

(This Meeting was held In-Person & via Zoom due to COVID-19)

**April 11, 2023 – AGENDA SESSION**

President Wollert called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. and read the Open Public Meeting Statement:

The notice requirements provided for in the “Open Public Meetings Act” have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given in a notice which was transmitted to the Times of Trenton and the Trentonian all on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of January 2023, filed with the Clerk of the Township of Ewing, and posted in the Ewing Township Municipal Complex.

The Public will have an opportunity to address the Council during the “Statements and Comments from Members of the Public” segment of the meeting. A member of the Public may sign in on the sheet at the front of the room or if you are joining us via Zoom, please use the raised hand function. You will be given five minutes of time for remarks and questions; questions should be directed to the Council President. When addressing the Council, please give your name and address.

**ROLL CALL**

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| ▪ Mr. Baxter – Present        | Joanna Mustafa, CFO (via Zoom)    |
| ▪ Ms. Keyes-Maloney – Present | Maeve Cannon, Attorney            |
| ▪ Mr. Schroth – Present       | Kim J. Macellaro, Municipal Clerk |
| ▪ Ms. Steward – Present       |                                   |
| ▪ President Wollert – Present |                                   |

**PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATIONS**

1. EWING HIGH SCHOOL UNIFIED BOWLING TEAM GROUP A STATE CHAMPIONS
2. EWING HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM GROUP 3 STATE CHAMPIONS/MERCER COUNTY CHAMPIONS
3. EWING HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS WRESTLING CHAMPION

The Council President read the Proclamation for the Ewing High School Unified Bowling Team Group A - State Champions.

(applause)

President Wollert and Council then presented the Proclamations.

(applause & picture taken)

The Council President read the Proclamation for the Ewing High School Girls Basketball Team Group 3 State Champions/Mercer County Champions.

(applause)

President Wollert, Council, and the Coach then presented the Proclamations. The Coach gave brief remarks.

(applause & picture taken)

The Council President read the Proclamation for the Ewing High School Girls Wrestling Champion.

(applause)

President Wollert and Council then presented the Proclamation.

(applause & picture taken)

Council President Wollert recognized several people in the audience.

The Council President said that they are going to discuss Discussion Item Nine first.

**DISCUSSION**

9. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADDITIONAL HONORARY NAME OF “MILDRED H. RUSSELL WAY” TO BE ADDED TO THE STREET SIGN AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF KING AVENUE AND RHODES AVENUE AND KING AVENUE AND BROWNING AVENUE

President Wollert said that Mrs. Russell recently passed away. She was a long-time community activist, a teacher, and a mentor to many children in this Town. As a member and President of the Brae Burn Civic Association, she held feet to the fire to make sure that things in her neighborhood were taken care of as they should be and that the people living in that neighborhood were well served. For years, she brought things to the attention of Council.

(applause)

Councilwoman Steward read the Resolution into the record.

The Council President thanked everyone from Mrs. Russell's neighborhood for coming tonight to pay tribute to Mrs. Russell and the work she did.

Vice President Baxter commented that Council does not do many of these so that puts Mrs. Russell in a class by herself. If you knew Mrs. Russell, you would know that she was very deserving of this award. The Councilman appreciates the Brae Burn Association for reaching out requesting this and the Administration for acting so fast. Mrs. Russell was a great person; a person who meant what she said and said what she meant. It was an honor to get to know her and to learn things from her. She educated and advocated for those that needed it. She wanted to make sure that everybody had equal treatment and got equal representation. God bless Mrs. Russell.

(applause)

Councilwoman Keyes-Maloney said that she can hear her. She will miss her challenging everyone to be a better Community. Her legacy is in hearing her all the time whether it is in this Room, her neighborhood, or in this Town. There are some folks on this planet who just make a difference. She made this Council, this Administration, and this Town better. This is a small way to honor that legacy. Her legacy, in the coming days and years, can be honored by making sure Ewing becomes the Community she wanted Ewing to be. She will be missed.

(applause)

Councilwoman Steward said that it takes a special person to do what Councilman Baxter said – to tell it like it is all the time but also earn the respect and the trust of the Community and its leaders. She learned so much from Mrs. Russell...the honest and sincere way that she brought concerns forward. It was always about the Community. The world needs more people like Mrs. Russell who build Community with their bare hands, who do the work, who fight to make things better and who speak up for people whose voices are not always heard. They dedicate themselves to continue to live in that spirit. Keeping the Community as strong as Mrs. Russell always dreamed it could be is the best gift that they can give.

(applause)

Councilman Schroth said that Mrs. Russell was a rare human being who between her teaching and her advocacy in the Community touched thousands of lives. There is not a doubt in his mind that they are all better off for being touched by Mrs. Russell. The Councilman said that he can hear and see her right now in front of them saying 'moving right along' (laughter). There is no doubt that they are a better Council and better individuals for it. She affected him; she will be missed.

(applause)

Mayor Steinmann said Mrs. Russell carried a lot of water for a lot of people. Not a day or a week would go by that he would not get a message and/or a phone call from Mrs. Russell telling him that he could do a better job. She always had the Community in mind. She sometimes forgot that the Community is all of Ewing Township, she really concentrated on the Brae Burn / Ewing Park portion of the Township. It was a pleasure working with her even though they sometimes would butt heads. Overall, when you look at her life and what she accomplished, she did a hell of a job in Ewing Township. She will be missed.

(applause)

There were no additional questions or comments from Council. There were no questions or comments from the Public.

President Wollert said that she knows many in the audience; how they worked with Mrs. Russell and how they feel about their Community. Council looks forward to seeing the next Mrs. Russell raise from the group and keep plugging away for the neighborhood and for Ewing as a whole. Council looks forward to working with all of them.

(applause)

1. AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023 TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

President Wollert said that this is something the Township does every year. The State encouraged the Township to do this years ago. In her view, it is a safety valve. It is not being done to raise the amount of borrowing but rather to keep avenues open in the event of a major emergency when the Township may need to access additional funds.

There were no questions or comments from Council.

(A member of the Ewing High School Unified Bowling Team arrived. The Council President read and presented the Proclamation to him. Applause & photo taken)

Victoria Mark (Glendale section of Ewing) asked if the Cap was used last year. Council President Wollert replied – no and added that she does not remember dipping into it ever.

There were no additional questions or comments from the Public.

This Item was Approved for Action.

2. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 325, STREETS AND SIDEWALKS, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, TO ADD ARTICLE VI, CONSTRUCTION OR REPAIR OF SIDEWALKS

The Attorney explained that two years ago, this Chapter was amended to provide for a Street Opening Ordinance that had been developed by the Township Engineers. The numbering resulted in the inadvertent deletion of the Sidewalk Ordinance which construction officials use to cite developers and homeowners for deteriorating sidewalks. It was brought to the attention of the Clerk's Office last week. This is just a reinstatement of a pre-existing Ordinance. There are no changes; it is being brought back wholesale.

