A Workshop Meeting of the Township Committee of Middletown Township was held in the Main Meeting Room at Town Hall, One Kings Highway, Middletown, New Jersey and virtually through WebEx at 7:00 p.m. on December 5, 2022.

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena called the meeting to order and read the following notice:

The Notice Requirements provided for in the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given by transmission to The Asbury Park Press, The Independent and Two River Times and by posting at the Middletown Township Municipal Building and filing with the Township Clerk all on January 07, 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Present: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, Settembrino, Mayor Perry Absent: None

Also present were Township Administrator Anthony Mercantante, Township Attorney Brian Nelson, Township Engineer Ted Maloney, Chief Financial Officer Colleen Lapp, and Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena requested a moment of silence to honor the troops serving worldwide defending our freedoms and way of life.

## **CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION/PROCLAMATIONS**

# <u>Proclamation Recognizing December 2022 as Impaired Driving Prevention Month in</u> <u>the Township of Middletown</u>

- **WHEREAS:** Alcohol is a major factor in traffic accidents. Based on data from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, there is an alcohol-impaired traffic fatality every 52 minutes; and
- **WHEREAS:** The Middletown Municipal Alliance is joining other national, state, and local highway safety and law enforcement officials to remind everyone this holiday season to always designate a sober driver before each holiday party or event involving alcohol; and
- **WHEREAS:** The holiday season is supposed to be a time for family, friends, and festive celebrations, but unfortunately it is also a time when we see a tragic jump in the number of alcohol and drug-related highway fatalities each year; and
- **WHEREAS:** December is nationally designated as **Impaired Driving Prevention Month** to help underscore the public's commitment to preventing impaired

driving and promoting the use of designated drivers and sober ride programs; and

- **WHEREAS:** The month of December and the New Year's Eve holiday are often highlighted by significant increases in state and local law enforcement efforts to combat impaired driving such as the use of sobriety checkpoints and saturation patrols; and
- **WHEREAS:** Driving impaired or riding with someone who is impaired is not worth the risk. Not only do you risk killing yourself or someone else, but the trauma and financial costs of a crash or an arrest for driving while impaired can also be devastating. Now,
- **THEREFORE:** I, Mayor Tony Perry and the Middletown Township Committee, do hereby proclaim that December 2022 be known as **Impaired Driving Prevention Month** in the Township of Middletown. Be it further proclaimed that Middletown Township supports the designation of sober drivers and safe ride activities as valuable weapons in the battle against impaired driving.

# PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena read the following ordinance by title:

# <u>Ordinance 2022-3359 -</u> Ordinance Amending § 84-10 Of the Code of The Township of Middletown Governing Third-Party Administrative Fees for Special Duty Police Assignments

Hearing no comments from the public it was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to close public hearing and carried to adopt this ordinance on second and final reading.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, Settembrino Mayor Perry Nays: None Abstention: None Absent: None

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena stated motion carried to pass this ordinance.

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena read the following ordinance by title:

<u>Ordinance 2022-3360</u>- Bond Ordinance Providing an Appropriation Of \$850,000 For the Acquisition of Easements and Real Property for The Port Monmouth Flood Control Project by And for The Township of Middletown in The County of Monmouth, New Jersey And Authorizing the Issuance Of \$807,500 In Bonds or Notes of The Township for Financing Part of The Appropriation.

Hearing no comments from the public it was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to close public hearing and carried to adopt this ordinance on second and final reading.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, Settembrino Mayor Perry Nays: None Abstention: None Absent: None

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena stated motion carried to pass this ordinance.

# INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena read the following ordinance by title:

# <u>Ordinance 2022-3361</u> - Ordinance Approving Entry into Contracts for Purchase of Real Estate Identified as Block 276, Lot 77.022 (95 Main Street) And Block 136, Lot 5 (Church Street) To Advance the Port Monmouth Flood Control Project

It was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to pass this ordinance on first reading.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, Settembrino, Mayor Perry Nays: None Abstention: None Absent: None

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena stated motion carried to pass this ordinance on first reading with a public hearing to be held on December 19, 2022.

