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**REORGANIZATION OF THE TOWNSHIP MAYOR AND COUNCIL
TOWNSHIP OF BERLIN
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(Meeting done by telephone due to Coronavirus)

Municipal Clerk, Catherine Underwood opened up the reorganization meeting and stated that the Honorable County Clerk, Joseph Ripa, had administered the Oaths of Office to Mayor Phyllis Magazzu, Councilman Frank Epifanio and Councilman Mark Reid.

Mayor Magazzu stated that pursuant to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Law, notice of this meeting were advertised in the Courier Post newspapers and posted on the bulletin board.

All in attendance joined in the Salute to the Flag

Mayor Magazzu welcomed everyone in attendance and asked for roll call.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Magazzu, Councilman Morris, Councilman Epifanio,
Councilwoman Marion Bodanza, Councilman Reid

Also Present: Alex Davidson, Chief Financial Officer, Stuart Platt, Solicitor, Chuck Riebel, Township Engineer/ Public Works Director,

Guests: Donna Platt, Daylon Hackly, Donald Norcross Office, Dan DiGangi,
Officer in Charge Lt. Ron Silvestro.

Mayor Magazzu, open the floor for nomination for Council President. Councilwoman Bodanza nominated **Christopher Morris** for Council President. Councilman Epifanio seconded the nomination.

RESOLUTION 2022-1 PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:69A-120 provides that the Council shall select from among its members a President of the Council who shall serve in place of the Mayor in the event of his absence disability or refusal to act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Township of Berlin that **CHRISTOPHER MORRIS**, having been selected by the Council, shall serve as President of the Council of the Township of Berlin from January 3, 2022 until December 31, 2022.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Councilman Epifanio to adopt resolution

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2022-1. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 2 APPOINTMENT OF SOLICITOR

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:1-11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contract for "Professional Services" under the fair and open process must be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden, that **STUART PLATT, THE PLATT LAW GROUP,P.C.** of , NJ be appointed the Municipal Attorney of the Township of Berlin for a period of one year (1) commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022 to perform professional services ordinarily provided by and required of a Municipal Attorney, and to receive such compensation as may be reasonable for such services.

Said **STUART PLATT, ESQUIRE**, is a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession in the State of New Jersey, which practice is regulated by the laws of this State; to wit, the profession of Municipal Attorney. These professional services are necessary and are required by this municipality.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilman Epifanio to adopt resolution 2022-2. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 3 APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:1-11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contract for "Professional Services" under the fair and open process must be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden, that **WILLIAM M. TAMBUSI**, of, BROWN & CONNERY LLP, WESTMONT NJ be appointed the Labor Counsel of the Township of Berlin for a period of one year (1) commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022 to perform professional services ordinarily provided by and required of a Labor Counsel, and to receive such compensation as may be reasonable for such services.

Said **WILLIAM M. TAMBUSI**, is a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession in the State of New Jersey, which practice is regulated by the laws of this State; to wit, the profession of Labor Counsel. These professional services are necessary and are required by this municipality.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilman Epifanio to adopt resolution

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2022-3. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 4 APPOINTMENT OF REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTANT

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contract for "Professional Services" under the fair and open contract provisions of N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.4 et seq; and must be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden, that **DANIEL DiGANGI, C.P.A.** of BOWMAN AND COMPANY, 601 White Horse Road, Voorhees, New Jersey 08043 be appointed the Registered Municipal Auditor of the Township of Berlin commencing January 1, 2022, until December 31, 2022 to perform the professional services ordinarily provided by a Registered Municipal Auditor of the State of New Jersey, and to receive such compensation as may be reasonable for such services. Said **DANIEL DiGANGI, C.P.A.** is a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession in the State of New Jersey, said practice is regulated by the laws of this State; to wit, the profession of Registered Municipal Auditor. These professional services are necessary and are required by this Municipality.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilman Epifanio to adopt resolution 2022-4. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 5 APPOINTMENT OF BOND COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contract for "Professional Services" under the fair and open contract provisions of N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.4 et seq; and must be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden, that **PHILIP A. NORCROSS** of Parker McCay , 7001 Lincoln Drive West, Marlton, NJ 08053 be appointed Financial Consultant for the Sale of Bonds of the Township of Berlin for a period of one year (1) commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022 to perform the professional services ordinarily provided by a Financial Consultant of the State of New Jersey, and to receive such compensation as may be reasonable for such services.