Councilwoman Keyes-Maloney commented that her questions were answered by Counsel.

There were no additional questions or comments from Council.

Victoria Mark (Glendale section of Ewing) asked what does this Ordinance say? Mayor Steinmann responded that the Ordinance says that snow needs to be removed from sidewalks within twenty-four hours. A homeowner can be cited if their sidewalks are in disrepair, and a homeowner is responsible for fixing them. It was inadvertently left out when the Ordinance was redrafted a year or so ago. It is being put back so it can be enforced.

Marisa Henderson (Ewing Park/Brae Burn, via Zoom) said that she does not recall this being in the Ordinance but that she will trust that it was. She has an issue with permits being required to fix sidewalks.

President Wollert replied that it was always like that. As the Attorney stated, this was inadvertently left out. This is nothing new.

Ms. Henderson reiterated that she trusts that it is nothing new. Her problem is that once again the Township is going after the Seniors; another cost to them. Because she noticed this was on the agenda, she took a walk around Higgs Park to look at the sidewalks. All around Buttonwood and Moody Park, the sidewalks are in disrepair. She said that you should start in your own backyard; the Township should rectify their issues before one more costly thing is put on the Seniors and Township residents.

President Wollert asked Ms. Henderson to report any sidewalks that represent tripping hazards so the homeowner can be notified.

Ms. Henderson said that she is speaking about Moody Park which belongs to Ewing Township. Construction people shovel the sidewalks so they should have reported it to the Township.

Council President Wollert replied if they saw something.

Ms. Henderson said that they could not miss two to three-inch cracks.

President Wollert said that the Mayor will take that into consideration and thanked Ms. Henderson for bringing it to their attention.

(crosstalk)

Ms. Henderson said that before this is put back in, since it was inadvertently removed, these issues should be looked at.

President Wollert thanked Ms. Henderson for her comments and said that she is sure it will be reviewed.

There were no additional questions or comments from the Public.

3. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, CHAPTER 421 ANIMAL SLAUGHTERING AND PROCESSING FACILITIES, SECTIONS 1, 15 AND 16

The Attorney explained that this is being amended to remove goats and sheep from the definition of animals that are permitted to be slaughtered in Ewing Township. There are very limited locations where slaughterhouses are permitted. It is permitted only in the IP3 Zone. There is one licensed slaughterhouse in the Township. The Health Officer brought it to the attention of the Administration, that it permitted goats and sheep. The proposal to Council is that it be limited to poultry and rabbits.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

This Item was Approved for Action.

4. RESOLUTION OF EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION

Council President Wollert said that this is something Council does to provide funding prior to the Budget being adopted. She anticipates that this is the last time Council will need to do this this year.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

This Item was Approved for Action.

5. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING AND THE COUNTY OF MERCER FOR THE PROVISION OF A PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER, PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATOR, PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SUPERVISOR AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST/LEAD INSPECTOR-RISK ASSESSOR TO OVERSEE THE FUNCTIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP'S PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICE

President Wollert said that this is an ongoing agreement that the Township contract a Shared Service Agreement with the County for the provision of these services.

Vice President Baxter asked, regarding the Specialist/Lead Inspector, he thought the Township had a Shared Service with the City of Trenton for lead.

Mayor Steinmann replied that they do. They are not really doing their job. There are a couple of cases that are a couple years old that need to be taken care of. As of January 1<sup>st</sup>, the Township will be doing lead inspections themselves. The two health inspectors have taken the courses and the Township has bought the lead machine which is much safer than the original one. The Construction Office will handle the initial case. They can only do the visual check and look for dust. For anything else, they call the Health Department. The County Shared Service Agreement is on a month-to-month right now.

Councilwoman Keyes-Maloney said that she knows it is month-to-month at this point; this will be for a term through February 2024. Appendices A is for the Lead Inspector and the Health Specialist who work together depending on the need.

The Mayor replied – correct.

Councilwoman Keyes-Maloney said that there are caps for the other roles the Township currently has with the County.

Mayor Steinmann replied – correct.

The Councilwoman said that she had the same question as Councilman Baxter around the Trenton relationship and how this would be layered on top.

The Mayor said that the Township is trying to take as much back in-house as possible because a lot of things were not being addressed in a timely fashion.

Councilwoman Keyes-Maloney said that that explains the budgetary increases in the proposed Budget to fund the additional requirements and the Shared Service.

There were no additional questions or comments from Council.

Marisa Henderson (via Zoom) said that the Township has its own Health Inspectors.

President Wollert replied – yes, two.

Ms. Henderson said they would not be taking over the Township's health inspections.

The Council President replied – no.

Ms. Henderson commented that it is difficult to understand when Council is speaking. She and others are hearing every other word.

Ms. Henderson said that she thought she understood that Construction would take the first look and if they see something, they will then notify the Health Department.

The Mayor replied – correct. When a house comes on the market or if there is an issue with the house, depending on the year the house was built – before 1978 - (They will go up to 1980 because materials could still be used if in stock.) Construction will do a visual and dust check. If it goes deeper than that, if there are other signs there might be lead, the two Health Inspectors, who are now trained, will do the inspection.

Ms. Henderson commented, given resources, since a homeowner has their own inspections done, which includes lead, why is the Township doing a duplicate?

Mayor Steinmann replied that it is not being duplicated. The homeowner has the option – they can hire their own private inspector, or they can use the Township.

There were no additional questions or comments from the Public.

This Item was Approved for Action.

6. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A REAR MOUNTED INSULATED OVERCENTER ARTICULATED AERIAL PLATFORM LIFT BUCKET TRUCK FROM THE NATIONAL JOINT PURCHASING ALLIANCE AKA SOURCEWELL IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$236,854.00

The Council President said that this was requested by Public Works. This equipment is needed to trim trees within the parks. They are also responsible for changing lights on the playing fields. This will alleviate the need for heavy fire trucks to go out on the fields to do this. The initial estimate was \$275,000.00, so it represents a savings when it went out to the Purchasing Alliance. The Town should receive it by the end of the month.

Mayor Steinmann said that the Township's tree truck breaks down frequently. The last time the arm was extended, they could not get the bucket down. They had been meaning to purchase this truck for a while. This fell into the Township's lap at a cheaper price.

Councilwoman Steward asked if this is from last year's Capital Budget?

Mayor Steinmann replied – no, out of surplus.

Councilwoman Steward said that she wanted to make sure that the Township is not borrowing for this.

