

FORMAL ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

*EWING TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
2 Jake Garzio Drive, Ewing, New Jersey 08628*

**REGULAR MEETING
December 12, 2023– 7:00 P.M.**

(Or upon conclusion of the Agenda Session if the Agenda Session goes past 7:00 p.m.)

A. Call to Order of the Township Council Meeting.

B. 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.

C. Flag Salute

D. 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 3rd of January 2023, filed with the Clerk of the Township of Ewing and posted in the Ewing Township Municipal Complex.

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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. 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.

E. ROLL CALL

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

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

G. BILLS LIST

1. A Resolution Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Pay Bills in the Amount of \$1,124,355.06 and to Pay Supplemental Bills per Resolution #23R-12 in the Amount of \$224,604.18

All items listed under Item H, 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.

H. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Agenda Session Minutes for October 24, 2023, November 28, 2023; Approval of Regular Session Minutes for October 24, 2023, November 28, 2023

2. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$1,392.68 for November 1, 2023 4th Quarter Taxes to Corelogic Centralized Refunds, PO Box 9202, Coppell, TX 75019-9760, for property owner Carter, Lyon, for Block: 135 Lot: 226 also known as 5 Ardsley Avenue for overpayment.
3. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$875.17 for November 1, 2023 4th Quarter Taxes to Corelogic Centralized Refunds, PO Box 9202, Coppell, TX 75019-9760, for property owner Avelar, Yuliza & Holiman, Michael, for Block: 105.01 Lot: 14 also known as 46 Ewingville Road for overpayment.
4. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$190.50 for 2023 Sewer to LMT Mercer Group, Inc., 690 Puritan Avenue, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648, for property owner Lower Ferry Road Leasing, for Block: 225.02 Lot: 51 also known as 1440 Lower Ferry Road for overpayment.
5. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$10,000.00 for February 1, 2024 1st Quarter Taxes to Ewing Properties Management LLC, 125 Lincoln Avenue, Pennel, PA 19047, for property owner Ewing Properties Management LLC, for Block: 488 Lot: 3 also known as 1980 N. Olden Avenue for overpayment. Property owner erroneously executed a WIPP portal online payment in the amount of \$10,000.00 toward 2024. They request that the online WIPP payment be refunded to them via the same platform.
6. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$1,605.09 for August 1, 2023 3rd Quarter Taxes to Corelogic Centralized Refunds, PO Box 9202, Coppell, TX 75019-9760, for property owner Peters, James E. & Rosita L., for Block: 309 Lot: 11 also known as 597 Parkway Avenue for overpayment.
7. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$198.20 for 2023 Sewer to Shin, Samuel K. & Cho K., 28 Upland Road, Levittown, PA 09056-2610, for property owner Shin, Samuel K. & Cho K., for Block: 154 Lot: 2 also known as 1680 Pennington Road for overpayment.
8. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$7,857.72 for November 1, 2023 4th Quarter Taxes to Corelogic Centralized Refunds, PO Box 9202, Coppell, TX 75019-9760, for property owner Adekoya, Adewale & Olubukola, for Block: 100 Lot: 5 also known as 2268 Spruce Street Ext. for overpayment.

I. ORDINANCE(S) FOR FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION (Only if approved for action at Agenda Session)

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

1. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING, IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, TO ADD THE DESIGNATION OF ONE HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACE ON OLDEN AVENUE (SHORT OLDEN)

K. NEW BUSINESS (Only if approved for action at the Agenda Session)

1. A RESOLUTION ALLOWING THE TOWNSHIP TO UTILIZE THE COUNTY'S LIQUID SALT BRINE PRODUCTION FACILITY
2. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING TO ENTER INTO AN INSTALLMENT PAYMENT PLAN FOR OUTSTANDING TAXES ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1474 PROSPECT STREET, BLOCK 21.01 LOT 60, AND TO REMOVE THIS PROPERTY FROM THE DECEMBER 2023 TAX CERTIFICATE SALE

3. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING (“TOWNSHIP”) TO ENTER A NEW EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH ALBERT RHODES AS CHIEF OF POLICE BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2027
4. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING (“TOWNSHIP”) TO ENTER A NEW EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH JEFFREY JACOBS AS DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2027
5. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING DEMONSTRATING PROOF OF LOAL SUPPORT FOR THE SUITABILITY OF A CANNABIS CULTIVATION AND MANUFACTURING FACILITY, OPERATED BY PR NJ LLC (SAGRADA) AT 225 PHILLIPS BLVD., EWING, NJ 08628
6. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT RELATED TO PFAS LITIGATION SERVICES BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING AND STAG LIUZZA, LLC AND MURPHY ORLANDO, LLC
7. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF DEER CARCASS REMOVAL SERVICES FROM THE COUNTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING CONTRACT
8. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2024 FORD F-250 XL 4WD SUPERCAB FOR THE PURPOSE AND USE FOR ANIMAL CONTROL, UNDER STATE CONTRACT 23-FLEET-34922, THRU NEILSON FORD, MORRISTOWN N.J., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$48,954.00
9. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF AN ANIMAL CONTROL CHASSIS FOR THE PURPOSE AND USE FOR THE NEW ANIMAL CONTROL VEHICLE, THRU HARTSTRA MANUFACTURING LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,960.00
10. A RESOLUTION GRANTING ROBERT RANKE PERMISSION TO RECEIVE HIS SERVICE FIREARM (GLOCK 45, 9MM SEMI-AUTOMATIC PISTOL SERIAL NUMBER BLAS634) UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE EWING TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT JANUARY 1, 2024
11. A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING ABELARDO CONESA AS TAX COLLECTOR
12. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF NEW COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING, MERCER COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AND FMBA LOCAL 383 (“FMBA”)
13. A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MAYOR’S REAPPOINTMENT OF KIMBERLY M. LACKEN, ESQ. AS MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING
14. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CY2023 BUDGET TRANSFERS

L. CLOSED SESSION

M. ADJOURNMENT