Said **PHILIP A. NORCROSS** is the person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession in the State of New Jersey, said practice is regulated by the laws of this State; to wit, the profession of registered Attorneys. These professional services are necessary and are required by this municipality.

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Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilman Epifanio to adopt resolution 2022-5. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 6 APPOINTMENT OF PROJECT ENGINEER

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contract for "Professional Services" " under the fair and open contract provisions of N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.4 et seq; and must be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden, that **KEY ENGINEERS** to be appointed the Construction Inspection Engineers of the Township of Berlin for a term of one year commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022, to perform professional services ordinarily provided by and required of a Project Engineer. These professional services are necessary and are required by this municipality.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilman Epifanio to adopt resolution 2022-6. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 7 APPOINTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL PLANNER

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contract for "Professional Services" " under the fair and open contract provisions of N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.4 et seq; and must be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden, that **LEAH FUREY BRUDER from LFB Land Planning LLC. located at 22 Coates Street Medford, NJ 08055** is hereby appointed the Professional Planner of the Township of Berlin for a term of one year commencing January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022, to perform professional services ordinarily provided by and required of a Professional Planner. These professional services are necessary and are required by this municipality.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilman Epifanio to adopt resolution 2022-7. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-8 COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL (FINANCE)

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:69A-123 et seq., provides for the appointment and designation of Committees of Council;

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NOW, THEREFORE, I PHYLLIS A. MAGAZZU, Mayor of the Township of Berlin, hereby appoint **ALEX DAVIDSON, CHRISTOPHER MORRIS** to serve on said Finance Committee.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-8. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-9 APPOINTMENT OF IMPROVEMENT SEARCH CLERK

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Berlin, that **CATHERINE UNDERWOOD** be and is hereby appointed Improvement Search Clerk effective January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-9. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-10 APPOINTMENT OF C-2 OPERATOR

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, Camden County, New Jersey that **CHARLES RIEBEL JR.** be and is hereby appointed the C-2 Operator of the Sewer Department of the Township of Berlin, effective January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-10. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-11 APPOINTMENT OF AN INSURANCE BROKER

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contract for "Professional Services" " under the fair and open contract provisions of N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.4 et seq; and must be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden, that **CONNER STRONG BUCKELEW** to be appointed the Insurance Broker of the Township of Berlin for a term of one year commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022, to provide Risk Management Services. These professional services are necessary and are required by this municipality.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-11. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

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RESOLUTION 2022-12 APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER AND ALTERNATE FOR JOINT INSURANCE FUND

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that the following appointments to the Joint Insurance Fund Committee be and they are hereby made as follows, commencing January 1, 2022

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|----------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| CATHERINE UNDERWOOD | - | FUND COMMISSIONER |
| PHYLLIS MAGAZZU | - | ALTERNATE FUND COMMISSIONER |
| CHUCK RIEBEL | - | SAFETY DELEGATE |
| MARK REID | - | ALTERNATE SAFETY DELEGATE |
| MICHAEL C. AVALONE | - | RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT |

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-12. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-13 APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that it hereby appoints **CATHERINE UNDERWOOD** as the Public Agency Compliance Officer until December 31, 2022.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-13. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 14 APPOINTMENT OF ZONING OFFICER

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:69A-122 provides that the Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council, shall appoint such other officers as may be provided for the Office of Zoning Officer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden, that **JOSHUA SHELLENBERGER** be appointed the Zoning Officer, commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022

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Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-14. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, four members present voting in the affirmative, Mayor Magazzu recused.