There were no additional questions or comments from Council.

Walter Henderson (Ewing Park/Brae Burn) stated that this is quite a bit of money and then asked why not a spider lift?

Mayor Steinmann responded that because Public Works will be using it for several different situations...

Mr. Henderson said that a spider could also be used for different types of things...

The Mayor said that this is what the Director of Public Works and those that work with this every day want.

Mr. Henderson commented - what they want, not what residents want? It is a quarter million dollars. A spider is half the price and then the Township can get a chip truck.

Mayor Steinmann responded that he is not going to argue with Mr. Henderson as to which equipment is better or cheaper. The Township does everything through State Contracting which is also the quickest way to get the truck here. Mr. Henderson commented that he is speaking from experience. The Mayor thanked Mr. Henderson for his comment.

Marisa Henderson (via Zoom) stated that she agrees with what her husband just said. Since this is not used every day, why can't the Township use a Shared Service for this equipment. A quarter million – for this machine? The workers are not trained to use this equipment because those working in Higgs Park asked her husband for advice and what they did there was a disaster. Since 1991, when lights were put in Higgs Park, nothing has happened with those fields and the Town is going to spend a quarter of a million dollars because someone wants this machine. She wants her leaves picked up with a \$300,000 vacuum. With all due respect to the Mayor, residents are asked to come to these meetings and speak. That does not mean that they are arguing with him. It means that they are giving their input because it is their tax money. She took offense when “arguing with me” was said to her and now it was said to her husband. That is what they are here for, it is their tax money. They chose Mr. Steinmann to be their Mayor. Ms. Henderson said that Mayor Steinmann does not have all the expertise on everything, if he did, he would not need anybody, he would just run the show on his own. It is not appropriate to spend a quarter of a million dollars on this equipment when Mrs. Russell is still waiting for a vacuum system. People have objections and should not be put off to the next meeting when answers can be given now.

There were no additional questions or comments from the Public.

This Item was Approved for Action.

7. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF POOL SHADES FOR THE HOLLOWBROOK POOLS FROM MARTURANO RECREATION COMPANY STATE CONTRACT 16-FLEET-00121 T0103

Council President Wollert said that this is the continuation of ongoing improvements to the Township pools. The shades offer protection from the sun. They will be purchased for this year.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

This Item was Approved for Action.

8. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A CAMEL MAX SERIES COMBINATION SEWER CLEANER-TIP/DUMP TRUCK FROM THE NATIONAL JOINT PURCHASING ALLIANCE AKA SOURCEWELL IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$450,967.00

President Wollert said that this equipment will be used to clean out sewers and pick-up debris. The Town has been waiting on these kinds of things for years now because of COVID.

Mayor Steinmann added that this was ordered almost three years ago and was supposed to be delivered on several occasions. The original company told the Township that they could not sell it for that price – they kept raising the price. Sourcewell said that they could deliver a tandem truck to the Township by the end of September/beginning of October. The price difference is \$54,000.00. It will carry more water, the auger is 1,000 feet instead of 750 feet, and has more amenities.

There were no questions or comments from Council.

Marisa Henderson (via Zoom) said that this machine had already been purchased, the money should have been put aside.

Council President Wollert said that the money had been put aside. As the Mayor said, the Town has been waiting for a couple of years. The company could not provide it. The money is there; it is not new money.

After reading the Resolution title, Ms. Henderson said if this is asking for authorization and it is \$50,000.00 more than the original, should the Resolution be for that amount – the difference?

The Attorney explained that Council must approve any contract that the Township enters into. This would be a new authorization to purchase this piece of equipment from this particular entity in the entire amount for this vehicle. It is a new contract.

Councilwoman Steward added that the Certification of Funds indicates that it is coming from last year's Capital Budget, so the money is there.

Councilwoman Keyes-Maloney added that a Capital Plan is a spending plan and sometimes the cost will come in lower, sometimes it will come in higher. It is part of the plan to set the money aside, but Council still must approve the actual purchase. That is the process Council is going through tonight.

Ms. Henderson asked what exactly does this machine do?

Mayor Steinmann replied that it sucks out or augers out all the debris in a storm drain.

Ms. Henderson said that this is something that Ewing Township takes care of?

The Council President replied – yes. The equipment the Township used for this does not work and needs to be replaced.

Ms. Henderson said that she thought it was another piece of equipment that needed to be replaced.

Council President Wollert said that the Township has several pieces of equipment that have deteriorated over the years and need to be replaced on a rotational basis, to keep the fleet up to par in performance and safety. It is Council's job to appropriate funding to allow the Township to function as it should in a safe environment.

Ms. Henderson commented that it is important that employees are trained and get OSHA certification.

President Wollert said any necessary training or certification is provided.

Ms. Henderson asked the Mayor to make sure that Township employees are getting the training they are supposed to get. She asked that all employees be checked for certification.

Sara Hendrickson (481 Walker Avenue, via Zoom) said that Public Works is trained on new equipment. Public Works does a lot of work; she sees the work that they do. They are trained to do this. If they need special equipment, they need special equipment. The storm drains need to be cleaned out; it is hard for them to take the grate off and scrape it with a shovel.

The Council President said that hopefully, this new equipment will create improvements in how they can get that debris out. They will be able to work more quickly.

Ms. Henderson (via Zoom) added that she knows many Road Department employees. She was not disrespecting them. For their safety, she wants them to get all the training that they can get. She was not saying that they did not know what they were doing as was just implied. Her husband did not allow a contractor to raise prices or to not deliver. He got what was in the signed contract. The Township could do that, by law.

Ron Prykanowski (16 Thurston Avenue) said that the Township belongs to a JIF which has requirements for safety, not only for employees, but also for equipment. Between JIF, PEOSHA, and OSHA, all employees are covered by safety regulations and routine safety meetings.

Mayor Steinmann commented that Mr. Prykanowski is correct. Every six months, PEOSHA safety meetings are held. PEOSHA was here four months ago and gave the Township a clean bill of health. Every time there is a new piece of equipment, employees are trained by both the manufacturer and by someone the Township hires. The crew is sent out with the trainer in real-life exercises. If there are any shortcomings, it is fixed then. Employees are qualified and trained. Every employee is given the opportunity to operate a piece of equipment.

There were no additional questions or comments from the Public.

This Item was Approved for Action.

(Council President Wollert briefly discussed Item Nine again)

## BILLS LIST

1. A Resolution Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Pay Bills in the Amount of \$946,841.28 and to Pay Supplemental Bills per Resolution #23R-12 in the Amount of \$43,443.39

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

The Bills List was approved for Action.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Council President Wollert presented the Consent Agenda for review.

