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The Workshop Meeting of the Borough of Butler Mayor and Council was opened by Mayor Martinez who indicated that the meeting was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act having been duly advertised and posted in Borough Hall and on the Borough Website.

#### ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Martinez, Councilman Fox, Councilman Meier, Councilwoman Morley, Councilman Piccirillo and Council President Verdonik

ABSENT: Councilman Calvi

Motion to excuse the absence of Councilman Calvi by Fox, Second by Piccirillo and All In Favor.

ALSO PRESENT: James Lampmann, Borough Administrator; Christopher Woods, Office of the Borough Attorney and Brandi Greco, Borough Clerk.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None

#### ORDINANCE(S) FOR ADOPTION:

2023-04 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 122 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BUTLER AND PROVIDING FOR FEES FOR PERMITS REQUIRED UNDER THE FIRE PREVENTION CODE

Introduced: April 4, 2023 Advertised: April 12, 2023

Brandi Greco opened this Ordinance for public comment.

Seeing no one come forward, Fox made a motion to close public portion, Second by Piccirillo and All In Favor.

Moved: Verdonik Second: Piccirillo

Voted Aye: Fox, Meier, Morley, Piccirillo, Verdonik

Voted Nay: None Absent: Calvi

#### RESOLUTION(S)

R 2023-60 Resolution Authorizing Submission of a Highlands Initial Assessment Grant Application.

Motion to Deny: Fox Second: Meier

Voted Aye: Fox, Meier, Morley, Piccirillo, Verdonik

Voted Nay: None Absent: Calvi

R 2023-61 Resolution Authorizing purchase of a police vehicle for the Police Department through the Cranford

Township Cooperative Pricing Council and to finance the purchase with the loan from Lakeland Bank.

Moved: Verdonik Second: Piccirillo

Voted Aye: Fox, Meier, Morley, Piccirillo, Verdonik

Voted Nay: None Absent: Calvi

Discussion –Basketball Courts at BHS – Mr. Lampmann explained that he and the Mayor were contacted about paving potential basketball courts at the rear of the high school. Mr. Lampmann reminded everyone that it needs to be leveled, therefore you will first need a survey, engineering, walls and fencing. It is much more involved than just paving the surface and putting hoops in. While this would be at the expense of the school, Council stated this large sum of money may best be applied elsewhere, especially due to the recent decline in Butler's school ratings.

Discussion – Brandi Greco announced that the library would like to appoint new Library Board member, Louis Coiro, due to the resignation of Nadia Cartelli. No objections were received.

### <u>UNFINISHED / NEW BUSINESS</u>

- Brandi Greco announced that we received a thank you letter from West Milford for our assistance in battling the recent wildfires.
- Brandi Greco announced the Butler Museum is participating in the Pathways of History Museum Tour taking place on May  $6^{th}$  and  $7^{th}$  and handed out invitations to the Council.

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## **OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

Mayor Martinez opened the meeting to the public.

Seeing no one come forward to speak, a motion was made to close the public portion of the meeting.

Moved: Fox

Second: Morley

All in favor

## MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved: Fox All in favor Second: Morley

ADJOURNMENT: 7:21 p.m.

Brandi L. Smith-Greco Municipal Clerk

Adopted: August 15, 2023

Ryan Martinez, Mayor

## BOROUGH OF BUTLER ORDINANCE NO. 2023 - 04

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 122 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BUTLER AND PROVIDING FOR FEES FOR PERMITS REQUIRED UNDER THE FIRE PREVENTION CODE

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Butler, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, as follows:

 Chapter 122 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Butler shall be amended by the following amendment to Subsection 122-4, entitled "Permit Fee; Expiration Date" which shall read in its entirety as follows:

## 122-4 Permit Fee; Expiration Date

All permits required by the Fire Prevention Code shall be valid for a one year period and shall be renewable on or before July 1 of each year in the following amounts:

(a)	Type 1	\$ 54.00
(b)	Type 2	\$214.00
(c)	Type 3	\$427.00
(d)	Type 4	\$641.00
(e)	Type 5	reserved amount

- 2. If any section or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid in any Court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect the other sections or provisions of this Ordinance, except so far as the section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from the remainder or any portion thereof.
- All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.
- 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage and publication in the manner provided by law.

Adopted this 2nd day of May, 2023.

Brandi Greco, Borøugh Clerk Ryan Martinez, Mayor

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#### **BOROUGH OF BUTLER**

#### **RESOLUTION 2023-60**

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A HIGHLANDS INITIAL ASSESSMENT GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, in recognition of the costs associated with local government efforts to conform to the Regional Master Plan (RMP), the Highlands Act provided a funding mechanism through the creation of the Highlands Protection Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Protection Fund includes significant grant funds that are available for municipalities and counties seeking to conform or considering voluntary conformance with the RMP; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council (Highlands Council) has adopted an Initial Assessment Grant Progran. This grant program will fund preliminary municipal and county Plan Conformance activities for lands throughout the Highlands Region. These grants allow local jurisdictions and counties to engage their professionals to assess the requirements and benefits of Plan Conformance; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of But er believes that it is in the best interest of the Borough of Butler to apply to the Highlands Council for an Initial Assessment Grant.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Butler, County of Morris, and State of New Jersey that the appropriate municipal officials are hereby authorized to submit the aforementioned Highlands Initial Assessment Grant Application to the Highlands Council.

Adopted: May 2, 2023	
Brandi Greco, Borough Clerk	Ryan Martinez, Mayor

# BOROUGH OF BUTLER RESOLUTION R2023-61

AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE A POLICE VEHICLE FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT THROUGH THE CRANFORD TOWNSHIP COOPERATIVE PRICING COUNCIL AND TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE WITH THE LOAN FROM LAKELAND BANK

WHEREAS, in the past, the Borough of Butler has availed itself of the right to purchase materials, supplies and equipment under contracts for such materials, supplies and equipment entered into on behalf of the Cranford Township Cooperative Pricing Council pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable from time-to-time to obtain materials, supplies, services and equipment under contracts for such materials, supplies, services and equipment entered into on behalf of the Cranford Township Cooperative Pricing Council without the necessity of advertising for bids, or in the cases where no bids have been received; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Butler Police Department desires to purchase a 2023 Ford Interceptor Police Utility Vehicle (Contract #47-CPCPS), under such contract entered into on behalf of the Cranford Township Cooperative Pricing Council by said Council for contract period 10/27/2022 – 10/30/2023; and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to finance the purchase of the vehicle with a loan from Lakeland Bank in the amount of \$41,235.10.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Butler, County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that the purchase by the Borough of a 2023 Ford Interceptor Police Utility Vehicle for the Police Department shall be purchased at a cost not to exceed \$41,235.10 under a contract for such service entered into on behalf of the Cranford Township Cooperative Pricing Council with Gentilini Motors, Egg Harbor Township, NJ.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the purchase of the vehicle shall be financed by a loan from Lakeland Bank in the amount of \$41,235.10 and that Borough Administrator James Lampmann is hereby authorized to execute the Equipment Finance Agreement with Lakeland Bank attached hereto on behalf of the Borough in order to effectuate the loan.

Dated: May 2, 2023

Ryan Martinez, Mayor

Brandi L. Smith-Greco, RMC