

**TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION NO. 163-2024

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTINUED EMPLOYMENT OF FRANCES
SUHOVIC AS PER DIEM EMPLOYEE FOR BUNNVALE LIBRARY**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. Title 40 and 40A provides for the appointment of certain officers, appointees and employees to Township positions to carry out lawful duties and responsibilities of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon has a need for per diem employees at the Bunnvale Library; and

WHEREAS, the Township Salary Ordinance provides for the rate of compensation, salary and wages for certain officers, appointees and employees of the Township; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Frances Suchovic was initially hired as a per diem employee for the Bunnvale Library on January 11, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee desires to continue the employment of Ms. Frances Suchovic as a per diem employee for the Bunnvale Library on the terms set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon that it does hereby authorize the continued employment of Ms. Frances Suchovic as a per diem employees for the Bunnvale Library at an hourly rate of \$15.30, not to exceed 20 hours per week.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the duration of employment for Ms. Frances Suchovic shall be 90 days from adoption of this Resolution, subject to the Township Committee further extending the term of employment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be provided to the Township's Chief Financial Officer.

Dated: October 16, 2024

ATTEST:

Carolynn Budd, RMC
Township Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I,Carolynn Budd, Township Clerk of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lebanon Township Committee at a meeting held October 16, 2024.

Carolynn Budd, RMC
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION NO. 164-2024

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL
ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET RECEIVED FROM NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$66,000.00**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 40A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon has received funding from New Jersey Department of Community Affairs in the amount of \$66,000.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2024 in the sum of \$66,000.00, received from New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$66,000.00 be appropriated under the title “NJDCA Local Recreation Improvement Grant”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk and Chief Financial Officer are authorized to execute and forward the Director of the Division of Local Government Services the appropriate documentation required for the Director’s approval.

Dated: October 16, 2024

ATTEST

Carolynn Budd, RMC
Township Clerk

CERTIFICATION

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Carolynn Budd, RMC
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION NO. 165-2024

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL
ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET RECEIVED FROM HUNTERDON COUNTY
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$37,000.00**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 40A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lebanon has received funding from Hunterdon County in the amount of \$37,000.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2024 in the sum of \$37,000.00, received from Hunterdon County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$37,000.00 be appropriated under the title “Hunterdon County Municipal Infrastructure Grant”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk and Chief Financial Officer are authorized to execute and forward the Director of the Division of Local Government Services the appropriate documentation required for the Director’s approval.

Dated: October 16, 2024

ATTEST

Carolynn Budd, RMC
Township Clerk

CERTIFICATION

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Carolynn Budd, RMC
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION NO. 167-2024

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING TEMPORARY CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40a:9-140.13(f)**

WHEREAS, the Township’s long time Chief Financial Officer Greg Della Pia resigned his position effective August 31, 2024, thereby creating a vacancy in that position; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need to appoint a temporary Chief Financial Officer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-140.13(f), until such time as the vacancy can be filled; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee desires to appoint Township Clerk Carolynn Budd as temporary Chief Financial Officer effective October 17, 2024, and to fill said position until such time as the vacancy is filled, for a period of time not to exceed one year, and for no additional compensation.

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 appoint Carolynn Budd as temporary Chief Financial Officer effective October 17, 2024 and Ms. Budd shall fill said position until such time as the vacancy is filled, for a period of time of time not to exceed one year, and for no additional compensation.

Dated: October 16, 2024

ATTEST:

Carolynn Budd, RMC
Township Clerk

Beverly Koehler
Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Carolynn Budd, Township Clerk of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lebanon Township Committee at a meeting held October 16, 2024.

Carolynn Budd, RMC
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION NO. 168-2024

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING JONATHAN E. DRILL, ESQ. TO ENTER
APPEARANCE AND REPRESENT THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
AND TOWNSHIP ZONING OFFICER IN PENDING LITIGATION MATTERS**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon were named as defendants in a litigation matter filed by The Nar Group, Inc., in the matter entitled, The NAR GROUP, INC. v. LEBANON TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD, MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON, LEBANON TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT and SAVE LEBANON TOWNSHIP COALITION, Superior of New Jersey, Docket No. HNT-L-454-22 (hereinafter the “First Litigation”); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon and John Fleming, Township Zoning Officer were named as defendants in a litigation matter filed by The Nar Group, Inc., in the matter entitled, The NAR GROUP, INC. v. MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON, and JOHN FLEMING, LEBANON TOWNSHIP ZONING OFFICER, Superior of New Jersey, Docket No. HNT-L-363-24 (hereinafter the “Second Litigation”); and

