

# STILLWATER TOWNSHIP TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA TUESDAY, January 2, 2024

Re-organization Meeting: 6:00 P.M.

**OPENING STATEMENT:** Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided according to the Open Public Meetings Act, Assembly Bill 1030. Notice of this meeting was included in the Annual Meeting Notice to the public and sent to the press on January 3, 2023 and was placed on the Official Bulletin Board at the Municipal Building and posted on the official website and Facebook page.

#### **FLAG SALUTE**

INVOCATION - Robert Scrudato, Chaplin Stillwater Area Volunteer Company

STATEMENT OF DETERMINATION/OATH OF OFFICE - Jeff Parrott, SC Clerk

Lisa Chammings, Committeewoman – 3 year term

<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	Manser □ Delaney □ Rumsey □ Scott □ Chammings □		
NOMINATION OF	MAYOR FOR THE YEAR 2024	Nomination/2 <sup>nd</sup>	
ROLL CALL: Manser   Delaney   Rumsey   Scott   Chammings			
NOMINATION OF	DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE YEAR 202	4 Nomination/2 <sup>nd</sup>	
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**CONSENT AGENDA:** All matters listed below are considered routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of the items. If any discussion is desired, that particular item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately on the regular agenda.

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

2024-001	Adopting Schedule of 2024 Meetings
2024-002	Designating the Official Newspapers
2024-003	Authorizing Awards of Non-Fair and Open Contracts for Professional Services
2024-004	Authorizing the Cancellation of Tax Overpayment or Delinquent Amounts
2024-005	Authorizing the Cancellation of Delinquent Amounts for any Charges/Fees
2024-006	Setting Property Tax Due Dates, Delinquency Charges and Year-End Penalty
2024-007	Temporary Budget
2024-008	Establishing Mileage Reimbursement
2024-009	Adopting Cash Management Plan for 2024
2024-010	Authorizing the CFO to Invest Idle Funds
2024-011	Authorizing the CFO to sell Bond Anticipation Notes and Bonds

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### STILLWATER TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION 2024-001

### RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER ADOPTING SCHEDULE OF 2024 MEETINGS

WHEREAS, by the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater, regular public meeting dates of the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater for the year 2024 shall be held on the first and third Tuesday with the exception of June, July, August and November when there will be only one monthly meeting. Meetings will begin with Executive Session (if needed) at 6:00 p.m. followed by Regular Session which will include public portion(s) unless otherwise noted, and will commence at 7:00 p.m. Workshop meetings will be held on the second and fourth Tuesday, as needed and include the provision action may be taken.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Regular meetings and Workshop meetings shall be held at the Municipal Building of the Township of Stillwater, 964 Stillwater Road, Stillwater, New Jersey and via Zoom; and the following is a list of the dates and Zoom links for regular meetings and a list of dates for workshop meetings of the Township Committee meetings in accordance with the terms of this Resolution:

Regular Meetings	Zoom Link	Workshop Meetings
January 2, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86954793920	January 9, 2024
January 16, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762673297	January 23, 2024
February 6, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87830809012	February 13, 2024
February 20, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762673297	February 27, 2024
March 5, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87830809012	March 12, 2024
March 19, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762673297	March 26, 2024
April 2, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87830809012	April 9, 2024
April 16, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762673297	April 23, 2024
May 7, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87830809012	May 14, 2024
May 21, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762673297	May 28, 2024
June 18, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762673297	June 11 & 25, 2024
July 16, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762673297	July 9 & 23, 2024
August 20, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762673297	August 13 & 27, 2024
September 3, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87830809012	September 10, 2024
September 17, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762673297	September 24, 2024
October 1, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87830809012	October 8, 2024
October 15, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762673297	October 22, 2024
November 12, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87830809012	Nov. 19 & 26, 2024
December 3, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87830809012	December 10, 2024
December 17, 2024	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762673297	December 24, 2024
January 7, 2025	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87830809012	January 14, 2025
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Adopted: January 2, 2024 Valerie L. Ingles, Township Clerk

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-002**

### RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR THE TOWNSHP OF STILLWATER

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater, in the County of Sussex and State of New Jersey that the New Jersey Herald and the Sunday Herald, are hereby designated as the official newspapers for legal publications of the Township of Stillwater for the year 2024.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the official bulletin board at the Municipal Building is hereby designated as the place where all official notices are to be posted.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

