

**STILLWATER TOWNSHIP
SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION 2025-163**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER, COUNTY OF SUSSEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING AGREEMENT FOR INTER-MUNICIPAL
COURT
FOR THE MUNICIPALITIES OF WANTAGE TOWNSHIP, SUSSEX BOROUGH,
STILLWATER TOWNSHIP, AND BRANCHVILLE BOROUGH**

WHEREAS, the Township of Stillwater's current Code Chapter 22, "Court, Joint Municipal" established a Joint Municipal Court known as the Municipal Court for the Township of Wantage, Borough of Sussex, and Township of Stillwater, as reflected in Township Ordinance No. 2011-5; and

WHEREAS, the parties to the original Agreement have agreed to expand the Joint Municipal Court to include the Borough of Branchville and, as such, have proposed a new Agreement for Inter-Municipal Court for the municipalities of Wantage Township, Sussex Borough, Stillwater Township, and Branchville Borough ("new Agreement"), which Agreement became effective upon the adoption. The term of that new Agreement shall be for four (4) years, terminating on December 31, 2029; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Stillwater is a party to a Municipal Court Agreement ("court agreement") that was renewed by the renewal Agreement with an effective date of January 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the cost for the court services to the Township of Stillwater shall be as follows:

2026	\$49,608.00
2027	\$50,848.00
2028	\$52,119.00
2029	\$53,422.00

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. authorizes municipalities to enter into Shared Services Agreements.

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

Section 1 - Approval

The Stillwater Township Committee hereby approves the Agreement for Inter-Municipal Court for the Municipalities of Wantage Township, Sussex Borough, Stillwater Township, and

Branchville Borough as provided for in the Agreement to become effective as provided for in the Agreement. The Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized to sign the Agreement.

Section 2 - When Effective

This ordinance shall take effect immediately, however it shall be void and of no effect in the event that any of the other participating municipalities, Wantage Township, Sussex Borough and/or Branchville Borough fail or refuse to adopt a resolution or ordinance approving the agreement and/or any of the related ordinances required for establishment of the Joint Municipal Court and/or fail or refuse to sign the Agreement as it was presented to the Township of Stillwater.

I hereby certify this is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of Stillwater Township on December 2, 2025.

Valerie Ingles, RMC
Township Clerk