

**MINUTES  
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
MAY 26, 2026**

Mayor Rowland called the Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham to order at 7:02 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 7, 2026; notice was posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on January 7, 2026; and notice was filed with the Township Clerk on January 7, 2026.

**Roll Call**

Answering present to the roll call were Committeeman Alperowitz, Committeeman Choi, Deputy Mayor McHugh and Mayor Rowland. Committeewoman Ewald arrived during Executive Session.

**Executive Session**

**RESOLUTION 2026-P-09  
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. Potential Litigation
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.

Committeeman Alperowitz moved to pass Resolution 2026-P-09 to enter Executive Session at 7:02 PM. Committeeman Choi seconded the motion.

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

The Committee returned to Public Session at 7:38 PM.

Mayor Rowland led the Flag Salute.

**Mayor's Message**

Mayor Rowland said that the Township kicked off Mental Health Awareness Month with the Paint the Town Green campaign. The Mayor's Wellness Campaign is having a book club discussion at the Library about the book "Anxious Generation."

Mayor Rowland commented on local Memorial Day observances. She also commented on capital upgrades at Colony Pool. Mayor Rowland further noted that summer hours have begun at the Municipal Building, and administrative offices will close at 1:00 PM on Fridays. Mayor Rowland further commented on the road and sidewalk projects that are listed on the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Rowland said that there will be a presentation at this meeting from the Library of the Chathams about their capital project. She also announced that she is appointing Peter Tripp as an alternate member of the Planning Board, and he will also be appointed to the Joint Recreation Committee. Mayor Rowland announced that there are plans to add an additional patrolman to the Chatham Township Police Department.

Mayor Rowland said that Chatham High School will have a TEDx talk on June 10<sup>th</sup>. She also congratulated the New York Knicks on making the NBA finals.

### **Reports**

Mayor Rowland reported that a plaque designating the Red Brick Schoolhouse as a Morris County Landmark has been received. She expressed gratitude for the County's grant for the restoration of the building. Mayor Rowland said that the Historical Society opens the Red Brick Schoolhouse on the first Sunday of the month.

Committeeman Alperowitz reported on EMS Week events. He said that the Chatham Emergency Squad named Carol Wilmot as the EMT of the Year. Committeeman Alperowitz further reported that CES will be hosting a blood drive on June 13<sup>th</sup> at St. Patrick Church. At the last Joint Recreation Committee, there was a presentation by a new local group call Play It Forward through which athletic equipment is loaned to underprivileged children so that they can have increased access to activities.

Committeewoman Ewald reported that tickets are on sale for the Senior Center's Garden Tour. She also noted that Colony Pool is open, and thanked those who participated in the process of preparing the facility for the 2026 season.

Committeeman Choi commented on the Play It Forward program, and encouraged residents to donate any sports equipment that they no longer need. He also reported on Troop 121 BSA's recent Eagle projects. Committeeman Choi further recognized Kiara Hedarachi of Troop 280 BSA who recently earned the rank of Eagle Scout. Committeeman Choi also recognized local Girl Scouts who recently earned their Silver and Gold Awards.

Deputy Mayor McHugh reported that the Open Space Committee will meet on May 27<sup>th</sup> to discuss several items.

### **Presentation – Library of the Chathams Capital Project**

Kevin Sullivan, Vice President of the Board of Trustees of the Library of the Chathams, and Karen Brodsky, Library Director, provided a presentation regarding the Library's proposed capital improvement project.

The presentation reviewed the condition of the Library building and infrastructure, including HVAC, electrical and plumbing systems, and discussed long-term repair and modernization needs. The presenters reviewed engineering studies regarding humidity and HVAC issues, prior repair expenditures, and the history of the building's additions and renovations.

The presenters further reviewed the proposed scope of improvements, including modernization of library spaces, replacement of mechanical systems, improvements to archival and meeting spaces, and continued preservation of the Library building. The Committee was advised regarding the estimated project costs, grant funding received from the State of New Jersey, library reserve funding, and the remaining balance to be funded.

