.
- 2. The contract for the Project is hereby awarded to O'Malley located in Wharton, New Jersey, in the amount of Fifty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$53,000). The Mayor, Township Administrator, Township Clerk and all other necessary Township personnel, are hereby directed and authorized to enter into a contract with O'Malley for the Project, and to in all other ways carry out and effectuate the purposes thereof.
- 3. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

RESOLUTION 2024-207

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING THE BID AND AWARDING THE CONTRACT FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY INFORMATION SHARING TECHNOLOGY COMMUNITY PROJECT TO MILLENNIUM COMMUNICATIONS GROUP, INC. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Chatham (the "Township") have determined that its residents and members of the public would benefit from a fiber optic loop system in and around the Township as part of its infrastructure and Municipal facilities (the "Public Safety Information Sharing Technology Community Project" or the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Township received \$809,000 from a Community Oriented Policing Services grant and needs to hire an outside contractor to design and construct such system, which is anticipated to exceed the bid threshold requiring the Township to conduct public bidding for the Project in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township adopted Resolution No. 2023-199 on October 24, 2023 authorizing the Township to advertise for bids for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Township received one (1) bid from Millennium Communications Group, Inc. on December 19, 2023 which exceeded John Ruschke's, PE (the "Township Engineer"), of Mott MacDonald, estimates for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer recommended the rejection of the bid received on December 19, 2023 as it exceeded the Project estimate and on January 23, 2024, the Mayor and Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 2024-52, rejecting the bids received on December 19, 2023 and authorizing the Township to re-bid for the Project; and

WHEREAS, in response to the rebid, on March 14, 2024, the Township received two (2) bids, from Kane Communications in the total bid amount of \$1,556,405.00, and Millennium Communications Group, Inc. in the total bid amount of \$1,327,707.41; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer recommended the rejection of the bids received on March 14, 2024 and on April 23, 2024, the Mayor and Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 2024-112, rejecting the bids received on March 14, 2024 and authorizing the Township to re-bid for the Project; and

WHEREAS, in response to the rebid, on September 26, 2024, the Township received three (3) bids, from Millennium Communications Group, Inc. ("Millennium") in the total bid amount of \$795,872.19; Adesta LLC in the total bid amount of \$874,366.85; and Kane Communications in the total bid amount of \$1,403,330; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer recommends awarding the contract for the Project to Millennium as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in the total amount of \$795,872.19 (the "Contract Amount"), which is consistent with the engineering cost estimates for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Township Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for the Contract Amount; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to adopt this Resolution authorizing the award of the contract for the Project to Millennium.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. The foregoing recitals are hereby incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length.
- 2. The contract for the Project is hereby awarded to Millennium located in East Hanover, New Jersey, in the amount of Seven Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Two Dollars and Nineteen Cents (\$795,872.19). The Mayor, Township Administrator, Township Clerk and all other necessary Township personnel, are hereby directed and authorized to enter into a contract with Millennium for the Project, and to in all other ways carry out and effectuate the purposes thereof.
- 3. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

RESOLUTION 2024-208

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ELECTRICITY SUPPLY SERVICES FOR PUBLIC USE ON AN ONLINE AUCTION WEBSITE

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham has determined to move forward with the EMEX Reverse Auction in order procure electricity for the Township of Chatham; and

WHEREAS, the Local Government Electronic Procurement Act (P.L. 2018, c. 156) (the "Act") authorizes the purchase of electricity supply service for public use through the use of an online auction service; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham will utilize the online auction services of EMEX, LLC, a division of Mantis Innovation, an approved vendor pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, EMEX, LLC, a division of Mantis Innovation, is compensated for all services rendered through the participating supplier that a contract is awarded to; and

WHEREAS, the auction was conducted on October 22, 2024 pursuant to the Act; and WHEREAS, the auction solicited bids for 12-month, 18-month, and 24-month terms in which

seven energy companies participated; and

WHEREAS, the lowest bids received were \$0.07628 per kWh for a 12-month contract, \$0.0794

WHEREAS, the lowest bids received were \$0.07628 per kWh for a 12-month contract, \$0.07946 per kWh for a 18-month contract, and \$0.07850 per kWh for a 24-month contract.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Administrator of the Township of Chatham is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Township of Chatham a contract for the winning bid in the EMEX Reverse Auction proffered by Constellation Energy, an Exelon company at a rate of \$0.07850 per kWh for a 24-month term.