1. Approval of Agenda Session Minutes for January 10, 2023, January 24, 2023; Approval of Regular Session Minutes for January 10, 2023, January 24, 2023
2. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$955.59 for November 1, 2021 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Taxes to Sterling Title Agency LLC, 2662 Nottingham Way, Hamilton, NJ 08619, for property owner 52 Evans Avenue LLC, for Block: 306 Lot: 25 also known as 349 Hillcrest Avenue due to overpayment.
3. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$1,347.97 for November 1, 2021 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Taxes to US Bank Trust, c/o Hudson Homes Mgmt., 8240 NW 52<sup>nd</sup> Terrace #200, Doral, FL 33166, for property owner US Bank Trust, c/o Hudson Homes Mgmt., for Block: 135 Lot: 238 also known as 24 Keswick Avenue due to overpayment.
4. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$2,110.48 for November 1, 2021 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Taxes to Title Evolution, 230 Farnsworth Avenue, Bordentown, NJ 08505, for property owner Ablakwa, Christian & Cynthia A., for Block: 290.01 Lot: 72 also known as 24 Kinney Drive due to overpayment.
5. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$161.93 for 2023 Sewer to Monnens, Godelieve, 610 Latona Avenue, Ewing, NJ 08618, for property owner Monnens, Godelieve, for Block: 447 Lot: 4 also known as 610 Latona Avenue due to overpayment.
6. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$1,333.73 for November 1, 2021 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Taxes to US Bank Trust, c/o Hudson Homes Mgmt., 8240 NW 52<sup>nd</sup> Terrace #200, Doral, FL 33166, for property owner US Bank Trust, c/o Hudson Homes Mgmt., for Block: 189 Lot: 142 also known as 20 Mabel Street due to overpayment.
7. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$15,132.90 for 2023 Sewer to Ewing Properties LLC, c/o Hilton Mgmt., 902 Carnegie Center #400, Princeton, NJ 08540, for property owner Ewing Properties LLC, c/o Hilton Mgmt., for Block: 341.01 Lot: 5.01 also known as Silvia Street due to overpayment.
8. A Resolution Authorizing a Cancellation and Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector, a Cancellation of the Added/Omitted Levy and a Refund in the amount of \$6,528.56 for August 1, 2022 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Taxes to PennyMac, Attn: Tax Dept., 6101 Condor Drive, Moorpark, CA 93021 for property owner Jarrett, Delano & Fayana, for Block: 105.10, Lot: 25 also known as 27 Stoneham Road. Parcel was issued a 2022 Added/Omitted levy for 6 months of improvement assessment due to the MODIV rollback. Assessor Appeal #02-2200045AO corrected the improvement assessment to a full 12 months. The partial 6-month levy needs to be cancelled and the payment from PennyMac needs to be refunded.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.



The Consent Agenda was Approved for Action.

ORDINANCE(S) FOR FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION

(None for this Meeting)

ORDINANCE(S) FOR SECOND READING, PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL ADOPTION

(None for this Meeting)

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilwoman Keyes-Maloney reported that on April 5<sup>th</sup>, in coordination with the TCNJ Student Government Association, there was a clean-up at Hollowbrook and Higgs Park as well as St. John's. Sixty students did a day of clean-up in honor of Mrs. Russell. A Featured Artist reception was held on April 6<sup>th</sup>.

The Environmental Commission is busy on a "Skip the Straw" campaign on social media. This Saturday "A Day of Art", in coordination between the Arts Commission and the Student Government Association, will be held at the College from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. It will be a chance to see and hear from artists in the Community.

Vice President said that the Rec Advisory Board met last night. Ernie Doggett, who runs the ERBL Winter League, was there to make sure everyone understood the importance of the Township's recreational programs. The young ladies, who were here earlier, all went through the recreational program. They have played together for many years. Eleven out of the fifteen had been involved since 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> grade. It is the same with the boys. These programs are put on for kids to enjoy them and hopefully, become a feeder to the middle/high school programs.

Mr. Forst reported that Senior Aerobics is filling up quickly. 150 are already signed up, the max is 200.

Summer League Registration has started. The basketball courts at Moody will be made ready for the June start.

April 15<sup>th</sup> is Little League Opening Day 10:30 a.m. at Moody Park. That evening, the Recreation Hall of Fame will be honoring the 1975 Mercer County soccer champions (along with other teams). The program will take place at 6:30 p.m. at the Hibernian Club.

On April 28<sup>th</sup>, the Little League Field is being dedicated to Karen Bower who was a longtime advocate and Commissioner for Little League Baseball.

President Wollert reported that the Planning Board met last Thursday and approved fencing to be placed around the property Achira, Inc. who applied for a micro cannabis producer endorsement on Robbins Avenue. They have received their conditional approvals and are looking to move forward. They will be putting up a six-foot fence. The Mayor spoke about the type of fencing that will be required.

Councilwoman Steward reported that also on April 15<sup>th</sup> is the stream clean-up, in partnership with Watershed. They will be focusing on the Home Depot area. Those who register in advance will receive a tree sapling instead of a t-shirt. The following Saturday, the Green Team will be holding their annual parks clean-up at Moody Park.

Councilman Schroth said that the Drug & Alcohol Alliance has not yet met this month; he will report back after they meet.

There were no additional Council Comments.

NEW BUSINESS

(None for this Meeting)

STATEMENTS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Sara Hendrickson (481 Walker Avenue, via Zoom) commented that clean-ups should be done every month. The Township looks awful. The Green Team and the Environmental Commission always clean the same areas repeatedly and they do not go into the harder areas.

Ms. Hendrickson said that she could let them know where those areas are. Also, on windy days, the recycling just blows around and neighbors do not pick it up. The Town needs to start suggesting that people clean up. The Green Team and the Environmental Commission need to do a better job. Ms. Hendrickson said that in two years, she found ten straws, which is not bad; but the creeks look terrible. More volunteers are needed. Most of the volunteers are from the Watershed, not the Township. President Wollert acknowledged Ms. Hendrickson's work. She is out there all the time, cleaning up, looking to improve the Township.

Marisa Henderson (Ewing Park/Brae Burn, via Zoom) wanted an update on the leaf vacuum system and stated that Mrs. Russell asked her to follow-up.

Mayor Steinmann responded that the vacuum truck that has been discussed all night, will be delivered by the end of September/beginning of October. It is mostly for sewer cleaning, not for sucking up loose leaves off the street. The Township used to do that, then people started to throw other things into the leaf pile which caused additional maintenance problems. The Town then started bagging the leaves. The Mayor knows that that is unpopular with some, but there is about seventy-five percent compliance. Some ignore it which is why there are issues with the sewers. Bagging will not be changed anytime soon. For difficult cases, the vacuum truck will be used, but that is not the intent for this machine.

