

TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN PUBLIC MEETING AUGUST 8, 2023 | 7:00 PM

- I. Call to Order
- II. Salute to the flag
- **III. Sunshine Statement:** Be advised that proper notice has been given by the Township Council in accordance with the sunshine law in the following manner. Notice advertised in the Burlington County Times and Camden Courier Post on January 6, 2023 and posted on the bulletin board on the same date.
- **IV.** Roll Call: Mrs. Apeadu, Mr. Smith, Mr. Jeney, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Burrell
- V. Presentation of Proclamation: Jose Crespo, US Army, Vietnam Veteran
- VI. Ordinance(s) on First Reading
 - **a.** Ordinance 2023-15 Ordinance of the Township of Delran, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, Amending Various Sections of the Municipal Code of the Township of Delran to Remove References to Sewer Authority

Moved By _____ Seconded By _____

Roll Call: Mrs. Apeadu, Mr. Smith, Mr. Jeney, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Burrell

Ayes: Nays: Approved:

b. Ordinance 2023-16 Ordinance of the Township of Delran, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, Establishing Policy for Property Tax Exemption on Dwelling House of One Hundred Percent Totally Disabled Veteran or Surviving Spouse.

Moved By _____ Seconded By _____

Roll Call: Mrs. Apeadu, Mr. Smith, Mr. Jeney, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Burrell

Ayes: Nays: Approved: c. Ordinance 2023-17 Ordinance of the Township Of Delran, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, Repealing Article III Property Maintenance by Creditors, Sections 257-19 to 257-23, and Establishing Article III, Vacant and Abandoned Properties, Section 257-19, Registration of Foreclosing Mortgages and Vacant Property of the Municipal Code of the Township of Delran

Moved By _____ Seconded By _____

Roll Call: Mrs. Apeadu, Mr. Smith, Mr. Jeney, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Burrell

Ayes: Nays: Approved:

VII. Consent Agenda

- **a. Resolution 2023-121** Amending Resolution 2023-107 Authorizing the Award of a Non-Fair and Open Contract to Dave's Truck Repair
- b. Resolution 2023-122 Extending Grace Period for 2023 3rd Quarter Taxes
- **c. Resolution 2023-123** Authorizing a Resolution to Affirm the Township Of Delran's Civil Rights Policy with Respect to all Officials, Appointees, Employees, Prospective Employees, Volunteers, Independent Contractors, and Members of the Public that come into Contact with Municipal Employees, Officials and Volunteers
- d. Resolution 2023-124 Refunding Outside Employment Escrow
- e. Resolution 2023-125 Resolution of the Township of Delran Accepting a Certified List from Township Of Delran Participating Volunteer Emergency Squads for Eligibility in Length Of Service Awards Program(LOSAP) for the Year 2022
- **f. Resolution 2023-126** Authorizing Award of Contract for Brown Street Baseball Field Improvements
- g. Approval of Minutes: June 13, 2023 Work Session Meeting
- **h.** Authorizing the payment of bills including all purchases made under the Cooperative Purchasing Agreement
- i. Accepting the report of the CFO including the July YTD Revenue Report, YTD Budget Report and July Check Register.

j. Accepting the report of the Tax Collector and Township Clerk

k. A motion granting mercantile licenses to:

- Seed Autos, LLC, 209 A-7 Carriage Lane
- Korres Auto Group, Inc., 150-6 Carriage Lane
- Rocky's Auto Group, LLC, 207-4 Carriage Lane
- Auto Max FJ, Inc., 150 A-27 Carriage Lane

Moved By_____ Seconded By_____

Roll Call: Mrs. Apeadu, Mr. Smith, Mr. Jeney, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Burrell

Ayes: Nays: Approved:

IV. Reports

- **a.** Emergency Services
- **b.** Administrator Joseph Bellina
- **c.** Clerk Jamey Eggers
- d. Mayor Gary Catrambone
- e. Solicitor Mark A. Tabakin, Esq.
- **f.** Council Members

V. Public Comments

VI. Adjournment

TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE 2023-15

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN TO REMOVE REFERENCES TO SEWER AUTHORITY

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Delran, in the County of Burlington and State of New Jersey, that:

SECTION 1. Chapter 20 Administration of Government, Article III Township Council, § 20-15E(5) "Sewerage Authority." of the Municipal Code of the Township of Delran, be amended by inserting the text <u>underlined and marked in bold</u> and deleting text enclosed in brackets and crossed out to read as follows:

§20-15E(5) Sewerage [Authority] <u>Utility</u>. The Council, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:14A-4(a), shall appoint all members of the Sewerage [Authority] <u>Utility</u>.

SECTION 2. Chapter 20 Administration of Government, Article XVII Delran Development Agency, § 20-92 "Functions and duties." of the Municipal Code of the Township of Delran, be amended by inserting the text <u>underlined and marked in bold</u> and deleting text enclosed in brackets and crossed out to read as follows:

§20-92 Functions and duties.

The Agency shall promote and encourage the establishment of desirable industrial and commercial development within the Township. It may from time to time cause advertisements or publications to be placed or distributed in accordance with available funds provided by the Council. The Agency shall function as a public relations arm of the Township in promoting the benefits of the Township to desirable industrial and commercial development. The Agency shall meet at least quarterly and shall submit a copy of the minutes of its meeting to the Business Administrator, Mayor, each member of Council, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment and to the [Delran Sewerage Authority] Department of Sewer Utility and the Fire Commissioners of the Township. The Agency shall prepare such reports as it deems desirable for distribution to the Mayor and Council, and each year in November shall prepare a detailed report of its activities for the preceding year for submission to the Mayor for inclusion in his or her annual report.

SECTION 3. Chapter 150 Fees, § 150-6 "Uniform construction code.", paragraph D "waiver of fees" of the Municipal Code of the Township of Delran, be amended by inserting the text <u>underlined and marked in bold</u> and deleting text enclosed in brackets and crossed out to read as follows:

§150-6D Waiver of fees.

