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CALL TO ORDER

The mayor called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM in the Municipal Building, 1 Collyer Lane, Basking Ridge, NJ. Those assembled saluted the flag and the mayor read the open public meetings statement in accordance with the law.

ROLL CALL

Present: Asay, Grochala, Fields, McNally, Baldassare, Jr.

Absent:

Also Present: Administrator Monaco, Attorney Belardo, and Municipal Clerk Pisano

EXECUTIVE SESSION (if required)

None.

PUBLIC WORK SESSION (if required)

None.

REPORTS

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The mayor opened public comment.

Todd Edelstein, 172 Riverside Dr. – commented LCFAS ceasing operations.

No additional comments were heard and the Mayor closed the public comment period.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE BOARD / LIAISON REPORTS AND STAFF COMMENTS

Staff provided comments and committee members reported on their appointed boards and recent activities. Fields, McNalley and Baldassare recognized and thanked the LCFAS members for their dedication and service over the years.

FIRE & RESCUE APPOINTMENT

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

[Resolution #2022-0352](#) - *Authorization to Amend Atlantic Ambulance Corp. Agreement Providing EMS Services to Bernards Township*

Motion by Grochala, second by McNally, that Resolution #2022-0352 be approved. The Mayor recognized and thanked the LCFAS members for their dedication and service over the years.

Roll Call:

Aye: Asay, Grochala, Fields, McNally, Baldassare

Nay:

Abstain:

Motion carried.

WHEREAS, pursuant to §2-16.1 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards, the Bernards Township First Aid and Emergency Department shall consist of the First Aid Squad of the Basking Ridge Fire Company No. #1 and the Liberty Corner First Aid Squad; and

WHEREAS, first aid services have been proudly provided by both organizations by dedicated individuals committed to preserving the rich heritage of volunteerism while proudly serving their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, due to increased call volumes, coupled with all-volunteer staffing issues, and based on the recommendation of the EMS working group, the Township Committee approved Resolution #2019-0327 on 07/23/19 to solicit and procure third-party EMS contractors to provide EMS services to the Township during identified peak hours as applicable under New Jersey Law; and

WHEREAS on 09/24/2019 the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards awarded Atlantic Ambulance Corp., 120 Dorsa Avenue, Livingston, NJ 07039 for the provision of Emergency Medical Services within the Township of Bernards for a term not to exceed five (5) years within the Township of Bernards, Monday – Friday, 6AM-6PM; and

WHEREAS, on 08/05/2022 the Liberty Corner First Aid Squad, who is faced with a critical EMT staffing crisis, a crisis shared on a state and national level, notified Bernards Township that after careful consideration, a decision was made and agreed upon by the Liberty Corner First Aid members, to cease EMS operations in Bernards Township effective midnight on Monday, September 5, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to sign and execute an amended agreement with Atlantic Ambulance Corp. to expanded emergency medical services to include the Liberty Corner section of Bernards Township 24 /7; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the administration of Bernards Township will work with the appropriate parties to determine property assets, dissolution of the organization, and future use of the building; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards will continue to work with the First Aid Squad of the Basking Ridge Fire Company No. #1 and Atlantic Ambulance Corp. to adequately provide EMS service to the residents of Bernards Township.

Consent Agenda

The items listed within the consent agenda portion of the meeting have been referred to the Township Committee for reading and study, are posted on the 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 Asay, second by Grochala, that the Consent Agenda be approved.

Roll Call:

Aye: Asay, Grochala, Fields, McNally, Baldassare

Nay:

Abstain:

Motion carried.

****Begin Consent Agenda****

Resolution #2022-0342 - Approval of the Bill List Dated 08/23/2022

BE IT RESOLVED, that the bill list dated 08/23/2022 be audited, and if found correct, be paid.

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Check #	Check Date	Vendor	Amount Paid	Reconciled/Void Ref Num	

