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## CALL TO ORDER

The mayor called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM. Deputy Mayor Esposito lead the flag salute and the mayor read the following open public meetings statement in accordance with the law:

Notice was provided that this meeting is being conducted through virtual means due the COVID-19 outbreak in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act; and as such, notice was posted on the township website, the township's Facebook page, and provided by e-mail to the Recorder Publishing/Bernardsville News, Whippany; the Courier News, Bridgewater; TAPinto.net; Patch.com; and filed with the Township Clerk on 03/31/2020. Any motion to go into closed session will be deemed to include a motion that the matters discussed at such closed session will be disclosed to the public when such matters are finally determined and there is no further reason to prohibit the public disclosure of information relating to such matters.

## ROLL CALL

Present: Carpenter, Esposito, Harris, Baldassare, Jr.

Absent: Fields

Also Present: Administrator Monaco, Attorney Belardo, CFO McCarthy, Municipal Clerk Pisano

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

## PUBLIC WORK SESSION

None listed

## REPORTS

None listed

## CORRESPONDENCE

None listed

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment was accepted at this virtual meeting from Bernards Township residents, via e-mail to [municipalclerk@bernards.org](mailto:municipalclerk@bernards.org) during this public comment period.

The Mayor opened public comment and the Clerk read comments from:

Todd Edelstein – Riverside Dr., requested that the scroll be slowed down on the BT TV channel to allow people ample time to read the information; questioned the time change for the township committee meetings and the manner in which meetings are being held during this time; requested the presence of the health officer at the township committee meeting during COVID-19; and is in support of a mobile testing site to be located between Somerset and Morris counties instead of Somerset and Hunterdon counties.

Kippy Piedici – 73 Sycamore Ct., thanked the Mayor, township committee members, and staff for the daily updates on the pandemic and their care for the residents.

## TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE/LIAISON & BOARD REPORTS AND STAFF COMMENTS

All members expressed their condolences on the passing of committee woman Janice Fields father. Members commented on and highlighted various volunteer efforts and staff efforts during this time with the COVID-19 outbreak.

## FIRE & RESCUE APPOINTMENT

None listed

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None listed

## NEW BUSINESS

[Resolution #2020-0197](#) - *Authorizing the Mailing of Estimated 3rd Quarter 2020 Tax Bills*

CFO McCarthy provided background information.

Motion by Carpenter, second by Harris, that Resolution #2020-0197 be approved.

Roll Call

Aye: Carpenter, Esposito, Harris, Baldassare, Jr.

Nay:

Abstain:

Motion carried.

**WHEREAS**, in light of the economic impact of COVID-19 and the state delay of the adoption of the 2021 state budget to September 30, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Division of Local Government Services cannot certify State Aid allocations until the State Aid Appropriations are known; and

**WHEREAS**, the Division cannot approve municipal budgets and the County Board of Taxation cannot certify taxes until long after the statutory deadline to process the third quarter bills; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bernards Township Tax Collector, in consultation with the Bernards Township Chief Financial Officer, has computed an estimated tax levy in accordance with NJSA 54:4-66.3, and they have both signed a certification showing the tax levies for the previous year, the tax rates and the range of permitted estimated tax levies; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Chapter 72, P.L. 1994, the Township Committee shall not need the approval from the Director of the Division of Local Government Services since the estimated tax levy will not exceed 105% maximum allowed. Approval will enable the Township to meet its financial obligations, maintain the tax collection rate, provide uniformity for tax payments, and save the unnecessary cost of interest expenses on borrowing.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 2020, as follows:

1. The Bernards Township Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to prepare, and issue estimated tax bills for the Township for the third installment of 2020 taxes. The Tax Collector shall proceed and take such actions as are permitted and required by L 1994, c. 72 (NJSA 54:4-66.2 and 54:4-66.3).
2. The entire estimated tax levy including Municipal, Library, School, County, and County Open Space for 2020 is hereby set at \$141,521,189.62.
3. In accordance with the law, the third installment of 2020 taxes shall not be subject to interest until the later of August 10 or the twenty-fifth calendar day after the date the estimated tax bills were mailed. The estimated tax bills shall contain a notice specifying the date on which interest may begin to accrue.
4. The Tax Collector may rescind this resolution in the event the State budget is adopted, and the County of Somerset releases a tax rate for the Township of Bernards.