### STILLWATER TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION 2024-003

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARDS OF NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for the services of certain professionals to wit: Township Attorney, Township Engineer, Insurance Agent, Labor Attorney, Bond Attorney, and Auditor as non-fair and open contracts pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined and certified in writing that the value of the acquisitions will exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of these contracts is one year; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the Township of Stillwater that:

1. The Mayor and Committee are hereby authorized to engage the following professional persons:

Auditor:

Valerie Dolan, CPA/Nisivoccia

Township Engineer:

Michael Vreeland/ Van Cleef Engineering

Associates

Risk Manager:

George W. Morville/The Morville Agency

Labor Attorney: Municipal Attorney: Howard Vex, Esq./Vex Law, LLC Howard Vex, Esq./Vex Law, LLC

Bond Attorney:

Robert Beinfield, Esq./ Hawkins, Delafield &

Wood, LLP

Conflict Attorney:

Thomas F. Collins, Jr., Esq./Vogel, Chait, Collins

And Schneider

Conflict Tax Assessor and

Scott Holzhauer, CTA, SCGREA

Appraiser:

Tax Appraiser:

Darren Raymond, Associated Appraisal Group

- 2. The above are engaged without competitive bidding as a professional service under the provisions of the Local Public Contract Law because said services are performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.
  - 3. A copy of this resolution shall be published in the New Jersey Herald within ten days of its passage.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

Valerie Ingles, RMC	
Township Clerk	

### STILLWATER TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NJ

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-004**

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF TAX OVERPAYMENT OR DELINQUENT AMOUNTS TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:50-17.1 allows for the cancellation of property tax overpayments or delinquent amounts, in amounts less than \$10.00; and

WHEREAS, the governing body may authorize a municipal employee chosen by said body to process, without further action on their part, any cancellation of property tax overpayments or delinquencies (except those representing a full quarter or more of taxes) of less than \$10.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED** by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Stillwater, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey that we hereby authorize the Tax Collector to cancel said tax amounts as deemed necessary.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this Resolution is forwarded to the Tax Collector and the Township Auditor.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

### STILLWATER TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NJ

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-005**

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF DELINQUENT AMOUNTS FOR ANY CHARGES/FEES IMPOSED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:50-17.1 allows for the cancellation of delinquent amounts, in amounts less than \$10.00; and

WHEREAS, the governing body may authorize a municipal employee chosen by said body to process, without further action on their part, any cancellation of delinquencies of less than \$10.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED** by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Stillwater, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey that we hereby authorize the CFO to cancel said amounts as deemed necessary.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this Resolution is forwarded to the CFO and the Township Auditor.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

### TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NJ

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-006**

### RESOLUTION SETTING PROPERTY TAX DUE DATES, DELINQUENCY CHARGES & YEAR-END PENALTY

WHEREAS, R.S. 54:4-67 permits the governing body of each municipality to fix the rate of interest to be charged for nonpayment of taxes or assessments subject to any abatement or discount for the late payment of taxes as provided by law; and

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

1. Property taxes shall be due and payable quarterly on February 1<sup>st</sup>, May 1<sup>st</sup>, August 1<sup>st</sup> and November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, with a ten-day grace period. If the last day of the ten-day grace period falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, the following business day will be the final date to pay property tax without interest charges. After such dates, if property taxes become delinquent, interest will be charged as set forth below and will revert back to the due date on any quarterly installment of taxes.

2. The rate of interest for delinquent property taxes is fixed at 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of delinquency and 18% per annum on any amount of taxes in excess of \$1,500.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a six (6) percent year end penalty be assessed on the last day of the fiscal year on delinquent accounts when in excess of \$10,000.00.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Township Clerk to the Tax Collector, and the Township Auditor for the Township of Stillwater.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, 964 Stillwater Road, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

Valerie Ingles	
Township Clerk	

### TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NJ

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-007**

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-19, the Local Budget Act, provides that where any contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2024 budget, temporary appropriations be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is within the first thirty days of 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the total appropriations in the 2023 Budget, less appropriations for capital improvement fund, debt service and relief of the poor (public assistance) are as follows:

Current Fund

\$3,341,015.40

WHEREAS, 26.25 percent of the total appropriations in the 2023 Budget, less appropriations for capital improvement fund, debt service and relief of the poor (public assistance) in the said 2023 Budget is as follows:

Current Fund

\$877,016.54

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater, County of Sussex, that the above temporary appropriations be made.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this resolution be placed on file with the records of the Township's Chief Financial Officer.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

### TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NJ

### **RESOLUTION 2024-008**

### RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT FOR 2024 FOR TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER

**BE IT RESOLVED** that it is hereby established that the mileage reimbursement rate for the commencement of calendar year 2024 shall be 67 cents per mile.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

### **RESOLUTION 2024-009**

### RESOLUTION ADOPTING CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR 2024 TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the Township of Stillwater that they hereby adopt the Cash Management Plan for the year 2024 which is attached and made a part of this Resolution.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

### CASH MANAGMENT PLAN FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.

This Cash Management Plan (the "Plan") is prepared pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 in order to set forth the basis for the deposits ("Deposits") and investment ("Permitted Investments") of certain public funds of the Township of Stillwater, pending the use of such funds for the intended purposes. The Plan is intended to assure that all public funds identified herein are deposited in interest bearing Deposits or otherwise invested in Permitted Investments hereinafter referred to. The intent of the Plan is to provide that the decisions made with regards to the Deposits and the Permitted Investments will be done to ensure the safety, the liquidity (regarding its availability for the intended purposes), and the maximum investment return within such limits. The Plan is intended to ensure that any Deposit or Permitted Investment matures within the time period that approximates the prospective need for the funds deposited or invested so that there is not a risk to the market value of such Deposits or Permitted Investments.

### II. <u>IDENTIFICATION OF FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS TO BE COVERED BY</u> THE PLAN.

A. The Plan is intended to cover the deposit and/or investment of the following funds of the Township of Stillwater:

Current Fund

General Capital Fund

B. It is understood that, for investment purposes, this Plan is not intended to cover certain funds of the Township of Stillwater, specifically Payroll Trust Funds, General Trust Funds and Municipal Court Accounts.

# III. <u>DESIGNATION OF OFFICIALS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER AUTHORIZED TO MAKE DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS UNDER THE PLAN</u>.

The Chief Financial Officer (the Designated Official) and the Clerk of the Township of Stillwater are hereby authorized and directed to deposit and/or invest the funds referred to in the Plan.

### IV. <u>DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES</u>.

The following banks and financial institutions are hereby designated as official depositories for the Deposit of all public funds referred to in the Plan, including any certificates of deposit which are not otherwise invested in Permitted Investments as provided for in this Plan:

Lakeland Bank
Peapack-Gladstone Bank
Provident Bank

JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. Valley National Bank Wells Fargo, N.A.

State of N.J. Cash Management Fund

### V. <u>DEPOSIT OF FUNDS</u>

All funds shall be deposited within 48 hours of receipt in accordance with State Statute.

- (1) Operating funds must be deposited into interest bearing accounts to maximize interest earnings.
- (2) Capital funds other than operating funds may be deposited into interest bearing accounts. Non-interest bearing accounts shall be regularly monitored for availability of funds for investment.
- (3) Trust funds may be deposited into interest bearing accounts. Non-interest bearing accounts shall be regularly monitored for availability of funds for investment except where either state or federal laws prohibit the earnings of interest on such funds.

### VI. DESIGNATION OF ALLOWABLE INVESTMENT INSTRUMENTS

The Township may permit deposits and investments in depositories as permitted in P.L. 1997, Chapter 148.

### VII. <u>DEFINITION OF ACCEPTABLE COLLATERAL AND PROTECTION OF TOWNSHIP ASSETS</u>

- (1) All designated depositories must conform to all applicable state statutes concerning depositories of public funds.
- (2) All depositories shall obtain the highest amount possible FDIC and /or FSLIC coverage of all Township assets (Demand and Certificate of Deposit) and shall be a member of GUDPA.
- (3) Collateral will be required for all deposits and investments of the Township, except for those in the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund. Collateral must have a market value of not less than 100 percent of all deposits and investments.

### VIII. MAXIMUM MATURITY POLICY

Investments shall be limited to a maturity not to exceed 397 days on all operating funds unless a longer maturity is permitted within the provisions of regulations promulgated by either the federal or state governments.