133480	08/23/22	90093 NICOLETTI, THOMAS J	82.34	1660	Direct Deposit
133481	08/23/22	90327 MCKNIGHT, ALEX	30.70	1660	Direct Deposit
133482	08/23/22	90395 NERI, MARK	9.48	1660	Direct Deposit
133483	08/23/22	90563 CARTOCCIO, KAITLIN	216.50	1660	Direct Deposit
133484	08/23/22	A0044 APPROVED FIRE PROTECTION CO.	169.30	1660	Direct Deposit
133485	08/23/22	A0168 ALLIED OIL COMPANY, LLC	17,705.33	1660	Direct Deposit
133486	08/23/22	A0398 STERLING TALENT SOLUTIONS	138.14	1660	Direct Deposit
133487	08/23/22	A0453 AMAZON.COM	1,918.31	1660	Direct Deposit
133488	08/23/22	A0716 ACB SERVICES INC	2,660.00	1660	Direct Deposit
133489	08/23/22	B0203 DIFRANCESCO BATEMAN, PC	3,512.00	1660	Direct Deposit
133490	08/23/22	B0581 BUY WISE AUTO PARTS	775.21	1660	Direct Deposit
133491	08/23/22	B0758 BCI TRUCK, INC	1,111.76	1660	Direct Deposit
133492	08/23/22	C0083 CDW GOVERNMENT, INC.	578.99	1660	Direct Deposit
133493	08/23/22	D0020 DELTA DENTAL OF NJ	12,259.71	1660	Direct Deposit
133494	08/23/22	D0848 DOMINICK'S LIBERTY CORNER LLC	785.00	1660	Direct Deposit
133495	08/23/22	E0224 EXCELLENT BUILDING SERVICES	2,745.00	1660	Direct Deposit
133496	08/23/22	E0267 EAW SECURITY	2,485.90	1660	Direct Deposit
133497	08/23/22	F0003 FOLEY, INCORPORATED	50,489.00	1660	Direct Deposit
133498	08/23/22	G0284 GATES FLAG & BANNER CO.	344.04	1660	Direct Deposit