[Resolution #2020-0198](#) - *Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Not Exceeding \$10,000,000 Tax Anticipation Notes of 2020 of the Township of Bernards, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey*  
CFO McCarthy provided background information.

Motion by Harris, second by Esposito, that Resolution #2020-0198 be approved.

Roll Call

Aye: Carpenter, Esposito, Harris, Baldassare, Jr.

Nay:

Abstain:

Motion carried.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. In anticipation of the collection of taxes for the year 2020 levied or to be levied in such year or in anticipation of other revenue for such year, and for the purposes provided for in the budget or for which taxes are levied or to be levied for such year, tax anticipation notes of 2020 (the "Notes") of the Township of Bernards, in the County of Somerset (the "Township"), are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$10,000,000 pursuant to the Local Budget Law of the State of New Jersey.

The following matters in connection with the Notes are hereby determined:

**TITLE:** \$10,000,000 Tax Anticipation Notes of 2020

**DATE, NUMBER, DENOMINATION AND PLACE OF PAYMENT:** As may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer.

**MATURITY:** As may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer.

**INTEREST RATE:**

As may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer.

**FORM:**

As may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer.

The borrowing power of the Township on tax anticipation notes for the year 2020 is \$44,054,155.94 as determined by a certificate of the chief financial officer, acting chief financial officer or treasurer (the "Chief Financial Officer") filed in the office of the Township Clerk, such certificate being as follows:

**CERTIFICATE**

**I, SEAN M. MCCARTHY**, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Bernards, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, **HEREBY CERTIFY** as follows:

The gross borrowing power in respect to tax anticipation notes of 2020, being 30% of the tax levy of the next preceding fiscal year for all purposes, plus 30% of the amount of miscellaneous revenues realized in cash during the next preceding fiscal year, is \$44,054,155.94.

The amount of notes outstanding in anticipation of the collection of the taxes of the 2020 fiscal year, except such notes as will be renewed by or paid from other proceeds of the notes to be issued, is \$0.

The net borrowing power, being the excess of the first over the second of the two above amounts, is \$44,054,155.94.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand this 14th day of April, 2020.



Sean M. McCarthy  
Chief Financial Officer

The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to determine all matters in connection with the details, sale, award and issuance of the Notes not determined by this or a subsequent resolution and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the Notes shall be conclusive evidence that all such matters have been so determined in manner and effect consistent with the form and substance of the Notes. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell the Notes at public or private sale at not less than par and to deliver the same to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of the purchase price plus accrued interest from the date of the Notes to the date of delivery thereof and payment therefor.

The Notes shall be general obligations of the Township and the full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes, and, unless otherwise paid or payment provided for, taxes shall be levied in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Notes as the same shall become due and payable.

The Chief Financial Officer is authorized and directed to report in writing to this Township Committee at the meeting next succeeding the date when the sale of any of the Notes pursuant to this resolution is made, such report to include the amount, description, interest rate and maturity of the Notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser, and such report shall be entered in full in the minutes of such meeting.

