

**WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**May 4, 2022**  
**Regular Meeting – 7:30 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER AND STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the West Amwell Township Committee was called to order at 7:30 PM. Present were Mayor James Cally, Deputy Mayor Gary Hoyer, Committeemen Stephen Bergenfeld, John Dale and Lucas Lyons along with Township Clerk Maria Andrews.

Mayor Cally announced that this meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting was faxed to the Hunterdon County Democrat and Trenton Times on January 13, 2022, was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on that date and has remained continuously posted as required under the Statute. A copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Township Clerk.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Mayor Cally led those in attendance in the pledge to the nation's flag.

**AGENDA REVIEW BY TOWNSHIP CLERK**

Clerk Andrews noted a Community Host Agreement had been received from GMNJ Properties. Mayor Cally commented that it would be discussed in Closed Session. Additionally, Resolution #58-2022 (*contained within the budget*) needs to be approved along with the adoption of the 2022 budget.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The following announcements were made:

- Kindly Turn Cell Phones Off During the Meeting
- The Clerk's Office will be CLOSED: 5/10/22 & 5/17/22 – Mandatory Training
- Congratulations to DPW Director Ryan Rollero on Obtaining his NJDEP Stormwater Design Review Certification

**PRESENTATION OF MINUTES**

A motion by Hoyer, seconded by Dale to approve the Committee's 4/20/22 Regular and Closed Session meeting minutes with no revisions noted was approved by roll call vote.

*Bergenfeld: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Lyons: Yes, Cally: Yes*

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC/TOPICS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Mayor Cally opened the floor to public comment. Seeing no other members of the public come forward, Mayor Cally closed the floor to public comment.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolution #55-2022: Salary Adjustment for Con./Zon. Officer Manager Per Shared Service Agreement**

RESOLUTION #55-2022

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY  
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL TO PROVIDE A SALARY ADJUSTMENT TO GAIL BREWI FOR  
ADDITIONAL DUTIES PERFORMED IN THE CONSTRUCTION/ZONING OFFICE

WHEREAS, Gail Brewi is the Construction/Zoning Office Manager of the Township of West Amwell; and

WHEREAS, the Township has a Shared Service Agreement with East Amwell Township for both their Construction and Zoning Offices; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee wishes to adjust the annual salary for Gail Brewi in the amount of \$5500.00 for the expected additional duties under the new Zoning Office Shared Service Agreement with East Amwell Township; and

WHEREAS, the current salary is: \$51,198.00 and the new annual salary will be: \$56,698.00 effective April 28, 2022; and

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NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of West Amwell that Gail Brewi shall be paid an annual salary of \$56,698.00 as the Construction/Zoning Office Manager.

CERTIFICATION

*I, Maria Andrews, Clerk of the Township of West Amwell, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true copy of the Original Resolution duly passed and adopted by a majority of the full membership of the Governing Body of the Township West Amwell at their Meeting of May 4, 2022.*

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Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

A motion by Dale, seconded by Lyons to approve Resolution #55-2022 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

*Bergenfeld: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Lyons: Yes, Cally: Yes*

**Resolution #56-2022: Salary Adjustment for Zoning Official Per Shared Service Agreement**

**RESOLUTION #56-2022**

**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY  
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL TO PROVIDE A SALARY ADJUSTMENT TO STEPHEN RODZINAK FOR  
ADDITIONAL DUTIES PERFORMED AS THE ZONING OFFICIAL**

WHEREAS, Stephen Rodzinak is the Zoning Official of the Township of West Amwell; and

WHEREAS, the Township has a Shared Service Agreement with East Amwell Township for both their Construction and Zoning Offices; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee wishes to adjust the annual salary for Stephen Rodzinak in the amount of \$9000.00 for the expected additional duties under the new Zoning Office Shared Service Agreement with East Amwell Township; and

WHEREAS, the current salary is: \$8900.00 and the new annual salary will be: \$17,900.00 effective April 28, 2022; and

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of West Amwell that Stephen Rodzinak shall be paid an annual salary of \$17,900.00 as the Zoning Official.