(1) In the case of construction by the Township of Delran, Delran Board of Education, the Delran Fire Department, the [Delran Sewerage Authority] Department of Sewer Utility and the Delran Emergency Squad, all construction, inspection, plan review or other fees of whatever nature set forth in this chapter may be waived by the Construction Official. The waiver of such fees is limited to the fees which represent income to the Township of Delran; such a waiver shall not include payments to third-party inspection agencies or other fees that are mandated by the State of New Jersey.

SECTION 4. Chapter 310 Subdivision of Land, Article II Minor Subdivision Procedure, § 310-7 "Minor subdivision procedure.", paragraph E of the Municipal Code of the Township of Delran, be amended by inserting the text <u>underlined and marked in bold</u> and deleting text enclosed in brackets and crossed out to read as follows:

§310-7E. Filing copies of approval. The Secretary shall file a signed plan of such minor subdivision, in acceptable form, with the Burlington County Planning Board, and forward a properly signed copy of the plan to the Township Clerk, Board Engineer, Construction Code Official, Tax Assessor and Tax Collector and [Sewerage Authority] Department of Sewer Utility, and also file the original and one copy of the plan in the Planning Board file for the particular application concerned.[1]

SECTION 5. Chapter 310 Subdivision of Land, Article IV Major Subdivision Procedure, § 310-14 "Submission of preliminary plat.", paragraph B(4) of the Municipal Code of the Township of Delran, be amended by inserting the text <u>underlined and marked in bold</u> and deleting text enclosed in brackets and crossed out to read as follows:

§310-14B(4) [Sewerage authority of] Delran Township Department of Sewer Utility.

SECTION 6. Chapter 310 Subdivision of Land, Article IV Major Subdivision Procedure, § 310-20 "Approval by Board; signing and filing of plat.", paragraph C(2) of the Municipal Code of the Township of Delran, be amended by inserting the text <u>underlined and</u> <u>marked in bold</u> and deleting text enclosed in brackets and crossed out to read as follows:

§310-20C(2) The Board Engineer shall not issue such a written statement unless he or she has received a certificate from the [Delran Sewerage Authority] Department of Sewer Utility certifying that a copy of the plat of utilities insofar as it relates to the sewers has been filed with it and that the sewers have been satisfactorily installed or a bond conditioned for their installation has been filed with the Authority.

SECTION 7. Chapter 310 Subdivision of Land, Article IV Major Subdivision Procedure, § 310-21 "Distribution of approved plats.", paragraph D(9) of the Municipal Code of the Township of Delran, be amended by inserting the text <u>underlined and marked in bold</u> and deleting text enclosed in brackets and crossed out to read as follows:

§310-21D(9) Delran Township [Sewerage Authority] Department of Sewer Utility.

SECTION 8. Chapter 310 Subdivision of Land, Article VIII Design Standards, § 310-38 "Sanitary sewers" of the Municipal Code of the Township of Delran, be amended by inserting the text <u>underlined and marked in bold</u> and deleting text enclosed in brackets and crossed out to read as follows:

§310-38 Sanitary sewers.

- A. All sanitary sewer systems, sewage and industrial waste treatment works shall comply with the rules and regulations established by the Department of Environmental Protection of the State of New Jersey, as amended and revised.
- B. Sanitary sewer pipe shall be sized for full flow from the tract, unless the [Delran Sewerage Authority] Department of Sewer Utility requires pipe sized to accommodate future extensions.
- C. Minimum grades at terminal runs of all sanitary sewer lines shall be 0.8%, with 1% or greater preferred.
- D. Manholes shall be placed at every point where the sanitary sewer line changes direction. In no instance shall the spacing exceed 400 feet.
- E. Prior to final approval, the Engineer for the Sewerage [Authority] <u>Utility</u> shall approve all sanitary sewer designs which will become a part of, or connect to, the Sewerage [Authority] <u>Utility</u> facilities.

SECTION 9. Chapter 310 Subdivision of Land, Article VIII Design Standards, § 310-42 "Utilities" of the Municipal Code of the Township of Delran, be amended by inserting the text **underlined and marked in bold** and deleting text enclosed in brackets and crossed out to read as follows:

§310-42 Utilities.

- A. Easements. In larger developments, easements along rear property lines or elsewhere for utility installation may be required. Such easements shall be at least 20 feet wide and located in consultation with the [sewerage authority] Sewer Utility, Public Service Electric and Gas Co. and the New Jersey American Water Co. No trees, shrubs, fences or other obstructions shall be permitted on the easements.
- B. Underground wiring. All electric telephone, television and other communication service facilities, both main and service lines, shall be provided by underground cables, installed in accordance with the prevailing standards and practices of the utility or other companies providing such services.

SECTION 10. Each section of this Ordinance and every subsection hereof shall be deemed independent, separate and distinct from all other sections, and the holding of any section or a part hereof to be unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause shall not be deemed to affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section or part hereof, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared severable.

SECTION 11. All other ordinances, codes or parts thereof that are in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency. In the event of any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Ordinance and any prior Township ordinances, the provisions hereof shall be determined to govern. All other parts, portions and provisions of the Township's ordinances are hereby ratified and confirmed, except where inconsistent with the terms hereof.

SECTION 12. This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law.

Vote taken on First Reading and Introduction:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Apeadu					
Burell					
Lyon					
Jeney					
Smith					

Vote taken on Second Reading, Public Hearing and Adoption:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Apeadu					
Burell					
Lyon					
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Smith					

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SO ORDAINED.

Witnessed and attested by:

TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN

Jamey Eggers, Township Clerk

Mayor Gary Catrambone

Date Signed _____, 2023

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY the foregoing to be a true copy of the Ordinance adopted by the Council of the Township of Delran at a duly noticed regular meeting held on______, 2023, after a public hearing was held and all interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard on this ordinance.