The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed, after consultation with bond counsel to the Township and other Township professionals, to do all other matters necessary, useful, convenient or desirable to accomplish the delivery of the Notes to the purchasers thereof as promptly as possible, including without limitation (i) the preparation, execution and dissemination of a Preliminary Official Statement and Final Official Statement with respect to the Notes, (ii) the preparation, distribution and publication, if necessary, of a Notice of Sale with respect to the Notes, (iii) the execution of a Continuing Disclosure Undertaking, with respect to the Notes in accordance with Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, (iv) the obtaining of a credit rating for the Notes and (v) the execution of an arbitrage and use of proceeds certificate certifying that, among other things, the Township, to the extent it is empowered and allowed under applicable law, will do and perform all acts and things necessary or desirable to assure that interest paid on the Notes is not included in gross income under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

[Resolution #2020-0201](#) - In Support of a Mobile COVID-19 Testing Facility Within Somerset County  
Motion by Esposito, second by Harris, and unanimously agreed that Resolution #2020-0201 be approved.

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Bernards, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey (the “Township”), a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey (the “State”), is facing a health crisis related to the spread and treatment of the COVID-19 virus; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to assist in the combat of the spread of the COVID-19 virus the performances of tests to help identify infected individuals is necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, several other counties within the State have established mobile drive thru testing sites for the benefit of their residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Somerset in conjunction with the County of Hunterdon desires to establish and operate a mobile testing site for their residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Somerset has identified Raritan Valley Community College as a suitable location for the mobile testing facility; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Somerset and the County of Hunterdon have agreed to share the costs and responsibility for the staffing and operation of the facility; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to establish and operate the mobile testing facility certain equipment including personnel protective equipment and testing kits are necessary for the operation of the facility; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of New Jersey in conjunction with the United States of America possess the authority and ability to provide the necessary equipment needed for the establishment and operation of the mobile testing facility; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Bernards requests that the State provide the needed resources.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, hereby expresses its support and endorsement of a mobile testing facility for COVID-19 in Somerset County and urges the Governor of the state of New Jersey, the New Jersey Legislature and Members of Congress to act expeditiously and without haste to provide the necessary resources to the County of Somerset and the County of Hunterdon.

Mayor Baldassare recused himself and left the meeting. Deputy Mayor Esposito took over as Chairman of the meeting.

[Resolution #2020-0202](#) - *Emergency Personnel Appointment – Mark D. Leopold – Special Police Officer II*  
Motion by Harris second by Carpenter, that Resolution #2020-0202 be approved.

Roll Call

Aye: Carpenter, Esposito, Harris, Baldassare, Jr.

Nay:

Abstain:

Motion carried.

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2020, through Executive Order No. 103, the Governor of the State of New Jersey declared both a Public Health Emergency and a State of Emergency throughout the State due to the public health hazard created by COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, there has been an identified need to expand the capabilities of the Bernards Township Police Department’s capacity in an anticipated effort to respond to threats to public health and safety; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Attorney General, who is the State’s chief law enforcement officer, has advised state law enforcement agencies on strategies for addressing personnel challenges relating to COVID-19, including through expanded reliance upon the Special Law Enforcement Officers’ Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-146.8, et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Executive Order No. 115, the New Jersey Attorney General has determined that, for the duration of this emergency, the return of retired officers to bolster the ranks of law enforcement agencies, as well as the expanded retention of Special Law Enforcement Officers on an hourly basis, will supplement law enforcement agencies’ ability to provide for public health and safety during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, certain retirees enrolled in the State’s various retirement systems possess the necessary skills and training to immediately assist with New Jersey’s COVID-19 emergency, including law enforcement officers who are retired from the New Jersey Police and Firemen’s Retirement System (“PFRS”), N.J.S.A. 43:16A-1 et seq., now retired and have the skills required for the State to respond to the COVID-19 emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, Mark D. Leopold retired in good standing as a Police Captain with the Bernards Township Police Department on May 1, 2019 and has been previously vetted for employment and meets the statutory requirements as a Special Law Enforcement Officer II.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that Mark D. Leopold be appointed a Special Law Enforcement Officer II with the Bernards Township Police Department during this current public health crisis as determined by law and Executive Order.

Mayor Baldassare returned to the meeting and resumed the position as Chairman.