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena read the following ordinance by title:

# <u>Ordinance 2022-3362</u> - Ordinance Authorizing Sale of Block 502, Lots 1 And 7 (37-45 Leonardville Road) To the Non-Profit Middletown Redevelopment Corporation for Development Of 100% Affordable Veterans Housing Project

It was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to pass this ordinance on first reading.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, Settembrino, Mayor Perry Nays: None Abstention: None Absent: None

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena stated motion carried to pass this ordinance on first reading with a public hearing to be held on December 19, 2022.

# CONSENT AGENDA

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena requested a motion to adopt a consent agenda including Resolutions 22-306 through 22-318

It was moved by Mayor Perry, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell and carried to adopt the consent agenda:

Roll Call Vote:	Ayes: Clarke Hibell, Kratz, Settembrino, Mayor Perry
	Nays: None
	Abstention: None
	Recuse: None
	Absent: None

Deputy Township Clerk Kaaren Sena stated the motion carried to adopt the consent agenda.

# **Resolution 22-306** – DMHAS Youth Leadership Grant Form 1B

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (GCADA) established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey. In coordination with GCADA, the New Jersey Department of Human Services/Division on Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) has awarded a Youth Leadership Grant to the GCADA Municipal Alliance Program.

WHEREAS, The Township Council of the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Monmouth;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Middletown Town Council does hereby authorize submission of an application for DMHAS Grant funding for the Middletown Municipal Alliance for Grant Term 9/1/23 - 9/30/25 in the amount of:

DMHAS Grant Funding <u>\$11,742.25</u>

2. The Township Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

# **Resolution 220-307** – Municipal Alliance Grant FY 2024 Form 1B

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, The Township Council of the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Monmouth;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

3. The Township Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Middletown Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year <u>2024</u> in the amount of:

DEDR	<u>\$34,470.00</u>
Cash Match	<u>\$ 8,617.50</u>
In-Kind	<u>\$ 25,852.50</u>

4. The Township Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

# <u>Resolution 22-308</u> - Resolution Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Conduct Financial Matters Until First Regular Meeting in January 2023

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee will not be convening any regular business meetings until mid-January 2023; and

**WHEREAS,** bills will need to be authorized for payment prior to the next regular business meeting of the Township Committee; and

**WHEREAS,** outstanding bills may only be paid with funds that have already been budgeted for and encumbered by purchase orders.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that the Township's Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to pay bills budgeted for and encumbered through the Township's first regular meeting in January 2023.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township Committee shall be provided with its regular report relating to any bills authorized for payment during this period by the Chief Financial Officer.

## <u>Resolution 22-309</u> - Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract to Vendor With National Cooperative Contract For One (1) Ford F150 XL 4wd

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown as a contracting unit, may without advertising for bids, purchase any materials, supplies or equipment entered into on behalf of the Source well National Cooperative, pursuant to the provision of Local Public Contract Law P.L. 2011, C.139 (the "Law" or "Chapter 139") and N.J.S.A.52:34-6.2 and the regulations promulgated in Local Finance Notice LFN 2012-10, which permits contracting units to use contracts awarded by national or regional cooperatives or other states that were competitively bid. The law supplements existing law on the use of such contracts and is intended to provide additional flexibility to local government in the area of procurement; and

**WHEREAS** the regulations as set forth within Local Finance Notice LFN 2012-10 have been fully complied with; and

**WHEREAS**, the Qualified Purchasing Agent has complied with the public notification provisions of public advertisement and has received no protests in accord with law and regulation; and

**WHEREAS,** the Qualified Purchasing Agent, recommends the utilization of this contract based on the requirements of State Law; and

**WHEREAS,** under Sourcewell Contract #091521-NAF.National Auto Fleet Group can provide the Township with one (1) Ford F150 xl 4wd in the amount of \$44,047.59 per their quote 22010RLR1 dated October 31, 2022; and

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**WHEREAS,** the Chief Financial Officer for Middletown Township has certified that free and unencumbered funds in the amount of \$44,047.59 are available for this purpose in budget account line-item number(s) C-04-55-922-355-001. A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and made part hereof.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown that the above mentioned purchase is authorized and that National Auto Fleet Group., under Sourcewell Contract #091521-NAF be utilized to provide one (1) new Ford F150 xl 4wd in the amount of \$44,047.59.