Jamey Eggers, Township Clerk Township of Delran

TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE 2023-16

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ESTABLISHING POLICY FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION ON DWELLING HOUSE OF ONE HUNDRED PERCENT TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN OR SURVIVING SPOUSE.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to N.J.S.A 54:4-3.32 Return of certain taxes collected on exempt property; The governing body of each municipality, by appropriate resolution, may return all taxes collected on property which would have been exempt had proper claim in writing been made therefor in the manner provided by P.L.1948, c.259 (C.54:4-3.30 et seq.). The governing body of each municipality, by appropriate resolution, may also return to the veteran or the veteran's surviving spouse all property tax payments made since the time of the veteran's actual disability or since the time of the veteran's death. No refunds shall be made under this section for any year or portion thereof prior to the effective date of P.L.1948, c.259.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Delran, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that the following criteria shall be used when approving an application for a Totally Disabled Veteran Exemption:

- 1. The amount of any cancellation of property taxes collected (to be refunded to approved applicant) or property taxes due (to be credited to approved applicant in the event property taxes on the dwelling house have not yet been collected) will be calculated from the later of the three following dates:
 - a) Date of the applicant's property's Deed, or
 - b) Department of Veteran's Affairs 100% permanent/total disability <u>effective date</u> as issued to the applicant in writing, or
 - c) January 1st of the year in which a completed application has been submitted to the Township of Delran.
- 2. In no event will any cancellation or reimbursement be approved for property taxes collected or due for any period prior to January 1st of the year in which a completed application has been submitted to the Township of Delran.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Delran, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication in the manner according to law.

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Apeadu					
Burell					
Lyon					
Jeney					
Smith					

Vote taken on First Reading and Introduction:

Vote taken on Second Reading, Public Hearing and Adoption:

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Mayor Gary Catrambone

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Jamey Eggers, Township Clerk Township of Delran

TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE 2023-17

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REPEALING ARTICLE III PROPERTY MAINTENANCE BY CREDITORS, SECTIONS 257-19 TO 257-23, AND ESTABLISHING ARTICLE III, VACANT AND ABANDONED PROPERTIES, SECTION 257-19, REGISTRATION OF FORECLOSING MORTGAGES AND VACANT PROPERTY OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN

WHEREAS, Chapter 244 of the Township of Delran of Code requires registration of vacant and abandoned properties to prevent blight and the associated negative impacts that surround them; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey recently adopted P.L. 2021, c.444, explicitly authorizing municipalities to adopt ordinances to address blight through registration of foreclosing mortgages vacant and abandoned properties; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2021, c.444 allows municipalities, by ordinance, to require commercial lenders foreclosing on properties to register with the municipality and provide notice of pending foreclosures to the municipality; and

WHEREAS, this legislation defines "vacant and abandoned" and permits an annual registration fee of \$500 per property plus \$2,000 per property if it is vacant and abandoned or becomes vacant and abandoned at any time after the foreclosure is filed; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2021, c.444 also allows municipalities to administer the registration program by contracting with third-parties or other public entities; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Delran ("Township Committee") has determined it is in the Township of Delran's ("Township") best interest to amend, repeal, and replace certain sections of Chapter 244 to conform to P.L. 2021, c.444; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the Township of Delran, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that the following Ordinance is hereby adopted so as to repeal, Article III, "Property Maintenance by Creditors" Section 257-19 to 257-23 and to replace it with, Article III, "Vacant and Abandoned Properties", Section 257-19 to 257-"Registration Of Foreclosing Mortgages And Vacant Property" of the Code of the Township of Delran to read as follows (underlined text illustrates additions, strikethrough text illustrates deletions): SECTION 1. Article III "Property Maintenance by Creditors" is repealed as follows:

§ 257-19. Creditor responsibility. Pursuant to the provisions of the Public Laws of 2014, Chapter 35, a creditor filing a summons and complaint to foreclose a lien on a residential property that is vacant and abandoned, whether the filing of the summons and complaint is made before or after a determination that the property is vacant and abandoned, shall be responsible for the care, maintenance, security, and upkeep of the exterior of the residential property. This obligation applies whether the determination that the property is vacant and abandoned is made by the public officer pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, any other chapter of the Code of the Township of Delran, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2A:50-73 or otherwise.

§ 257-20. Notice to creditor; time to correct violations. If the public officer, or other authorized municipal official, determines that a creditor obligated to care, maintain, secure and keep up a vacant and abandoned property has failed to do so in violation of the provisions of this chapter or any other chapter of this Code, the public officer or other authorized municipal official shall issue a notice of violation to the creditor that has filed a summons and compliant to foreclose on the property in question. The notice shall require the person or entity to correct the violation within 30 days of receipt of the notice, or within 10 days of receipt of the notice shall constitute evidence that a property is "vacant and abandoned" for purposes of N.J.S.A. 2A:50-73.

§ 257-21. Designated representative of out-of-state creditor; violation. An out-of-state creditor shall include the full name and contact information of the in-state representative or agent in the notice required to be provided to the municipal Clerk pursuant to Paragraph (1) of N.J.S.A. 46:10B-51. An out-of-state creditor found by a court of competent jurisdiction to have violated this provision shall be subject to a fine of \$2,500 for each day of the violation commencing on the day after the ten-day period set forth in Paragraph (1) of N.J.S.A. 46:10B-51 with respect to notifying the municipal Clerk that an action to foreclose on the property has been filed.

§ 257-22. Violations and penalties. Except as set forth in § 257-21 and herein, any person, firm, corporation or entity violating any provision of this article shall, upon conviction, be punishable as provided in Chapter 1, General Provisions, Article I, of this Code. A creditor required to care for, maintain, secure and keep up a property under this chapter cited in a notice issued pursuant to § 257-20 shall be subject to a fine of \$1,500 for each day of the violation.