Ms. Henderson said, with all due respect, the minutes can be checked. It was not a suction machine for sewers that Mrs. Russell spent time speaking with the Administrator and coming to Town Hall – it was a leaf machine to pick up leaves off the street. It had nothing to do with the sewers. Mrs. Russell made a point to say that the big claw was scrapping up her sidewalks and curbing that she paid for. That is why she wanted a suction machine instead. She was told that it was coming.

(crosstalk)

President Wollert said that Council does not have the information in front of them to answer her question/comment right now. She will take her comments and asked Ms. Henderson to provide any documentation that she may have.

Councilwoman Steward asked, for her own clarification, is it not the same piece of equipment that they are discussing purchasing tonight?

Mayor Steinmann replied that it is the same piece of equipment that they had discussions on with Mrs. Russell. It is a fact that Mrs. Russell did primarily want a leaf truck to suck up leaves off the street. It had been explained to Mrs. Russell many times that they would be buying a suction truck but that it would not be used to suck up leaves for the reasons previously mentioned – people threw other debris into the leaf pile damaging the machine.

Councilwoman Steward stated that the point she wanted to clarify is that the piece of equipment that they have been talking about is coming to fruition. This piece of equipment has the capability to do that if the Township chose to use it in that fashion.

President Wollert stated – there is no second machine.

Sara Hendrickson (via Zoom) stated that she was there when the Administrator tried to explain to Mrs. Russell that the sucking machine is for the sewers and not for picking up leaves from the street. A lot of storm drains in Mercer County are not covered. Leaves in the street cause more problems than putting them in bags.

Mr. Henderson (Ewing Park/Brae Burn) stated that the Township used to let residents know when leaves would be picked up in their area. If residents were notified that would make a difference.

President Wollert responded that that was the problem. People would not have their leaves out. They would see the Township come around and then they would start raking their leaves. There is a difference of opinion. There were reasons why it was changed.

Mr. Henderson said more employees are needed.

Councilman Schroth summarized the situation. In the previous system, not all residents participated in a timely manner which caused problems with the sewers. Additionally, they put other debris in the leaf pile which damaged the truck, increasing repair costs. Bagging leaves obviated those issues.

Mr. Henderson commented that the guys need to be trained to put other debris off to the side. His employees are.

President Wollert said that training is another issue. It is a bit different when you are doing an entire Township.

Councilman Schroth added that that does not take away from the neighbors that do not participate in a timely fashion.

President Wollert commented that it is an ongoing problem; someone is always not going to be happy.

Marisa Henderson (Ewing Park/Brae Burn, via Zoom) suggested that since Public Works used to pick up trash before it was outsourced that Public Works pick up the bagged leaves manually. That way the claw would not scrape the curbs or breakup bags and diesel costs would be lowered. Ms. Henderson added that she did know what was going on with that leaf machine.

President Wollert said that Ms. Henderson's suggestion was heard as the Mayor is here. Council does not have the authority to put that in place, that would be the Administration along with the Department Head.

Ms. Henderson commented that Council works for the residents.

Council President Wollert replied that Council has certain responsibilities which are not universal and asked Ms. Henderson to appreciate that. Appointments to meet with the Mayor can be made through his Office.

There were no additional Statements and Comments from the Public.

#### CLOSED SESSION

(None for this Meeting)

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Wollert asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Schroth so moved seconded by Vice President. It was agreed by unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

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Kathleen Wollert, President

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Kim J. Macellaro, Municipal Clerk

(This Meeting was held In-Person & via Zoom due to COVID-19)

April 11, 2023 – REGULAR SESSION

President Wollert called the meeting to order at 8:32 p.m.

The Clerk gave the Invocation: Almighty God, we ask your blessings on the people who have been called to lead our community. Grant them and us the wisdom and courage to know and do what is right and good. Amen.

Flag Salute

Council President Wollert read the Open Public Meetings Statement:

The notice requirements provided for in the “Open Public Meetings Act” have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given in a notice which was transmitted to the Times of Trenton and the Trentonian all on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of January 2023, filed with the Clerk of the Township of Ewing, and posted in the Ewing Township Municipal Complex.

The Public will have an opportunity to address the Council during the “Statements and Comments from Members of the Public” segment of the meeting. A member of the Public may sign in on the sheet at the front of the room or if you are joining us via Zoom, please use the raised hand function. You will be given five minutes of time for remarks and questions; questions should be directed to the Council President. When addressing the Council, please give your name and address.

ROLL CALL

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| ▪ Mr. Baxter – Present        | Maeve Cannon, Attorney            |
| ▪ Ms. Keyes-Maloney – Present | Kim J. Macellaro, Municipal Clerk |
| ▪ Mr. Schroth – Present       |                                   |
| ▪ Ms. Steward – Present       |                                   |
| ▪ President Wollert – Present |                                   |

STATEMENTS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Victoria Mark (Glendale section of Ewing) asked if the First and Second Readings of an Ordinance are ever done within the same meeting or is there always a certain amount of time between the two readings?

Council President Wollert explained the Ordinance process.

Ms. Mark asked, during the time between Readings, is the Public made aware of the details of an Ordinance?

The Clerk responded that it is advertised in the Trenton Times.

Marisa Henderson (Brae Burn Heights, via Zoom) said that she used to live in Hopewell Township. Hopewell sent an email a week before asking if there were any questions.

President Wollert said that the agenda is published but there is no email list.

The Attorney added that the agenda is published on the website the Friday before the meeting. People will sometimes email the Clerk, the Administrator, the Mayor, or Council members. People with concerns or questions have several people that they can contact. The agenda plus all documents are published on the website the Friday before the meeting.

President Wollert said, in that sense, it is made available to a wider audience because it is on the website with the documents. Questions can be forwarded to the Clerk’s Office, Council members, or to the Administration.

Ms. Henderson clarified that any Discussion Items from tonight will be moved over tonight?

The Council President further explained the process of moving items over to the Regular Agenda. An Ordinance would be for First Reading, if it passes it will be considered for Second Reading at the next Council meeting. A Resolution is voted on and, if approved, will immediately be in effect.

Victoria Mark (Glendale section of Ewing) said that just having it on the Township website does not provide the Public with enough information. There are other avenues such as reverse 911, which is not just for emergencies, that touches more people.

President Wollert said that Ms. Mark's suggestion will be taken into consideration.

Ms. Mark said that with the sidewalk ordinance, people were cutoff. It was clear that it was going to move forward. She does not believe that Council heard anything.

President Wollert replied that Ms. Mark also needs to understand that it is First Reading. If voted up, it will be considered further at the next meeting when there will be a Public Hearing.