Mr. Shehady asked what steps would be taken by the Library Trustees once the funding is in place, and what would happen if there is a shortfall. Mr. Sullivan discussed fundraising efforts. Mr. Shehady noted the potential of having a referendum on the question of the Township and Borough providing the matching funds. Deputy Mayor McHugh asked what would happen if either municipality does not offer the matching funds. Mr. Sullivan said that the Library will continue fundraising efforts.

### **Hearing of Citizens**

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

### **Introduction of Ordinances**

#### Ordinance 2026-09

#### **ORDINANCE 2026-09**

#### **CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE MAKING OF VARIOUS ACQUISITIONS IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP, APPROPRIATING THEREFOR THE SUM OF \$500,000 AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE RAISED FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND 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 acquisitions in, by and for the Township, including, but not limited to:

(A) Department of Public Works

Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery and a new automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, consisting of (i) a mower and (ii) a pickup truck with plow.

Estimated Cost: \$175,000

(B) Police Department

Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery and a new automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, consisting of (i) body cameras and (ii) an SUV.

Estimated Cost: \$169,000

(C) Volunteer Fire Departments

Acquisition of new communication and signal systems equipment and new additional or replacement equipment and machinery consisting of (i) radios, (ii) self-contained breathing apparatus equipment, (iii) turnout gear and (iv) rescue struts and air bags.

Estimated Cost: \$156,000

Section 2. The sum of \$500,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the acquisitions authorized and described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be raised from the Capital Improvement Fund of the Township. The sum of \$500,000 is hereby appropriated from the Capital Improvement Fund of the Township to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 3. Said acquisitions are lawful capital improvements of the Township having a period of usefulness of at least five (5) years. Said acquisitions shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor. Said acquisitions shall be made as general improvements, no part of the cost of which shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

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.

Mayor Rowland said that this year's capital ordinance is not as high as prior years, as 2026 is a tight fiscal year. Mr. Shehady provided an overview of the appropriations. He also stated that the items in the ordinance are needs rather than wants.

Deputy Mayor McHugh moved to introduce Ordinance 2026-09. Committeewoman Ewald seconded the motion.

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

Mr. LaConte announced that the Public Hearing on Ordinance 2026-09 will be scheduled for June 23, 2026.

Ordinance 2026-10

**ORDINANCE 2026-10**

**ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP CODE CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE III, DEPARTMENTS ESTABLISHED, SECTION 2-11.7, POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Chatham (the "**Township**") desires to amend the Township Code, Chapter 2, Administration, Article III, Departments Established, Section 2-11.7, Police Department Personnel, to increase the number of patrol officers in the Township from a maximum of fourteen (14) to a maximum of fifteen (15); and

**WHEREAS**, the increase of one (1) additional police officer increasing the total number of sworn officers from twenty-two (22) to twenty-three (23) brings the Township's ratio of number of police officers per number of residents to a number more consistent with surrounding jurisdictions resulting in a strengthened staffing resilience, improved patrol coverage capacity, and continued delivery of high-quality public safety services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township understands that maintaining appropriate staffing levels within the Police Department is essential to effective community policing, operational readiness, and long-term strategic planning and therefore desires to amend the Township Code to increase the maximum number of patrol officers to fifteen (15) thereby increasing the total number of sworn officers to twenty-three (23).

**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.** Township Code Chapter 2, Administration, Article III, Departments Established, Section 2-11.7, Police Department Personnel, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**§ 2-11.7 Police Department Personnel.**

The Police Department shall consist of a Chief of Police, up to two (2) Lieutenants, up to five (5) Sergeants, and up to fifteen (15) Patrol Officers. In addition, there may be clerical staff as shall be deemed necessary from time to time by the Township Committee.

**Section 3.** If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, division, clause or provisions so adjudicated and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

**Section 4.** All Ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**Section 5.** This Ordinance shall take effect according to law.

Mayor Rowland said that this ordinance adds an additional patrolman to the Police Department structure.

Committeeman Alperowitz moved to introduce Ordinance 2026-10. Committeeman Choi seconded the motion.

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

Mr. LaConte announced that the Public Hearing on Ordinance 2026-10 will be scheduled for June 23, 2026.