§ 257-23. Additional notice required. Notice of violations of property maintenance, building or other property codes for any property declared vacant and abandoned pursuant to this article shall be given to a foreclosing creditor pursuant to the procedures of § 257-20 of this Code as required by P.L. 2014, c. 35.

SECTION 2. Article III, "Vacant and Abandoned Properties", Section 257-19 "Registration Of Foreclosing Mortgages And Vacant Property" is hereby established as follows:

§ 257-19. REGISTRATION OF FORECLOSING MORTGAGES AND VACANT PROPERTY.

§ 257-19.1. Purpose and intent.

It is the purpose and intent of the Council to establish a process to address the deterioration, crime, and decline in value of Township neighborhoods caused by property with foreclosing or foreclosed mortgages located within the Township, and to identify, regulate, limit and reduce the number of these properties located within the Township. It has been determined that owner-occupied structures are generally better maintained when compared to vacant structures, even with a diligent off-site property owner. Vacant structures or structures owned by individuals who are economically strained and unable to meet their mortgage obligations are often not properly or diligently maintained, which contribute to blight, declined property values, and have a negative impact on social perception of the residential areas where they are located. It is the Council's further intent to establish a registration program as a mechanism to help protect neighborhoods from becoming blighted through the lack of adequate maintenance of properties that are in foreclosure or foreclosed, and to provide a mechanism to avert foreclosure actions through timely intervention, education, or counseling of property owners.

§ 257-19.2. Definitions.

The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning.

CREDITOR — A mortgagee or an agent or assignee of a mortgagee, such as the servicer, who has filed a complaint in the Superior Court seeking to foreclose upon a residential or commercial mortgage. If the entity seeking to foreclose upon the residential or commercial mortgage changes as a result of an assignment, transfer, or otherwise after the filing of the foreclosure complaint in the Superior Court, the new entity shall be deemed the creditor for purposes of this section. For purposes of this section, a creditor shall not include the state, a political subdivision of the state, a state, county, or local government entity, or their agent or assignee, such as the servicer.

DEFAULT — The mortgagor has not complied with the terms of the mortgage on the property, or the promissory note, or other evidence of the debt, referred to in the mortgage.

ENFORCEMENT OFFICER — Any law enforcement officer, building official, zoning inspector, code enforcement officer, fire inspector, building inspector, or other person authorized by the Township to enforce the applicable code(s).

EVIDENCE OF VACANCY — Any condition that on its own, or combined with other conditions present, would lead a reasonable person to believe that the property is vacant. Such conditions may include, but are not limited to: overgrown and/or dead vegetation; past due utility notices and/or disconnected utilities; accumulation of trash junk or debris; abandoned vehicles, auto parts and/or materials; the absence of furnishings and/or personal items consistent with habitation or occupancy; the presence of an unsanitary, stagnant swimming pool; the accumulation of newspapers, circulars, flyers and/or mail; statements by neighbors, passersby,

delivery agents or government agents; and/or the presence of boards over doors, windows or other openings in violation of applicable code.

FORECLOSURE or FORECLOSURE ACTION — The legal process by which a mortgagee, or other lien holder, terminates or attempts to terminate a property owner's equitable right of redemption to obtain legal and equitable title to the real property pledged as security for a debt or the real property subject to the lien. The legal process is not concluded until the property obtained by the mortgagee, lien holder, or their designee, by certificate of title, or any other means, is sold to a nonrelated bona fide purchaser in an arm's length transaction to satisfy the debt or lien.

LIENHOLDER or MORTGAGE HOLDER – Any person or entity holding a note, mortgage or other interest secured by the building or any part thereof.

MORTGAGEE — The creditor, including, but not limited to, trustees; mortgage servicing companies; lenders in a mortgage agreement; any agent, servant, or employee of the creditor; any successor in interest; or any assignee of the creditor's rights, interests or obligations under the mortgage agreement; or any other person or entity with the legal right to foreclose on the real property, excluding governmental entities.

NUISANCE – Any property that is determined by the Township's Code Enforcement Officer, or such other public officer designated or appointed by the Township Committee pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.5, to be a nuisance if any one of the following applies:

- A. The property is found to be unfit for human habitation, occupancy or use pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.3;
- B. The condition and vacancy of the property materially increases the risk of fire to the property and adjacent properties;
- C. The property is subject to unauthorized entry leading to potential health and safety hazards; the owner has failed to take reasonable and necessary measures to secure the property; or the Township has secured the property in order to prevent such hazards after the owner has failed to do so;
- D. The presence of vermin or the accumulation of debris, uncut vegetation or physical deterioration of the structure or grounds has created potential health and safety hazards and the owner has failed to take reasonable and necessary measures to remove the hazards; or
- E. The dilapidated appearance or other condition of the property materially affects, including the economic welfare of, the residents of the area in close proximity to the property and the owner has failed to take reasonable and necessary measures to remedy the conditions.

OWNER — Every person, entity, or mortgagee, who alone or severally with others, has legal or equitable title to any real property as defined by this section; has legal care, charge, or control of any such property; is in possession or control of any such property; and/or is vested with possession or control of any such property. The property manager shall not be considered the owner.

PROPERTY MANAGER — Any party designated by the owner as responsible for inspecting, maintaining and securing the property as required in this section.

REAL PROPERTY — Any residential or commercial land and/or buildings, leasehold improvements and anything affixed to the land, or portion thereof identified by a property parcel

identification number, located in the Township limits.

REGISTRABLE PROPERTY —

- A. Any real property located in the Township, whether vacant or occupied, that is encumbered by a mortgage subject to an ongoing foreclosure action by the mortgagee or trustee, has been the subject of a foreclosure action by a mortgagee or trustee and a judgment has been entered, or has been the subject of a foreclosure sale where the title was transferred to the beneficiary of a mortgage involved in the foreclosure and any properties transferred under a deed in lieu of foreclosure/sale. The designation of a "foreclosure" property as "registrable" shall remain in place until such time as the property is sold to a nonrelated bona fide purchaser in an arm's length transaction or the foreclosure action has been dismissed; or
- B. Any property that is vacant for more than 30 days or any cancellation of utility or service, whichever occurs first.