RESOLUTION 2024-209

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT TO MOTT MACDONALD, LLC IN CONNECTION WITH THE EVALUATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATES FOR THE TOWNSHIP WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM/TREATMENT PLANT

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham (the "**Township**"), pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, specifically N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) (the "**LPCL**"), is authorized to enter into contracts for professional services without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the LPCL, the Township desires to obtain professional engineering services to develop preliminary cost estimates for Proposed Improvements (as defined below) to the Township's wastewater collection system/treatment plant, which estimate will be used to initiate a future loan application with the NJDEP I-Bank program (the "Services"); and

WHEREAS, the "Proposed Improvements" include (1) the installation of new headworks at the Township Wastewater Pollution Control Plant (the "Plant"), including four new pumps and new intake screen, (2) rehabilitation of existing primary clarifier tank at the Plan including new gearbox, rakes, skimmer, and safer platform at gearbox, (3) rehabilitation of Post Aeration Basin 1 and 2 and the Plant and replace inlet valves and mud valves and diffusers/piping; and

WHEREAS, the Township received a proposal dated September 26, 2024 from Mott MacDonald, LLC ("Mott MacDonald") to provide the Services to the Township for a total cost not to exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) (the "Proposal"); and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to award a contract to Mott MacDonald to provide the Services to the Township in accordance with the Proposal.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that authorization is given as follows:

- 1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
- 2. The Township Committee hereby authorizes a contract with Mott MacDonald to provide the Services to the Township in accordance with the terms set forth in the Proposal, for an amount not to exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00).
- 3. Within ten days of the adoption of this Resolution, notice of the nature, duration and amount of the contract shall be published once in the newspaper of general circulation and a copy of this Resolution and the agreements shall be on file and available in the offices of the Township.
- 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION 2024-210

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A SUSTAINABLE JERSEY® GRANT FUNDED BY PSEG

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to optimize quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, Chatham Township strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air and water, improve working and living environments; and

WHEREAS, Chatham Township is participating in the Sustainable Jersey Program; and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the Sustainable Jersey Program is to provide resources to municipalities to make progress on sustainability issues, and they have created a grant program called the Sustainable Jersey Small Grants funded by PSEG; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined that Chatham Township should apply for the aforementioned Grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, State of New Jersey, authorizes the submission of the aforementioned Sustainable Jersey Grant funded by PSEG.

RESOLUTION 2024-211

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION OF A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) FOR VARIOUS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Township seeks to obtain quotes or proposals from licensed professionals to provide the following services:

- 1. Township Attorney
- 2. Labor Attorney
- 3. Bond Counsel
- 4. Tax Appeal Attorney
- 5. Conflict Litigation Attorney
- 6. Affordable Housing Attorney
- 7. Municipal Prosecutor
- 8. Township Engineer
- 9. Township Planner
- 10. Affordable Housing Planner
- 11. Auditor
- 12. Financial Advisor
- 13. Real Estate Appraiser
- 14. Risk Management Consultant
- 15. Planning Board Attorney
- 16. Planning Board Planner
- 17. Planning Board Engineer
- 18. Zoning Board of Adjustment Attorney
- 19. Zoning Board of Adjustment Planner
- 20. Zoning Board of Adjustment Engineer
- 21. Zoning Board of Adjustment Acoustics Engineer
- 22. Zoning Board of Adjustment RF Engineer
- 23. Board of Health Attorney
- 24. Board of Health Engineer

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham authorizes the Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA) and Alternate Purchasing Agent to prepare and advertise an RFQ for the aforementioned services.

RESOLUTION 2024-212

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF GASOLINE AND DIESEL FROM GRIFFITH-ALLIED TRUCKING, LLC PURSUANT TO STATE CONTRACT MASTER BLANKET PURCHASE ORDERS 19-FLEET-00978 AND 19-FOOD-01097

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a cooperative pricing system and to enter into cooperative pricing agreements with other contracting units as defined under N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(1) for its procurement of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the Township may, without advertising for bids, purchase any materials, supplies, services, or equipment under an approved State Contract; and

WHEREAS, the Township needs to purchase gasoline as listed on the State Contract Master Blanket Purchase Order 19-Fleet-00978 (the "Contract"); and.

WHEREAS, the Township needs to purchase diesel fuel as listed on the State Contract Master Blanket Purchase Order 19-FOOD-01097 (the "Contract"); and.