#### *Consent Agenda*

*The items listed within the consent agenda portion of the meeting have been referred to the Township Committee for reading and study, linked to the posted agenda on the website, are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Township Committee with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is required, the item may be removed from the agenda by township committee action and placed on the regular agenda under new business.*

Motion by Carpenter, second by Harris, that the consent agenda items be approved.

#### Roll Call

Aye: Carpenter, Esposito, Harris, Baldassare, Jr.  
Nay:  
Abstain:  
Motion carried.

#### **\*\*Begin Consent Agenda\*\***

#### [Resolution #2020-0176](#) - Proclaiming Arbor Day in Bernards Township

**WHEREAS**, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees; and

**WHEREAS**, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska; and

**WHEREAS**, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and

**WHEREAS**, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife; and

**WHEREAS**, trees in our township increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community and spiritual renewal.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards does hereby proclaim April 24, 2020 as **ARBOR DAY**; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in the community of Bernards Township, we urge all citizens to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands to support our town’s urban forestry program; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that all citizens are urged to plant trees to gladden hearts and promote the well-being of present and future generations.

#### [Resolution #2020-0193](#) - Building Safety Month May 2020

**WHEREAS**, Bernards Township, New Jersey is committed to recognizing that our growth and strength depends on the safety and economic value of the homes, buildings and infrastructure that serve our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, our confidence in the structural integrity of these buildings that make up our community is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians—building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers, plumbers and others in the construction industry—who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and



**WHEREAS**, these guardians are dedicated members of the International Code Council, a nonprofit that brings together local, state and federal officials that are experts in the built environment to create and implement the highest-quality codes to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work, play; and

**WHEREAS**, our nation benefits economically and technologically from using the International Codes that are developed by a national, voluntary consensus codes and standards developing organization, our government is able to avoid the high cost and complexity of developing and maintaining these codes, which are the most widely adopted building safety and fire prevention codes in the world; and

**WHEREAS**, these modern building codes include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires, floods and earthquake; which, according to a FEMA-commissioned study by the National Institute of Building Sciences, provide \$11 in future mitigation benefits for every dollar invested; and

**WHEREAS**, Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council to remind the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown protectors of public safety—our local code officials—who assure us of safe, efficient and livable buildings that are essential to America's prosperity; and

**WHEREAS**, "Safer Buildings, Safer Communities, Safer World," the theme for Building Safety Month 2020, encourages all Americans to raise awareness about the importance of safe and resilient construction; fire prevention; disaster mitigation, and new technologies in the construction industry. Building Safety Month 2020 encourages appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure the safety of our built environment, and recognizes that the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies has saved lives and protected homes and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, each year, in observance of Building Safety Month, Americans are asked to consider the commitment to improve building safety and economic investment at home and in the community, and to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local and state building departments, county and federal agencies in protecting lives and property.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that we do hereby proclaim the month of May 2020, as Building Safety Month.

[Resolution #2020-0195](#) - Approval of the Bill List Dated 04/14/2020

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the bill list dated 04/14/2020 be audited, and if found correct, be paid.