RESPONSIBLE PARTY — The title holder of a vacant and abandoned property or a creditor responsible for the maintenance of a property.

STREET ADDRESS — An address at which a natural person who is the responsible party or an authorized agent actually resides or actively uses for business purposes, and shall include a street name or rural delivery route.

UTILITIES AND SERVICES — Any utility and/or service that is essential for a building to be habitable and/or perform a service necessary to comply with all Township codes. This includes, but is not limited to, electrical, gas, water, sewer, lawn maintenance, pool maintenance, and snow removal.

VACANT AND ABANDONED PROPERTY — Any residential or commercial building which is not legally occupied by an owner, a mortgagor or tenant, which is in such condition that it cannot be legally reoccupied, and two or more of the conditions in exist:

- A. Overgrown or neglected vegetation;
- B. The accumulation of newspapers, circulars, flyers, or mail on the property;
- C. Disconnected gas, electric, or water utility services to the property;
- D. The accumulation of hazardous, noxious, or unhealthy substances or materials on the property;
- E. The accumulation of junk, litter, trash, or debris on the property;
- F. The absence of window treatments such as blinds, curtains, or shutters;
- G. The absence of furnishings and personal items;
- H. Statements of neighbors, delivery persons, or government employees indicating that the property is vacant and abandoned;
- I. Windows or entrances to the property that are boarded up or closed off, or multiple window panes that are damaged, broken, and unrepaired;

- J. Doors to the property that are smashed through, broken off, unhinged, or continuously unlocked;
- K. A risk to the health, safety, or welfare of the public or any adjoining or adjacent property owners due to acts of vandalism, loitering, criminal conduct, or the physical destruction or deterioration of the property;
- L. An uncorrected violation of a municipal building, housing, or similar code during the preceding year, or an order by municipal authorities declaring the property to be unfit for occupancy and to remain vacant and unoccupied;
- M. The mortgagee or other authorized party has secured or winterized the property due to the property being deemed vacant and unprotected or in danger of freezing;
- N. A written statement issued by a mortgagor expressing the clear intent of all mortgagors to abandon the property; or
- O. Any other reasonable indicia of abandonment.

§ 257-19.3. Applicability and jurisdiction.

This section applies to foreclosing, foreclosed, and vacant property within the Township.

§ 257-19.4. Establishment and administration of registry.

- A. The Township shall create and maintain a registry cataloging each registrable property within the Township, containing the information required by this section. This registry shall assist the Township with regulating the maintenance, security, and upkeep of properties which may become vacant and abandoned during the foreclosure process, in order to prevent the deleterious effects of blight associated with vacant and abandoned properties that are not maintained.
- B. The Township may, at its discretion, create, maintain, and administer this registry independently, retain the professional services of a third party pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq., or participate in a shared services agreement with other local units, counties, and/or county improvement authorities for the creation, maintenance, and administration of the registry pursuant to the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq.
- C. Any third parties retained to create, maintain, and/or administer the registry shall have the authority, on behalf of the Township, to:
 - 1. Identify properties subject to the registration requirement;
 - 2. Maintain and update the registration list;
 - 3. Communicate with creditors and/or in-state representatives;

- 4. Invoice and collect payment of fees;
- 5. Monitor compliance; and
- 6. Such other functions, within the scope of P.L. 2021, c. 444, which may be deemed necessary to carry out its function on behalf of the Township.
- D. Any third parties retained to create, maintain, and/or administer the registry shall be required to comply with the following reporting and payment requirements:
 - 1. Any and all amounts collected by the third party as part of its administration of the Township's registry, including registration fees, interest, and penalties, shall be paid, in full, directly to the Township, or Burlington County, and/or county improvement authority, as applicable, not less than once per year, or as otherwise directed by the Township's public officer. No fees, payments, expenses, or other deductions shall be made from this payment; payment for any third-party's services under this article shall be made by the Township, or as applicable, the county/county improvement authority, directly to the third party, under the terms and conditions outlined within the contract for professional services.
 - 2. Not less than once per year on the first business day of each calendar year, or as otherwise may be requested by the Tax Collector, any third party administering the Township's registry shall file with Tax Collector a certification identifying:
 - a. The address, block, lot, and contact information of any property for which registration fees under this article are due and owing at the time of the certification;
 - b. The amount of the registration fees, and separately, any interest, fines, and other penalties due and owing at the time of the certification; and
 - c. The date on which the property became eligible for inclusion on the Township's registry.
- E. The Township's code enforcement officer or his/her designee shall serve as the municipal official responsible for notifying creditors, establishing and maintaining the registry, determining eligibility for designation as a vacant and abandoned property under this article, and for imposing fees, penalties, and/or violations. The responsibilities herein may be designated to a third party, pursuant to the terms and conditions of a contract for professional services consistent with P.L. 2021, c. 444

§ 257-19.5. Certificate of Registration for Vacant and Abandoned Property.