WHEREAS, the State Contract awarded a contract to Griffith-Allied Trucking, LLC, for the purchase of gasoline under Contract for a period from November 1, 2019 through October 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the State Contract awarded a contract to Griffith-Allied Trucking, LLC, for the purchase of diesel fuel under Contract for a period from April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Township has certified that adequate funds for such a purchase are available.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that:

- 1. The forgoing Recitals are hereby incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length.
- 2. The Township hereby authorizes the purchase of gasoline from Griffith-Allied Trucking, LLC for a period commencing on January 1, 2024 and terminating on December 31, 2024, pursuant to Master Blanket Purchase Order 19-Fleet-00978.
- 3. The Township hereby authorizes the purchase of diesel fuel from Griffith-Allied Trucking, LLC for a period commencing on January 1, 2024 and terminating on December 31, 2024, pursuant to Master Blanket Purchase Order Master Blanket Purchase Order 19-FOOD-01097.
- 4. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be provided by the Township Clerk to each of the following:
 - i. Township Purchasing Agent
 - ii. Township Chief Financial Officer
 - iii. Township Director of Public Works
 - iv. Griffith-Allied Trucking, LLC
- 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION 2024-213

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ROCK SALT & CALCIUM CHLORIDE FROM ATLANTIC SALT, INC, PURSUANT TO MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING COUNCIL CONTRACT #3, ROCK SALT & CALCIUM CHLORIDE

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a cooperative pricing system and to enter into cooperative pricing agreements with other contracting units as defined under N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(1) for its procurement of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham (the "Township"), as a local government contracting unit, is a member of the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council (the "MCCPC"); and

WHEREAS, the Township may, without advertising for bids, purchase any materials, supplies, services, or equipment under an approved cooperative contract, whereby the contracting unit, MCCPC, serving as the lead agent, has complied with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.) (the "LPCL"); and

WHEREAS, the Township needs to purchase rock salt and calcium chloride, as listed on the MCCPC Contract #3, Rock Salt & Calcium Chloride (the "Contract"); and

WHEREAS, the MCCPC awarded a contract to Atlantic Salt, Inc., 561 Richmond Terrace, Staten Island, NY ("Atlantic Salt"), for the purchase of Rock Sat and Calcium Chloride under the Contract for a period from October 15, 2023 and terminating on October 14, 2024, and extended from October 15, 2024 to October 14, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Township has certified that adequate funds for such a purchase are available.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that:

- 1. The forgoing Recitals are hereby incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length.
- 2. The Township hereby authorizes the purchase of Rock Salt and Calcium Chloride from Atlantic Salt for a period commencing on October 15, 2023 and terminating on October 14, 2024, and extended from October 15, 2024 to October 14, 2025 pursuant to MCCPC Contract #3.
- 3. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be provided by the Township Clerk to each of the following:
 - i. Township Purchasing Agent
 - ii. Township Chief Financial Officer
 - iii. Township Director of Public Works
 - iv. Atlantic Salt, Inc.
- 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Deputy Mayor Choi moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Committeewoman Rowland seconded the motion.

Roll call: Committeeman Lois, Aye; Committeeman McHugh, Aye; Committeewoman Rowland, Aye; Deputy Mayor Choi, Aye; Mayor Ewald, Aye.

Hearing of Citizens

Mayor Ewald opened the Hearing of Citizens. Seeing no public comment, Mayor Ewald closed the Hearing of Citizens.

Executive Session

RESOLUTION 2024-P-19

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING CONFERENCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 of the Open Public Meetings Act permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

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

- 1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the specified subject matter.
- 2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - a. Contract Negotiations
- 3. It is anticipated that the minutes on the subject matter of the Executive Session will be made public upon conclusion of the matter under discussion; and in any event, when appropriate pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-7 and 4-13.
- 4. The Committee will come back into Regular Session and may take further action.
- 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Mayor Ewald announced that the Committee would not be taking action following the Executive Session.

Committeeman McHugh moved to adopt Resolution 2024-P-19 to enter Executive Session at 8:25 PM. Committeeman Lois seconded the motion.

Roll call: Committeeman Lois, Aye; Committeeman McHugh, Aye; Committeewoman Rowland, Aye; Deputy Mayor Choi, Aye; Mayor Ewald, Aye.

The Township Committee returned to Public Session at 9:01 PM.

Committeeman Lois moved to adjourn at 9:01 PM. Committeeman McHugh seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Gregory J. LaConte	
Municipal Clerk	