April 14, 2020  
09:31 AM

TOWNSHIP OF BERNARDS  
Check Register By Check Date

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123698	04/14/20	F0299 FASTENAL CO.	470.91	1491	Direct Deposit
123699	04/14/20	K0354 KANOPY INC	535.00	1491	Direct Deposit
123700	04/14/20	M0488 SAFETY DOWN UNDER, INC.	2,250.00	1491	Direct Deposit
123701	04/14/20	M0830 MOTT MACDONALD LLC	11,225.25	1491	Direct Deposit
123702	04/14/20	N0297 NORTHERN SAFETY CO., INC.	185.48	1491	Direct Deposit
123703	04/14/20	P0546 PETER RUBINETTI PRIVATE DISP	52.86	1491	Direct Deposit
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123705	04/14/20	T0378 THE GUARDIAN LIFE INS CO OF AM	89.91	1491	Direct Deposit
123706	04/14/20	A0250 AMBASSADOR MEDICAL SERVICES	110.00	1492	
123707	04/14/20	A0437 AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROS OF NJ	100.00	1492	
123708	04/14/20	A0611 AMERICAN WEAR, INC	1,150.20	1492	
123709	04/14/20	A0672 ATLANTIC VISITING NURSE	9,636.00	1492	
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123712	04/14/20	A0675 ANSONS, ILONA	75.00	1492	
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123717	04/14/20	B0022	BASKING RIDGE FIRST AID SQUAD	15,000.00	1492
123718	04/14/20	B0026	BERNARDS TOWNSHIP CURRENT	7,692.04	1492
123719	04/14/20	B0034	BERNARDS TOWNSHIP PAYROLL ACCT	510,408.15	1492
123720	04/14/20	B0098	BERNARDS TOWNSHIP (RECREATION)	11,357.66	1492
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123722	04/14/20	B0241	BANISCH ASSOCIATES, INC.	8,011.70	1492
123723	04/14/20	B0388	BLACKSTONE AUDIO BOOKS	30.95	1492
123724	04/14/20	B0518	BERNARDSVILLE HARDWARE	31.48	1492
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123742	04/14/20	C0831	CREEGAN, MICHAEL & KATE	80.00	1492
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123903	04/14/20	Y0211	YAN, LIXIA & ZHOU, PENG	485.00	1492

Checking Account Totals	Paid	Void	Amount Paid	Amount Void
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Checks:	200	0	3,225,692.14	0.00
Direct Deposit:	20	0	20,518.30	0.00
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Total:	220	0	3,246,210.44	0.00

Report Totals	Paid	Void	Amount Paid	Amount Void
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Direct Deposit:	20	0	20,518.30	0.00
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Total:	220	0	3,246,210.44	0.00

Totals by Year-Fund					
Fund Description	Fund	Budget Total	Revenue Total	G/L Total	Total

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CURRENT FUND	0-01	3,158,699.63	0.00	0.00	3,158,699.63
DOG FUND	0-12	1,986.85	0.00	0.00	1,986.85
GOLF COURSE UTILITY	0-26	26,469.70	0.00	0.00	26,469.70
Year Total:		3,187,156.18	0.00	0.00	3,187,156.18
CURRENT FUND	9-01	637.15	0.00	0.00	637.15
CAPITAL FUND	C-04	2,280.00	0.00	0.00	2,280.00
PUBLIC GRANTS	G-02	1,087.50	0.00	0.00	1,087.50
TRUST FUNDS	T-13	28,426.06	0.00	0.00	28,426.06
PROJECT		26,623.55			26,623.55
Total Of All Funds:		3,246,210.44	0.00	0.00	3,246,210.44

**Resolution #2020-0196** - Awarding Professional Services Contract for 2020 Bond Counsel to Robert H. Beinfield of the firm Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP In the Not to Exceed Amount of \$10,000

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Bernards requires services for Professional Bond Counsel Services; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert H. Beinfield of the firm Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, One Gateway Center, 24<sup>th</sup> Floor, Newark, NJ 07102 has submitted a proposal dated March 28, 2020 outlining Bond Counsel services to the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, section N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) exempts such professional services from competitive bidding; and

**WHEREAS**, this contract is awarded without public advertisement as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20-7 and pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20-4; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified funds are available in account name Legal Services – Other Expenses line account # 0-01-20-155-204 line item appropriation or ordinance.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that a professional service contract be awarded to Robert H. Beinfield of the firm Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, One Gateway Center, 24<sup>th</sup> Floor, Newark, NJ 07102 as follows:

1. The contract will encompass services as outlined in the submitted proposal dated March 28, 2020.
2. The contract term is from April 14, 2020 through April 13, 2021 for professional Bond Counsel Services not to exceed an amount of \$10,000.
3. Billings must be rendered by the contractor within 30 days of service delivery.
4. **Any modification to this contract shall be in writing and signed by both parties and upon obtaining said signatures shall immediately become part of the contract.**
5. **No payments in excess of the “not to exceed” contract amounts will be approved, unless such services/expenditures are negotiated and agreed upon in advance of service delivery.**
6. As required by law, the parties to this contract agree to incorporate into this contract the mandatory affirmative action language promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to P.L. 1975, c.127, which is attached to this resolution as Exhibit A.
7. This contract shall, for all purposes, be deemed a NJ Contract and any provisions of this contract shall be governed and interpreted with the Laws of the State of New Jersey.
8. The contractor shall report directly to Sean McCarthy, CFO, who will be the chief contact for the Township of Bernards on this project.

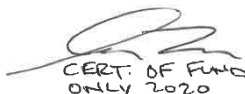
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that a copy of the resolution be placed on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Bernards Township Purchasing Agent.

I agree to the terms as stated in the Resolution and by signing this document I, am committed to follow all terms of this award.

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Robert H. Beinfield

**CFO CERTIFICATION**

I, Sean McCarthy, Chief Financial Officer of Bernards, hereby certify that adequate funds are available for the above referenced purchase in the not to exceed amount of \$ 10,000 Monies are available in Legal Services – Other Expenses line account #0-01-20-155-204.



CERT. OF FUNDS  
ONLY 2020

Sean McCarthy, Chief Financial Officer

**Resolution #2020-0199 - Approval of Independent Agreement with Central Jersey Housing Resource Center (CJHRC) at a cost not to exceed \$56,400.00**

**WHEREAS**, Central Jersey Housing Resource Center (CJHRC) is a nonprofit collaboration of businesses, financial institutions, social service agencies, public officials and housing advocates who work to increase the accessibility and availability of affordable housing in Central New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, CJHRC currently operates a centralized housing resource information center in Somerset County and is a HUD certified agency specialized in the state and federal housing regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, CJHRC proposes to enter into an agreement with Bernards Township to provide such services as an Affordable Housing Coordinating Agency for existing low and moderate income rental and purchase units pursuant to Uniform Housing Affordability Controls, N.J.A.C. 5:80-16.18 -4i-viii; and

**WHEREAS**, should the State Legislature or Governor adopt legislation or executive orders that eliminate COAH or no longer require the Township to hire the services of CJHRC, Bernards Township may terminate this Agreement on sixty days written notice and pay CJHRC for the services rendered up to the termination date; and

**WHEREAS**: this contract was awarded without public advertisement as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20-7 and pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20-4; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified funds are available in line item account # 0-01-20-155-204.

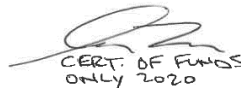
**NOW BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that we do hereby approve an agreement at a cost not to exceed \$56,400.00 with the Central Jersey Housing Resource Center (CJHRC) effective May 1, 2020 through April 30, 2021; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that we do hereby authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute the agreement with the Central Jersey Housing Resource Center (CJHRC) on behalf of the Township.

**TREASURY CERTIFICATION**

I, Sean McCarthy, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Bernards, hereby certify that adequate funds are available for the above referenced purchase in the amount not to exceed \$56,400.00. Monies are available in line item account # 0-01-20-155-204



CERT. OF FUNDS  
ONLY 2020

Sean McCarthy  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: March 23, 2020

**Resolution 2020-0200 - Recognizing April as Autism Awareness Month**

**WHEREAS**, Autism, or autism spectrum disorder (ASD), refers to a broad range of conditions characterized by challenges with social skills, repetitive behaviors, speech and nonverbal communication; and

**WHEREAS**, autism affects an estimated 1 in 54 children in the United States today; and

**WHEREAS**, while there is no cure for autism, it is well-documented that if individuals with autism receive treatment early in their lives, it often is possible for those individuals to lead significantly improved lives; and

**WHEREAS**, a variety of public and private organizations and agencies strive to provide quality care, support, or services to children and adults with autism to enable them to live as independently as possible and to reach their full potential.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that we do hereby proclaim April as AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH in the Township of Bernards and encourage residents to show support for autism awareness in order to become better educated on the subject of autistic spectrum disorders.