133499	08/23/22	M0353	MIDWEST TAPE LLC	1,865.66	1660	Direct Deposit
133500	08/23/22	R0071	RENDA ROADS, INC.	193,001.50	1660	Direct Deposit
133501	08/23/22	R0393	RESEARCH&DESIGN LANDSCAPE LLC	6,948.00	1660	Direct Deposit
133502	08/23/22	R0824	REPUBLIC SERVICES OF NJ LLC	1,250.00	1660	Direct Deposit
133503	08/23/22	S0135	CJHRC-CENTRAL JERSEY HOUSING	383.30	1660	Direct Deposit
133504	08/23/22	S0202	SUBURBAN PROPANE	592.35	1660	Direct Deposit
133505	08/23/22	S0741	SUBURBAN CONSULTING ENGINEERS	5,674.23	1660	Direct Deposit
133506	08/23/22	S1176	STONEFIELD ENG. & DESIGNS LLC	130.00	1660	Direct Deposit
133507	08/23/22	T0066	CENGAGE LEARNING CREDIT SVCS	222.42	1660	Direct Deposit
133508	08/23/22	T0192	TURN OUT UNIFORMS INC	191.98	1660	Direct Deposit
133509	08/23/22	T0378	THE GUARDIAN LIFE INS CO OF AM	101.77	1660	Direct Deposit
133510	08/23/22	U0001	UNITEMP INC.	1,000.00	1660	Direct Deposit
133511	08/23/22	A0103	ALERT-ALL CORPORATION	865.00	1661	
133512	08/23/22	A0126	AFLAC NEW YORK	137.94	1661	
133513	08/23/22	A0174	ALL SPORTS STADIUM, LLC	243.75	1661	
133514	08/23/22	A0232	ARROW ELEVATOR, INC.	330.00	1661	
133515	08/23/22	A0338	AFLAC	694.71	1661	
133516	08/23/22	B0001	BAKER & TAYLOR, INC.	2,036.80	1661	
133517	08/23/22	B0017	BRIDGEWATER RESOURCES, INC.	1,607.63	1661	
133518	08/23/22	B0025	BERNARDS TOWNSHIP CAPITAL FUND	5,666,485.81	1661	
133519	08/23/22	B0026	BERNARDS TOWNSHIP CURRENT	8,808.45	1661	
133520	08/23/22	B0028	BERNARDS TWP. SEWERAGE AUTH.	1,750.00	1661	
133521	08/23/22	B0029	BERNARDS TWP BD OF EDUCATION	8,035,822.08	1661	
133522	08/23/22	B0034	BERNARDS TOWNSHIP PAYROLL ACCT	582,743.40	1661	
133523	08/23/22	B0044	BASKING RIDGE ANIMAL HOSPITAL	1,809.80	1661	
133524	08/23/22	B0098	BERNARDS TOWNSHIP (RECREATION)	900.36	1661	
133525	08/23/22	B0128	INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL	198.00	1661	
133526	08/23/22	B0168	BLACHER CANVAS PRODUCTS, INC	100.00	1661	
133527	08/23/22	B0518	BERNARDSVILLE HARDWARE	14.95	1661	
133528	08/23/22	C0024	GANNETT NEW JERSEY NEWSPAPERS	37.83	1661	
133529	08/23/22	C0136	RUTGERS, THE STATE UNIVERSITY	944.00	1661	
133530	08/23/22	C0482	OPTIMUM	44.95	1661	
133531	08/23/22	C0522	CHATHAM LAWNMOWER SALES & SVC	229.61	1661	
133532	08/23/22	C0697	BB&T/CPS	72.05	1661	
133533	08/23/22	C0811	COASTAL METAL RECYCLING CORP	836.00	1661	
133534	08/23/22	C0944	CRONIN, WILLIAM	860.00	1661	
133535	08/23/22	D0740	DOVER BRAKE & CLUTCH	542.67	1661	
133536	08/23/22	D0783	DFFLM, LLC	708.20	1661	
133537	08/23/22	E0295	ELECTRO BATTERY SYSTEMS INC	537.20	1661	
133538	08/23/22	F0001	FEDEX	23.48	1661	
133539	08/23/22	F0024	FISCHER, JOSEPH	750.00	1661	
133540	08/23/22	F0047	FULLERTON FORD	143.84	1661	
133541	08/23/22	F0158	FLEMINGTON DEPARTMENT STORE	3,582.07	1661	
133542	08/23/22	F0418	FAHEY, ALLISON	100.00	1661	
133543	08/23/22	G0066	GRAINGER INC	453.65	1661	
133544	08/23/22	G0098	JCP&L	36,844.62	1661	
133545	08/23/22	G0509	GREEN ROCK RECYCLING	1,800.00	1661	
133546	08/23/22	H0235	HOOVER TRUCK CENTERS	278.79	1661	
133547	08/23/22	H0246	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES	346.92	1661	
133548	08/23/22	H0476	HAREL, GILAD	250.00	1661	
133549	08/23/22	I0159	IMPERIAL DADE	1,215.10	1661	
133550	08/23/22	J0002	JAEGER LUMBER	33.82	1661	
133551	08/23/22	J0255	JERSEY WHOLESALE TIRE CORP.	1,488.00	1661	
133552	08/23/22	J0260	JAIN, BHUMIKA OR AATUL	250.00	1661	
133553	08/23/22	J0261	JAMESTOWN DUO	100.00	1661	
133554	08/23/22	K0033	KEY-TECH	4,030.90	1661	
133555	08/23/22	K0039	KOBESKY, GREGG S.	375.50	1661	
133556	08/23/22	K0259	KONICA MINOLTA PREMIER FINANCE	108.92	1661	
133557	08/23/22	K0331	KONICA MINOLTA PREMIER FINANCE	110.74	1661	
133558	08/23/22	K0331	KONICA MINOLTA PREMIER FINANCE	82.60	1661	
133559	08/23/22	K0331	KONICA MINOLTA PREMIER FINANCE	148.97	1661	
133560	08/23/22	K0331	KONICA MINOLTA PREMIER FINANCE	133.42	1661	
133561	08/23/22	K0414	KELLY WINTHROP LLC	76.00	1661	
133562	08/23/22	L0386	L.E.A.D.	100.00	1661	
133563	08/23/22	L0496	LOVE, ALEX JASON	125.00	1661	
133564	08/23/22	M0441	MAIN LINE COMMERCIAL POOLS,INC	8,324.80	1661	
133565	08/23/22	M0518	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOL.	35.97	1661	
133566	08/23/22	M0518	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOL.	35.04	1661	
133567	08/23/22	M0518	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOL.	19.87	1661	
133568	08/23/22	M0518	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOL.	613.22	1661	
133569	08/23/22	M0823	MOOSEWOOD TREE SERVICE	8,000.00	1661	
133570	08/23/22	N0006	NEW JERSEY AMERICAN WATER CO.	0.00	08/23/22 VOID	0
133571	08/23/22	N0006	NEW JERSEY AMERICAN WATER CO.	92,388.66	1661	
133572	08/23/22	N0017	NJ STATE LEAGUE OF MUNICIPAL.	230.00	1661	
133573	08/23/22	N0124	NJACCHO	95.00	1661	
133574	08/23/22	N0389	NJ MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION	60.00	1661	
133575	08/23/22	N0512	NAT'L ASSOC OF FIELD TRNG OFC	650.00	1661	
133576	08/23/22	N0518	NJ SIDING & WINDOWS, INC.	22,880.00	1661	
133577	08/23/22	O0100	OVERDRIVE, INC.	2,844.37	1661	
133578	08/23/22	O0105	O.C.A. BENEFIT SERVICES, LLC	103.95	1661	
133579	08/23/22	O0135	OUTHOUSE LLC	690.00	1661	
133580	08/23/22	O0164	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	143.57	1661	
133581	08/23/22	P0005	PITNEY BOWES, INC.	220.98	1661	
133582	08/23/22	P0538	PROVIDENT LIFE & ACCIDENT	60.04	1661	
133583	08/23/22	P0721	PAUL MILLER CHEVROLET	892.65	1661	
133584	08/23/22	R0005	RECORDER PUBLISHING CO., INC	29.07	1661	
133585	08/23/22	R0005	RECORDER PUBLISHING CO., INC	140.00	1661	
133586	08/23/22	R0023	RICHIES TIRE SERVICE, INC.	2,778.32	1661	
133587	08/23/22	R0058	R & R IRRIGATION CO.,INC.	35,750.00	1661	
133588	08/23/22	R0440	RAHWAY BUSINESS MACHINES, INC.	391.98	1661	
133589	08/23/22	R0486	RECREATIONAL ARTS, INC	6,125.00	1661	
133590	08/23/22	S0681	SEALMASTER	38.60	1661	
133591	08/23/22	S0691	SUPERIOR DISTRIBUTORS	761.86	1661	
133592	08/23/22	S0764	STERICYCLE	34.00	1661	
133593	08/23/22	S0875	SUNLIGHT GENERAL CAPITAL	333.82	1661	
133594	08/23/22	S0913	SHEDLOCK CAR CARE	280.00	1661	
133595	08/23/22	S0965	SITEONE LANDSCAPE SUPPLY, LLC	31.88	1661	
133596	08/23/22	S0992	SMALLWOOD FINANCIAL GROUP LLC	2,409.00	1661	
133597	08/23/22	S1007	SPRUCE INDUSTRIES	646.15	1661	