**Consent Agenda**

**RESOLUTION 2026-100**

**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 \$1,131,836.35 and the prior month’s payroll of \$556,490.53 Current Fund, \$63,173.9 Sewer Utility, \$142.11 Open Space and \$42,070.61 Police Private Employment be paid.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that taxes due to the School District of the Chathams, for the month of May 2026, in the amount of \$3,843,178.00 be paid.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that taxes due to the County of Morris, for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2026, in the amount of \$2,882,672.84 be paid.

**RESOLUTION 2026-101**

**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 meeting held on April 28, 2026 and May 12, 2026.

**RESOLUTION 2026-102**

**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 meeting held on April 28, 2026.

**RESOLUTION 2026-103**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, AMENDING EMPLOYEE SALARIES FOR THE YEAR 2026**

**WHEREAS**, the salaries of certain officers and the pay or compensation of certain positions and employees within the Township of Chatham that are not covered by a collective bargaining agreement are required to be set by resolution.

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

1. For the following enumerated officers, employees, or positions, employed prior to January 1, 2026, the Township shall pay the following respective salaries or compensation set forth below retroactive to January 1, 2026 until this resolution shall be amended or repealed, as to the respective officers, appointees to said offices, position or employment:

<b>Full-Time &amp; Part-Time Salaried Officials/Employees</b>		
<b>Governing Body</b>		
Township Committee		\$1,200
<b>Administration</b>		
Township Administrator	Ziad Andrew Shehady	\$219,000
Administrative Assistant	Peter Travers	\$57,290
Administrative Assistant	Caleigh Snyder	\$62,315
Governmental Access TV Video Producer	Alexandra Gonzalez-Castillo	\$7,200
<b>Clerk</b>		
Municipal Clerk & Registrar	Gregory LaConte	\$83,690
Deputy Registrar	Peter Travers	\$1,590

<b>Treasury &amp; Finance</b>		
Chief Financial Officer & QPA	Debra King	\$174,460
Tax Assessor	Glen Sherman	\$37,130
Tax Collector	Kristin Walz	\$103,970
Assistant Tax & Utility Collector	Brett Trout	\$46,320
Assistant Tax Assessor	Brett Trout	\$46,320
Assistant Treasurer	Edward Davenport	\$108,510
<b>Construction &amp; Building</b>		
Construction Official	John Daniels	\$109,085
Sub-Code Official/Inspector (Building)	John Daniels	\$23,710
Technical Assistant & Administrative Assistant	Christine Morgan	\$69,010
<b>Land Use</b>		
Zoning Officer	John Daniels	\$4,375
Board Manager	Kali Tsimboukis	\$51,210
Fire Prevention Official	James Rothenberger	\$27,165
<b>Police</b>		
Chief of Police	Tom Miller	\$205,979
Administrative Assistant	Susan Marotta	\$56,565
Administrative Assistant	Scott Baumann	\$62,185
<b>Public Works</b>		
Public Works Manager	Richard Young	\$151,950
Assistant Public Works Manager	Donald Kidd	\$143,505
Administrative Assistant	Christie Tragno	\$63,625
<b>Stipend &amp; Part-Time, Non-Salaried Positions</b>		
Emergency Management Coordinator	Tom Miller	\$6,000
Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator	Richard Young	\$4,000
<b>Board of Health Secretary</b>		
Board of Health Secretary	Gregory LaConte	\$11,410
Planning Board Secretary	Gregory LaConte	\$250 per meeting
Zoning Board Secretary	Gregory LaConte	\$250 per meeting
Supplemental Video Camera Operator		\$35.00 per hour
<b>Sub-Code Inspector (Building)</b>		
Sub-Code Inspector (Building)	Robert Lubczenko	\$53.00 per hour
<b>Sub-Code Official/Inspector (Electrical)</b>		
Sub-Code Official/Inspector (Electrical)	Ralph Contardo	\$57.00 per hour
<b>Sub-Code Inspector (Plumbing)</b>		
Sub-Code Inspector (Plumbing)	Angelo Curiazza	\$55.00 per hour
<b>Sub-Code Official/Inspector (Plumbing)</b>		
Sub-Code Official/Inspector (Plumbing)	Ben Scotti	\$60.00 per hour
<b>Sub-Code Official/Inspector (Fire)</b>		
Sub-Code Official/Inspector (Fire)	James Fonzino	\$57.00 per hour
<b>Crossing Guard</b>		
Crossing Guard	Selvete Bruncaj	\$26.75 per hour
Crossing Guard	Richard Crater, Jr.	\$26.75 per hour
Crossing Guard	James Martinsen	\$26.75 per hour
Crossing Guard	Robert Krickus	\$26.75 per hour