CERTIFICATION

*I, Maria Andrews, Clerk of the Township of West Amwell, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true copy of the Original Resolution duly passed and adopted by a majority of the full membership of the Governing Body of the Township West Amwell at their Meeting of May 4, 2022.*

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Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

A motion by Hoyer, seconded by Dale to approve Resolution #56-2022 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

*Bergenfeld: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Lyons: Yes, Cally: Yes*

**INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCES**

**Public Hearing: 2022 Municipal Budget Adoption**

Present were Auditor John Mooney and CFO Joanna Mustafa.

Mayor Cally opened the floor to public comment. Kyle Osgood of 147 Rocktown-Lambertville Road asked for clarification on the budget. Seeing no other members of the public come forward, Mayor Cally closed the floor to public comment.

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A motion by Hoyer, seconded by Dale to adopt the 2022 budget and approve Resolution #58-2022 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

*Bergenfeld: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Lyons: Yes, Cally: Yes*

**Introduction: Ordinance 5, 2022: A BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2022 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$910,268.75 THEREFOR (INCLUDING VARIOUS GRANTS IN THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$358,268.75) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$524,400 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COSTS THEREOF**

Mayor Cally read Ordinance 5, 2022 by title.

TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL  
ORDINANCE 05, 2022

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2022 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE "TOWNSHIP"); APPROPRIATING \$910,268.75 THEREFOR (INCLUDING VARIOUS GRANTS IN THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$358,268.75) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$524,400 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COSTS THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements or purposes to be undertaken by the Township of West Amwell, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey (the "Township"). For the said improvements or purposes stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the aggregate sum of \$910,268.75, which is inclusive of a grant in the amount of \$134,268.75 from the USDA-NRCS Emergency Watershed Protection Program allocable to the Rocktown-Lambertville Road and Quarry Street improvements (the "USDA Grant") and a grant in the amount of \$224,000 from the New Jersey Department of Transportation allocable to the Mt. Airy Village Road improvements (the "NJDOT Grant" and together with the USDA Grant, the "Grants"), all as set forth in Section 3(a)(i) herein, and \$27,600 as the aggregate amount of down payment for said improvements or purposes as required by the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq. (the "Local Bond Law"). The down payment is now available by virtue of a provision or provisions in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Township for down payment or for capital improvement purposes.

**SECTION 2.** For the financing of said improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof and to meet the part of said \$910,268.75 appropriation not provided for by application hereunder of said down payment and the Grants, negotiable bonds of the Township are hereby

authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$524,400 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Township in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$524,400 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

**SECTION 3. (a)** The improvements hereby authorized and purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued, include but are not limited to, as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Authorization</u>	<u>Down Payment</u>	<u>Useful Life</u>
(i) <b><u>Department of Public Works</u></b> – Roadway Improvements In The Township Including, But Not Limited To, Rocktown-Lambertville Road, Quarry Street, And Mt. Airy Village Road, Such Work To Include, But Not Limited To, As Applicable, Excavation, Milling, Paving, Reconstruction And Boxing Out And Resurfacing Or Full Depth Pavement Replacement, And Where Necessary, The Sealing Of Pavement Cracks, Installation Of Curbing And Driveway Aprons, Resetting Utility Castings, Drainage Improvements, Roadway Painting, Landscaping And Aesthetic Improvements; Acquisition of A Mason Dump Truck, A Heavy Duty Dump Truck, A Zero Turn Mower, And A Flail Mower;	\$825,268.75  (Including  the Grants)	\$443,650	\$23,350	13.89  Years
(ii) <b><u>Police Department</u></b> – Acquisition Of Two (2) Non-Passenger Sports Utility Vehicles; And	\$72,000	\$68,400	\$3,600	5.00  Years
(iii) <b><u>Fire Department</u></b> – Acquisition of Personal Protective Equipment.	\$13,000	\$12,350	\$650	10.00  Years
TOTALS	<u>\$910,268.75</u>	<u>\$524,400</u>	<u>\$27,600</u>	

(b) The aggregate estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said improvements or purposes is \$524,400.

