

**TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL, MORRIS COUNTY, NJ
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 13, 2019**

Mayor Dorsi read the following statement:

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

"In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was electronically sent to the Echoes Sentinel and the Courier News and posted on the Township Website. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk."

**RESOLUTION #19-289
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, that the Township Committee of Long Hill Township meets in closed session to discuss the following matters:

- Contract Negotiations
 - PBA
 - Oaks Road
 - RFP for professionals
 - Sewer Sale - next step
- Personnel
 - CFO
 - Tax Collector / Clerk
- Pending Litigation
 - Mt. Laurel

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the minutes of this executive session meeting will be released to the public in a timely fashion pursuant to the Open Public Records Act and other applicable laws and regulations.

MOVED by: Committeeman Meringolo of the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill that Resolution #19-289 is hereby approved for Executive Session. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Rae.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Committeeman Meringolo; yes, Committeeman Rae; yes, Deputy Mayor Piserchia; yes, Mayor Dorsi; yes.

Mayor Dorsi **opened the public session** of the meeting at 7:40pm.

All present recited the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Dorsi, Deputy Mayor Piserchia, Committeeman Rae and Committeeman Meringolo were present. Also present were Attorney Pidgeon, Administrator Malool and Clerk Phillips.

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **Committeeman Rae** recited Police Department statistics. He reported that there was excellent interaction with the residents for the Halloween activities. Committeeman Rae also reported that the Police Department has made a special request to lock your cars as there has been reports of a male subject rummaging through unlocked cars.
- **Deputy Mayor Piserchia** thanked the Millington and Stirling Fire Departments for their hard work.
- **Mayor Dorsi** reported that DPW has been doing road work and tree cleaning and urged residents to report any potholes they come across. Fire Departments had a joint drill on November 10th. Watchung Hills Regional Alliance is looking for members please email if interested.
- **Committeeman Meringolo** reported that the OEM department met with JCPL and they are working to clear hazardous trees and installing the trip savers in early 2020. There is a 'report a

tree' button the JCPL website and urges residents to use it. OEM and Medical Reserve Core had a program that helped residents register for emergency notifications. Also met with surrounding towns about emergency response plans and mutual goals for increased communications between communities and shared services during widespread emergencies. Morris County is working on 2020 Hazardous Mitigation Plan update.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

- The traffic light at Mountain and Valley is being replaced however the contractor is waiting on materials.
- Kantor Park Path is almost complete, last step is to pave and needs to be at least 50 degrees to do so.
- All Veterans banners were hung for Veterans Day, round three will be accepted soon.

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 19-290 – 19-297 & 19-299 – 19-307 are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be acted upon in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Committee member so requests. In this event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in the normal sequence of the Agenda.

- 19-290 APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS
- 19-291 APPROVAL AND RELEASE OF MINUTES
- 19-292 APPROVING USE OF HICKS TRACT BOY SCOUT TROOP 59
- 19-293 AUTHORIZING A NEGOTIATED CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PEDESTRIAN PATH AT THE MATTHEW G. KANTOR MEMORIAL PARK
- 19-294 APPROVAL OF THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET RECEIVED FROM COUNTY OF MORRIS TRAIL WAYS IN THE SUM OF \$82,236.00
- 19-295 AUTHORIZING REFUND OF RECREATION DEPOSIT
- 19-296 APPROVAL OF THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET RECEIVED FROM INVESTORS BANK IN THE SUM OF \$10,000.00
- 19-297 AUTHORIZING MILLINGTON FIRE COMPANY COIN TOSS
- 19-299 APPROVING SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MORRIS COUNTY FOR USE OF TOWNSHIP SALT DOME
- 19-300 APPROVING SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE – 25TH ANNUAL KIDS HOLIDAY PARTY
- 19-301 APPROVING SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE – MEYERSVILLE TREE LIGHTING ASSOCIATION
- 19-302 APPOINTING 2019/2020 BASKETBALL PROGRAM STAFF
- 19-303 IN GRADE ADVANCEMENT - MARCZEWSKI
- 19-304 IN GRADE ADVANCEMENT – ENGEL
- 19-305 IN GRADE ADVANCEMENT – HARTMANN
- 19-306 SNOW REMOVAL AWARD – HEIGHTS ASSOCIATES

19-307 RESOLUTION APPOINTING ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT – DANA DIRISIO

MOVED by: Committeeman Meringolo of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolution 19-290 – 19-297 & 19-299 – 19-307 are hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Deputy Mayor Piserchia.
ROLL CALL VOTE: Committeeman Meringolo; yes, Committeeman Rae; yes, Deputy Mayor Piserchia; yes, Mayor Dorsi; yes.