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES

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133598	08/23/22	S1195	SIVAM, ANJALI	165.00	1661
133599	08/23/22	S1196	SHAW, ERIC J.	4,851.22	1661
133600	08/23/22	T0494	TRYSTONE CAPITAL ASSETS LLC	5,472.01	1661
133601	08/23/22	U0056	U.S. MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC.	1,277.01	1661
133602	08/23/22	V0037	VILLAGE SUPERMARKET, INC.	48.15	1661
133603	08/23/22	V0056	VERIZON WIRELESS	1,717.18	1661
133604	08/23/22	V0058	VERIZON	315.64	1661
133605	08/23/22	V0073	VAIL INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES	72.39	1661
133606	08/23/22	V0084	VERIZON	479.98	1661
133607	08/23/22	V0124	VERIZON BUSINESS FIOS	204.99	1661
133608	08/23/22	W0016	WARRENVILLE TRUE VALUE	557.40	1661
133609	08/23/22	W0056	WELDON CONCRETE CO.	5,581.85	1661
133610	08/23/22	W0259	VENTURA, MIESOWITZ, KEOUGH &	4,114.50	1661
133611	08/23/22	W0336	WORSDALE, MAGGIE	500.00	1661
133612	08/23/22	W0370	WTB ENTERPRISES PROMO PROD LLC	678.50	1661

Report Totals					
	Paid	Void	Amount Paid	Amount	Void
Checks:	101	1	14,576,387.15	0.00	
Direct Deposit:	31	0	309,377.92	0.00	
Total:	132	1	14,885,765.07	0.00	

Fund Description	Fund	Budget Total	Revenue Total	G/L Total	Total
CURRENT FUND	1-01	595.00	0.00	0.00	595.00
CURRENT FUND	2-01	14,533,787.66	0.00	0.00	14,533,787.66
DOG FUND	2-12	1,902.76	0.00	0.00	1,902.76
GOLF COURSE UTILITY	2-26	6,766.70	0.00	0.00	6,766.70
Year Total:		14,542,457.12	0.00	0.00	14,542,457.12
CAPITAL FUND	C-04	287,282.12	0.00	0.00	287,282.12
PUBLIC GRANTS	G-02	2,378.65	0.00	0.00	2,378.65
TRUST FUNDS	T-13	43,296.11	0.00	0.00	43,296.11
PROJECT		9,756.07	0.00	0.00	9,756.07
Total Of All Funds:		14,885,765.07	0.00	0.00	14,885,765.07

[Resolution #2022-0343](#) - Authorization for Tax Refund

WHEREAS, the following tax overpayment exists due to the termination of the contract with Sprint Spectrum, Site ID: NY33XC333 Lease ID: 1550324 for the use of cell tower located at One Collyer Ln. Basking Ridge, NJ tax account reflected as Block 2801 Lot 1 Qualifier CELL2; and

WHEREAS, the overpayment must be returned to clear the account; and

WHEREAS, the tax collector is recommending that the refund issued.

Block & Lot	Quarter & Year	Amount	Issue Refund to
2801/1/CELL2	2Q22	\$1,512.11	T-Mobile US Inc 12920 SE 38th Street Bellevue, WA 98006

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that we do hereby approve and authorize these refunds.

[Resolution #2022-0345](#) - Approval of Block Party Permit for Culberson Road, 09/17/2022 (Rain date 09/18/2022)

WHEREAS, Jaclyn Rudderow, 67 Culberson Road, Basking Ridge, NJ, hereinafter “the applicant,” has requested permission to close a section of Culberson Rd, on 09/17/2022 (rain date 09/18/2022), from 12:00 PM to 8:00 PM for the purpose of holding a block party; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has satisfied the requirements of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards § 7-16.1. et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk and Police Chief have reviewed the application and recommend approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that the request be approved.

