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Lebanon Township Committee
August 16, 2023

Minutes of Regular Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Beverly Koehler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and stated that in compliance with the “Open Public Meeting Act” this is a Regular Meeting of the Township Committee as published in the Hunterdon Review. The meeting notice was posted on the township bulletin board and as a courtesy on the township website, distributed to the Hunter Review, Courier News, the Express Times, the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Star Ledger.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Koehler asked everyone to please stand for the Flag Salute and remain standing after for a moment of silence for our First Responders, Frontline Workers, and members of the Military.

ROLL CALL

Present -	Mike Schmidt	Thomas McKee
	Beverly Koehler	Brian Wunder
Absent-	Abe Abuchowski	

Also Present - Attorney Mark Roselli, Deputy Clerk Kimberly Jacobus and 19 members of the public.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular and Executive Session Meetings Minutes of August 2, 2023

Motion by Mr. McKee, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved the minutes of the Regular and Executive Session meetings of August 2, 2023.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Agenda Items Only

1:55

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Motion by Mr. Wunder, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee opened the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

There were questions and comments regarding the insurance for Squire's Point, question about the raffle application and pensions.

Motion by Mr. Wunder seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

ORDINANCES – Public Hearing – Ordinance No. 2023-06

6:30

Motion by Mr. Wunder, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee adjourned the Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 2023-06 to the September 6, 2023, meeting. AYES: McKee, Koehler, Wunder ABSTAIN: Schmidt

**TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO. 2023-06**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 214, ARTICLE I, §214-7
OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON ENTITLED
“APPOINTMENTS; TERM OF OFFICE; REMOVAL”

Public Hearing – September 6, 2023

INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2023-07 Amend Salary Ordinance

8:15

Motion by Mr. Wunder, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee introduced Ordinance No. 2023-07 Amend Salary Ordinance. AYES: Schmidt, Koehler, Wunder NAYES: McKee

**TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
ORDINANCE NO. 2023-07**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2023-03 ENTITLED
“AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE 2023 SALARY FOR OFFICERS AND
EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY”

Public Hearing – September 6, 2023

Resolution No. 96-2023 – Accepting Patrolman Bourque’s Resignation

Motion by Mr. McKee, seconded by Mr. Wunder and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee accepted, with regrets, Resolution No. 96-2023 as written below.

TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION NO. 96-2023

**MEMORIALIZING ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION OF
PATROLMAN CHRISTOPHER BOURQUE**

WHEREAS Christopher Bourque was appointed and employed as a Police Officer for the Township of Lebanon; and

WHEREAS, by written notice dated July 21, 2024, Christopher Bourque notified Police Chief Jason Cronce that he was resigning from his position as Patrolman for the Township of Lebanon Police Department, effective July 23, 2024; and

WHEREAS, because of this request, the Township Committee of Lebanon Township voted, by way of motion and voice vote at its regularly scheduled Committee meeting on August 2, 2023, to accept the resignation of Patrolman Christopher Bourque; and

WHEREAS, upon advice of the Township Attorney, the Township Committee desires to memorialize its motion and voice vote accepting the resignation of Christopher Bourque as Patrolman for the Lebanon Township Police Department, by way of adoption of this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon that by adoption of this Resolution No. 96-2023, that it does hereby memorialize the motion approved by way of voice vote by the Township Committee at its August 2, 2023 regularly scheduled meeting accepting the resignation of Christopher Bourque as Patrolman for the Lebanon Township Police Department effective July 23, 2023.

Resolution No. 97-2023 – Purchase of Hunter Wheel Balancer

Motion by Mr. Wunder, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 97-2023 as written below.

TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION NO. 97-2023

**AWARDING CONTRACT TO MOHAWK LIFTS LLC AND AUTHORIZING
PURCHASE OF WHEEL BALANCER AND RELATED EQUIPMENT UNDER STATE
CONTRACT #22-FLEET-01983**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon desires to purchase a wheel balancer and related equipment; and

WHEREAS, Mohawk Lifts, LLC, PO Box 110, Amsterdam, New York 12010 has been awarded New Jersey State Contract # 22-FLEET-01983, and has the requisite ability to provide the equipment required by the Township; and

WHEREAS, by Memorandum dated July 25, 2023, Warren Gabriel, Township Public Works Manager, requested that the Township Committee authorize the purchase of a wheel balancer and related equipment for the Township's mechanic from Mohawk Lifts LLC, PO Box 110, Amsterdam, New York 12010 under State Contract #22-FLEET-01983, in the amount of \$11,290.69, in accordance with the proposal dated July 19, 2023, a copy of which is on file in the Office of Township Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee desires to award a contract to Mohawk Lifts LLC, PO Box 110, Amsterdam, New York 12010 under State Contract #22-FLEET-01983, and authorize the purchase of a wheel balancer and related equipment for the Township's mechanic in the amount of \$11,290.69, in accordance with the proposal dated July 19, 2023, a copy of which is on file in the Office of Township Clerk; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 permits the purchase of goods and services without advertising for bids when purchased under any contract for such goods or services entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon has sufficient funding in place for this purchase as evidenced by the Chief Financial Officer's certification of the availability of funds.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that it does hereby award a contract to Mohawk Lifts LLC, PO Box 110, Amsterdam, New York 12010 under State Contract #22-FLEET-01983, and authorize the purchase of a wheel balancer and related equipment for the Township's mechanic in the amount of \$11,290.69, in accordance with the proposal dated July 19, 2023, a copy of which is on file in the Office of Township Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to issue said purchase order aforesaid on behalf of the Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be provided to the Township's CFO and Public Works Manager

Resolution No. 98-2023 – Purchase of Drager Alcotest System

Motion by Mr. McKee, seconded by Mr. Wunder and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 98-2023 as written below.

TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION NO. 98-2023

AWARDING CONTRACT TO STORR TRACTOR COMPANY AND AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF A CASE IH FARMALL 110A TRACTOR 4WD WITH FACTORY CAB UNDER SOURCEWELL COOP CONTRACT #021815-CNH AND AN ALAMO

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MACHETE 3 BATTLE AXE HEAD MOWER UNDER SOURCEWELL COOP CONTRACT #052417-AGI

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon desires to purchase a Case IH Farmall 110A Tractor with 4WD and factory cab and an Alamo Machete 3 Battle Axe Head mower for the Township Public Works Department; and

WHEREAS, Storr Tractor Company, 3191 US 22, Branchburg, New Jersey 08876 is an approved vendor under Sourcewell Coop Contract #021815-CNH and Sourcewell Coop Contract #052417-AGI and has the requisite ability to provide the products required by the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon is a member of the Sourcewell Coop; and

WHEREAS, by Memorandum dated July 24, 2023, Warren Gabriel, Township Public Works Manager, requested that the Township Committee authorize the purchase of a Case IH Farmall 110A Tractor with 4WD and factory cab in the amount of \$91,500.92, including freight, under Sourcewell Coop Contract #021815-CNH and an Alamo Machete 3 Battle Axe Head mower in the amount of \$84,909.00, including freight, under Sourcewell Coop Contract #052417-AGI, for the Township Public Works Department from Storr Tractor Company, 3181 US 22, Branchburg, New Jersey 08876, and for a total sum of \$176,409.92, in accordance with the proposal dated June 29, 2023, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee desires to award a contract to Storr Tractor Company, 3191 US 22, Branchburg, New Jersey 08876, under Sourcewell Coop Contract #021815-CNH and Sourcewell Coop Contract #052417-AGI, respectively, and authorize the purchase of a Case IH Farmall 110A Tractor with 4WD and factory cab in the amount of \$91,500.92, including freight, under Sourcewell Coop Contract #021815-CNH and an Alamo Machete 3 Battle Axe Head mower in the amount of \$84,909.00, including freight, under Sourcewell Coop Contract #052417-AGI, for a total sum of \$176,409.92, for the Township Public Works Department, in accordance with the proposal dated June 29, 2023, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11 permits the purchase of goods and services without advertising for bids when purchased under contracts for goods or services from a cooperative pricing system; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon has sufficient funding in place for this purchase as evidenced by the Chief Financial Officers certification of the availability of funds.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that it does hereby award a contract to Storr Tractor Company, 3191 US 22, Branchburg, New Jersey 08876, under Sourcewell Coop Contract #021815-CNH and Sourcewell Coop Contract #052417-AGI, respectively, and it does hereby authorize the purchase of a Case IH Farmall 110A Tractor with 4WD and factory cab in the amount of \$91,500.92, including freight, under Sourcewell Coop Contract #021815-CNH and an Alamo Machete 3 Battle Axe Head mower in the amount of \$84,909.00, including freight, under Sourcewell Coop Contract #052417-AGI, for a total sum of \$176,409.92, for the Township Public Works Department, in accordance with the proposal dated June 29, 2023, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to issue said purchase order aforesaid on behalf of the Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be provided to the Township's CFO and Public Works Manager.