Committeeman Rae pulled Resolution 19-298 from consent agenda and read aloud. Mr. Goldstein was in the audience and was welcomed to the Millington Volunteer Fire Company by Committeeman Rae.

19-298 CERTIFYING JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP WITH THE MILLINGTON VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

MOVED by: Committeeman Rae of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolution 19-298 is hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Deputy Mayor Piserchia. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Committeeman Meringolo; yes, Committeeman Rae; yes, Deputy Mayor Piserchia; yes, Mayor Dorsi; yes.

ORDINANCE #446-19 (SECOND READING/ADOPTION)

AN ORDINANCE MAKING TITLE 39 OF THE NEW JERSEY STATUTES APPLICABLE TO THE NEW EMPLOYEE PARKING LOT (BLOCK 10502, LOT 1) AT SHOP RITE AND SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING CHAPTER VII OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED “TRAFFIC”

Mayor Dorsi opened the **public hearing** and as there were no public comments closed the **public hearing** and asked for a motion to adopt.

MOVED by: Committeeman Meringolo of the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, that Ordinance #446-19 is hereby adopted. **SECOND** by: Committeeman Rae. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Committeeman Meringolo; yes, Committeeman Rae; yes, Deputy Mayor Piserchia; yes, Mayor Dorsi; yes.

ORDINANCE #447-19 (SECOND READING/ADOPTION)

SALARIES AND WAGES ORDINANCE

MOVED: Committeeman Rae amended Ordinance 447-19 and carried the second reading/adoption to December 11, 2019 meeting. **SECOND** by: Committeeman Meringolo. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Committeeman Meringolo; yes, Committeeman Rae; yes, Deputy Mayor Piserchia; yes, Mayor Dorsi; yes.

ORDINANCE #448-19 (SECOND READING/ADOPTION)

AN ORDINANCE LOWERING THE AGE FOR JUNIOR FIREFIGHTERS AND SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING CHAPTER II OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATION”

Mayor Dorsi opened the **public hearing** and as there were no public comments closed the **public hearing** and asked for a motion to adopt.

MOVED by: Committeeman Meringolo of the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, that Ordinance #448-19 is hereby adopted. **SECOND** by: Committeeman Rae. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Committeeman Meringolo; yes, Committeeman Rae; yes, Deputy Mayor Piserchia; yes, Mayor Dorsi; yes.

ORDINANCE #449-19 (SECOND READING/ADOPTION)

INCREASING PENALTIES FOR FALSE ALARMS AND AMENDING CHAPTER IV OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "GENERAL LICENSING"

Attorney Pidgeon corrected the agenda to reflect the amendment to the ordinance.

Mayor Dorsi opened the **public hearing** and as there were no public comments closed the **public hearing** and asked for a motion to adopt.

MOVED by: Committeeman Meringolo of the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, that Ordinance #449-19 is hereby adopted. **SECOND** by: Committeeman Rae. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Committeeman Meringolo; yes, Committeeman Rae; yes, Deputy Mayor Piserchia; yes, Mayor Dorsi; yes.

DISCUSSION:

1. TRAIN STATION PARKING FEES

Resolution 19-287 - APPROVAL OF 2020 TRAIN STATION PARKING FEES

MOVED by: Committeeman Meringolo of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolution 19-287 is hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Rae. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Committeeman Meringolo; yes, Committeeman Rae; yes, Deputy Mayor Piserchia; yes, Mayor Dorsi; yes.