The Clerk stated that she posts everything on the website.

Ms. Mark stated that she believes many people in Ewing Township feel it is all a mystery. They do not know it is on the website. There are also problems with the contact information on the website. A lot of people used to come to Council meetings; people have given up and it is not right. The people need more consideration; to feel that Council is with them instead of just cutting them off.

Sara Hendrickson (via Zoom) said that when she spoke to Mr. McManimon, he said that only Planning and Zoning should not be on Zoom; the other Commissions should be. They are not.

President Wollert replied that she does not know how that decision is made; she suspects that the individual Commissions decide.

Ms. Hendrickson said that she likes to go to all the meetings. It would be easier if meetings were held via Zoom.

Mayor Steinmann added that not every location is set up for Zoom; for instance, the Hollowbrook Community Room. Others are not comfortable with Zoom and rather have people come in-person. That is their decision.

Ms. Hendrickson said that a lot of people use their phones.

Council President Wollert said that the meeting still needs to be set up to be accessible. Not every committee has access to it.

Marisa Henderson (Brae Burn Heights, via Zoom) asked about the construction being done at the corner of Woodland and Pennington Road. Many people were against it and were waiting for a traffic study. Now there is a fence going up around the property (her audio cutout).

President Wollert said that she does not have any details about that work.

There were no additional Statements and Comments from the Public.

#### BILLS LIST

1. The Clerk read (Resolution #23R-77) A Resolution Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Pay Bills in the Amount of \$946,841.28 and to Pay Supplemental Bills per Resolution #23R-12 in the Amount of \$43,443.39

Mr. Schroth moved the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Keyes-Maloney.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public. The Council President asked for a roll call.

#### ROLL CALL

Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Mr. Schroth	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
President Wollert	YES

The above-referenced Bills List Resolution and the Bills List are available in the Clerk's Office in the 2023 Resolution Book Number Two.

*The Clerk read: All items listed under Consent Agenda are considered routine by the Township Council and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately. There will be one motion for all items listed.*

CONSENT AGENDA

The Clerk read the Consent Agenda: (Resolution #23R-78/)

1. Approval of Agenda Session Minutes for January 10, 2023, January 24, 2023; Approval of Regular Session Minutes for January 10, 2023, January 24, 2023
2. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$955.59 for November 1, 2021 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Taxes to Sterling Title Agency LLC, 2662 Nottingham Way, Hamilton, NJ 08619, for property owner 52 Evans Avenue LLC, for Block: 306 Lot: 25 also known as 349 Hillcrest Avenue due to overpayment.
3. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$1,347.97 for November 1, 2021 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Taxes to US Bank Trust, c/o Hudson Homes Mgmt., 8240 NW 52<sup>nd</sup> Terrace #200, Doral, FL 33166, for property owner US Bank Trust, c/o Hudson Homes Mgmt., for Block: 135 Lot: 238 also known as 24 Keswick Avenue due to overpayment.
4. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$2,110.48 for November 1, 2021 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Taxes to Title Evolution, 230 Farnsworth Avenue, Bordentown, NJ 08505, for property owner Ablakwa, Christian & Cynthia A., for Block: 290.01 Lot: 72 also known as 24 Kinney Drive due to overpayment.
5. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$161.93 for 2023 Sewer to Monnens, Godelieve, 610 Latona Avenue, Ewing, NJ 08618, for property owner Monnens, Godelieve, for Block: 447 Lot: 4 also known as 610 Latona Avenue due to overpayment.
6. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$1,333.73 for November 1, 2021 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Taxes to US Bank Trust, c/o Hudson Homes Mgmt., 8240 NW 52<sup>nd</sup> Terrace #200, Doral, FL 33166, for property owner US Bank Trust, c/o Hudson Homes Mgmt., for Block: 189 Lot: 142 also known as 20 Mabel Street due to overpayment.
7. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$15,132.90 for 2023 Sewer to Ewing Properties LLC, c/o Hilton Mgmt., 902 Carnegie Center #400, Princeton, NJ 08540, for property owner Ewing Properties LLC, c/o Hilton Mgmt., for Block: 341.01 Lot: 5.01 also known as Silvia Street due to overpayment.
8. A Resolution Authorizing a Cancellation and Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector, a Cancellation of the Added/Omitted Levy and a Refund in the amount of \$6,528.56 for August 1, 2022 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Taxes to PennyMac, Attn: Tax Dept., 6101 Condor Drive, Moorpark, CA 93021 for property owner Jarrett, Delano & Fayana, for Block: 105.10, Lot: 25 also known as 27 Stoneham Road. Parcel was issued a 2022 Added/Omitted levy for 6 months of improvement assessment due to the MODIV rollback. Assessor Appeal #02-2200045AO corrected the improvement assessment to a full 12 months. The partial 6-month levy needs to be cancelled and the payment from PennyMac needs to be refunded.

Vice President Baxter moved the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Schroth. There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public. The Council President asked for a roll call.

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Schroth	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
President Wollert	YES

The above-referenced Minutes are available in the Clerk's Office in the 2023 Agenda Session and Regular Session Minute Books. The above-referenced Consent Agenda Resolutions are available in the Clerk's Office in the 2023 Resolution Book Number Two.

**ORDINANCE(S) FOR FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION**

1. The Clerk read (**Ordinance #23-07**) AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023 TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

President Wollert said that this is standard operating procedure and is recommended by the Local Government agency down at the Division of Community Affairs. It is done each year as protection against unanticipated needs.

Ms. Keyes-Maloney moved the Ordinance, seconded by Vice President Baxter.

There were no questions or comments from Council.

Victoria Mark (Glendale section of Ewing) asked how much would that amount – 3.5 – be?

President Wollert responded that it is a percentage.

The Attorney added that it reflects a percentage of the total budget. It rewards Towns for being fiscally prudent. A Town is allowed to take their Budget up to 2.5% or 3.5%. To the extent that a Town does not use that additional amount, it can be banked for an additional year for emergencies. It is not actual dollars. It is a theoretical amount that a Town is allowed to keep in order to go up to 3.5% the following year in the event that it is needed.

(crosstalk)

Councilwoman Steward added that the calculation is in the Budget.

(crosstalk)

The Attorney explained further.

Councilwoman Steward said that she quickly looked it up. It is \$2.4 million over three years.

(crosstalk)

Councilwoman Steward said that it is Sheet 3. It is complicated.

(crosstalk)

Mayor Steinmann added that after three years, it drops off. The Town has had a Cap Bank in place for many years, it has never been used.

President Wollert and Ms. Mark discussed this further.

There were no additional questions or comments from the Public. President Wollert asked for a roll call.

