

**GREENWICH TOWNSHIP
MINUTES OF REORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 3, 2025
7:00 p.m.**

Thomas Seeley, Esq., Township Solicitor, called the meeting to order stating, “Adequate notice of this meeting was provided in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act by notifying the News of South Jersey and the Press of Atlantic City on December 20, 2024.

The Oath of Office was administered to Mark Werley by Mr. Seeley.

The nomination of Committeeman Reinhart to the position of Mayor was made by Committeeman Werley, seconded by Committeeman Orr. There being no further nominations, on motion of Committeeman Werley, seconded by Committeeman Orr Committeeman Reinhart was unanimously appointed upon a roll call vote to the position of Mayor.

The nomination of Deputy Mayor. Committeeman Werley, seconded by Mayor Reinhart nominated Committeeman Orr to the position of Deputy Mayor. There being no further nominations, on motion of Committeeman Werley, seconded by Mayor Reinhart Committeeman Orr was unanimously appointed to the position of Deputy Mayor upon roll call vote.

Roll Call: Those present were Mayor Reinhart, Deputy Mayor Orr, Committeeman Werley. Also present was Thomas Seeley, Esq. and Lisa Garrison, Township Clerk.

Mayor Reinhart called for the following resolutions under a consent agenda. At this time on motion of Committeeman Werley, seconded by Deputy Mayor Orr to approve Resolution Nos. 1-1-2025 - 1-14-2025, unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-1-2025

SETTING MEETING DATES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey, that the regular meeting of the Greenwich Township Committee shall be third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. .

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2-2025

CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Cumberland, that for the year 2025, the following shall serve as the cash management plan of the Township of Greenwich.

The Chief Financial Officer is directed to use this cash management plan as the guide in depositing and investing the Township of Greenwich’s funds.

The following are suitable and authorized investments:

Interest-bearing bank accounts and certificates of deposit in authorized banks for deposit of local unit funds.

Government money market mutual funds as comply with the N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1(e)

Local government investment pools which comply with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1(c) and conditions set by the Division of Local Government Services

New Jersey Cash Management Fund

Repurchase agreements (repos) of fully collateralized securities which comply with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1(a).

Each month, the Chief Financial Officer shall prepare a schedule of investments purchased and redeemed, investment earnings, fees incurred and market value of all investments.

The Government Unit Depository Protection Act approved banks located in the State of New Jersey and possessing a current government Unit Deposit Protection Act Eligibility Certificate issued by the New Jersey Department of Bank and Insurance are authorized depositories for the deposit of funds.

The CFO shall report to the governing body any account that does not earn interest.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-3-2025

DESIGNATING OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey, that the following newspaper be designated the official Township newspaper:

The News of South Jersey
Press of Atlantic City

RESOLUTION NO. 1-4-2025

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR

WHEREAS, the Township of Greenwich has a need to acquire a Township Solicitor as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and,

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the value of the acquisition will exceed \$17,500; and,

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Seeley, Esq. of Seeley Law Office, LLC has submitted a proposal indicating he will provide legal services; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Seeley, Esq. of Seeley Law Office, LLC has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Thomas Seeley, Esq. of Seeley Law Office, LLC has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of Greenwich with the elected officials in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Thomas Seeley, Esq. of Seeley Law Office, LLC from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer certifies the availability of funds; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich authorizes the Mayor and Township Clerk to enter into a contract with Thomas Seeley, Esq. of Seeley Law Office, LLC as described herein; and

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a notice of award of this contract in the official newspaper of the Township of Greenwich in the time prescribed by law and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law of the State of New Jersey.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-5-2025

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR TOWNSHIP AUDITOR

WHEREAS, the Township of Greenwich has a need to acquire a Township Auditor as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and,

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the value of the acquisition will exceed \$17,500; and,

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, Ray Colavita of the firm Nightliner, Colavita & Volpa, PA has submitted a proposal indicating he will provide auditing services; and