2. TRANSFER RESOLUTION (INCLUDING LIBRARY FUNDING)

Resolution 19-308 – TRANSFER RESOLUTION

MOVED by: Committeeman Meringolo of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolution 19-308 is hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Rae. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Committeeman Meringolo; yes, Committeeman Rae; yes, Deputy Mayor Piserchia; yes, Mayor Dorsi; yes.

3. OPRA STUDY

Resolution 19-309 - Resolution Calling for a Study Commission to Review the Open Public Records Act

MOVED by: Committeeman Meringolo of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolution 19-308 is hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Rae. **VOICE VOTE:** All in favor.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

1. ALERT LongHill – Chief Naga spoke about the outline on what would constitute an alert and called for a working group to come up with what would be best for the residents and how to get more signed up.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Boy Scout Troop 56 & 59 will collecting food donations on Saturday, November 16th.
- Friends of Long Hill Twp Library – Panera Fundraiser – November 21, 2019 4:00-8:00pm
- Meyersville Tree Lightning – Sunday, December 1, 2019 - 5:00pm – 8:00pm
- Millington Fire Company Coin Toss – Saturday, December 7, 2019 – 9:00am – 1:00pm
- Stirling Fire Company Coin Toss – Friday, November 29, 2019 – 8:00am – 5:00pm
- 25th Annual Kids Holiday Party at Community Center – Sunday, December 8, 2019 – 1:00-3:00pm

- Millington Fire Company Santa Express, Saturday, December 14th 9:00am
- Stirling Fire Company's Firefighter Santa, Saturday, December 14th 9:00am
- Township Committee December 27, 2019 8:00am meeting is being changed to December 30th at 8:00am.
- Parking Permits go on sale December 2nd at 8:30am – contact Clerks Office for more information
- Free Smoke Alarm Program – Contact Don Huber for more information
- 71st Annual Kids Christmas Party at Millington Fire Company – Friday, December 13th 6:00pm

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Remarks and Statements Pertaining to Any Matter - Comments and remarks will be limited to 3 Minutes

- Two seniors from Watchung Hills Regional High School spoke about Warriors United Against Hate event to be held on Wednesday, November 20th at 5:45pm
- Karen Meleta spoke about her opposition to Resolution 19-309.
- President of Library Board Sally Semper thanked the township committee for the extra funding to open the Library on Sundays for the remainder of 2019. There was a discussion to discuss funding for 2020.
- Dennis Sandow announced the 20th Annual Stirling Street Fair will be held on April 19th 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Committeeman Rae and seconded by Deputy Mayor Piserchia, and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:26pm.

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INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
		PISERCHIA	X			
	X	RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-290
APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby approve the payment of the bills as presented by the Chief Financial Officer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the bills list be appended to the official minutes.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-291
APPROVAL AND RELEASE OF MINUTES**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby approve and release the Township Committee Minutes of the October 23, 2019 Township Committee Meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Committee hereby approves October 23, 2019 Executive Session Meeting Minutes as redacted by the Township Attorney.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			

X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-292
APPROVING USE OF HICKS TRACT BOY SCOUT TROOP 59**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey upon the advice of the Township Clerk, that all documents have been reviewed and are in good order, does hereby authorize the Township Clerk to approve and sign the application and approve License Number S-19-20 for Boy Scout Troop 59 of Stirling to use the Hicks Tract to hold their annual festivities;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Troop 59 is authorized the use of Hicks Tract on December 13th, 14th and 18th for their "Christmas in the Woods" program as per letter dated October 16, 2019.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-293
AUTHORIZING A NEGOTIATED CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF
THE PEDESTRIAN PATH AT THE MATTHEW G. KANTOR MEMORIAL PARK**

WHEREAS, bids were received by the Township Clerk on June 5, 2019 for construction of the Matthew G. Kantor Memorial Park pedestrian path; and

WHEREAS, the only bid was received from V&K Construction; in the amount of \$89,000, which was \$24,000 higher than the cost estimate for the project prepared by the Township Engineer and

WHEREAS, the bid was not reasonable as to price, on the basis of that cost estimate prepared by the Township Engineer, and was therefore rejected; and

WHEREAS, bids were received by the Township Clerk for a second time on Sept 11, 2019 for construction of the Matthew G. Kantor Memorial Park pedestrian path; and