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Mr. Schroth	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
President Wollert	YES

2. The Clerk read (**Ordinance #23-08**) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 325, STREETS AND SIDEWALKS, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, TO ADD ARTICLE VI, CONSTRUCTION OR REPAIR OF SIDEWALKS

Mr. Schroth moved the Ordinance, seconded by Ms. Steward.

There were no questions or comments from Council.

Marisa Henderson (Brae Burn Heights, via Zoom) stated that she is trying to understand. Has this been approved?

President Wollert explained that it is being approved to go on the Agenda for Second Reading at Council's next meeting.

There were no additional questions or comments from the Public. President Wollert asked for a roll call.

**ROLL CALL**

Ms. Steward	YES
Mr. Schroth	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
President Wollert	YES

- The Clerk read (Ordinance #23-09) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, CHAPTER 421 ANIMAL SLAUGHTERING AND PROCESSING FACILITIES, SECTIONS 1, 15 AND 16

President Wollert said that this is a minimal change to an existing Ordinance.

Ms. Keyes-Maloney moved the Ordinance, seconded by Vice President Baxter. There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

The Attorney added that there was an additional change. The original Ordinance was written referring to the Health Officer as a "he". It was changed to the gender neutral "they".

The Council President asked for a roll call.

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Mr. Schroth	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
President Wollert	YES

**ORDINANCE(S) FOR SECOND READING, PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL ADOPTION**

(None for this Meeting)

**NEW BUSINESS**

- The Clerk read (Resolution #23R-79) RESOLUTION OF EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION

Mr. Schroth moved the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Keyes-Maloney. There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public. The Council President asked for a roll call.

**ROLL CALL**

Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Mr. Schroth	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
President Wollert	YES

- The Clerk read (Resolution #23R-80) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING AND THE COUNTY OF MERCER FOR THE PROVISION OF A PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER, PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATOR, PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SUPERVISOR AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST/LEAD INSPECTOR-RISK ASSESSOR TO OVERSEE THE FUNCTIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP'S PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICE



President Wollert said that this is on a month-to-month basis and is a continuation of a previous agreement.  
Councilwoman Keyes-Maloney said that it was month-to month. It is moving to a term ending February 2024.  
The Attorney said that it is a one-year term on a month-to-month basis.

Ms. Steward moved the Resolution, seconded by Vice President Baxter. There were no additional questions or comments from Council. There were no questions or comments from the Public. The Council President called for a roll call.

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Mr. Schroth	YES
President Wollert	YES

3. The Clerk read (Resolution #23R-81) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A REAR MOUNTED INSULATED OVERCENTER ARTICULATED AERIAL PLATFORM LIFT BUCKET TRUCK FROM THE NATIONAL JOINT PURCHASING ALLIANCE AKA SOURCEWELL IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$236,854.00

President Wollert said that this is a needed vehicle that will provide safety for Township employees as well as provide better service throughout the Township. The cost is less than originally anticipated.

Mr. Schroth moved the Resolution, seconded by Vice President Baxter. There were no questions or comments from Council.

Marisa Henderson (Brae Burn Heights, via Zoom) said that the piece of equipment that is no longer working has a chipper attached to it. This one does not have one. Will the Township be purchasing a chipper in the future?  
President Wollert replied that Mayor Steinmann is saying no. Council has not received any request to buy a chipper. No chipper at this point.

Victoria Mark (Glendale section of Ewing) asked what is the model year?  
Mayor Steinmann replied that he believes it is a 2022. It is new. The Mayor added that regarding the spider mentioned by a resident earlier, the spider is a useful piece of equipment however, it needs to be trailered around. It is limited in scope. This bucket truck can do many things and can get you to the job site right away and move from spot to spot. He is not saying that the spider does not have a purpose, it does not have a purpose for the Township.

There were no additional questions or comments from the Public. Council President Wollert called for a roll call.

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Baxter	YES
Mr. Schroth	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
President Wollert	YES

4. The Clerk read (Resolution #23R-82) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF POOL SHADES FOR THE HOLLOWBROOK POOLS FROM MARTURANO RECREATION COMPANY STATE CONTRACT 16-FLEET-00121 T0103

Vice President Baxter moved the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Keyes-Maloney. There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public. President Wollert asked for a roll call.

**ROLL CALL**

Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Mr. Schroth	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
President Wollert	YES

5. The Clerk read (Resolution #23R-83) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A CAMEL MAX SERIES COMBINATION SEWER CLEANER-TIP/DUMP TRUCK FROM THE NATIONAL JOINT PURCHASING ALLIANCE AKA SOURCEWELL IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$450,967.00

Mr. Schroth moved the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Keyes-Maloney. There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public. Council President Wollert asked for a roll call.

**ROLL CALL**

Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Mr. Schroth	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
President Wollert	YES

6. The Clerk read (Resolution #23R-84) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADDITIONAL HONORARY NAME OF "MILDRED H. RUSSELL WAY" TO BE ADDED TO THE STREET SIGN AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF KING AVENUE AND RHODES AVENUE AND KING AVENUE AND BROWNING AVENUE

Council President Wollert said that this is being done to honor Mrs. Russell for the work she has done to help residents of the Brae Burn Civic Association as well as the Township at large.

Vice President Baxter moved the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Steward. There were no questions or comments from Council.

Marisa Henderson (Brae Burn Heights, via Zoom) thanked Council on behalf of the Brae Burn Civic Association. It is greatly appreciated.

There were no additional questions or comments from the Public. The Council President called for a roll call.

**ROLL CALL**

Ms. Steward	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Mr. Schroth	YES
President Wollert	YES

The above-referenced New Business Resolutions are available in the Clerk's Office in the 2023 Resolution Book Number Two.

**CLOSED SESSION**

(None for this Meeting)

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business President Wollert called for a motion to adjourn. Vice President Baxter so moved seconded by Mr. Schroth. It was agreed by unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

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Kathleen Wollert, President

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**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CANCELLATION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR**

**Resolution #23R- WHEREAS, State Law authorizes the Tax Collector to recommend a cancellation; and**

**WHEREAS, the Township Council is likewise authorized to confirm the Tax Collector's recommendation; now therefore**

**BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the thorough review and recommendation of the Municipal Tax Collector, the Governing Body of the Township of Ewing does hereby resolve to authorize a CANCELLATION of LEVY in the total amount of \$5050.07 (\$1653.40 2020 tax year/\$1677.30 2021 tax year/\$1719.37 2022 tax year) for property owner TOWNSHIP OF EWING, for Block: 125, Lot: 603 also known as Hillman Avenue. Parcel was part of the DOCKET NO F-013787-16 CIVIL ACTION FINAL JUDGEMENT recorded on INSTRUMENT 2019048065 Deed Book 6386 Page 1145 dated 11/6/2019. VITAL MOD IV system updated with Final Judgement on 12/12/2022. Levy starting in 2020 should have never been assessed as this parcel is a 15C class.**