# <u>Resolution 22-310</u> - Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract to A Vendor with A National Cooperative Contract for Copiers and Plotters

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown as a contracting unit, may without advertising for bids, purchase any materials, supplies or equipment entered into on behalf of OMNIA Partners, pursuant to the provision of Local Public Contract Law P.L. 2011, C.139 (the "Law" or "Chapter 139") and N.J.S.A.52:34-6.2 and the regulations promulgated in Local Finance Notice LFN 2012-10, which permits contracting units to use contracts awarded by national or regional cooperatives or other states that were competitively bid. The law supplements existing law on the use of such contracts and is intended to provide additional flexibility to local government in the area of procurement; and

**WHEREAS** the regulations as set forth within Local Finance Notice LFN 2012-10 have been fully complied with; and

**WHEREAS**, the Qualified Purchasing Agent has complied with the public notification provisions of public advertisement and has received no protests in accord with law and regulation; and

**WHEREAS,** the Qualified Purchasing Agent, recommends the utilization of this contract based on the requirements of State Law; and

**WHEREAS,** under OMNIA contract 2021002788 Stratix Systems can provide the Township of Middletown with copiers and plotters not to exceed amount of \$40,084.00; and

**WHEREAS,** the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Middletown has certified that free and unencumbered funds in the amount of \$40,084.00 are available for this purpose in account/line-item number(s) C-04-55-920-290-001 and 2-01-44-902-200-820. A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and made part hereof.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown that Stratix Systems, under OMNIA contract #2021002788 be utilized to provide copiers and plotters in an amount not to exceed \$40,084.00.

# <u>Resolution 22-311</u> - Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract to A Vendor with A National Cooperative Contract for Six (6) Heavy Duty Roll Off Containers

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown as a contracting unit, may without advertising for bids, purchase any materials, supplies or equipment entered into on behalf of the Sourcewell National Cooperative, pursuant to the provision of Local Public Contract Law P.L. 2011, C.139 (the "Law" or "Chapter 139") and N.J.S.A.52:34-6.2 and the regulations promulgated in Local Finance Notice LFN 2012-10, which permits contracting units to use contracts awarded by national or regional cooperatives or other states that were competitively bid. The law supplements existing law on the use of such contracts and is intended to provide additional flexibility to local government in the area of procurement; and

**WHEREAS** the regulations as set forth within Local Finance Notice LFN 2012-10 have been fully complied with; and

**WHEREAS**, the Qualified Purchasing Agent has complied with the public notification provisions of public advertisement and has received no protests in accord with law and regulation; and

WHEREAS, the Qualified Purchasing Agent, recommends the utilization of this contract based on the requirements of State Law; and

WHEREAS, under Sourcewell Contract 040621-WQI Wastequip can provide the Township with the required heavy duty roll off containers, as follows; one (1) 20 CU YD Extra Heavy Duty, two (2) 30 CU YD Heavy Duty, three (3) 40 CU YD Heavy Duty in the amount of \$47,345.00 per their quote dated November 2, 2022; and

**WHEREAS,** the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Middletown has certified that free and unencumbered funds in the amount of \$47,345.00 are available for this purpose in account/line-item number(s) G-02-40-700-019-007 and G-02-40-700-021-030. A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and made part hereof.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown that Wastequip, under Sourcewell Contract #040621-WQI, be utilized to provide the Township with the required Heavy Duty Roll off Containers in the amount of \$47,345.00.