WHEREAS, two bids were received on this occasion and they were both rejected because they both exceeded the estimated cost for the project and were higher than the bid submitted by V&K Construction on June 5, 2019; and

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A.40A:11-5* provides that:

"Any contract the amount of which exceeds the bid threshold, may be negotiated and awarded by the governing body without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor and shall be awarded by resolution of the governing body if:

(3) Bids have been advertised pursuant to section 4 of P.L.1971, c.198 (C.40A:11-4) on two occasions and . . . the governing body has rejected the bids on two occasions because it has

determined that they are not reasonable as to price, on the basis of cost estimates prepared for or by the contracting agent prior to the advertising therefor, . . . a contract may then be negotiated and may be awarded upon adoption of a resolution by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the authorized membership of the governing body authorizing the contract; provided, however, that:(i) A reasonable effort is first made by the contracting agent to determine that the same or equivalent goods or services, at a cost which is lower than the negotiated price, are not available from an agency or authority of the United States, the State of New Jersey or of the county in which the contracting unit is located, or any municipality in close proximity to the contracting unit;(ii) The terms, conditions, restrictions, and specifications set forth in the negotiated contract are not substantially different from those which were the subject of competitive bidding pursuant to section 4 of P.L.1971, c.198 (C.40A:11-4); and(iii) Any minor amendment or modification of any of the terms, conditions, restrictions, and specifications, which were the subject of competitive bidding pursuant to section 4 of P.L.1971, c.198 (C.40A:11-4), shall be stated in the resolution awarding the contract; provided further, however, that if on the second occasion the bids received are rejected as unreasonable as to price, the contracting agent shall notify each responsible bidder submitting bids on the second occasion of its intention to negotiate, and afford each bidder a reasonable opportunity to negotiate, but the governing body shall not award the contract unless the negotiated price is lower than the lowest rejected bid price submitted on the second occasion by a responsible bidder, is the lowest negotiated price offered by any responsible vendor, and is a reasonable price for goods or services”; and

WHEREAS, Township Administrator has negotiated a contract with V&K Construction to construct the path using permeable asphalt which is more desirable than the material set forth in the bid specifications for \$78,000, which is \$11,000 less than its June 5 bid; and

WHEREAS, the Township Administrator has complied with all of the requirements of *N.J.S.A.40A:11-5* in negotiating this contract

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The contract for the construction of the Matthew G. Kantor Memorial Park pedestrian path is hereby awarded to V & K Construction in the amount of \$78,000, in accordance with the bid specifications, as modified, and the terms of the negotiated agreement.
2. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the contract for the construction of the Matthew G. Kantor Memorial Park pedestrian path.
3. This contract will be properly charged to the following line item appropriation of the official Township budget 02-0998-0518-0000-5-00000.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

RESOLUTION 19-294

APPROVAL OF THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET RECEIVED FROM COUNTY OF MORRIS TRAIL WAYS IN THE SUM OF \$82,236.00

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 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 any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2019 in the sum of \$82,236.00 pursuant to a grant received from the County of Morris Trail Ways; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$82,236.00 be appropriated under the title "County of Morris Trail Ways".

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

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-295
AUTHORIZING REFUND OF RECREATION DEPOSIT**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice and recommendation of the Recreation Director, does hereby authorize the following refunds:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>
David Coto	15E Henry St.	\$555.00	Field Space Rental
Summit Football Afianado	Basking Ridge, 07920		
Crystal Evans Baker	99 Circle Drive Millington, 07946	\$80.00	Rec Basketball
Sophia Viegas	75 Skyline Drive Millington, 07946	\$80.00	Rec Basketball

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-296
APPROVAL OF THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET RECEIVED
FROM INVESTORS BANK IN THE SUM OF \$10,000.00**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 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 any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2019 in the sum of \$10,000.00 pursuant to a grant received from the “Investors Bank Technology Grant”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$10,000.00 be appropriated under the title “Investors Bank Technology Grant”.