2. The Township retains the right to pay compensation at amounts of less than those listed herein for officials and employees duly hired to replace vacant offices and positions during the term of this resolution.
3. All resolutions, or provisions thereof inconsistent with this resolution are hereby repealed and the compensation herein established supersedes all previous compensation established by said ordinance/resolutions.
4. If any part of this resolution shall be invalid, such part shall be deemed severable and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining parts of this resolution.

**RESOLUTION 2026-104**

**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:

<u>IB1BNAME</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>A/C NUMBER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Chokshi Chintan 82 Sunset Drive Chatham, NJ 07928	BOA-25-011	E7766852858	\$442.05
Mason & Jordan Blacker 2940 Mimosa Court Virginia Beach, VA 23453	BOH-2024-3	E-77-66-646-079	\$350.50

**RESOLUTION 2026-105**

**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:

<b>Property</b>	<b>Cert #</b>	<b>Lien Holder</b>	<b>Total</b>
Block 64.05, Lot 4.08 18c Heritage Drive Timothy/Robert G. Morgan	24-00008	Pro Cap 8 LLC PO Box 774 Fort Washington, PA 19034	Premium: \$1,200.00 Principal: \$1,262.66 Interest: \$32.85 <hr/> Payout: \$2,495.51
Block 84, Lot 16 309 Shunpike Road David H. & Marla D. Drury	24-00009	Pro Cap 8 LLC PO Box 774 Fort Washington, PA 19034	Premium: \$00.00 Principal: \$1,713.64 Interest: \$122.13 <hr/> Payout: \$1,835.77
Block 95, Lot 30 338 Shunpike Caplan Joint Venture C/O J Guerrini	17-00009	Lavallette Capital LLC 49 Wickham Way Chatham, NJ 07928	Premium: \$00.00 Principal: \$82,941.35 Interest: \$58,701.76 <hr/> Payout: \$141,643.11

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Tax Collector is authorized to prepare and sign a Discharge of Certificate 24-00008, 24-00009 and Certificate 17-00009.

**RESOLUTION 2026-106**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF PROCUREMENT CARDS**

**WHEREAS**, the State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services issued Local Finance Notice AU 2003-1, adopting rules and permitting the use of

procurement cards (P-Cards) by local units, codified under N.J.A.C. 5:30-9A and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-16; and

**WHEREAS**, the statute permits a municipality to adopt policies that permit specific use of P-cards for the acquisition of goods and services under certain circumstances set forth in the statute, and

**WHEREAS**, U.S Bank National Association, under State Contract TM4022, is the authorized State Contract vendor to provide Procurement Card Services; and

**WHEREAS**, transactions must comply with provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law and the use of a Procurement Card will not change or eliminate any provisions of that law, and

**WHEREAS**, internal controls that ensure compliance with the statutory authorization and the Local Finance Board's rules will be in place and amended to the Township's Purchasing Manual.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Chatham that the use of a Procurement Card in accordance with NJSA 40A:5:5-16 and NJAC 5:30-9A is hereby authorized; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Township CFO shall hereby be authorized to engage U.S Bank National Association for Procurement Card Services.

#### **RESOLUTION 2026-107**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM APPOINTING MEMBERS OF LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey that the following individuals be appointed to the Local Emergency Management Council for a term ending December 31, 2026:

Jennifer Rowland  
Craig Alperowitz  
Ziad Shehady  
Chief Tom Miller  
Richard Young  
Marconi Gapas  
Chief  
Chief  
Captain  
Sara Huisiking  
Fr. Kevin Corcoran  
Dr. Emily Sortino  
Megan Tavormina  
James Preimesberger

Mayor  
Public Safety Committee Member  
Township Administrator  
Chief of Police  
Department of Public Works Superintendent  
Health Officer  
Chatham Township Volunteer Fire Department  
Green Village Volunteer Fire Department  
Chatham Emergency Squad  
Red Cross Administrator  
Religious Representative  
Superintendent, School District of the Chathams  
Private Sector Representative  
Private Sector Representative