### IX. <u>INVESTMENT PROCEDURES</u>

- (1) Bids for Certificates of Deposit and Repurchase Agreements will be solicited from at least three designated depositories only if the amount is \$50,000 or greater.
- (2) Telephone bids will be solicited from designated depositories by the Chief Financial Officer or by his/her designated staff member.
- (3) The depository shall specify the principal amount of the investment bid on, interest rate, and number of days used to calculate the interest to be paid upon maturity.
  - (4) Interest paid shall be from the date the bid was awarded to the day of maturity.
  - (5) All bidders may request the results of the bid after the bid is formally awarded.
- (6) A check or wire transfer of funds will be made available to the winning bidder the same business day the bid is awarded.
- (7) Each quotation shall be documented to record the date and time of quote, the parties in the discussion, the instrument(s), maturities and rates. A bid form of the Township may be used.

### X. CONTROLS

When possible, the internal controls should provide for a segregation of the investment placement functions and the accounting activity. Controls must be designed for telephone orders, wire transfers and securities safekeeping. Only designated personnel of the Finance Office shall be allowed to conduct these transactions, and all activity should be subject to immediate written confirmation by the designated depository. The Chief Financial Officer shall review each day's activity.

### XI. BONDING

Surety bonds will be maintained for all personnel who have required coverage in accordance with the Township's auditors and Division of Local Government Service guidelines.

### XII. SAFEKEEPING CUSTODY PAYMENT AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF PLAN.

To the extent that any Deposit or Permitted Investment involves a document or security which is not physically held by the Township of Stillwater, then such instrument or security shall be covered by a custodial agreement with an independent third party, which shall be a bank or financial institution in the State of New Jersey. Such institution shall provide for the designation of such investments in the name of the Township of Stillwater to assure that there is no unauthorized use of the funds or the Permitted Investments or Deposits. Purchase of any Permitted Investments that involve securities shall be executed by a "delivery versus payment" method to ensure that such Permitted Investments are either received by the Township of Stillwater or by a third party custodian prior to or upon the release of the Township's funds.

### XIII. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

The Designated Official referred to in Section III hereof shall supply to the governing body of the Township of Stillwater, on a quarterly basis, a written report of any Deposits or Permitted Investments made pursuant to this Plan, which shall include, at a minimum, the following information:

- A. The name of any institution holding funds of the Township of Stillwater as a Deposit or a Permitted Investment.
- B. The amount of securities or Deposits purchased or sold during the immediately preceding month.
- C. The class or type of securities purchased or Deposits made.
- D. The book value of such Deposits or Permitted Investments.

#### XIV. TERM OF PLAN.

This plan shall be in effect from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024. Attached to this Plan is a resolution of the Township of Stillwater approving this Plan for such period of time. The Plan may be amended from time to time. To the extent that any amendment is adopted by the governing body, the Designated Official is directed to supply copies of the amendments to all of the parties who otherwise have received the copy of the originally approved Plan, which amendment shall be acknowledged in writing in the same manner as the original Plan was so acknowledged.

### **RESOLUTION 2024-010**

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZATING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO INVEST IDLE FUNDS

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the Township of Stillwater that the Chief Financial Officer and/or Treasurer be authorized to invest idle funds of the Township of Stillwater in investment instruments so specified in New Jersey State Law of any bank or trust company having its place of business in the State of New Jersey and organized under the laws of any State in the United States, or the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund in 2024.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

### TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER, SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-011**

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZATING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO SELL BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES AND BONDS

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-28 requires that a Resolution be adopted authorizing a Financial Officer of the Township to sell Bond Anticipation Notes and Bonds;

**NOT THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell Bond Anticipation Notes and Bonds; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that following each sale the Chief Financial Officer shall report to the Township Committee the principal amount of the sale, interest rate, date of maturity and name of the purchaser.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

### STILLWATER TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION 2024-012

### 2024 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater that the 2024 Holiday Schedule be adopted as listed below:

New Year's Day	January 1, 2024
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	January 15, 2024
Lincoln's Birthday	February 12, 2024
President's Day	February 19, 2024
Good Friday	March 29, 2024
Memorial Day	May 27, 2024
Juneteenth	June 21, 2024
Independence Day	July 4, 2024
Labor Day	September 2, 2024
Columbus Day	October 14, 2024
Election Day	Floating Holiday
Veteran's Day (observed)	November 11, 2024
Thanksgiving Day	November 28, 2024
Day after Thanksgiving	November 29, 2024
Christmas Day	December 25, 2024
New Year's Day (2024)	January 1, 2025
Adopted: January 2, 2024	

Valerie Ingles, Municipal Clerk

### STILLWATER TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION 2024-013

### RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS OF TOWNSHIP OFFICERS WITH COMMITTEE CONCURRENCE

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee that they do hereby concur with the Mayor's appointments to Municipal Officers from 1/1/2024 to 12/31/2024 as follows.