RESOLUTION 2022-15 RE- APPOINTMENT OF REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40-69a-124 provides that the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council, shall appoint such other officers and employees not otherwise provided for in this Title or by general law:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, hereby appoints Catherine Underwood, Registrar of Vital Statistics for a three year term a commencing January 1, 2020 until December 31, 2022.

Registrar: Catherine Underwood CMR 2851

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-15. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-16 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY REGISTRAR & ALTERNATE REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40-69a-124 provides that the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council, shall appoint such other officers and employees not otherwise provided for in this Title or by general law:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, hereby appoints Vicki Taylor Deputy Registrar and Kelley Shendock, Alternate Registrar of Vital Statistics for a term commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022.

Deputy Registrar: Vicki Taylor CMR 4965
Alternate Registrar: Kelley Shendock CMR 3347

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-16. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-17 APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENDER

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:69a-122 provides that the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council shall appoint such other officers as may be provided by ordinance; and **WHEREAS**, Section 3-2E of the Code of the Township of Berlin provides for the office of the Municipal Court;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that the following appointment be made for the year commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022.

PUBLIC DEFENDER - ROBERT E. DEPERSIA, II

Motion by Councilman Epifanio second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2022-17. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-18 APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:69A-122 provides that the Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council, shall appoint such other officers as may be provided by Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Section 3-2E of the Code of the Township of Berlin provides for the office of the Municipal Court;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that the following appointment be made for the year commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022

PROSECUTOR - DONNA SIGEL PLATT

Motion by Councilman Epifanio second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2022-18. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 19 APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:69A-122 provides that the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council, shall appoint such other officers as may be provided by ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, that the following persons be and they are hereby appointed Emergency Management Advisory Council members until December 31, 2022.

**PHYLLIS MAGAZZU
CHRISTOPHER MORRIS
STUART PLATT
CHARLES J. RIEBEL, JR.
CATHERINE UNDERWOOD
DANIEL GATTI**

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**LT. RON SILVESTRO
MELLISSA RAMAGE
LOUIS DE MARCO JR.
ANDREW SIMONE
TERESA VANDERGRIFT
Dr. EDYTHE AUSTERMUHL
SAHARA SAM REPRESENTATIVE
WALMART REPRESENTATIVE
HOME DEPOT REPRESENTATIVE
SHOPRITE REPRESENTATIVE
SINCLAIR MOVING COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE**

Motion by Councilman Epifanio second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2022-19. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-20 APPOINTMENT OF MSI PLANNING COORDINATOR

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that

CHARLES RIEBEL is hereby appointed MSI Planning Coordinator; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that **CATHERINE UNDERWOOD** is hereby appointed Deputy MSI Planning Coordinator commencing January 1, 2022 until January 31, 2022.

Motion by Councilman Epifanio second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2022-20. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 21 APPOINTMENT OF A MUNICIPAL COORDINATOR FOR DISABLED

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that **THERESA VANDERGRIFT** be and is hereby appointed the Municipal Coordinator for the Disabled commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2022-21. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 22 APPOINTMENT OF COORDINATOR ON AGING

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:69A-122 provides that the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council, shall appoint such other officers as may be provided by ordinance; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that **THERESA VANDERGRIFT** be and is hereby appointed Coordinator on Aging for the Township of Berlin commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2022-22. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-23 APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY BOARD OF HEALTH

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:69A-122 provides that the Mayor with the advice and consent of Council, shall appoint such other officers as may be provided by ordinance; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that **JOSHUA SHELLENBERGER** be and is hereby appointed for the Township of Berlin as Secretary of the Board of Health Commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2022-23. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, four members present voting in the affirmative, Mayor Magazzu recused.