WHEREAS, Ray Colavita of the firm Nightlinger, Colavita & Volpa, PA has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Ray Colavita of the

firm Nightlinger, Colavita & Volpa, PA has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of Greenwich with the elected officials in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Ray Colavita of the firm Nightlinger, Colavita & Volpa, PA from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer certifies the availability of funds; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich authorizes the Mayor and Township Clerk to enter into a contract with Ray Colavita of the firm Nightlinger, Colavita & Volpa, PA as described herein; and

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a notice of award of this contract in the official newspaper of the Township of Greenwich in the time prescribed by law and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law of the State of New Jersey.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-6-2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR TOWNSHIP ENGINEER

WHEREAS, every municipality is required by N.J.S.A. 40A:9-140 to appoint a Municipal Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the value of the acquisition will exceed \$17,500; and,

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, said appointment is being awarded through a Non-Fair and Open process pursuant to the New Jersey Pay to Play, New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for the purposes set forth above; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has duly considered the matter and wishes to appoint Steve Nardelli of the firm Fralinger Engineering as Township Engineer

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich authorizes the Mayor and Township Clerk to enter into a contract with Steve Nardelli of the firm Fralinger Engineering as described herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a notice of award of this contract in the official newspaper of the Township of Greenwich in the time prescribed by law and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law of the State of New Jersey.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-7-2025

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

WHEREAS, the Township of Greenwich has a need to acquire an Animal Control Officer as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and,

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the value of the acquisition will not exceed \$17,500; and,

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, James W. McCleery of Countrywide Animal Care and Control, LLC has submitted a proposal indicating he will provide animal control services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer certifies the availability of funds; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich authorizes the Mayor and Township Clerk to enter into a contract with James W. McCleery of Countrywide Animal Care and Control, LLC as described herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a notice of award of this contract in the official newspaper of the Township of Greenwich in the time prescribed by law and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law of the State of New Jersey.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-8-2025

APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER

BE IT RESOLVED the Township Clerk, Lisa Garrison, is hereby appointed as the Public Agency Compliance Officer.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-9-2025

SETTING INTEREST AND PENALTY ON PROPERTY TAXES

WHEREAS, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 54:4-67 the governing body is authorized to fix the rate of discount for prepayment of property taxes or assessments and to fix the rate of interest for non-payment of property taxes or assessments on or before the date when they would become delinquent; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid statute was amended to provide for the assessing of a penalty to be charged to a taxpayer with a delinquency in excess of TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000.00) DOLLARS; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-66, it is provided that property taxes shall be payable in quarterly annual installments with the first installment due on February 1st, the second installment due on May 1st, the third installment due on August 1st and the fourth installment due on November 1st, after which dates, if unpaid, they shall become delinquent which statute also provides for the manner in which quarterly installments or property taxes shall be determined and received;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich

- A. That no discount be allowed for prepayment of property taxes or assessments.
- B. That the rate of interest to be charged for the non-payment of property taxes or assessments on or before the date they would become delinquent, as fixed by statute, shall be Eight (8%) Percent per annum on the first ONE THOUSAND FIVE-HUNDRED (\$1,500.00) DOLLARS and Eighteen (18%) Percent per annum on any amount in excess of ONE THOUSAND FIVE-HUNDRED (\$1,500.00) DOLLARS to be calculated from the date the tax was payable to the date of actual payment, provided no interest shall be charged if payment of any installment is made within the tenth calendar day following the date upon which the same became payable; and
- C. In the event there is a delinquency in excess of TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000.00) DOLLARS at the end of the calendar year, then the Tax Collector is authorized to charge a penalty of Six (6%) Percent of the amount of the delinquency. The delinquency shall mean the sum of all taxes and municipal taxes due on a given parcel of property covering any number of quarters of years.
- D. That the provision of this Resolution shall remain in full force and effect until further action of the Township Committee.
- E. That a certified copy of this Resolution be filed with the Collector of Taxes.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-10-2025

APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS AND BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

BE IT RESOLVED the following appointments of the Township Officials, Boards and Committees are hereby approved by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey:

TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS

TERM EXPIRATION

Deputy Clerk	Charlotte Hunter	12/31/25
Treasurer	Amy Colaneri	12/31/25
Tax Search Clerk	Elizabeth Wallender	12/31/25
Construction Official	John Lamanteer	12/31/25
Demolition Official	John Lamanteer	12/31/25
Building Inspector	John Palumbo	12/31/25
Electrical Inspector	Gary Wallen	12/31/25
Plumbing Inspector	John Lamanteer	12/31/25
Clean Community Coordinator	Carrie Werley	12/31/25
Convenience Center Overseer	Mayor, Township Committee	12/31/25
Alliance for Drug Abuse	Melanie Garrison	12/31/25
Township Physician	Shiloh Medical Group	12/31/25
Dog Registrar	Lisa Garrison	12/31/25

DIKE COMMITTEE

TERM EXPIRATION

Edward Sheppard	12/31/25
Salvatore Mangiafico	12/31/25
Mark Werley, Liaison	12/31/25

PLANNING/ZONING BOARD

TERM EXPIRATION

Class I – Mayor	12/31/25
Class II – Salvatore Mangiafico	12/31/25
Class IV – Kathy Barndt	12/31/28
Neil Riley	12/31/28

RESILIENCY COMMITTEE

TERM EXPIRATION

Penny Watson	12/31/25
Michael Ivanick	12/31/25
Paige Van Pelt	12/31/25
Mark Showers	12/31/25

SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Penny Watson

TERM EXPIRATION

12/31/29

HAZARD MITIGATION WORKING GRPTERM EXPIRATION

Paige Van Pelt

12/31/25

Deputy Mayor

12/31/25

John Lamanteer

12/31/25

Penny Watson

12/31/25

Mark Showers

12/31/25

Salvatore Mangiafico

12/31/25

Warren Adams

12/31/25

Scott Gifford

12/31/25

Township Engineer

12/31/25

DEPUTY OEM COORDINATORTERM EXPIRATION

Jessica Veale

12/31/25

RECREATION COMMITTEETERM EXPIRATION

Penny Watson

12/31/25

Annie Newton

12/31/25

Mark Werley

12/31/25

Ken Miller

12/31/25

Bob Flanagan

12/31/25

Betty Jones

12/31/25

Debbie Bacon

2/31/25

Jill Sheppard

12/31/25

Suzanne Watson

12/31/25

RESOLUTION NO. 1-11-2025**DESIGNATING SIGNATORIES**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey, the signatories of the Township checks be any three (3) of the following:

1. Mayor
2. Deputy Mayor
3. Committeeman
4. Treasurer

5. Township Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 1-12-2025

**AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS OR
DELINQUENT AMOUNTS LESS THAN \$10.00**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17 allows or the cancellation of property tax overpayments or delinquent amounts in the amounts of less than \$10.00; and

WHEREAS, the governing body may authorize the Tax Collector to process, without further action on their part, any cancellation of property tax overpayments or delinquencies of less than \$10.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Township of Greenwich, County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey, hereby authorize the Tax Collector to cancel said tax amounts as deemed necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of the Resolution be forwarded to the Tax Collector, the Chief Financial Officer and the Municipal Auditor.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-13-2025

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN
CONTRACT FOR ANIMAL SHELTER SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Township of Greenwich has a need to acquire Animal Shelter Services as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and,

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the value of the acquisition will not exceed \$17,500; and,

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Cumberland County Regional Animal Shelter has submitted a proposal indicating it will provide animal shelter services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer certifies the availability of funds; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich authorizes the Mayor and Township Clerk to enter into a contract with the Cumberland County Regional Animal Shelter as described herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a notice of award of this contract in the official newspaper of the Township of

Greenwich in the time prescribed by law and in accordance with the Local Public Contract Law and the State of New Jersey.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-14-2025

TEMPORARY BUDGET

(attached and made a part of these minutes)

Unfinished Business:

New Business - None

Committee Comment - None

Public Comment – No public was present.

Adjournment: On motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley to adjourn, unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Garrison, RMC
Township Clerk