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

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-297
AUTHORIZING MILLINGTON FIRE COMPANY COIN TOSS**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, County of Morris, State of New Jersey received a request from the Millington Volunteer Fire Company to conduct a coin toss at the intersection of Long Hill Road and Basking Ridge Road on December 7, 2019 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

WHEREAS, Application was sent to Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders and awaiting approval,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, authorizes the Millington Volunteer Fire Company to conduct a coin toss on Valley Road on December 7, 2019 pending approval from Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-298
CERTIFYING JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP WITH THE MILLINGTON VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby certify that **MAX GOLDSTEIN** is a Junior Member of the Millington Volunteer Fire Company, No. 1.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
	X	MERINGOLO	X			
		PISERCHIA	X			
X		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-299
 APPROVING SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MORRIS COUNTY
 FOR USE OF TOWNSHIP SALT DOME**

WHEREAS, the County of Morris (the “County”) and Long Hill Township (the “Township”) desire to join together in an agreement whereby the County DPW employees will require access to and use of the Township’s salt dome in order to efficiently maintain road salting operations along the county owned roadways with the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township’s DPW will provide a loader with an operator to properly load county owned or county contracted dump trucks with salt for each winter weather event. If a Township DPW worker is unavailable, permission is hereby granted to the County DPW to load county owned dump trucks with salt. All salt tonnage delivered to and taken from the Township’s dome will be recorded and shared between authorized DPW officials for the County and the Township during and after each winter weather event; and

WHEREAS, the County DPW will supply salt to be used for county roadways within The Township prior to and during each winter weather event. Delivery of salt to the Township dome on Valley Road will be coordinated at a mutually agreed upon date and time between authorized DPW officials for the County and the Township; and

WHEREAS, the County and the Township have the legal authority to enter into this agreement pursuant to the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq.;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Shared Services Agreement with the County which is incorporated herein by reference.
2. A copy of the contract shall be filed with the Municipal Clerk and shall be opened to public inspection immediately after the introduction of this Resolution.
3. The contract shall take effect upon adoption of appropriate resolutions by all the parties thereto as set forth in the contract document.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-300
 APPROVING SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE
 [25th Annual Kids Holiday Party]**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey upon the advice of the Township Clerk, that all documents have been reviewed and are in good order, does hereby authorize the Township Clerk to approve and sign the application and approve the license for the event to the “Sponsor” Long Hill Community Center, for their Special Event to

be held on December 8, 2019 at the Long Hill Community Center: 1229 Valley Road, Stirling from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-301
APPROVING SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE
[MEYERSVILLE TREE LIGHTING ASSOCIATION]**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey upon the advice of the Township Clerk, when all documents have been reviewed and are in good order, does hereby authorize the Township Clerk to approve and sign the application and approve the license for the event to the “Sponsor” Meyersville Tree Lighting Association, for their Special Event to be held on December 1, 2019 at the Meyersville Circle for the annual Christmas Tree Lighting event; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey upon the advice of the Township Fire Official, that all documents have been reviewed and are in good order, does hereby approve fireworks conducted by Garden State Fireworks of Millington on December 1, 2019 at the Meyersville Ball Field on New Vernon Road and that all necessary permits have been approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Police Department approves the application and will provide the appropriate manpower for the event.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-302
APPOINTING 2019/2020 BASKETBALL PROGRAM STAFF**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill upon the advice and recommendation of the Recreation Director that the following be appointed to the 2019/2020 Recreation Basketball program effective November 16, 2019

Supervisors:	Salary/Hour
Fowler, Vanessa	\$23.00
Hutchinson, Dan	\$19.00
Zigarelli, Jessica	\$18.50
Tanko, Allen	\$17.50
Kesselmeyer, Abigail	\$16.00
Referees/Timers/Scorekeepers	
Cunningham, Scott	\$8.85
Fessock, Justin	\$9.50