# <u>Resolution 22-312</u> – Resolution Amending Resolution 22-304 Authorizing the Purchase of Seven (7) 2023 Ford Utility Police Interceptor Sport SUV's Through the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System Of New Jersey

**WHEREAS** the Township may without advertising for bids, purchase any materials, supplies or equipment entered into on behalf of the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System of New Jersey (Co-Op #47CPCPS) pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11: and

WHEREAS, Gentilini Ford, 555 John S Penn Blvd., Woodbine NJ 08270, has been awarded the CPCPS Contract No. 47CPCPS (expiration 09/30/2023) for Police and Administrative Vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, under Contract 47CPCPS, Gentilini Ford, can provide seven (7) 2023 Ford Utility Police Interceptors, for the Middletown Township Police Department; and

**WHEREAS,** resolution #22-304 authorized the purchase of seven (7) 2023 Ford Utility Police Interceptors without accounting for additional equipment needed; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the additional equipment needed totals \$74,624.52; and

**WHEREAS,** the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Middletown has certified that free and unencumbered funds in the new amount of \$300,885.52 are available for this purpose in account/line-item numbers 2-01-44-915-200-800 and 2-01-25-240-100-211. A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and made part hereof.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that resolution #22-304 is hereby amended to include the addition of the required equipment for a total cost of \$300,885.52.

# <u>Resolution 22-313</u> - Authorizing the Purchase of One (1) 2023 Ford Utility Police Interceptor Sport SUV Through the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System Of New Jersey

WHEREAS, the Township may without advertising for bids, purchase any materials, supplies or equipment entered into on behalf of the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing System (Co-Op #47CPCPS) pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11: and

WHEREAS, Gentilini Ford, 555 John S Penn Blvd., Woodbine NJ 08270,, has been awarded the CPCPS Contract No. 47CPCPS (expiration 09/30/2023) for Police and Administrative vehicles; and

**WHEREAS,** under Contract 47CPCPS, Gentilini Ford, can provide one (1) 2023 Ford Utility Police Interceptor, for the Middletown Township Fire Prevention Department; and

**WHEREAS,** the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Middletown has certified that free and unencumbered funds in the amount of \$ 42,983.65. are available for this purpose in account/line-item number(s) C-04-55-922-355-001 and T-03-56-802-450-000. A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and made part hereof.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that the Township of Middletown enter into an agreement with Gentilini Ford for the delivery of one (1) 2023 Ford Utility Police Interceptor Sport SUV's in the amount of \$42,983.65.

## Resolution 22-314 – Resolution Authorizing the Payment of Bills for December 5, 2022

The Township Committee hereby approves a resolution authorizing the payment of bills for December 5, 2022 in the amount of \$22,123,612.78

# <u>Resolution 22-315</u> - Resolution Amending Resolution 22-274 Increasing Maximum Not to Exceed Amounts for Cooperative Contract Vendors

**WHEREAS**, resolution 22-274 authorized the Township of Middletown to purchase various pieces of furniture from authorized vendors under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Pricing Program 1-NJCP as authorized by N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-77.15; and

**WHEREAS,** resolution 22-274 also authorized the Township of Middletown to purchase various pieces of furniture from an authorized vendor under the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative Pricing System, a cooperative purchasing program organized pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to amend the maximum amount allocated to four vendors due to the need for additional furnishings at the new town hall; and

**WHEREAS,** the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Middletown has certified that free and unencumbered funds in the amount of \$85,579.07 are available for this purpose in account/line-item number(s) C-04-55-922-347-001. A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and made part hereof.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown that the Purchasing Agent on behalf of the Mayor and the Township Administrator as Contracting Agent is hereby authorized to process purchase orders with the vendors listed below in accordance with the terms of the cooperative contracts as indicated, in the not to exceed amount listed for each.

# <u>Resolution 22-316</u> - Resolution Authorizing a Chapter 159 Additional Item Of Funding In The 2022 Budget – NJ Dept. Of Human Services, Div. Of Family Dev., Office of Child Care – "NJ ARP Stabilization Grant"

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Middletown has received a grant from the NJ Dept. of Human Services, Division of Family Dev., Office of Child Care and wishes to amend its 2022 budget to include <u>\$30,000.00</u> of this grant as revenue, and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of Middletown Township, New Jersey hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the 2022 budget in the sum of <u>\$30,000.00</u> which is now available as revenue under Special Item of Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services – Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:

NJ Dept. of Human Services, Div. of Family Dev., Office of Child Care

### "NJ ARP Stabilization Grant"

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a sum of <u>\$30,000.00</u> is hereby appropriated under the caption of General Appropriations – Operations Excluded from "CAPS":