RESOLUTION 2022-24 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BERLIN TO CREATE AND APPROVE THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Township of has created a Board of Health Advisory Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, that the appointments be made as follows:

Phyllis Magazzu
Christopher Morris
Mark Reid
Marion Bodanza
Frank Epifanio

NOW BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that the above are hereby appointed as members of the Board of Health Advisory Committee effective January 1, 2022 and terminating December 31, 2022.

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Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2022-24. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-25 APPOINTMENT OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INSPECTOR

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Berlin, that **JOSHUA SHELLENBERGER, ROBERT BRAY** be and is hereby appointed as Property Maintenance Inspector for a term commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2022-25. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, four members present voting in the affirmative, Mayor Magazzu recused.

RESOLUTION 2022-26 RESOLUTION APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL LIAISON FOR NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Berlin, that **MARK REID, MARION BODANZA** and **FRANK EPIFANIO** be and is here by appointed liaison for neighbors helping neighbors effective January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2022-26. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-27 APPOINTMENT OF ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that **JOSHUA SHELLENBERGER** be and is hereby appointed the Animal Control Officer for the Township of Berlin commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2022-27. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, four members present voting in the affirmative, Mayor Magazzu recused.

RESOLUTION 2022-28 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE PLANNING BOARD

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 30:44-1.4 provides for the creation, membership and terms of a PLANNING BOARD; and

WHEREAS, Section 20-2 et seq., of the Code of the Township of Berlin provides for the creation of a PLANNING BOARD shall consist of the following;

CRAIG DEGEORGE – Class IV Member to 12-31-23

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BETSY SIMPSON – Class IV Member 12-31-22
DANTE MAGAZZU- Class IV Member 12-31-24
FRANK McHENRY- Class IV Member to 12-31-23
ALVINA MOORE- Class IV Member to 12-31-24
Ed POTTS- Class IV Member to 12-31-24
JOHN HOLROYD – Class II Construction Code Official until 12-31-22
CHRISTOPHER MORRIS – Class III Councilperson to 12-31-2022
PHYLLIS MAGAZZU – Class I Mayor to 12-31-22
DAVID CARLAMERE- Solicitor to 12-31-22
DAVID ROWAN- Solicitor to 12-31-22

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the above named individual shall serve his respective term pursuant to the provisions set forth in the New Jersey Statutes Annotated 40:55-1 et seq., and pursuant to the Code of the Township of Berlin, Section 20-1 et seq.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilman Epifanio to adopt resolution 2022-28. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-29 APPOINTMENT OF COORDINATOR FOR CLEAN COMMUNITIES MODEL PROGRAM

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that **CHUCK RIEBEL** is hereby appointed as Coordinator for the Clean Communities Model Program I and that the Public Works Department of the Township of Berlin, be designated the Agency responsible for grant implementation effective January 1, 2022.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilman Epifanio to adopt resolution 2022-29. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-30 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE TO THE CAMDEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD

WHEREAS, there is hereby established an annual requirement of a Municipality to appoint a voting representative, and alternate to the Camden County Community Development Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Berlin wishes to continue to be a voting member of said board in conjunction with the existing Cooperation Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that **MARION BODANZA** is hereby appointed to serve as the representative from the Township of Berlin to the Camden County Community Development Advisory Board and

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FURTHER, MARK REID and FRANK EPIFANIO is hereby appointed to serve as the alternate members,

FURTHER, a certified copy of this Resolution is to be submitted to the County Community Development Office.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilman Epifanio to adopt resolution 2022-30. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-31 CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD SOLICITOR

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contract for "Professional Services" without competitive bids must be publicly advertised;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden, that **DAVID CARLAMERE & DAVID ROWAN ESQUIRE**, be appointed the Planning Board Attorney of the Township of Berlin for a period of one year (1) commencing **January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022** to perform professional services ordinarily provided by and required of a Planning Board Attorney, and to receive such compensation as may be reasonable for such services. Said **DAVID CARLAMERE & DAVID ROWAN ESQUIRE**, is a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession in the State of New Jersey, which practice is regulated by the laws of this State; to wit, the profession of Planning Board Attorney. These professional services are necessary and are required by this municipality.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-31. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-32 AUTHORIZING PURCHASES THROUGH STATE CONTRACTS