Resolution #2022-0346 - Approval of Block Party Permit for Decker Street, 09/10/2022

WHEREAS, Joseph W. Tafaro III, 43 Decker Street, Basking Ridge, NJ, hereinafter “the applicant,” has requested permission to close a section of Decker St., on 09/10/2022, from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM for the purpose of holding a block party; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has satisfied the requirements of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards § 7-16.1. et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk and Police Chief have reviewed the application and recommend approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that the request be approved.

Resolution #2022-0347 - 2023 Holiday Schedule

Now, Be It Resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that the 2023 Holiday Schedule is as follows:

Monday, January 2, 2023	New Year’s Day Observed
Monday, January 16, 2023	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
<i>Monday, February 20, 2023</i>	<i>Presidents’ Day</i>
Friday, April 7, 2023	Good Friday
Monday, May 29, 2023	Memorial Day
Tuesday, July 4, 2023	Independence Day
Monday, September 4, 2023	Labor Day
Monday, October 9, 2023	Columbus Day
Thursday, November 23, 2023	Thanksgiving Day
Friday, November 24, 2023	Day after Thanksgiving Day
Monday, December 25, 2023	Christmas Day

Two (2) floating holidays will be offered.

Resolution #2022-0348 - Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application to the Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission for a State/County Partnership Local Arts Program Grant: \$8,000 for the Department of Parks & Recreation

WHEREAS, the Director of Parks and Recreation is recommending the Township Committee approve a grant application to the Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission for the NJ State Council on the Arts State/County Partnership Local Arts Program Grant, which would provide up to \$8,000 towards the 2023 production of Plays in the Park.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that it does hereby authorize submission of a grant application to the Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission for a State/County Partnership Local Arts Program Grant; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that Jennifer Gander of the Bernards Township Parks & Recreation Department serves as the Project Manager for this grant application and the Project Manager and CFO are hereby authorized to sign the grant on behalf of the Township.

Resolution #2022-0349 - Approval of the 2022-2023 Bernards Township Community Based Deer Management Program (CBDMP) and Acceptance of a Final Report on Results of the 2021-2022 CBDMP to be Submitted to the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife

WHEREAS, the Bernards Township Deer Management Advisory Committee has submitted to the Township Committee the Annual Report on the Results of the 2021-2022 CBDMP, a portion of which was conducted under a permit from the NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has reviewed and hereby accepts the Annual Report.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards as follows:

1. We do hereby accept the Annual Report on the results of the 2021-2022 Season for submission to the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife; and
2. We do hereby authorize the CBDMP to continue in Bernards Township for the 2022-2023 season under the guidance of the Deer Management Advisory Committee and submit an application to CBDMP for an extended season.

Deer Management Advisory Committee

To: Bernards Township Committee

Subject: Annual Report for Deer Season 2021-2022

For analysis and reporting purposes we use a Deer Season Year (DSY) that begins on July 1 and ends on June 30. This report is for DSY 2021-2022 that ended this past June. It covers the 2021-2022 hunting season and related activities and events.

Deer Harvest: The Township Committee authorized two private hunting groups to hunt on forty- one tracts owned by Bernards Township, and county officials did the same for three tracts owned by Somerset County. The two groups are Whitetail Solution (WS) and Bernards Township Protective Association (BTPA). WS uses archery only and BTPA uses both archery and firearms. Hunting group members are all certified (every two years) by licensed firearms and archery instructors/testers and the hunting program is supervised by a member of the Bernards Township Police Department. All hunting was in accordance with regulations for regular sport hunting promulgated by the NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife (DFW), including the extended season described below.

The regular sport hunting season ran from September 14, 2021 thru February 15, 2022. A Community Based Deer Management Plan (CBDMP) approved by DFW authorized hunting by WS and BTPA on public lands thru March 31, 2022. At the request of DFW, private hunters, with verifiable permission, also hunted private lands for an additional six weeks thru March 31.

Hunting results for the past two seasons are in the table below.

Quantity of Harvested Deer	2021-2022	2020-2021
<i>By BTPA and WS on public lands</i>	80	223
<i>By BTPA and WS on private lands</i>	19	36
<i>Deer harvested in extended season (included in above numbers)</i>	5	30
<i>Total for BTPA and WS</i>	99	259
<i>By other hunters on private lands</i>	0	0
Total for season reported by DFW	99	259

Deer-Motor Vehicle Collisions: Some deer are killed in deer-vehicle collisions on public roads. Our local police report all those that are found dead on roads in the township, except for I-78 and I-287. Records have been kept of these "road kills" since DSY 2001. (As of April 2012, the deer vs. motor vehicles hits are reported by Somerset County Communications Center). The count for DSY 2021-2022 is 22. This is 92.4% below the count of 289 for the base year 2001.