A. Within 30 days of the effective date of this article, any creditor who has initiated a summons and complaint with the New Jersey Superior Court in an action to foreclose on

a commercial and/or residential mortgage for a property located within the Township of Pennsauken: (i) prior to the effective date of this article, and (ii) which is pending as of the effective date of this article, shall provide notice in accordance with Subsection B of § 257-19.5B

- B. Within 10 days of filing a summons and complaint with the New Jersey Superior Court in an action to foreclose on a commercial and/or residential mortgage for a property located within the Township of Pennsauken, the creditor shall notify the Township Clerk, or his/her designee, of the action. Such notice shall include:
 - 1. The address, block, and lot of the subject property;
 - 2. The date the summons and complaint in an action to foreclose on a mortgage was filed against the subject property, the court in which it was filed, and the docket number of the filing;
 - 3. Whether the property is vacant and abandoned in accordance with the definition of "vacant and abandoned" in § 257-19.2, Definitions;
 - 4. The full name, address, telephone number, and email address for the representative of the creditor who is responsible for receiving notice of complaints of property maintenance and code violations;
 - 5. The full name, address, telephone number, and email address of any person or entity retained by the creditor or a representative of the creditor to be responsible for any care, maintenance, security, or upkeep of the property; and
 - 6. If the creditor is out-of-state, the full name, address, and telephone number of an instate representative or agent who shall be responsible for any care, maintenance, security, or upkeep of the property, and for receiving notice complaints of property maintenance and code violations.
 - 7. The notice requirements herein represent a continuing obligation throughout the pendency of the foreclosure action. After initial notice to the Township, creditors subject to the notice requirement shall update the Township's property registration program within 10 days of any change in the information contained in the original or any subsequent notices.
- C. Creditors of any commercial and/or residential mortgage required to notify the Township pursuant to this section shall:
 - 1. Register the property with the Township's property registration program as a property in foreclosure, within 30 days of notifying the Township;

- 2. Be subject to the registration fee, notice requirements, and penalties for noncompliance established within this Article II;
- 3. Update the property registration within 10 days of any change in the information contained in the original notice to the Township;
- 4. If an out-of-state creditor, appoint an in-state representative or agent to act for the foreclosing creditor, whose contact information shall be contained within the initial notice to the Township;
- 5. Within 10 days of the property becoming vacant and abandoned at any time during the pendency of the foreclosure action, the creditor shall:
 - a. Assume responsibility for the care, maintenance, upkeep, and security of the exterior of the property, which shall include:
 - i. Keeping the property free of weeds, overgrown brush, dead vegetation, trash, junk, debris, building materials, any accumulation of newspaper circulars, flyers, notices, except those required by federal, state or local law, discarded personal items including but not limited to furniture, clothing, large and small appliances, printed material or any other items that give the appearance that the property is abandoned;
 - ii. Keeping the property free of graffiti or similar markings by removal or painting over with an exterior grade paint that matches the color of the exterior structure;
 - iii. Keeping all pools and spas free from stagnant water so the water structure remains clear of pollutants and debris.
 - b. Secure the property against unauthorized entry, which shall include but not be limited to the closure and locking of windows, doors, gates and other openings of such size that may allow a child to access the interior of the property or structure. Broken windows, doors, gates and other openings of such size that may allow a child to access the interior of the property or structure must be repaired. Broken windows shall be secured by reglazing of the window;
 - c. Post a sign on the inside of the property, visible to the public, no smaller than 18 inches by 24 inches, containing the name, address, telephone number, and email address of the creditor, or an out-of-state creditor's in-state representative or agent, for the purpose of receiving service of process;
 - d. If different than the person receiving service of process, the sign posted inside

the property must also include the name, address, telephone number, and email address of the person responsible for day-to-day supervision and management of the building;

- e. Post the property with "no trespassing" signs of a nature sufficient to give notice to any person entering upon the property that it is against the law to enter the property without permission of the creditor;
- f. Acquire and maintain a vacancy insurance policy which covers any damage to any person or any property caused by any physical condition of the property while registered with the Township's property registration program;
- g. Provide proof, within 10 days of receiving a request by the Township or its designee, that the above conditions have been satisfied.
- h. Cure any violations of the above requirements within 30 days of receiving a notice of violation, or if deemed to present an imminent threat to public health and safety, within 10 days of receiving such notice.
- 6. Update the property registration within 10 days of the creditor becoming aware that the property is deemed vacant and abandoned as defined herein.
- D. If at any time the creditor is deemed to be in violation of the above requirements, and/or if the property is deemed to be in violation of any other applicable local or state maintenance, health, or safety codes, the Code Official or his/her designee shall notify the creditor using the contact information provided in the property registry established by this Article III.
- § 257-19.6. Fees, violations and penalties.
 - A. All fees, penalties, and/or fines established within this article and assessable pursuant to the Township's authority outlined within P.L. 2021, c. 444 shall be deemed a municipal charge in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:5-1, et seq.
 - B. Creditors required to notify the Township and register a property as one in foreclosure shall be required to pay the following annual registration fee, per property, due at the time of registration: \$500.
 - C. If a property registered with the Township's registration program as a property in foreclosure is vacant and abandoned at the time of registration, or becomes vacant and abandoned at any time during the pendency of the foreclosure proceeding, the creditor shall pay an additional annual registration fee, per property, due at the time the determination that the property is vacant and abandoned is made, of: \$2,000.
 - D. Violations.

- 1. An out-of-state creditor subject to the notice and registration requirements of this Article II, found to be in violation of the requirement to appoint an in-state representative or agent, shall be subject to a fine of \$2,500 for each day of the violation. The violation shall be deemed to commence on the day after the creditor's initial ten- or thirty-day requirement to notify the Township of applicable foreclosure actions.
- 2. A creditor subject to the notice and registration requirements of this Article III, found to be in violation of any part of this ordinance [with the exception of a violation pursuant to Subsection D.1.], shall be subject to a fine of \$1,500 for each day of the violation. The violation shall be deemed to commence on the thirty-first day following the creditor's receipt of a notice of violation, or if deemed to present an imminent threat to public health and safety, on the eleventh day following the creditor's receipt of such notice.
- 3. Each day that a violation continues shall constitute an additional, separate, and distinct offense.
- E. If the Township expends public funds in order to abate a nuisance or correct a violation on a commercial property in situations in which the creditor was given notice pursuant to this Article II, but failed to abate the nuisance or correct the violation as directed, the Township shall have the same recourse against the creditor as it would have against the title owner of the property, including but not limited to the recourse provided under N.J.S.A. 55:19-100, et seq.
- F. Twenty percent of any money collected pursuant to this section shall be utilized by the municipality for code enforcement purposes.