Title Name	Term	Term Expires
Municipal Clerk Valerie Ingles	3-year	12-31-26
Local Registrar Valerie Ingles	3-year	12-31-26
Deputy Clerk, Danielle LoCascio	1-year	12-31-24
Clerk I Dawn Tighe	1-year	12-31-24
Deputy Registrar Dawn Tighe	1-year	12-31-24
Alt Deputy Registrar Danielle LoCascio	1-year	12-31-24
Tax Collector Terry Beshada	4-year	12-31-25
Deputy Tax Collector Dawn Tighe	1-year	12-31-24
Chief Finance Officer Tammy Leonard	4-year	12-31-24
Compliance Officer (PACO) Valerie Ingles	1-year	12-31-24
Tax Assessor Penny Holenstein		tenured
Assessment Searcher Valerie Ingles	1 year	12-31-24
Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer Tom Dixon	1 year	12-31-24
Tax Search Officer Terry Beshada	1 year	12-31-24
Building Inspector – Richard Bizik Jr.	1 year	12-31-24
Electrical Inspector Patrick Murphy	1 year	12-31-24
Plumbing Inspector Jack Bell	1 year	12-31-24
Fire Inspector Richard Bizik Jr.	1 year	12-31-24
Fire Inspector Patrick Murphy	1 year	12-31-24
Statewide Insurance Fund Commissioner Valerie In	ngles 1-year	12-31-24
Stillwater Municipal Alliance Coordinator Dawn T	ighe 1-year	12-31-24
Recycling Coordinator Joe Funari	1-year	12-31-24
Clean Communities Coordinator Tammy Leonard	1-year	12-31-24

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey that they do hereby concur with the Mayor's appointments herein from 1/1/2024 to 12/31/2024.

Adopted: January 2, 2024

Valerie Ingles, Municipal Clerk

### **RESOLUTION 2024-014**

### RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER APPROVING APPOINTMENTS OF TOWNSHIP BOARD AND COMMISSIONS

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee that they do hereby concur with the Mayor's Appointments and Committee appointments to Board and Commission Members for the year 2024 as follows:

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION		
Name	Term	Term Expires
Ed Szabo	3 years	12/31/2026
Margaret Emmetts	3 years	12/31/2026
Emily Wills	3 years	12/31/2026
Greg Dvorsky (Alt #1)	2 years	12/31/2025
PLANNING BOARD		
Name	Term	Term Expires
Robert Lippencott	4 years	12/31/2027
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT		
Name	Term	Term Expires
George Lippencott	4 years	12/31/2027
Robert Kochenthal	4 years	12/31/2027
RECREATION COMMISSION		
Name	Term	Term Expires
Michael Carovillano	5 years	12/31/2028
Timothy Reilly	5 years	12/31/2028
Maureen Tsadilas	5 years	12/31/2028

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey that they do hereby concur with the appointments herein for the year 2024.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

Valerie Ingles, RMC	
Township Clerk	

#### RESOLUTION 2024-015

## RESOLUTION APPOINTING TAX ASSESSOR AND MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT THE TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the Township of Stillwater that the Municipal Assessor Penny Holenstein and the Municipal Attorney are hereby authorized to defend before the Sussex County Board of Taxation and the Tax Court of the State of New Jersey all contested appeals and to initiate municipal appeals to correct the Township of Stillwater tax list including but not limited to rollback complaints, added and omitted assessment complaints, and such other appeals as are necessary to correct the assessments for the Township of Stillwater; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that for calendar year 2024 the Municipal Assessor and Municipal Attorney are hereby designed as the agents of the of the Township of Stillwater for the purpose of signing settlements of the foregoing matters by stipulation.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

### **RESOLUTION 2024-016**

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR OR CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO IMPOSE A SERVICE CHARGE TO AN ACCOUNT FOR WHICH A CHECK OR OTHER WRITTEN INSTRUMENT WAS RETURNED FOR INSUFFICIENT FUNDS

WHEREAS, P.L. 2090, Chapter 105, supplementing Title 40 of the New Jersey State Revised Statutes has been enacted to allow a municipality the authority to impose a service charge to be added on an account which was by check or other written instrument returned for insufficient funds; and,