(c) The aggregate estimated cost of said improvements or purposes is

\$910,268.75, the excess amount thereof over the said estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor is the aggregate amount of down payment available for said purposes and the Grants.

(d) All such improvements or purposes set forth in Section 3(a) shall include, but are not limited to, as applicable, all engineering, architectural and design work, preparation of plans and specifications, permits, bid documents, and contract administration, and also shall include all work, materials, equipment, accessories, labor and appurtenances necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

**SECTION 4.** Except for the Grants, in the event the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, the County of Hunterdon and/or a private entity make a contribution or grant in aid to the Township for the improvements and purposes authorized hereby and the same shall be received by the Township prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then the amount of such bonds or notes to be issued shall be reduced by the amount so received from the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, the County of Hunterdon and/or a private entity. Except for the Grants, in the event, however, that any amount so contributed or granted by the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, the County of Hunterdon and/or a private entity shall be received by the Township after the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then such funds shall be applied to the payment of the bonds or notes so issued and shall be used for no other purpose.

**SECTION 5.** All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township, provided that no note shall mature later than one (1) year from its date unless such bond anticipation notes are permitted to mature at such later date in accordance with applicable law. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer and Township Committee. The Chief Financial Officer of the Township shall determine all matters in connection with the notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8.1. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at a public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchaser thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price and accrued interest thereon from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or

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delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the principal amount, the description, the interest rate, the maturity schedule of the notes so sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

**SECTION 6.** The capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith and a resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital programs as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, is on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Township and is available for public inspection.

**SECTION 7.** The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses and are improvements which the Township may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of said purposes within the limitations of said Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 12.64 years.

(c) The supplemental debt statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Township and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds or notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$524,400 and the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$183,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purposes or improvements herein before described.

**SECTION 8.** The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond

ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of the principal of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.

**SECTION 9.** The Township hereby declares the intent of the Township to issue the bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance. This Section 9 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of Treasury Regulations §1.150-2 or any successor provisions of federal income tax law.

**SECTION 10.** The Township Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Township and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Township. The Township Chief Financial Officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Township pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Township and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Township fails to comply with its undertaking, the Township shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

**SECTION 11.** The Township covenants to maintain the exclusion from gross income under Section 103(a) of the Code of the interest on all bonds and notes issued under this bond ordinance.

**SECTION 12.** This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

ATTEST:

By Order of the Township Committee

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Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

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James Cally, Mayor

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A motion by Hoyer, seconded by Dale to introduce Ordinance 5, 2022 upon first reading was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

*Bergenfeld: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Lyons: Yes, Cally: Yes*

It was noted for the record that the public hearing on Ordinance 5, 2022 will be listed on the Committee’s 5/18/22 agenda.

**Introduction: Ordinance 6, 2022: AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR AND DETERMINE THE RATE OF COMPENSATION OF OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

Mayor Cally read Ordinance 6, 2022 by title.

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP  
Public Notice  
Ordinance 06, 2022

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR AND DETERMINE THE RATE OF COMPENSATION OF OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY.

SECTION 1

The following shall be the rate and ranges of compensation for the following officials and employees of the township for the year 2022.

