GREENWICH TOWNSHIP MINUTES OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MARCH 18, 2025 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Reinhart called the meeting to order stating "adequate notice of this meeting was provided in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act notifying the South Jersey Times on January 5, 2025."

Roll Call: Mayor Reinhart, Deputy Mayor Orr and Committeeman Werley were present. Also present were Thomas Seeley, Esq., Township Solicitor; Amy Colaneri, CFO; and Lisa Garrison, Township Clerk.

Flag Salute: Mayor Reinhart

Land Sale: Solicitor Seeley commenced with the sale of Block 4 Lot 135. Jason Brandt was the highest bidder at \$41,000. A ten (10%) percent deposit of \$4,100 was given by Mr. Brandt. It was stated that a refund of the deposit would be given if there were any problems with the deed.

Approval of Minutes: On motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Mayor Reinhart to approve the minutes of December 17, 2024 and January 3, 2025, unanimously carried.

Public Hearing:

ORDINANCE NO. 89-2025

2025 "CAP" ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, in the County of Cumberland finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2025 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

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WHEREAS, the Township Committee hereby determines that a 3.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$4,112.09 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, in the County of Cumberland, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring that, in the CY 2025 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Greenwich shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$14,392.32, and that the CY 2025 municipal budget for the Township of Greenwich be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

On motion of Mayor Reinhart, seconded by Deputy Mayor Orr to open the public hearing. There being no comments forthcoming, on motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley to close the public hearing, unanimously carried. On motion of Committeeman Werley, seconded by Deputy Mayor Orr to adopt the foregoing ordinance upon roll call vote, unanimously carried. Ayes: Orr, Werley, Reinhart Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

Resolutions:

RESOLUTION NO. 3-19-2025

AUTHORIZING CUMBERLAND COUNTY TOURISM MARKETING GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE 53RD GREENWICH CRAFT FAIRE

WHEREAS, the Greenwich Township Recreation Committee will be hosting the 53rd Greenwich Craft Faire on September 27-28, 2025; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need for funding to support marketing and advertising expenses for the Craft Faire; and

WHEREAS, the County of Cumberland has a Tourism Marketing Grant to support the marketing and advertising expenses for the Craft Faire; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich finds it in the best interest of he Township for the Recreation Committee to make application for said grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey for the Recreation Committee to make application for the Cumberland County Tourism Marketing Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Township Clerk be and is hereby authorized to execute any documents necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution

On motion of Committeeman Werley, seconded by Deputy Mayor Orr to approve the foregoing resolution, unanimously carried.

On motion of Mayor Reinhart, seconded by Deputy Mayor Orr to approve the following resolution, unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 3-20-2025

AUTHORIZING GRANT APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY2025 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY ASSISTANCE GRANT

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich ("Committee") are steadfast in their participation in planning, preparing and responding to disasters whether from acts of terrorism or by events; and

WHEREAS, the Committee places the public welfare above all else and remains steadfast in its commitment to the highest standards in the conduct of its business for the benefit of the taxpayers of Greenwich Township; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety is making a subgrant consisting of up to \$20,000.00 (\$10,000.00 Federal Award and \$10,000.00 "In Kind" Local Matching Funds) available for successful applicants funded through the FY2024 Emergency Management Performance Grant, Emergency Management Agency Assistance Grant. Subaward FY25-EMPG-EMAA for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Committee finds that applying for this grant will be beneficial to the citizens of Greenwich Township and to the citizens of the State of New Jersey.

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

- 1. The Committee hereby authorizes the Mayor and Township Clerk to sign the required grant application with the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety.
- 2. The Committee further authorizes the Chief Financial Officer and OEM Coordinator to take any action necessary to apply and accept this grant.
- 3. The Committee hereby allows for the expenditure of such grant funds in accordance with any plans reviewed by the Committee and the OEM Coordinator.

Unfinished Business:

Marina/Ship John Inn — The Committee indicated summonses must be issued within the next 30 (thirty) days..

New Business:

Temporary Debris Management Area - Ms. Colaneri will contact the CCIA to determine the possibility of a shared service agreement.

Vacancies –

Deputy OEM Coordinator - a certification is required or will need to be obtained. Tax Assessor - Hopewell Township has begun the process of searching for a new assessor.

Clean Communities Coordinator - Ms. Colaneri is qualified and currently is in the position in Upper Deerfield Township. Upon review and discussion, on motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley to approve Amy Colaneri to the position of Clean Communities Coordinator, unanimously carried.

Committee Comments:

Committeeman Werley thanked Lisa Morrison for the work she has done in cleaning the Township with no recognition.

Payment of Bills

After review and discussion on motion of Committeeman Werley, seconded by Deputy Mayor Orr to approve the bill list in the amount of \$179,903.21, unanimously carried.

Public Comment:

On motion of Mayor Reinhart, seconded by Deputy Mayor Orr to open the public comment, unanimously carried. There being no comment forthcoming, on motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Mayor Reinhart to close the public comment, unanimously carried.

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Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Township Committee, on motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Mayor Reinhart to adjourn, unanimously carried

Respectfully submitted.

Lisa Garrison Borough Clerk Minutes of Meeting March 18, 2025