WHEREAS, the Township of Berlin may, pursuant to N.J.S.A.40A:11-12, purchase materials, supplies and equipment under contracts entered into on behalf of the State of New Jersey by the Division of Purchases and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

WHEREAS, purchases under the aforesaid State Contracts may be made by the Township without the necessity of advertising for bids or may be made in cases where advertisements for bids have produced either no bids or have produced rejected bids; and

WHEREAS, it is contemplated that it will be necessary or desirable to obtain materials, supplies, and equipment under said State Contracts, during the year 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that Department Heads are hereby authorized to purchase, without the necessity of a separate resolution, such materials, supplies, and equipment as shall be available

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under State Contract, to the Township pursuant to N.J.S.A.40A:11-12, in those cases 1) where it is desirable and in the best interests of the Township of Berlin to make such purchases and 2) where the amount of the purchase, with regard to the aggregation of like purchases made at separate times in the year 2022, is less than the threshold set in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all purchases by the Township of Berlin pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 which are, with regard to aggregation, in excess of the bid limit established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3, shall be the subject of a separate authorizing resolution by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-32. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 33 DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL DEPOSITORY FOR THE YEAR 2022

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 mandates that the governing body of a municipal corporation shall, by resolution passed by a majority vote of the full membership thereof, designate as a depository for its monies a bank or trust company having its place of business in the state and organized under the laws of the United States or this state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on the 4th day of January, 2022, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that **REPUBLIC BANK and FIRST HARVEST BANK** be and is hereby designated as depositories for the Township of Berlin for the year 2022.

Prior to the deposit of any municipal funds in the above-mentioned depositories, said bank shall file with the Chief Financial Officer a statement indication that the bank is covered under the Government Units Deposit Protection Act (RS. 17:9-41).

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-33. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 34 DESIGNATION OF BANKS FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES

WHEREAS, there will be excess Berlin Township funds from time to time; and **WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Township of Berlin to invest these funds at the highest rate of interest available;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that the Treasurer be and hereby authorized to invest these funds in the following banks:

SANTANDER BANK

FULTON BANK

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REPUBLIC BANK

STATE OF NEW JERSEY CASH MANAGEMENT FUND

Any other banks with GUDPA certification

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-34. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-35 DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

WHEREAS, Section 3 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L., 1975, requires that certain notice of meetings be submitted to two (2) newspapers, one of which shall be the official newspaper; and

WHEREAS, the second newspaper designated by this body must be the one which has the greatest likelihood of informing the public within the jurisdictional boundaries of this body of such meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and council of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. **COURIER POST**, Cherry Hill, New Jersey, and **RECORD BREEZE**, Blackwood, New Jersey are hereby designated as the official newspaper of the township. The designation of the newspapers shall be for a period of one (1) year commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022.

2. It is the opinion of this body that the above named newspapers have the greatest likelihood of informing the public within the jurisdictional area of this body of such meetings.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-35. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 36 RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BERLIN

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A.40A:5-14 requires every municipality to adopt a Cash Management Plan;

WHEREAS, the attached plan, which has been prepared pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A.40A:5-14, sets forth the basis for the deposits and investments of certain public funds of the Township of Berlin;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Cash Management Plan be adopted and in effect for the period January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. A copy of said plan is on file in the office of the Township Clerk.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-36. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-37 AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR EXTRAORDINARY, UNSPECIFIED SERVICES

WHEREAS, there exists a need for dental insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of the contract is \$ 50,000.00 and said funds are available in an appropriation entitled **Employee Group Insurance** and have been certified by the local finance officer, said certification being attached; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Extraordinary, Unspecifiable Services” without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that this meets the statute and regulations governing the award of said contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin as follows:

1. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached agreement with **Southern NJ Employee Benefits Fund Group**.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as an “Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service” in accordance with 40A:11-5(l)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because it cannot be reasonably described in written specifications and insurance qualifies as a EUS under the provisions of the statute.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-37. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 38 RESOLUTION TO SET THE INTEREST RATE CHARGES ON DELINQUENT TAXES

WHEREAS, R.S. 54:4-67 permits the governing body of each municipality to fix the rate of interest to be charged for nonpayment of taxes or assessments subject to any

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abatement or nonpayment of taxes or assessments subject to any abatement or discount for the late payment of taxes as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 54:4-67 has been amended to permit the fixing of said rate of 8% on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency and 18% on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to charge 8% on the first \$1,500 of taxes becoming delinquent after due date and 18% on any amount of taxes in excess of \$1,500.00 becoming delinquent after due date, subject to any abatement or discount for the late payment of taxes as provided by law.
2. There will be a ten (10) day grace period for quarterly tax payments made by cash, check or money order.
3. This resolution shall be published in its entirety once in the designated newspaper.
4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to each of the following:
 - a) Tax Collector
 - b) Township Attorney
 - c) Township Auditor
 - d) Department of Financial Services

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-38. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 39 RESOLUTION TO SET THE INTEREST RATE CHARGED ON DELINQUENT SEWER BILLS

WHEREAS, R.S. 54:4-67 permits the governing body of each municipality to fix the rate of interest to be charged for nonpayment of sewer bills subject to any abatement or discount for the late payment of sewer bills as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 54:4-67 has been amended to permit the fixing of said rate of 18% per annum.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to charge 18% per annum of sewer bills becoming delinquent after due date, subject to any abatement or discount for the late payment of sewer bills as provided by law.
2. There will be a ten (10) day grace period for quarterly sewer payments made by cash, check or money order.
3. This resolution shall be published in its entirety once in the designated newspaper.
4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to each of the following:

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- a) Tax Collector
- b) Township Attorney
- c) Township Auditor
- d) Department of Financial Services

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-39. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 40 RESOLUTION TO ADD SURCHARGE ON DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES OVER \$10,000.00

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-67, the Governing Body of a Municipality may establish a penalty to be assessed to a taxpayer with a delinquency in excess of \$10,000.00 and who fails to pay that delinquency prior to the end of the fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Berlin that it hereby authorizes a 6% penalty to be assessed on any tax delinquency in excess of \$10,000.00 where said delinquency has not been paid prior to the end of the fiscal year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall become effective on the date of its adoption.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-40. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022- 41 RESOLUTION SETTING FEE FOR EXECUTION OF DUPLICATE TAX SALE CERTIFICATE NJSA 54:5-52-1

WHEREAS, in case of the destruction or loss of a tax title certificate which was issued by the Township of Berlin in the State of New Jersey held in the municipality, the collector of taxes in said municipality shall issue and execute a new certificate of tax sale in place of the one which has been destroyed or lost, and;

WHEREAS, the tax collector shall be duly authorized to do so by resolution of the governing body of said municipality, and;

WHEREAS, the municipality may charge a fee not to exceed \$100 for such a duplicate certificate, so;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that the costs for such duplicate certificate is set at \$100.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-41. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

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RESOLUTION 2022- 42 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO SET UP PARTIAL PAYMENT AGREEMENTS FOR CURRENT TAXES N.J.S.A. 54:5-68

WHEREAS, the owners of property located in the Township of Berlin, would like the opportunity to pay taxes on a timely basis in monthly installments, and;
WHEREAS, no delinquencies are recorded and current year real estate taxes are being paid in these monthly payments, and;
WHEREAS, payments will be due the first day of each month with a ten day grace period, so;
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that pursuant to New Jersey Statutes Annotated, authorization is granted to allow the Tax Collector to enter into an agreement for monthly installments upon request of the owner on any property within the Township of Berlin for the payment of current taxes through monthly installments, and;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if these monthly installments fall delinquent more than ten days after the due date, then such agreement shall be void and the delinquency will revert back to the original date and the Township shall enforce the delinquency allowed by statute.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-42. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2021- 43 RESOLUTION TO SET A SERVICE CHARGE FOR RETURNED CHECKS