Resolution No. 99-2023 – Shared Services Agreement SLEO-VHS

Motion by Mr. Wunder, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 99-2023 as written below.

TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION NO. 99-2023

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING SHARED SERVICES
AGREEMENT BETWEEN TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON AND NORTH HUNTERDON-
VOORHEES REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon (Provider) desires to enter a Shared Services Agreement with the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District Board of Education (hereinafter “School District”) (Recipient) for purposes of providing the School District with Class II or Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers (hereinafter “SLEOs”) to perform law enforcement duties at Voorhees High School; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon has agreed to assign SLEOs to Voorhees High School for purposes of performing law enforcement duties at Voorhees High School for an amount not to exceed \$76,250.00 for each SLEO, in addition to payment of certain other costs and expenses that may be incurred by the Township for providing said services, for a term expiring June 30, 2024, unless extended for an additional one-year term upon formal action by both parties; and

WHEREAS, the Shared Services Agreement shall set forth the insurance requirements and indemnification clauses as agreed upon by the parties, as well as identifying the Township of Lebanon as the primary employer of the SLEOs; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon is authorized to enter into this Shared Services Agreement with the School District pursuant to the provisions of Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon has the capabilities to efficiently and economically provide the services required by the School District; and

WHEREAS, both parties recognize the benefits of this program to the residents of the Township and students and staff of the School District; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Township and School District to establish this program and to execute the Shared Services Agreement for same; and

WHEREAS, the agreement shall become effective upon adoption of the appropriate resolution by each governmental unit and execution of the agreement, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-5 (c); and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township of Lebanon and School District to enter into this agreement for the purposes set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey that the Shared Services Agreement between the Township of Lebanon and the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District Board of Education for the provision of Class II or Class III Special Law Enforcement

Officers to perform law enforcement duties at Voorhees High School is hereby approved and the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the Township of Lebanon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the agreement shall take effect upon adoption of an appropriate resolution by both parties and execution of said agreement by the parties in accordance with N.J.S.A 40A:65-5(c).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution and agreement shall be filed with the Division of Local Government Services in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4 b.

Resolution No. 100-2023 – Shared Services Agreement SRO-VHS

Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Wunder and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee adopted Resolution No.100-2023 as written below.

TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION NO. 100-2023

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING SHARED SERVICES
AGREEMENT BETWEEN TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON AND NORTH HUNTERDON-
VOORHEES REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon (Provider) desires to enter a Shared Services Agreement with the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District Board of Education (hereinafter “School District”) (Recipient) for purposes of providing the School District with a School Resource Officer to be assigned to Voorhees High School; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon has agreed to provide the School Resource Officer for purposes of performing law enforcement duties at Voorhees High School for the sum of \$105,400.00, for a term expiring June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon is authorized to enter into this Shared Services Agreement with the School District pursuant to the provisions of Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon has the capabilities to efficiently and economically provide the services required by the School District; and

WHEREAS, both parties recognize the benefits of this program to the residents of the Township and students and staff of the School District; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Township and School District to establish this program and to execute the Shared Services Agreement for same; and

WHEREAS, the agreement shall become effective upon adoption of the appropriate resolution by each governmental unit and execution of the agreement, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-5 (c); and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township of Lebanon and School District to enter into this agreement for the purposes set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey that the Shared Services Agreement

between the Township of Lebanon and the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District Board of Education for the provision of a School Resource Officer to perform law enforcement duties at Voorhees High School is hereby approved and the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the Township of Lebanon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the agreement shall take effect upon adoption of an appropriate resolution by both parties and execution of said agreement by the parties in accordance with N.J.S.A 40A:65-5(c).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution and agreement shall be filed with the Division of Local Government Services in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4 b.