Mayor .....	\$4000.00	Township
Committee .....	\$3500.00	
Township Clerk .....	\$55,500.00 - \$80,000.00	
Plus \$35.00/hr. for special & emergency meetings		
Registrar of Vital Statistics .....	\$2,500.00 - \$3,500.00	
Administrative Assistant .....	\$5,000.00 - \$65,000.00	
General Office Secretary/Clerk .....	\$15.00 - \$25.00/hr	
Deputy Township Clerk .....	\$22,970.00 - \$37,000.00	
Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics.....	\$2,500.00 - \$3,500.00	
Escrow Clerk .....	\$2,500.00 - \$4,500.00	
Assessor .....	\$27,500.00 - \$42,000.00	
Qualified Purchasing Agent .....	\$3,000.00 - \$5,000.00	
Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer.....	\$27,600.00 - \$42,000.00	
Certifying Officer for Pensions .....	\$1,125.00 - \$2,150.00	
Assistant Treasurer .....	\$10,000.00 - \$16,000.00	
Payroll Clerk .....	\$ 3,250.00 - \$ 5,500.00	
Planning Board Secretary .....	\$12,000.00 - \$18,000.00	
Plus \$200.00 for each special meeting		
Deputy Planning Board Secretary .....	\$200.00/meeting	
Board of Adjustment Secretary .....	\$7,500.00 - \$12,000.00	
Plus \$200.00 each for special meeting		
Deputy Board of Adjustment Secretary .....	\$200.00/meeting	
Board of Health Secretary .....	\$2,500.00 - \$4,500.00	
Plus \$200.00 for each special & emergency meetings		
Dog Registrar .....	\$2,500.00 - \$4,500.00	
Dog Census Takers .....	\$500.00 per district plus	
\$325.00 mileage per district		
Judge .....	\$11,850.00 - \$17,500.00	
Court Administrator .....	\$45,000.00 - \$80,000.00	
Violations Clerk .....	\$18.50 - \$30.00/hr	
Court Security Officer.....	\$225.00 per court session	
Construction Code Official (West & East Amwell).....	\$9,300.00 - \$31,000.00	
Plumbing & Mechanical Sub-Code Official & Inspector		
(West & East Amwell).....	\$7,225.00 - \$25,750.00	
Electric Sub-Code Official & Inspector (West & East Am.).....	\$9,300.00 - \$31,000.00	



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Building Sub-Code Official & Inspector (West & East Am.).....	\$9,300.00 - \$31,000.00
Fire Sub-Code Official & Inspector (West & East Am.).....	\$5,150.00 - \$15,450.00
Fire Official .....	\$5,600.00 - \$8,250.00
Zoning Official (West & East Amwell).....	\$10,000.00 - \$22,000.00
Substitute MCO .....	\$30.00 - \$45.00/hr
Substitute Sub-Code Officials & Inspectors ... ..	\$29.50 - \$40.00/hr
Construction/Zoning Office Assistant (West & East Amwell).....	\$15.00 - \$25.00/hr
Construction/Zoning Office Manager (West & East Amwell).....	\$25,000.00 - \$65,000.00
Substitute T.A. – Construction/Zoning Office.....	\$15.00 - \$22.00/hr
Municipal Housing Liaison/AA .....	\$4,500.00 - \$7,500.00
Assistant Collector of Taxes .....	\$3,500.00 - \$10,000.00
Tax Collector.....	\$15,500.00 - \$25,000.00
Rabies Clinic – Secretarial .....	\$25.00 - \$35.00/hr per person
Open Space Secretary .....	\$15.00 - \$25.00/hr
Municipal Bldg. Custodian .....	\$275.00 - \$500.00/month
Building Custodian (Police) .....	\$15.00 – \$20.00/hr
Recycling Depot Manager .....	\$5,500.00 - \$12,000.00
Waste Security Officer .....	\$13.25 - \$20.00/hr
Assistant Waste Security Officer.....	\$13.00 - \$18.50/hr
Waste Security Laborer .....	\$13.00 - \$18.00/hr
Substitute Waste Security Laborers .....	\$13.00 - \$18.00/hr
Director of P.W. & Roads .....	\$30.00 - \$51.00/hr
Road Supervisor.....	\$24.00 - \$45.00/hr
Road Foreman .....	\$21.00 - \$35.00/hr
Grounds Maintenance Manager .....	\$38,500.00 - \$48,000.00
Road Class A (10 or more years of service) .....	\$20.00 - \$35.00/hr
Road Class B (5-10 years of service) .....	\$19.50 - \$30.00/hr
Road Class C (Less than 5 years of service) .....	\$18.50 - \$30.00/hr
Road Laborer .....	\$13.50 - \$18.50/hr
Temporary Laborer .....	\$13.00 - \$18.00./hr
Summer DPW Workers .....	\$13.00 - \$18.00/hr
Mechanic.....	\$4,000.00 - \$12,000.00
DPW Professional Licenses/Certifications.....	\$0.00 - \$5,000.00
Emergency Temp. DPW Supervisor.....	Plus \$5.00 to current rate
Police Administrative Secretary .....	\$15.00 - \$25.00/hr
Substitute Police Secretary .....	\$15.00 - \$20.00/hr
Part-time Officers .....	\$25.00 - \$35.00/hr
Part-time Officers Spec Duty .....	\$25.00 - \$35.00/hr
Police Matrons .....	\$15.00 - \$25.00/hr
with a minimum of 4 hours pay if called out between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m.	