#### **RESOLUTION 2026-109**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE SOLICITATION OF BIDS FOR A SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT ON A PORTION OF SHUNPIKE ROAD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Chatham (the "**Township**") was awarded a Safe Routes to School Grant to provide for the construction of sidewalks on Shunpike Road from Falmouth Road to Pine Street, Federal Project No. TAP-0646(301), State Job No. 6805303 (the "**Contract**"); and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq. (the "**LPCL**"), the Township desires to solicit bids for 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 as follows:

1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. 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.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

#### **RESOLUTION 2026-110**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE SOLICITATION OF BIDS FOR MILLING AND RESURFACING OF RIVER ROAD IN THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW**

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq. (the “LPCL”), the Township of Chatham (the “Township”) desires to solicit bids for an operator for the milling and resurfacing of River Road from Fairmont Avenue to Passaic Street in the Township of Chatham (the “Project”); 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; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township received a grant from New Jersey Department of Transportation (the “NJDOT”) Municipal Aid Project in the amount of \$252,707 (the “Grant”) to utilize in connection with the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, Project plans and specifications were prepared and submitted to the NJDOT for approval.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham as follows:

1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. Subject to prior approval by the NJDOT, the Township Committee hereby authorizes the Township’s Qualified Purchasing Agent, under the direction of the Township Administrator and in consultation with the Township Engineer and Township Attorney, to prepare bid specifications in accordance with the LPCL for the Project.
3. The Township Committee hereby further authorizes the Township Clerk, once the NJDOT authorizes the Project and the bid specifications have been prepared, to solicit bids pursuant to the LPCL for the Project, subject to receipt of the Grant.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**RESOLUTION 2026-111**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSALS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A 100% AFFORDABLE HOUSING RENTAL PROJECT ON A PORTION OF BLOCK 48.16, LOT 117.27, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 405 SOUTHERN BOULEVARD**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Chatham (the “Township”) adopted a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan pursuant to the Fair Housing Act, N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301 et seq. (the “Plan”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township owns property identified as Block 48.16, Lot 117.27, commonly known as 405 Southern Boulevard (the “Property”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township’s Plan identified the development of a 100% affordable family rental housing project on a portion of the Property to satisfy the Township’s fourth round affordable housing obligation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township prepared a request for qualifications and proposals (the “RFP”) from qualified and experienced developers to acquire a portion of the Property to design, fund, develop, construct, own and operate a 100% affordable family rental housing project (the “Project”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee has determined that issuance of the RFP for the Project is in the best interests of the Township.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham as follows:

1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Township Committee hereby authorizes the Township Administrator Township Clerk, Township Attorney, Township Engineer and all appropriate Township staff and professionals to prepare, advertise, distribute, administer, review and evaluate responses for the RFP for the development of a 100% affordable housing rental project on a portion of Block 48.16, Lot 117.27, commonly known as 405 Southern Boulevard.
3. The Township reserves the right to reject any and all submissions, waive informalities and irregularities, amend the RFP and terminate the RFP process in accordance with applicable law.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Committeeman Choi requested that Resolution 2026-108 be pulled for a separate vote.

Committeewoman Ewald moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Committeeman Alperowitz seconded the motion.

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

**Non-Consent Agenda**

**RESOLUTION 2026-108  
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM  
APPOINTING MEMBER TO JOINT RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that the following board and committee appointments be made:

**Joint Recreation**

1. Peter Tripp – Alternate (2026)

Committeeman Choi praised Mr. Tripp’s volunteerism, skills and experience. He said that Mr. Tripp will be a valuable member of both the Planning Board and the Joint Recreation Committee, and thanked him for stepping up to serve on municipal boards.

Committeewoman Ewald moved to adopt Resolution 2026-108. Deputy Mayor McHugh seconded the motion.

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

Committeewoman Ewald moved to authorize a professional services agreement with Cipriani & Werner for specialized legal services. Deputy Mayor McHugh seconded the motion.

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

**Hearing of Citizens**

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

Committeeman Alperowitz moved to adjourn at 9:09 PM. Committeeman Choi seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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Gregory J. LaConte  
Municipal Clerk