Resolution No. 101-2023 – Shared Service Agreement – SLEO Leb Twp

Motion by Mr. McKee, seconded by Mr. Wunder and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 101-2023 as written below.

TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION NO. 101-2023

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING SHARED SERVICES
AGREEMENT BETWEEN TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON AND LEBANON TOWNSHIP
SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon (Provider) desires to enter a Shared Services Agreement with the Lebanon Township School District (hereinafter “School District”) (Recipient) for purposes of providing the School District with Class II or Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers (hereinafter “SLEOs”) to perform law enforcement duties at Woodglen and Valley View Schools; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon has agreed to assign SLEOs to Woodglen and Valley View Schools for purposes of performing law enforcement duties for an amount not to exceed \$76,250.00 for each SLEO, for a term expiring June 30, 2024, unless extended for an additional one-year term upon formal action by both parties; and

WHEREAS, the Shared Services Agreement shall set forth the insurance requirements and indemnification clauses as agreed upon by the parties, as well as identifying the Township of Lebanon as the primary employer of the SLEOs; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon is authorized to enter into this Shared Services Agreement with the School District pursuant to the provisions of Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon has the capabilities to efficiently and economically provide the services required by the School District; and

WHEREAS, both parties recognize the benefits of this program to the residents of the Township and students and staff of the School District; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Township and School District to establish this program and to execute the Shared Services Agreement for same; and

WHEREAS, the agreement shall become effective upon adoption of the appropriate resolution by each governmental unit and execution of the agreement, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-5 (c); and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township of Lebanon and School District to enter into this agreement for the purposes set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey that the Shared Services Agreement between the Township of Lebanon and the Lebanon Township School District for the provision of Class II or Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers to perform law enforcement duties at Woodglen and Valley View Schools is hereby approved and the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the Township of Lebanon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the agreement shall take effect upon adoption of an appropriate resolution by both parties and execution of said agreement by the parties in accordance with N.J.S.A 40A:65-5(c).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution and agreement shall be filed with the Division of Local Government Services in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4 b.

Resolution No. 102-2023 – Hope Electric

Motion by Mr. McKee, seconded by Mr. Wunder and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 102-2023 as written below.

TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION NO. 102-2023

MEMORIALIZING APPROVAL OF ELECTRICAL WORK FOR LEBANON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE STATION 2

WHEREAS, the Lebanon Township Fire Department requested that the Township Committee authorize certain electrical work required to be completed at Lebanon Township Fire Department Fire Station 2; and

WHEREAS, the Lebanon Township Fire Department solicited for and received 3 quotes for the required work; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the quotes, the Township Committee determined that the quote and proposal from Hope Electric LLC, 505 West Hill Road, Glen Gardner, New Jersey dated May 26, 2023, in the amount of \$5,449.20 was most advantageous, price and other factors having been considered; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee, voted by way of motion and voice vote at its regularly scheduled Committee meeting on July 19, 2023, to approve the Hope Electric LLC proposal and authorized Hope Electric LLC to perform the electrical work outlined in its May 26, 2023 written proposal; and

WHEREAS, upon advice of the Township Attorney, the Township Committee desires to memorialize its motion and voice vote approving the May 26, 2023 written quote and proposal from Hope Electric LLC and authorizing Hope Electric LLC to perform the electrical work

outlined in its May 26, 2023 written proposals, by way of adoption of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon has sufficient funding in place for this as evidenced by the Chief Financial Officer's certification of the availability of funds.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that by adoption of this Resolution No. 102-2023, it does hereby memorialize the motion approved by way of voice vote by the Township Committee at its July 19, 2023 regularly scheduled meeting, approving the electrical work required to be completed at Lebanon Township Fire Department Fire Station 2 in accordance with the written quote and proposal provided by Hope Electric LLC dated May 26, 2023 and in the amount of \$5,449.20.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to issue said purchase order aforesaid on behalf of the Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be provided to the Township's CFO and Account Payable Clerk.