WHEREAS, because the First Litigation and Second Litigation include claims for monetary damages, the Township SIF authorized and appointed Florio Perrucci Steinhardt Cappelli & Tipton, LLC, to defend and represent the Mayor and Township Committee in the First Litigation and the Mayor, Township Committee and the Township’s Zoning Officer in the Second Litigation; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee believes it is also in the Township’s best interest to authorize Jonathan E. Drill, Esq., of the firm, Stickel, Koenig, Sullivan & Drill, LLC, to enter an appearance as co-counsel in the First Litigation and Second Litigation to represent and defend the Mayor and Township Committee in the First Litigation, and the Mayor, Township Committee and the Township’s Zoning Officer in Second Litigation.

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 authorize Jonathan E. Drill, Esq. of the firm Stickel, Koenig, Sullivan & Drill, LLC to enter his appearance as co-counsel with Florio Perrucci Steinhardt Cappelli & Tipton, LLC, to defend and represent the Mayor and Township Committee in the matter entitled, THE NAR GROUP, INC. v. LEBANON TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD, MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON, LEBANON TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT and SAVE LEBANON TOWNSHIP COALITION, Superior of New Jersey, Docket No. HNT-L-454-22the Litigation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that it does hereby authorize Jonathan E. Drill, Esq. of the firm Stickel, Koenig, Sullivan & Drill, LLC to enter his appearance as co-counsel with Florio Perrucci Steinhardt Cappelli & Tipton, LLC, to defend and represent the Mayor, Township Committee and John Fleming, the Township Zoning Officer, in the matter entitled, The NAR GROUP, INC. v. MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON, and JOHN FLEMING, LEBANON TOWNSHIP ZONING OFFICER, Superior of New Jersey, Docket No. HNT-L-363-24.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Jonathan E. Drill, Esq., shall be compensated for these legal services in accordance with the terms and conditions, including hourly rate, of his present contract with the Township's Zoning Board of Adjustment and that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to Jonathan E. Drill, Esq.

Dated: October 16, 2024

ATTEST:

Carolynn Budd, RMC
Township Clerk

Beverly Koehler
Mayor

CERTIFICATION

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Carolynn Budd, RMC
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON
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RESOLUTION NO. 169-2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act; N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., declares it to be the public policy of the State to insure the right of citizens to have adequate advance notice of and the right to attend meetings of public bodies at which business affecting the public is discussed or acted upon; and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act also recognizes exceptions to the right of the public to attend portions of such meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Committee find it necessary to conduct an executive session closed to the public as permitted by the N.J.S.A. 40:4-12; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Committee will reconvene in public session at the conclusion of the executive session;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that they will conduct an executive session to discuss the following topic(s) as permitted by N.J.S.A. 40:4-12:

A matter which Federal Law, State Statute or Rule of Court requires be kept confidential or excluded from discussion in public (Provision relied upon: _____);

A matter where the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the federal government;

A matter whose disclosure would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy;

A collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions thereof.

A matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed;

Tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection;

Investigations of violations or possible violations of the law, _____;

Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party; (The general nature of the litigation or contract negotiations is) insurance claim, shared service agreement, The NAR Group, LLC. The public disclosure of such information at this time would have a potentially negative impact on the municipality's position in the litigation or negotiation; therefore this information will be withheld until such time as the matter is concluded or the potential for negative impact no longer exists.);

Matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his or her ethical duties as a lawyer; (The general nature of the matter is: . The public disclosure of such information at this time would have a potentially negative impact on the municipality's position with respect to the matter being discussed; therefore this information will be withheld until such time as the matter is concluded or the potential for negative impact no longer exists.);

Matters involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective or current public officer or employee of the public body, where all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected have not requested in writing that the matter(s) be discussed at a public meeting; the employee(s) and/or general nature of discussion is: . And whereas the public disclosure of such information at this time would violate the employee(s) privacy rights; therefore, this information will be withheld until such time as the matter is concluded or the threat to privacy rights no longer exists;

Deliberation occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty or loss of a license or permit.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Committee hereby declare that their discussion of the subject(s) identified above may be made public at a time when the Township Attorney advises them that the disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect any right, interest or duty of the Township or any other entity with respect to said discussion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Committee, for the reasons set forth above, hereby declare that the public is excluded from the portion of the meeting during which the above discussion shall take place.

Dated: October 16, 2024

ATTEST:

Carolynn Budd, RMC
Township Clerk

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