## SECTION II

Definitions and Benefits are outlined in the West Amwell Township Policy Manual adopted December 28, 2005 with amendments through July 21, 2021

## SECTION III

All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

## SECTION IV

This Ordinance shall take effect after final adoption and publication according to the laws of the State of New Jersey.

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James Cally, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

A motion by Hoyer, seconded by Dale to introduce Ordinance 6, 2022 upon first reading was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

*Bergenfeld: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Lyons: Yes, Cally: Yes*

It was noted for the record that the public hearing on Ordinance 6, 2022 will be listed on the Committee's 5/18/22 agenda.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

##### **Status of Resolution Requesting County Superintendent to Investigate the Advisability of the Municipality Withdrawing from the all Purpose SHRS**

Mayor Cally requested this matter be tabled to the Committee's 5/18/22 meeting agenda.

#### **NEW BUSINESS/OTHER**

It was noted for the record that there were no items listed under New Business/Other on the agenda.

#### **SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S)**

The following Proclamations were acknowledged:

##### **53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Professional Municipal Clerks Week May 1 – 7, 2022**

WHEREAS, the Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk, a time honored and vital part of local government exists throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the professional Municipal Clerk is the oldest among public servants; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the professional Municipal Clerk provides the professional link between the citizens, the local governing bodies and agencies of government at other levels; and

WHEREAS, Professional Municipal Clerks have pledged to be ever mindful of their neutrality and impartiality, rendering equal service to all; and

WHEREAS, the Professional Municipal Clerk serves as the information center on functions of local government and community; and

WHEREAS, Professional Municipal Clerks continually strive to improve the administration of the affairs of the Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk through participation in educational programs, seminars, workshops and the annual meetings of their professional organizations; and

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that we recognize the accomplishments of the Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James Cally, Mayor of West Amwell Township, do recognize the week of May 1<sup>st</sup> through the 7<sup>th</sup> 2022, as Professional Municipal Clerks Week, and further extend appreciation to our Professional Municipal Clerk, Maria Andrews and to all Professional Municipal Clerks for the vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Township of West Amwell to be affixed this 4<sup>th</sup> day of May 2022.

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Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

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James Cally, Mayor

**PROCLAMATION  
National Public Works Week  
May 15 – 21, 2022**

WHEREAS, public works professionals focus on infrastructure, facilities and services that are of vital importance to sustainable and resilient communities and to the public health, high quality of life and well-being of the people of West Amwell Township; and

WHEREAS, these infrastructures, facilities and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals, who are engineers, managers and employees at all levels of government and the private sector, who are responsible for rebuilding, improving and protecting our nation's transportation, water supply, water treatment, and solid waste systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities essential for our citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for citizens, civic leaders and children in West Amwell Township to gain knowledge of and to maintain a progressive interest and understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, the year 2022 marks the 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual National Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association/Canadian Public Works Association; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the West Amwell Township Committee hereby designates the week of May 15 – 21, 2022 as National Public Works Week; and urges all citizens to join with representatives of the American Public Works Association/Canadian Public Works Association and government agencies in activities, events and ceremonies designed to pay tribute to our public works professionals, engineers, managers and employees and to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our national health, safety, and quality of life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Township of West Amwell to be affixed this 4<sup>th</sup> day of May 2022.