WHEREAS, whenever an account is owing a municipality for property tax, municipal utility charges or special assessment, the service charge authorized by this section shall be included on whatever list of delinquent accounts is prepared for the enforcement of the lien.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater that the Tax Collector or Chief Financial Officer be authorized to charge the aforementioned fee at a rate of \$25.00 per check or other written instrument for all checks returned for insufficient funds during the year; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Tax Collector or Chief Financial Officer may require future payments to be tendered in cash or by certified or cashier's check; and,

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer, Tax Collector, and the Township Auditor.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-017**

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES ON CHECK TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, that the following Township Officials are hereby authorized to sign checks or withdrawal slips for the Stillwater Township General Account where a combination of three principal signatures are required:

Mayor or Deputy Mayor and Chief Financial Officer and Municipal Clerk or Deputy Clerk

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the following Township Officials are hereby authorized to sign checks or withdrawals slips for the Stillwater Township Payroll Account where a combination of two principal signatures are required:

Mayor or Deputy Mayor and Chief Financial Officer and Municipal Clerk or Deputy Clerk

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that signature cards with the signatures of the persons authorized to sign be forwarded to the designated depositories.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

### TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NJ

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-018**

### A RESOLUTION TO STRIKE THE 2024 TAX RATE FOR FUNDING THE STILLWATER TOWNSHIP OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND

WHEREAS, the Township of Stillwater placed a non-binding referendum on the November 3, 2015 General Election ballot regarding the 10-year extension of an Open Space Trust Fund with a concurrent tax increase to assist in the creation of such trust fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the Stillwater Township Committee now wishes to strike the 2024 tax rate for funding the Open Space Trust Fund.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater, County of Sussex and State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. The Township Tax Line Item for funding the Open Space Trust Funds shall be set at \$0.005 per \$100 of ratable for each and every taxable property located within the Township.

Section 2. A copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Tax Collector and the Sussex County Tax Board.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

### STILLWATER TOWNSHIP SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

### **RESOLUTION 2024-019**

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASES UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT

WHEREAS, various departments utilize open-ended contracts for routine, recurring items which may in the aggregate exceed \$17,500.00 per annum; and,

WHEREAS, State Contract purchases are permitted without competitive bidding under 40A:11-12, the New Jersey State Co-operative Purchasing Program 1-NJCP; and,

WHEREAS, these purchases are made on a unit price basis with certification of availability of funds being provided for each Purchase Order/Voucher for such goods or services; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee and using Agencies recommend these purchases.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater authorizes purchasing under any valid 2024 State Contracts and subsequent renewals or extensions for all State Contracts.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

### STILLWATER TOWNSHIP SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-020**

"RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COMPLIANCE WITH THE UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S "ENFORCEMENT GUIDANCE ON THE CONSIDERATION OF ARREST AND CONVICTION RECORDS IN EMPLOYMENT DECISIONS UNDER TITLE VII OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964"

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183 requires the governing body of each municipality and county to certify that their local unit's hiring practices comply with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 2064," as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq., (April 25, 2012) before submitting its approved annual budget to the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Township Committee have familiarized themselves with the contents of the above-referenced enforcement guidance and with their local unit's hiring practices as they pertain to the consideration of an individual's criminal history, as evidenced by the Certification of the Township Committee attached hereto.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, That Stillwater Township, c.183, by certifying that the local unit's hiring practices comply with the above-referenced enforcement guidance and hereby directs the Clerk to cause to be maintained and available for inspection a certified copy of this resolution and the required Certification to show evidence of said compliance.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

### RESOLUTION# 2024-21

### AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF THE SIGNATURE REQUIREMENT ON PURCHASE ORDERS FOR CERTAIN VENDORS

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-9A.6 and 5:31-4.1 allows for greater flexibility for local units when implementing the claimant requirement set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:5-16(a); and

WHEREAS, a local unit is now given discretion to require a claimant celtification as it deems necessary and appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the requirement for a claimant's signature on all purchase orders is time consuming and payments are not made without a valid invoice and certification from the departments that the goods or services have been received; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Stillwater recommends that a claimant signature only be required for Refunds, Advance Payments, Employee Reimbursements, and for all Construction Related Work; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer recommends the adoption of this Claimant Signature policy;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of Stillwater Township that, effective immediately, claimant's signatures will only be required for Refunds, Advance Payments, Employee Reimbursements, and for all Construction Related Work.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee at their regular meeting held January 2, 2024 at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building, Stillwater, Sussex County, New Jersey.

Valerie Ingles, RN	ИС
Township Clerk	