**IT IS SO RESOLVED**

**I, Kim J. Macellaro, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Ewing, hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Township of Ewing at a Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Ewing, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey held on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023.**

**SEAL**

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**IT IS SO RESOLVED**

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**SEAL**

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**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CANCELLATION AND REFUND, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR**

**Resolution #23R- WHEREAS, State Law authorizes the Tax Collector to recommend a cancellation; and**

**WHEREAS, State Law authorizes the Tax Collector to recommend a refund; and**

**WHEREAS, the Township Council is likewise authorized to confirm the Tax Collector's recommendation; now therefore**

**BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the thorough review and recommendation of the Municipal Tax Collector, the Governing Body of the Township of Ewing does hereby resolve to authorize a CANCELLATION of OUTSTANDING LIEN AND A REFUND in the total principal amount of \$1846.92 for tax sale date of 12/29/20 (original lien amount \$1760.45, recording fee \$53.00 and legal interest \$33.47) for property owner TOWNSHIP OF EWING, for Block: 125, Lot: 603 also known as Hillman Avenue. Parcel was part of the DOCKET NO F-013787-16 CIVIL ACTION FINAL JUDGEMENT recorded on INSTRUMENT 2019048065 Deed Book 6386 Page 1145 dated 11/6/2019. VITAL MOD IV system updated with Final Judgement on 12/12/2022. TSC 20-00166 dated 12/29/20 was sold to TAXFU REALESTATE LLC during the 2020 Tax Sale. *Refund should be sent to: TAXFU REALESTATE LLC, 502 ANTEBELLUM C/O BUSINESS, MOUNT PLEASANT, SC 29464***

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**BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the thorough review and recommendation of the Municipal Tax Collector, the Governing Body of the Township of Ewing does hereby resolve to authorize a CANCELLATION of OUTSTANDING LIEN AND A REFUND in the total principal amount of \$3328.78 for tax sale date of 12/28/21 (original lien amount \$1873.98, subsequent payments of \$1392.54, recording fee of \$53.00 and legal interest of \$9.26) for property owner TOWNSHIP OF EWING, for Block: 125, Lot: 603 also known as Hillman Avenue. Parcel was part of the DOCKET NO F-013787-16 CIVIL ACTION FINAL JUDGEMENT recorded on INSTRUMENT 2019048065 Deed Book 6386 Page 1145 dated 11/6/2019. VITAL MOD IV system updated with Final Judgement on 12/12/2022. TSC 21-0056 dated 12/28/21 was sold to CHIH CHENG CHEN during the 2021 Tax Sale. *Refund should be sent to: CHIH CHENG CHEN, 5232 Wheat Ridge Place, Glen Allen, VA 23059***

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**BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the thorough review and recommendation of the Municipal Tax Collector, the Governing Body of the Township of Ewing does hereby resolve to authorize a CANCELLATION of OUTSTANDING LIEN AND A REFUND in the total principal amount of \$2082.86 for tax sale date of 12/29/20 (original lien amount \$1991.98, recording fee \$53.00 and legal interest \$37.88) for property owner TOWNSHIP OF EWING, for Block: 175, Lot: 511 also known as 215 King Avenue. Parcel was part of the DOCKET NO F-013787-16 CIVIL ACTION FINAL JUDGEMENT recorded on INSTRUMENT 2019048065 Deed Book 6386 Page 1145 dated 11/6/2019. VITAL MOD IV system updated with Final Judgement on 12/12/2022. TSC 20-00212 dated 12/29/20 was sold to TAXFU REALESTATE LLC during the 2020 Tax Sale. *Refund should be sent to: TAXFU REALESTATE LLC, 502 ANTEBELLUM C/O BUSINESS, MOUNT PLEASANT, SC 29464***

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**BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the thorough review and recommendation of the Municipal Tax Collector, the Governing Body of the Township of Ewing does hereby resolve to authorize a CANCELLATION of OUTSTANDING LIEN AND A REFUND in the total principal amount of \$3753.69 for tax sale date of 12/28/21 (original lien amount \$2117.05, subsequent payments \$1573.17, recording fee \$53.00 and legal interest \$10.47) for property owner TOWNSHIP OF EWING, for Block: 175, Lot: 511 also known as 215 King Avenue. Parcel was part of the DOCKET NO F-013787-16 CIVIL ACTION FINAL JUDGEMENT recorded on INSTRUMENT 2019048065 Deed Book 6386 Page 1145 dated 11/6/2019. VITAL MOD IV system updated with Final Judgement on 12/12/2022. TSC 21-00077 dated 12/28/21 was sold to CHIH CHENG CHEN during the 2021 Tax Sale. *Refund should be sent to: CHIH CHENG CHEN, 5232 Wheat Ridge Place, Glen Allen, VA 23059***

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**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TOWNSHIP CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL**

**Resolution #23R- WHEREAS, State Law authorizes the Construction Official to recommend refunding of monies collected upon determination of unnecessary payment; and**

**WHEREAS, the Township Council is likewise authorized to confirm the Construction Official's recommendation; now therefore**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Upon the thorough review and recommendation of the Township Construction Official, the Governing Body of the Township of Ewing does hereby resolve to authorize a refund in the amount of \$479.00 to St. John's Chimney, 1613 Reed Road, Pennington, NJ 08534 for property addresses: 66 Lochatong Road, 17 Perry Drive, 88 Lochatong Road, 531 Grand Avenue & 534 Howell Avenue in Ewing, NJ. The applicant paid twice for the same permits.**

**IT IS SO RESOLVED**

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**BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the thorough review and recommendation of the Municipal Tax Collector, the Governing Body of The Township of Ewing does hereby resolve to authorize a REFUND in the amount of \$1,785.01 for May 1, 2023 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Taxes to Corelogic Centralized Refunds, PO Box 9202, Coppell, TX 75019-9760, for property owner Tusay, Michael, for Block: 437 Lot: 4 also known as 3 Jacob Creek Road for overpayment.**

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**BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the thorough review and recommendation of the Municipal Tax Collector, the Governing Body of The Township of Ewing does hereby resolve to authorize a REFUND in the amount of \$170.18 for October 1, 2023 2<sup>nd</sup> Half Sewer to OHMJI Inc., HK LIQUORS, 1873 North Olden Avenue, Ewing, NJ 08638, for property owner Popkin-Goldenberg Joint Venture, for Block: 234.01 Lot: 41 also known as 1873 North Olden Avenue for overpayment.**

**IT IS SO RESOLVED.**

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