### NJ Dept. of Human Services, Div. of Family Dev., Office of Child Care

### "NJ ARP Stabilization Grant"

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Financial Officer forward a copy of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

# <u>Resolution 22-317</u> – Resolution Authorizing Shared Services Agreement with The Monmouth County Board of Health for The Provision of Local Public Health Services

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2022, pursuant to Resolution No. 22-136, the Township of Middletown (the "<u>Township</u>") authorized the termination of it Shared Services Agreement for Local Public Health Services with the Monmouth Regional Health Commission No. 1 (the "<u>Commission</u>"); and

**WHEREAS,** the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:65-1 et seq. (the "<u>Act</u>"), authorizes local units of the State to enter contracts with other local units for any service which any party to the agreement is empowered to render within its own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Monmouth County Board of Health, through the Monmouth County Health Department (the "<u>County</u>"), provides State mandated local health services pursuant to the Local Health Services Act, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 26:3A2-1 et seq. and the Public Health Practice Standards of Performance for Local Boards of Health in New Jersey, <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 8:52-1 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township has determined it to be in the best interest of the Township's taxpayers to enter into a Shared Services Agreement for Local Public Health Services (the "<u>Agreement</u>") with the County while maintaining certain personnel and services within the Township.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that it hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor to execute a Shared Services Agreement with the County for the provision of local public health services, as required by law, for the initial annual cost of \$120,000, for a term of up to five years.

# <u>Resolution 22-318</u> - Resolution Awarding Contract for Solid Waste and Recycling Collection Services

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Middletown's (the "Township")'s current contract for solid waste and recycling collection expires on December 31, 2022; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township sought bids from qualified contractors for Townshipwide recycling collection and Township-wide solid waste collection for a three-year period (January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025) with two optional one-year renewal terms that may be exercised and awarded solely at the Township's discretion; and

WHEREAS, the Township retained the services of a solid waste and recycling expert, DeFeo Associates, to help assist in the preparation of the specifications and evaluation of the bids submitted; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's bid specifications included five Options on which bidders could bid, with varying levels of service to be provided; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's evaluation committee, including DeFeo Associates, has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to award Option #1 from the bid specifications to best approximate the level of service currently provided to Township residents, as described in the bid specifications; and

WHEREAS, the Township received one bid in response to its Request for Bids, from Interstate Waste Services of New Jersey, Inc., which was the lowest responsible bidder for Option #1 of the bid specifications, for a contract price of \$20,500,524.78 for the initial threeyear term, \$7,669,447.49 for the first optional renewal term, and \$8,129,614.36 for the second optional renewal term, for Township-wide collection; and

WHEREAS, the bid specifications also requested pricing for solid waste and recycling collection from Township schools, and the lowest responsible bidder offered pricing for Option #1 of the bid specifications with respect to Township schools in the amount of \$728,649.63 for the initial three-year term, \$272,595.00 for the first optional renewal term, and \$288,950.67 for the second optional renewal term.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee in Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that it hereby authorizes the execution of a contract with Interstate Waste Services of New Jersey, Inc., for the collection of both solid waste and recyclable materials on a Township-wide basis, including schools, for a term of three years, in an amount not to exceed \$21,229,174.41, with

two optional one-year renewal terms that may be exercised and awarded solely at the Township's discretion, pursuant to the requirements of the Township's bid specifications and the submission of Interstate Waste Services of New Jersey, Inc. to the same, subject to a certification of available funds being made by the Township's Chief Financial Officer.

## **TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE COMMENTS:**

Committeeman Clarke, None.

Committeewoman Kratz, announced Pearl Harbor Day at the VFW Post 2179 on Sunday December 11, 2022.

Committeeman Settembrino, None.

Deputy Mayor Hibell, None.

Mayor Perry,

## PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Mayor Perry, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell and carried to adjourn at 7:35pm.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Kratz, M Settembrino, Mayor Perry Nays: None Abstention: None Absent: None

Clerk Brunt stated motion carried to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi R Brunt Township Clerk

Approved:

Anthony S. Perry, Mayor