Program Costs and Venison Donation: Costs for the 2021-2022 season are:

Expenses for 2020-2021 Season	Costs
<i>Printing</i>	\$0.00
<i>Postage</i>	\$2.16
<i>Advertising</i>	\$180.03
<i>Miscellaneous supplies</i>	\$0.00
<i>Trail cameras, SD cards, batteries</i>	\$0.00
<i>Police liaison</i>	\$6,000.00
<i>Committee secretary</i>	\$900.00

<i>Disposal</i>	<i>\$2,450.00</i>
<i>Deer feed</i>	<i>\$4,400.00</i>
<i>Deer butchering (23 Donated deer) **</i>	<i>\$900.00</i>
<i>Deer hunter/Agent fees</i>	<i>\$1,175.00</i>
<i>Total expenses</i>	<i>\$16,007.19</i>
<i>Total deer culled on public and private land</i>	<i>99</i>
<i>Average cost per deer</i>	<i>\$161.69</i>

The average cost for 259 deer in the prior season was \$71.84.

*** The butchering line item above is for 23 deer that were donated to the Lyons Veterans Administration Community Hope and other charitable organizations that service veterans at a unit butchering cost of \$75.00. Additionally, 14 deer were donated by hunters to other Veterans organizations. With an average venison yield estimated to be 30-35 pounds per deer, the contribution of venison by the Township was approximately 1,260 pounds.*

CBDMP: *We propose to submit a new CBDMP for the coming year. We will again request an extended season from mid February thru end of March 2023.*

Wrap up: *We believe our deer program continues to make progress in reducing the deer population and the harmful impacts of deer – we are one of only four successful programs in NJ. Our Committee is prepared to present at the League of Municipalities in November.*

We thank the Township Committee for its continued support.

[Resolution #2022-0350](#) - *Approving the Person-to-Person Transfer of Liquor License #1802-33-005-011, DH of Basking Ridge, LLC t/a Delicious Heights Outpost to HGC Basking Ridge, LLC t/a Basking Ridge Country Club*

WHEREAS, an application has been filed for a Person-to-Person Transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption License #1802-33-005-011, heretofore issued to DH of Basking Ridge, LLC, for premises located at 185 Madisonville Road, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920; and

WHEREAS, the submitted application form is complete in all respects, the transfer fees have been paid, and the license has been properly renewed for the current license term; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all standards established by Title 33 of the New Jersey Statutes, regulations promulgated thereunder, as well as pertinent local ordinances and conditions consistent with Title 33; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has disclosed and the issuing authority reviewed the source of all funds used in the purchase of the license and the licensed business and all additional financing obtained in connection with the license business.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards does hereby approve, effective September 30, 2022, the transfer of the aforesaid Plenary Retail Consumption License to HGC Basking Ridge, LLC, and does hereby direct the Municipal Clerk to endorse the license certificate to the new ownership as follows: “This license, subject to all its terms and conditions, is hereby transferred to HGC Basking Ridge, LLC, effective September 30, 2022.

[Resolution #2022-0353](#) - *Personnel Appointment Kathryn Dicristina – Administrative Assistant – Parks & Recreation Department*

WHEREAS the full-time position of Administrative Assistant became vacant due to a resignation; and

WHEREAS the Director of Parks & Recreation, Township Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and Human Resources Officer have deemed it necessary to fill this position; and

WHEREAS Kathryn Dicristina has applied for and is qualified to fill said position; and

WHEREAS the Director of Parks & Recreation, Township Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and Human Resources Officer recommend appointment of Kathryn Dicristina to full-time Administrative Assistant.

NOW, THEREOFRE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that Kathryn Dicristina be appointed to full-time Administrative Assistant with a hire date of Monday, September 12, 2022 at an hourly rate of \$22.00 for a 40-hour work week.

Resolution #2022-0354 - Personnel Appointment Blythe Clinedinst – Administrative Associate – Tax Collector

WHEREAS an Administrative Associate position became available due to a vacancy; and

WHEREAS the Township Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, Tax Collector and Human Resources Officer have deemed it necessary to fill this position; and

WHEREAS Blythe Clinedinst has applied for and is qualified to fill said position; and

WHEREAS the Township Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, Tax Collector and Human Resources Officer recommend the appointment of Blythe Clinedinst to Administrative Associate.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that Blythe Clinedinst be appointed Administrative Associate effective Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at an hourly rate of \$18.00 for a 40-hour work week.

Resolution #2022-0355 - Authorization for Tax Refund

WHEREAS, an erroneous tax payment exists because the payor directed payment to the wrong account; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has suggested that a refund be issued and made payable to the Bernards Twp. Sewer Authority to rectify the tax account and clear the utility account.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that we do be hereby approve and authorize the following refund.