§ 257-19.7. Provisions Supplemental.

The provisions of this section are cumulative with and in addition to other available remedies. Nothing contained in this section shall prohibit the Township from collecting on fees, fines, and penalties in any lawful manner; or enforcing its codes by any other means, including, but not limited to, injunction, abatement, or as otherwise provided by law or ordinance.

§ 257-19.8. Public Nuisance.

All registrable property is at risk of being a public nuisance and if vacant or blighted can constitute a public nuisance, the abatement of which pursuant to the police power is hereby declared to be necessary for the health, welfare, and safety of the residents of the Township.

§ 257-19.9. Opposing, Obstructing Enforcement Officer; Penalty.

Whoever opposes obstructs or resists any enforcement officer or any person authorized by the enforcement office in the discharge of duties as provided in this section shall be punishable as provided in the applicable code(s) or a court of competent jurisdiction.

§ 257-19.10. Immunity of Enforcement Officer

Any enforcement officer or any person authorized by the Township to enforce the sections here within shall be immune from prosecution, civil or criminal, for reasonable, good faith entry upon real property while in the discharge of duties imposed by this section.

§ 257-19.11. Amendments.

Registration fees and penalties outlined in this section may be modified by resolution, administrative order, or an amendment to this section, passed and adopted by the Council.

SECTION 3: Ordinances, resolutions, regulations or parts of ordinances, resolutions, and regulations inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION 4: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such a decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication in the manner according to law.

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Apeadu					
Burell					
Lyon					
Jeney					
Smith					

Vote taken on First Reading and Introduction:

Vote taken on Second Reading, Public Hearing and Adoption:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Apeadu					
Burell					
Lyon					
Jeney					
Smith					

Introduced	, 2023
Adopted	, 2023
Published	, 2023

SO ORDAINED.

Witnessed and attested by:

TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN

Jamey Eggers, Township Clerk

Mayor Gary Catrambone

Date Signed _____, 2023

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY the foregoing to be a true copy of the Ordinance adopted by the Council of the Township of Delran at a duly noticed regular meeting held on______, 2023, after a public hearing was held and all interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard on this ordinance.

Jamey Eggers, Township Clerk Township of Delran

AMENDING RESOLUTION 2023-107 AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO DAVE'S TRUCK REPAIR

WHEREAS, the Township of Delran has a need for services under a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and,

WHEREAS, the Township has received the required quotes for the above services; and

WHEREAS, Dave's Truck Repair has provided the low quote to perform the service in the amount of \$27,566.04; and

WHEREAS, Dave's Truck Repair has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies they have not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of Delran in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit them from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial has certified that funds are available as per N.J.A.C. 5:305.4.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Delran authorizes the issuance of a purchase order to Dave's Truck Repair. 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 notice of this action shall be printed once in the Burlington County Times.

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Apeadu					
Smith					
Jeney					
Lyon					
Council President Burrell					

Dated: August 8, 2023

Witnessed by:

SO RESOLVED. TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN

Jamey Eggers, Township Clerk Township of Delran **Council President Tyler Burrell**

Date signed: August 8, 2023

EXTENDING GRACE PERIOD FOR 2023 3rd QUARTER TAXES

WHEREAS, there has been a delay in the certification of budgets for the year 2023, thereby creating a delay in the certification of the tax rate and the mailing of the tax bills; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with State Statue 54:4-65 the third installment of current year taxes shall not be subject to interest until the twenty-fifth day after the date that the tax bills were mailed; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated mailing date of the tax bills is scheduled for August 1, 2023, and the twenty-fifth day after that mailing date is September 5, 2023 and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township of Delran, County of Burlington, and State of New Jersey that the grace period for the third quarter payment due August 1, 2023, be extended to September 5, 2023 to allow the taxpayers sufficient time to make their payments.

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Apeadu					
Smith					
Jeney					
Lyon					
Council President Burrell					

Dated: August 8, 2023

Witnessed by:

SO RESOLVED. TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN

Jamey Eggers, Township Clerk Township of Delran **Council President Tyler Burrell**

Date signed: August 8, 2023

AUTHORIZING A RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN'S CIVIL RIGHTS POLICY WITH RESPECT TO ALL OFFICIALS, APPOINTEES, EMPLOYEES, PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT COME INTO CONTACT WITH MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, OFFICIALS AND VOLUNTEERS

WHEREAS, it is the policy of Delran Township to treat the public, employees, prospective employees, appointees, volunteers and contractors in a manner consistent with all applicable civil rights laws and regulations including, but not limited to the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 as subsequently amended, the New Jersey Law against Discrimination, the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Conscientious Employee Protection Act, and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Township of Delran has determined that certain procedures need to be established to accomplish this policy

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ADOPTED by the Township of Delran that:

Section 1: No official, employee, appointee or volunteer of the Township of Delran by whatever title known, or any entity that is in any way a part of the Township of Delran shall engage, either directly or indirectly in any act including the failure to act that constitutes discrimination, harassment or a violation of any person's constitutional rights while such official, employee, appointee volunteer, or entity is engaged in or acting on behalf of the Township of Delran's business or using the facilities or property of the Township of Delran.

Section 2: The prohibitions and requirements of this resolution shall extend to any person or entity, including but not limited to any volunteer organization or inter-local organization, whether structured as a governmental entity or a private entity, that receives authorization or support in any way from the Township of Delran to provide services that otherwise could be performed by the Township of Delran.

Section 3: Discrimination, harassment and civil rights shall be defined for purposes of this resolution using the latest definitions contained in the applicable Federal and State laws concerning discrimination, harassment and civil rights.

Section 4: The Township Business Administrator, Joseph Bellina, shall establish written procedures for any person to report alleged discrimination, harassment and violations of civil rights prohibited by this resolution. Such procedures shall include alternate ways to report a complaint so that the person making the complaint need not communicate with the alleged violator in the event the alleged violator would be the normal contact for such complaints.