[Resolution 2020-0203](#) - Award of Competitive Contract for the Lease of Food Concession At Pleasant Valley Pool to L.K.E. Catering Inc. for the 2020 Year with Four (4) Successive One (1) Year Renewal Options for the rental amount of \$6,000.00 per year

**WHEREAS**, on Thursday, March 12, 2020, the township received one (1) Competitive Contract for the Lease of Food Concession at Pleasant Valley Pool; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, P.L.1999, c.440 (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, *et seq.*), specifically, N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-4.1 *et seq.*, the Township is permitted to utilize the competitive contracting process for the award of contracts for concessions; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.4, the methodology for the awarding of competitive contracts is not solely based upon the proposal amount, but rather can be evaluated and ranked based upon a variety of criteria, which is set forth in the Request for Proposals; and

**WHEREAS**, L.K.E. Catering Inc., has complied and completed all criteria as requested of the competitive contract bid package; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the combined recommendation of the Director of Parks and Recreation and Purchasing Agent to award a contract to L.K.E Catering Inc, 3 Pine Meadow Lane, Gladstone, NJ 07934; and

**WHEREAS**, as provided by Local Public Contract Law 40A:11-4.1 *et seq.*; provides the competitive contracting process and pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A: 11-4.2, the contract award is for one year (1) which may be extended for four (4) additional one (1) year periods not to exceed five (5) years contingent upon satisfactory performance as recommended by the Director of Parks and Recreation.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, Somerset County, New Jersey that a competitive contract be awarded to: L.K.E Catering Inc, 3 Pine Meadow Lane, Gladstone, NJ 07934; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Purchasing Agent, is hereby authorized to accept this proposal and issue a contract to: L.K.E Catering Inc, 3 Pine Meadow Lane, Gladstone, NJ 07934

I agree to the terms as stated in this Resolution and by signing this document, I, Maria Pacillo am committed to follow all terms of this award.

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Maria Pacillo, Owner

**\*\*End Consent Agenda\*\***

*Approval of Minutes – 03/16/2020 & 03/24/2020*

Motion by Carpenter, second by Esposito, and unanimously agreed that the 03/16/2020 [Open Session minutes](#) and the 03/24/2020 [Open Session minutes](#) be approved for content and release and the 03/16/2020 Executive Session minutes be approved for content.

[ORDINANCE #2445](#) - Accepting a Wetlands Conservation Easement and a Stream Buffer Conservation Easement on Property Located at 510 South Maple Avenue; Block 3301, Lot 2, from Anthony and Maria Sblendorio to the Township of Bernards – [Map](#) - Introduction

The clerk read the ordinance by title. Motion by Carpenter, second by Esposito, that Ordinance #2445 be introduced on first reading, advertised as required by law, with a public hearing on 04/28/2020.

Roll Call

Aye: Carpenter, Esposito, Harris, Baldassare, Jr.  
Nay:  
Abstain:  
Motion carried.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment was accepted at this virtual meeting from Bernards Township residents, via e-mail to [municipalclerk@bernards.org](mailto:municipalclerk@bernards.org) during this public comment period.

The Mayor opened public comment and the Clerk read comments from:

John Crane – 39 Decker St., thankful to be a resident citing that the township will be 260 years old in May and has gone through, and will continue to go through, tough times but will get through it; gave condolences to committee woman Fields.

Todd Edelstein – Riverside Dr., thanked the committee for addressing some of his concerns and gave condolences to committee woman Fields.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

By unanimous consent the meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,

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Rhonda Pisano  
Municipal Clerk

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James Baldassare, Jr.  
Mayor

Approved: 04/28/2020