Block & Lot	Quarter & Year	Amount	Issue Refund To
6205/10	3Q2022	\$1,750.00	Bernards Twp. Sewer Authority 1 Collyer Ln Basking Ridge, NJ 07920 Acct #473-0

Resolution #2022-0356 - Authorizing and Approving Purchase of One (1) Kohler 125 Kw Standby Generator from Sourcewell-Kohler Contract #120617-KOH to Cooper Power Systems, 42 Cindy Lane., Ocean, NJ 07712 In the Amount Not to Exceed \$55,729.00

WHEREAS, the Township of Bernards Department of Public Works wishes to purchase one (1) Kohler 125 kw Standby Generator;

QTY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT TOTAL
1	Kohler 125REOZJG 125 kw Standby Generator	\$32,519.10
1	Automatic Transfer Switch	\$12,999.00
1	Equipment Freight	\$6,077.00
1	Startup Service and Commissioning	\$2,458.00
1	5 Year Generator and Automatic Transfer Switch Warranty	\$1,676.00
	TOTAL	\$55,729.00

WHEREAS, it is the combined recommendation of the Director of Public Works, Administrator and Purchasing Agent to award this purchase to; Cooper Power Systems, 42 Cindy Lane., Ocean, NJ 07712 in the amount of \$55,729.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in the budget; the line-item appropriation to be charged is line account #C-04-55-470-B09 (\$55,729.00); and

WHEREAS, the Township is authorized to make purchases through cooperative and State contracts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10 and –12.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, Somerset County, New Jersey that the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for one (1) Kohler 125 kw Standby Generator from Sourcewell-Kohler Contract #120617-KOH to Cooper Power Systems, 42 Cindy Lane, Ocean NJ, 07712 in the amount not to exceed \$55,729.00.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER CERTIFICATION

I, Sean McCarthy, Treasurer of the Township of Bernards, hereby certify that adequate funds are available for the above referenced purchase in the amount not to exceed \$55,729.00. Monies are available in the Capital Ordinance #2470, line account #C-04-55-470-B09.



Date: August 16, 2022

Sean McCarthy, Treasurer

Resolution #2022-0357 - Award of Change Order #1 for Department of Public Works Road Repairs (Alt #2) to Renda Roads Inc. Increase of \$ 45,817.37 (+ 9.16 %)

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works requests the following change order be authorized by the Township Committee:

Vendor	CO	Original Award	Amount of Increase	New Total
	Number 1	\$500,000.00 RA#2022-0281	\$45,817.37 (9.16%)	\$545,817.37
TOTAL CO	CO #1		\$45,817.37 (9.16%)	\$545,817.37

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Director of Public Works and Purchasing Agent to award this change order to Renda Roads Inc., P.O. Box 89, Whitehouse, NJ 08888; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in the budget; the line item appropriation Capital Ordinance #2499 account #C-04-55-499-C01 (\$40,000.00) and budget line account #2-01-26-290-266 (\$5,817.37).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, Somerset County, New Jersey, that the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a change order to Renda Roads Inc., P.O. Box 89, Whitehouse, NJ 08888 in the amount of \$45,817.37 for a new total award of \$545,817.37.

CFO CERTIFICATION

I, Sean McCarthy, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Bernards, hereby certify that adequate funds are available in the budget or the line item appropriation Capital Ordinance (as applicable) # 2499 in the not to exceed amount of \$45,817.37. Monies are available in account #C-04-55-499-C01 (\$40,000.00) and budget line account #2-01-26-290-266 (\$5,817.37).



Date: August 16, 2022

Sean McCarthy, Chief Financial Officer

Resolution #2022-0358 - Authorization for Tax Refund Due to Veteran Exemption

WHEREAS, the following tax overpayment exists due to receipt of property tax money prior to the property becoming Veteran Exempt; and

WHEREAS, the overpayment must be returned to the homeowner to clear the account; and

WHEREAS, the tax collector is recommending refunds be issued.

Block/Lot	Quarter/Year	Amount	Issue Refund to
2701/35	3Q&4Q 2022	\$4,851.22	Eric J. Shaw 135 Spencer Rd Basking Ridge, NJ 07920

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that we do hereby approve and authorize these refunds.

[Resolution #2022-0359](#) - Award of Purchase Orders for Identified Vendors; Turn Out Uniform, Inc.

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of Bernards has adopted Ordinance #1854 “Known as Pay to Play” and P. L. 2004, Chapter 19; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the ordinance window contracts determined to exceed \$17,500.00 and within the bid threshold of \$44,000.00 requires governing body approval; and

WHEREAS, the purchasing agent has determined that the value of the expenditures with the vendor(s) listed below will exceed \$17,500.00 in purchases; and

Vendor	Not to Exceed
Turn Out Uniform, Inc.	\$ 44,000

WHEREAS, in anticipation of the listed expenditure, a Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been secured in compliance with N.J.S.A.19:44A 20-4 et seq., and that the principals of the said companies, have not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of Bernards in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit the principals of said companies from making ANY contributions through the term of the contract pursuant to Bernards Township Ordinance #1854 adopted on February 28, 2006, that would prohibit any business entity or professional that procures goods, services or contracts from the Township without the formal bid process from making “any” contribution whatsoever in the prior calendar year.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, Somerset County, New Jersey that the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue purchase orders to the vendors listed above to maintain continuity and facilitate the ordering process through December 31, 2022.