Section 5: No person shall retaliate against any person who reports any alleged discrimination, harassment or violation of civil rights, provided however, that any person who reports alleged violations in bad faith shall be subject to appropriate discipline.

Section 6: The Township Business Administrator, Joseph Bellina, shall establish written procedures that require all officials, employees, appointees and volunteers of the Township of Delran as well as all other entities subject to this resolution to periodically complete training concerning their duties, responsibilities and rights pursuant to this resolution.

Section 7: The Township Business Administrator, Joseph Bellina, shall establish a system to monitor compliance and shall report at least annually to the governing body the results of the monitoring.

Section 8: At least annually, the Township Business Administrator, Joseph Bellina, shall cause a summary of this resolution and the procedures established pursuant to this resolution to be communicated with the Township of Delran. This communication shall include a statement from the governing body expressing its unequivocal commitment to enforce this resolution. This summary shall also be posted on the Delran Township website.

Section 9: This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Section 10: A copy of this resolution shall be published on the official website of Delran Township in order for the public to be made aware of this policy and the Township of Delran's commitment to the implementation and enforcement of this policy.

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Apeadu					
Smith					
Jeney					
Lyon					
Council President Burrell					

Dated: August 8, 2023

Witnessed by:

SO RESOLVED. TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN

Jamey Eggers, Township Clerk Township of Delran

Council President Tyler Burrell

Date signed: August , 2023

REFUNDING OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT ESCROW

WHEREAS, the Township requires escrow funds to be submitted for Police Outside Employment; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that certain balances are no longer necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the escrow funds, as stated below, be refunded and a signed copy of the resolution forwarded to be Chief Financial Officer.

Name and Address	File #	Amount
PSE&G 300 New Albany Road Moorestown, NJ 08057	PD14-13	\$518.40
Black Rock Enterprises, LLC 1316 English Town Road Old Bridge, NJ 08857	PD21-03	\$935.00

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Apeadu					
Smith					
Jeney					
Lyon					
Council President Burrell					

Dated: August 8, 2023

SO RESOLVED. Witnessed by:

TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN

Jamey Eggers, Township Clerk Township of Delran **Council President**

Date signed: August ____, 2023

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN ACCEPTING A CERTIFIED LIST FROM TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN PARTICIPATING VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY SQUADS FOR ELIGIBILITY IN LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM(LOSAP) FOR THE YEAR 2022

WHEREAS, the creation of a Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) for the volunteer squad members was approved by the voters of Delran Township on November 7, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Delran approved the adoption of the Plan Document designating VALIC as the service provider in Resolution 2008-04 on January 16, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services has reviewed the Plan Document and supporting documentation and found the plan to be in compliance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:30-14.25(b); and

WHEREAS, each participating volunteer emergency squad has submitted a certified list to the Local Plan Administrator of those emergency service workers who have met the requirements of the plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Delran that the attached certified lists of participating emergency squad members be accepted and approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution shall be posted for a period of 30 days in the office of the Township Clerk and the Delran Emergency Squad.

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Apeadu					
Smith					
Jeney					
Lyon					
Council President Burrell					

Dated: August 8, 2023

Witnessed by:

SO RESOLVED. TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN

Jamey Eggers, Township Clerk Township of Delran **Council President Tyler Burrell**

Date signed: August 8, 2023

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

I, Jamey L. Eggers, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Delran, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, do hereby CERTIFY the foregoing Resolution 2023-125 to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on August 8, 2023.

Jamey Eggers, Municipal Clerk

First Name	Last Name	Contract Date	Plan Type	2020 Benefit	
Brian	Baiada	5/9/2008	LOSAP	\$1,150.00	
Dianna L	Baiada	5/27/2008	LOSAP	\$1,150.00	
Caitlyn N	Coupe	10/27/2015	LOSAP	\$500.00	
Chelsea C	Guyon	12/11/2009	LOSAP	\$100.00	
Melanie	Kranz	11/19/2010	LOSAP	\$1,150.00	
Eileen	Martino	1/20/2009	LOSAP	\$1,150.00	
Mary	Matzer	5/20/2008	LOSAP	\$1,150.00	
Christopher	Polger	6/5/2008	LOSAP	\$750.00	
Total For EMS	\$7,100.00				

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR BROWN STREET BASEBALL FIELD IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, Delran Township held a public bid opening on August 3, 2023 for bids for the Brown Street Baseball Field Improvements (the "Contract"); and

WHEREAS, Delran Township received four bids for the Contract as follows:

	Name	Base Bid
1.	Thor Construction Group	\$370,160.00
2.	Gower's Landscaping, Inc.	\$521,030.00
3.	Think Pavers Hardscaping, LLC	\$521,815.00
4.	Senco Metals, LLC	\$928,225.00

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has reviewed said bids, and a summary and recommendation is attached hereto and made part hereof as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, Thor Construction Group was the lowest bidder for this Project; and

WHEREAS, the bid submitted Thor Construction Group did not contain any irregularities which would deem their bid to be non-responsive; and

WHEREAS, as the Township has indicated no prior negative history between the Township and Thor Construction Group; therefore, Thor Construction Group is to be considered a responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, a certification of availability of funds has been provided by the Chief Financial Officer; and

WHEREAS, this contract is being awarded pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et. seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Delran that the contract for this project shall be awarded to Thor Construction Group, 39 Girard Avenue, West Long Branch, NJ 07764 for the Base Bid in the amount of \$370,160.00 with terms in accordance with the bid specifications.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the appropriate officials and appointees be and they are hereby authorized to prepare, review and/or execute any and all necessary documents relative to this contract authorization.

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Apeadu					
Smith					
Jeney					
Lyon					
Council President Burrell					

Dated: August 8, 2023

Witnessed by:

SO RESOLVED. TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN

Jamey Eggers, Township Clerk Township of Delran

Council President

Date signed: August____, 2023