Gallic, Brian	\$9.25
Hartigan, Molly	\$8.85
Killeen, Elizabeth	\$10.25
Killeen, Emma	\$10.00
Koppelman, Zach	\$9.50
Krug, Ryan	\$10.50
Krug, Sean	\$9.50
Lavender, Leah	\$10.25
Lucente, Nicholas	\$10.00
McAvoy, Lauren	\$9.50
Pinho, Brad	\$10.00
Sarti, Ryan	\$9.50
Wizeman, Eammon	\$10.00
Substitutes/College Students	
Blajsa, Joe	\$9.50
Frankel, Ryan	\$9.50
Langenauer, Brendan	\$10.50
Tanko, Joseph	\$9.50
Vigliotti, Aidan	\$10.00

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-303
IN GRADE ADVANCEMENT - MARCZEWSKI**

BE IT RESOLVED, the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, upon the advice and recommendation of Police Chief Ahmed Naga, does hereby approve the advancement of Lieutenant Grade II James Marczewski to Lieutenant Grade I, effective December 1, 2019 at an annual salary of \$ 144,021.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this advancement is consistent with the current PBA 322 Superior Officer's Collective Bargaining Agreement.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION #19-304
IN GRADE ADVANCEMENT – ENGEL**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, County of Morris, State of New Jersey upon the advice and recommendation of Police Chief Ahmed Naga, does hereby

approve the grade advancement of Officer Brian Engel to Officer Grade X, effective November 29, 2019 at an annual salary of \$53,892.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this advancement is consistent with the current PBA 322 Collective Bargaining Agreement.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-305
IN GRADE ADVANCEMENT - HARTMANN**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, County of Morris, State of New Jersey upon the advice and recommendation of Police Chief Ahmed Naga, does hereby approve the grade advancement of Officer Bryan Hartmann to Officer Grade IX, effective November 30, 2019 at an annual salary of \$58,338.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this advancement is consistent with the current PBA 322 Collective Bargaining Agreement.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-306
SNOW REMOVAL AWARD – HEIGHTS ASSOCIATES**

AGREEMENT made this 13th day of November, 2019, between Heights Associates, P.O. Box 530, Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922 (hereinafter referred to as “Contractor”), and the Township of Long Hill, 915 Valley Road, Gillette, New Jersey 07933, in the County of Morris, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey (hereinafter referred to as “Township”);

WHEREAS, the Township Committee desires to award the contract to the Contractor on November 13, 2019;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in consideration of the premises and other good and valuable consideration, the parties hereto mutually covenant and agree as follows:

1. The Contractor and the Township hereby incorporate into this contract the mandatory affirmative action provisions set forth in Exhibit “A” attached hereto.
2. The Contractor agrees to furnish snow removal services in accordance with the attached snow plowing contract (Exhibit “B”) for the period of November 2019 to April 2020 at the rates set forth in the contract.
3. This purchase shall be charged to budget line item 01-2019-0026-0290-2-00517 pursuant to the certification of funds by the Chief Financial Officer which shall be

attached to the original of this Resolution and shall be maintained in the office of the Township Clerk.

4. The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the contract agreement on behalf of the Township of Long Hill and that his signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the agreement.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-307
RESOLUTION APPOINTING ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT- DANA DIRISIO**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Dana Dirisio is hereby appointed a part-time Administrative Assistant (with no benefits) assigned to the Administrator's office, effective Monday, November 18, 2019.
2. Dana Dirisio shall work 25 hours per week and be compensated at the rate of \$20.00 per hour.
3. In all other respects, Dana Dirisio's employment and benefits will be subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Township Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual.
4. This appointment is contingent upon satisfactory completion of a background check.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION #19-287
APPROVAL OF 2020 TRAIN STATION PARKING FEES**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the following are the fees for the 2019 Train Station Parking Permits of the Township of Long Hill:

Millington Train Station	Yearly	\$240.00	After July 1 st	\$120.00
Stirling Train Station	Yearly	\$290.00	After July 1 st	\$145.00
Gillette Train Station	Yearly	\$340.00	After July 1 st	\$170.00
Daily (Millington Only)		\$ 5.00		

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township shall sell 150 parking permits for Millington Train Station, 65 parking permits for Stirling Train Station and 140 parking permits for the Gillette Train Station. Sale date is scheduled for Monday, **December 2, 2019**.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
		PISERCHIA	X			
	X	RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION 19-308
AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF FUNDS**