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Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

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James Cally, Mayor

**PROCLAMATION  
National Police Week  
May 15 – 21, 2022  
&  
Peace Officers Memorial Day: May 15, 2022**

WHEREAS, since the beginning of law enforcement within our communities, Officers have made the ultimate sacrifice while in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, these Officers risk their lives every day to protect our communities and their bravery and selfless services shall not be overlooked by a grateful nation; and

WHEREAS, across the United States, the week of May 15<sup>th</sup> through the 21<sup>st</sup> 2022 will be recognized as "National Police Week;" and

WHEREAS, the first "National Peace Officers' Memorial Day" was held on May 15, 1982, following a proclamation signed by President John F. Kennedy on October 1, 1961 and has continued to be observed annually in memory of those police officers who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty; and

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WHEREAS, the Senate honor the memory of the Officers who have given their lives in our local communities; and

WHEREAS, the Senate recognizes the week of May 15<sup>th</sup> through May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022 as “National Police Week,” and May 15, 2022 as “Peace Officers Memorial Day” in New Jersey; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the West Amwell Township Committee does hereby acknowledge the week of May 15<sup>th</sup> through May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022 as “National Police Week” and May 15, 2022 as “Peace Officers Memorial Day.”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Township of West Amwell to be affixed this 4<sup>th</sup> day of May 2022.

ATTEST: May 4, 2022

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Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

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James Cally, Mayor

**PROCLAMATION**  
**National Emergency Medical Services Week**  
**May 15 – 21, 2022**

WHEREAS, in 1974, President Gerald Ford authorized EMS Week to celebrate EMS practitioners and the important work they do in our nation’s communities; and

WHEREAS, EMS week brings together local communities and medical personnel; to honor the dedication of those who provide the day-to-day lifesaving services of medicine’s “front line” 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, Emergency medical Services is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, EMS has grown to fill a gap by providing important, out of hospital care, including preventative medicine, follow-up care, and access to telemedicine; and

WHEREAS, the EMS system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, police officers, educators, administrators, pre-hospital nurses, emergency nurses, emergency physicians, trained members of the public and other out of hospital medical care providers; and

WHEREAS, the members of the EMS teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of EMS providers by designating National Emergency Medical Services Week; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the West Amwell Township Committee does hereby acknowledge the week of May 15<sup>th</sup> through May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022 as “National Emergency Medical Services Week.”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Township of West Amwell to be affixed this 4<sup>th</sup> day of May 2022.

ATTEST: May 4, 2022

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Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

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James Cally, Mayor

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### **Reports by Department Heads**

It was noted for the record that there were no reports given by any department heads.

### **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Open Space: No report was given.
- B. Environmental: No report was given.
- C. Ag Advisory: No report was given.
- D. Finance Committee: No report given.

### **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

A motion by Hoyer, seconded by Lyons to open the floor to public comment was unanimously approved by voice vote. Seeing no members of the public come forward, Mayor Cally closed the floor to public comment.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE**

A motion by Dale, seconded by Lyons to approve the 5/4/22 bill list was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

*Bergenfeld: Yes, Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Lyons: Yes, Cally: Yes*

### **OTHER**

#### **Resolution #57-2022: Closed Session – Personnel/Contracts – Litigation/Affordable Housing**

Resolution #57-2022

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Committee of West Amwell Township, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows: Mt. Laurel Litigation, personnel, contracts and subjects falling under Attorney-Client privilege.
3. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public when the matter has been resolved.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

A motion by Hoyer, seconded by Dale to approve Resolution #57-2022 and enter into Closed Session was unanimously approved by voice vote.

A motion by Lyons, seconded by Dale to return to Open Session was unanimously approved by voice vote.

It was noted for the record that the Committee was in Closed Session from 8:45 PM – 9:10 PM.

Upon returning to open session, a motion was made by Hoyer and seconded by Dale authorizing Mayor Cally to sign the Community Host Agreement with GMNJ Properties. The motion was approved by roll call vote with Committeeman Bergenfeld abstaining.

*Dale: Yes, Hoyer: Yes, Lyons: Yes, Cally: Yes*

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

It was noted for the record that the Committee ordered the correspondence listed on the agenda to be filed.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion by Lyons, seconded by Hoyer to adjourn the meeting was unanimously approved by voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.

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Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

Approved: 5/18/22