Resolution No. 103-2023 – Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate

Motion by Mr. McKee, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 103-2023 as written below.

TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION NO. 103-2023

REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE

WHEREAS the Tax Collector did sell a Tax Sale Certificate #22-6 on 12/15/2022 to G-Tech Capital, LLC,

WHEREAS the amount of \$93,312.93 has been collected from Trimmer Road Company, LLC for Block 44 Lot 20, 412 Trimmer Road, Califon, for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #22-6,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer be authorized to prepare, and the Mayor, Treasurer and Deputy Clerk be authorized to sign a check in the amount of \$93,312.93 for the redemption and a check in the amount of \$30,000.00 for the premium, payable to: G-Tech Capital, LLC.

G-Tech Capital
474 Mary Allen Way
Mountainside, NJ 07092

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - Municipal Door Update

16:40

Mr. Schmidt stated that part of the door order had come in, the hardware parts are on backorder.

NEW BUSINESS **19:13**

Approve Raffle application for Animal Protection League of NJ – Nov. 21, 2023 **19:16**

Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved the raffle application for the Animal Protection League of New Jersey to be held on November 21, 2023.

Authorize DPW to dispose of picnic table and benches behind Municipal Building **21:20**

Motion by Mr. Wunder, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee authorized the DPW to dispose of picnic tables and benches. The Township may look into having them replaced at a later date.

LTAA request for Sports Fields at Memorial Park **23:15**

Andy Korfin from Lebanon Township Athletic Association was present to discuss with the Committee the need for more athletic fields for LTAA. They are looking for a field hockey field across from the school and a combo baseball/softball field, in the area near the existing Men's softball field in Memorial Park. At the present time, baseball/softball and field hockey enrollment has gone up significantly. The teams travel to other towns and find that their fields are generally better than what LTAA uses. Field hockey does not have a dedicated field, it's shared with soccer and the school's field hockey team. Mr. Korfin has found a consultant who would be willing to work with the Township Engineer to develop a cost estimate. Mr. Korfin asked if the Committee would authorize the consultant, whom LTAA would pay, to work with the Township Engineer to find out what the cost would be to construct the 2 fields. A discussion was held, a suggestion was made for LTAA to talk to ESC to use their fields.

Tree for Holiday Tree Lighting **37:40**

Discussion was held on getting a new tree for the yearly holiday tree lighting.

Township Funding of Squire's Point Insurance-Discussion **40:05**

Discussion was held on the Township paying for Squire's Point Insurance. No decision was made at this time. The problem is taxpayers money paying insurance for a non-township entity 501c(3).

Newsletter Ad Policy – Legal Guidance

There was a discussion on having a policy for what kinds of ads can be in the newsletter and whether the newsletter should be prepared by a third party.

Update on remaining Computer Hardware and Software Upgrades **1:05:10**

Mayor Koehler gave a brief update on the progress of the computer and software installation.

Hunterdon County Commissioners meeting at Lebanon Township on Sept. 5 **1:11:15**

Mayor Koehler reminded the audience that the Hunterdon County Commissioners will hold their September 5, 2023, in the Lebanon Township Municipal Meeting Room.

PRESENTATION OF VOUCHERS

Committee Members provided a description of vouchers exceeding \$1000.00.

Motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved the August 16, 2023 bill list in the amount of \$1,281,687.31.

CORRESPONDENCE

- a. May 2023 LTEOS minutes
- b. Food Pantry

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Motion by Mr. Wunder, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee opened the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

Questions asked were if there was going to be a Christmas tree to decorate by December 3, a question was asked “what is a resolution” and there was a compliment on the new Police sign.

Motion by Mr. Wunder, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION **1:31:05**

Resolution No. 104-2023

- Personnel-Pensions
- Updates – JPM on Clerk search
- Attorney Client Privilege

Motion by Mr. Wunder, seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee approved Resolution No. 104-2023 and convened in executive session at 8:31 p.m. No action is anticipated.

Motion by Mr. Wunder, seconded by Mr. Schmidt and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Township Committee reconvened the public meeting at 9:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to come before the Committee a motion was made by Mr. Wunder seconded by Mr. McKee and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly S. Jacobus
Deputy Clerk

Beverly Koehler, Mayor