WHEREAS, there appears to be insufficient funds in the following accounts to meet the demands thereon for the balance of the Current Year; and

WHEREAS, there appears to be a surplus in the following accounts, over and above the demand necessary for the balance of the Current Year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provision R.S. 40A:4-58, part of the surplus in the account heretofore mentioned be and the same is hereby transferred to the account mentioned as being insufficient, to meet the current demands, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to make the following transfers:

Transfer From:	
Finance (OE)	\$3,000.00
Administration (OE)	\$1,014.00
Tax Collector (OE)	\$2,400.00
MIS (OE)	\$8,681.00
	\$15,095.00

Transfer To:	
Election (OE)	\$1,014.00
Environmental (OE)	\$300.00
Other Insurance Liability (OE)	\$8,681.00
DCRP (OE)	\$3,000.00
Public Library (OE)	\$2,100.00
	\$15,095.00

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
		PISERCHIA	X			
	X	RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X

**RESOLUTION #19-309
RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A STUDY COMMISSION TO REVIEW THE
OPEN PUBLIC RECORDS ACT**

WHEREAS, the Long Hill Township strongly believes in and supports open transparent government, and that citizens and residents have the right to be informed about the workings of government in order to best participate in a democracy; and

WHEREAS, on January 8, 2002 then Acting Governor DiFrancesco signed into law the Open

Public Records Act (OPRA) which mandates that government records shall be available, with limited exceptions, for public access and simplifying the procedures for requesting such specific records; and

WHEREAS, the intent of the law was to provide the public with easy access to government records with an uncomplicated process for obtaining the records and eliminating bureaucratic red tape; and

WHEREAS, over the course of 18 years OPRA has been a positive light, but it has also been fraught with abuse and misuse, and has become an unanticipated financial cost to the taxpayers of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Long Hill Township has labored under a well-intended law that has spiraled out of control, due to the volume and nature of requests, the cost to taxpayers in responding to the requests, and the potential liability in having to pay disproportionate prevailing party attorney's fees should the requests turn into litigated matters, as well as the liability in determining which documents shall be released, with or without redaction, while attempting to maintain individual privacy; and

WHEREAS, it is not only the volume of OPRA requests that challenge our resources, but it is also the cost associated with reviewing, retrieving, and processing the OPRA request(s) by public entity personnel and counsel and possibly defending our action(s) before the Government Records Council or in Superior Court; and

WHEREAS, Long Hill Township received and responded to 457 OPRA requests in 2017, 397 OPRA requests in 2018, and to date has received and responded to 288 OPRA requests as of September 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, due to the often conflicting case law and Government Record Council decisions, as well as the unique characteristics of OPRA request, the Long Hill Township must often times rely on the municipal attorney to review certain OPRA requests, resulting in additional fees of approximately \$1,584.00 in response to OPRA requests in 2017, \$1,632.00 in response to OPRA requests in 2018, and currently has spent \$1,287.00 in response to OPRA requests in 2019; and

WHEREAS, with limited exceptions OPRA has not been amended to address the clear and apparent advancement in technology that has changed the way government records are created, stored, and/or transmitted; the various interpretive decisions; privacy concerns; abuse for commercial gain; and/or the ever increasing cost to taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, as the current law approaches its twentieth (20th) anniversary it has outgrown its original intended use and has become ripe for comprehensive review and reform;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the governing body of Long Hill Township appeals to the legislature to form a Commission comprised of Mayors, Municipal Clerks, Municipal Managers, Attorneys, Police Chiefs, open government advocates, privacy experts, members of the media, citizens and other appropriate stakeholders, to review and examine the effects of OPRA on local government and the needs to be fulfilled by the law, and use the Commission's findings to perform a comprehensive reform of OPRA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Assemblyman Jon M Bramnick, Assemblywoman Nancy Munoz, Senator Thomas Kean, Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin, Senate President Stephen Sweeney, Senator Weinberg, Executive Director of the Government Records Council, the Governor of the State of New Jersey, the Municipal Clerks Association of New Jersey and New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		MERINGOLO	X			
		PISERCHIA	X			

	X	RAE	X			
		SCHULER				X