[Resolution #2022-0360](#) - Acceptance of Grant and Insertion of Revenue Item Into the 2022 Budget \$3,000 from Somerset County for the Purpose of Funding the Greater Raritan Workforce Development Board-Summer Youth Employment Program

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 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 an item of appropriation for an equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Township has received an award of \$3,000.00 from Somerset County for the purpose of funding the Greater Raritan Workforce Development Board (GRWDB) summer youth employment program and wishes to amend its 2022 budget to include this amount as revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:
Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:
Somerset County GRWDB -Summer Youth Program

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$3,000.00 total be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:
(A) Operations - Excluded from “CAPS”
Public and Private Appropriations Offset by Revenues:
Somerset County GRWDB – Summer Youth Program

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer will electronically submit this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

[Resolution #2022-0361](#) - Personnel Appointment Lydia Palmer – Deputy Municipal Clerk – Municipal Clerk

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:9-135 provides for the appointment of a Deputy Municipal Clerk and pursuant to § 2-4.2 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bernards, appointment by the Township Committee for a term of one year from January 1 in the year in which the appointment is made; and

WHEREAS, said appointment does not guarantee employment or salary for the term of the appointment; and

WHEREAS, the full-time position of the Deputy Municipal Clerk will be vacant due to a promotion; and

WHEREAS, the Township Administrator, Municipal Clerk and Human Resources Officer have deemed it necessary to fill this position; and

WHEREAS, Lydia Palmer has applied for the position and is qualified for appointment to Deputy Municipal Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Township Administrator, Municipal Clerk and Human Resources Officer recommend appointment of Lydia Palmer to the position of full time Deputy Municipal Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards, that Lydia Palmer be appointed full time Deputy Municipal Clerk with an appointment date of September 26, 2022, to expire December 31, 2022 at an annual rate of \$52,500.00 for a 40-hour work week.

End Consent Agenda

Resolution #2022-0351 – Personnel Appointment, Christine Kieffer – Municipal Clerk- Clerk’s Office

Motion by Fields, second by Grochala that Resolution #2022-0351 be approved. Clerk Pisano and each township committee member expressed their support for the appointment of Christine Kieffer as Bernards Township’s next Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call:

Aye: Asay, Grochala, Fields, McNally, Baldassare

Nay:

Abstain:

Motion carried.

WHEREAS, the full-time statutory position of Municipal Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 9-133 will become available due to a retirement; and

WHEREAS, Christine Kieffer holds her Registered Municipal Clerk’s Certification (RMC) as required by statute, and has applied for and is qualified to fill said position; and

WHEREAS, the Township Administrator, and Human Resources Officer recommend appointment of Christine Kieffer to full time Municipal Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards that Christine Kieffer be appointed to serve in the full-time statutory position of Municipal Clerk effective October 1, 2022, for a three-year term to expire October 1, 2025 at an annualized rate of \$84,000 for a 40-hour workweek; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Bernards acknowledges that N.J.S.A. 40A:9-134 provides that a Registered Municipal Clerk, having held the position in the same municipality continuously for three years and upon re-appointment of a second term, shall have tenure in office.

Ordinance #2506 - Accepting a Discharge and Extinguishment of Easement, a Public Access Easement, and an Amendment to Conservation Easement on Property Presently Known as 403 King George Road (Dewy Meadow Village), Block 8501, Lots 39.01 & 43, Formerly Known As Block 8501, Lots 39, 43 and 44, and Prior to That Known As Block 182, Lots 4.01, 4.02 & 4.03, from Bernards Plaza Associates, LLC to the Township of Bernards – Introduction

The clerk read the ordinance by title. Motion by Grochala, second by McNally that Ordinance #2506 be introduced on first reading, advertised as required by law and scheduled for a public hearing on 09/13/2022.

Roll Call:

Aye: Asay, Grochala, Fields, McNally, Baldassare

Nay:

Abstain:

Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

08/09/2022 Open Session Minutes

Motion by Fields, second by Grochala, an unanimously agreed that the 08/09/2022 Open Session minutes be approved for content and release.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (if required)

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Asay, second by Grochala, and unanimously agreed that the meeting be adjourned at 8:19 PM.

Rhonda Pisano
Municipal Clerk

James Baldassare, Jr.
Mayor

Approved: 09/13/2022