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:5-18 states that a governing body may provide for the imposition of a service charge to be added for a check returned for insufficient funds not to exceed \$20.00.
BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that in accordance with the above stated statute the fee of \$20.00 will be assessed for each check returned for insufficient funds.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-43. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-44 RESOLUTION TO SET THE TIMES AND DATES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF BERLIN ANNUAL MEETINGS

The following is the schedule of Year 2022 Mayor and Council meetings which will be held at the Berlin Township Municipal Hall located at 135 Route 73 South, West Berlin New Jersey 08091. All meetings will be held at 5:30 p.m. If a legal holiday falls on a meeting date then the meeting will be cancelled. Meetings for the year 2022 will be held as follows:

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**Berlin Township
Mayor and Council 2022 Meetings Dates**

January	3	Reorganization Meeting at 3:00 pm
February	14	
March	14	
April	11	
May	9	
June	13	
July	11	
August	8	
September	12	
October	24	
November	21	
December	12	

Due to covid the Mayor and Council Meeting will be held by VIA Telephone Conference. The Public is hereby notified that they can access this meeting by:

**Dialing in at 1-712-832-8330
Enter Access Code- 9227315**

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-44. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

**RESOLUTION 2022- 45 ADOPTING ROBERT’S RULES OF ORDER TO GOVERN
THE CONDUCT OF ALL MEETINGS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BERLIN**

WHEREAS the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin shall conducted meetings and;

WHEREAS Robert’s Rules of Order are rules and regulations needed to conduct the business of a meeting.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, in the County of Camden, that all meetings of the Township Council shall be governed by, and conducted in accordance with, Robert’s Rules of Order.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-45. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-46 AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF TAX APPEALS

WHEREAS, there exists a need for filing of Tax Appeals for the Township of Berlin; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that authorization is given to **DANIEL GATTI**, Tax Assessor to file these Tax Appeals on behalf of the Township of Berlin in all property tax matters

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-46. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-47 CONTINUING RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin to review and examine all previously adopted Resolutions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden, that all appointments, ordinances, amendments and supplements thereto, including all resolutions of the Township of Berlin heretofore in existence as of December 31, 2021, may continue for a period of sixty (60) days or at the pleasure of the Mayor and Council except in so far as they may be inconsistent with any and all appointments, ordinances, amendments and supplements adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin on this date, January 3, 2022.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-47. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-48 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH PHOENIX ADVISORS, LLC TO SERVE AS CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGENT AND INDEPENDENT REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ADVISOR

WHEREAS, the Township of Berlin has agreed through the execution of Continuing Disclosure Agreements ("CDAs") in connection with one or more past bond issuances to provide certain financial and other information and notices, within specified timeframes, in a manner prescribed by the regulators of the underwriter that purchased said bond issues; and

WHEREAS, it is beneficial to retain the assistance of Phoenix Advisor who are experts and registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission, with knowledge and experience in these matters, to assist in assuring compliance with CDAs and to stand ready to provide advice as needed with the issuance of municipal debt; and

WHEREAS, Phoenix Advisors, LLC has submitted a proposal for 2022 for a one-year period beginning January 1, 2022 to provide the following:

- a) Continuing Disclosure Agent – Ongoing for a fee of \$1,150.00 for up to three outstanding issues plus \$100 for each outstanding obligation, if filings are

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required. There is a set-up charge for each new bond issuance. The set-up fee is \$450 but is discounted to \$200 if Phoenix Advisors serves as Municipal Advisor. \$250.00 for each Event filing made under the SEC's Event Disclosure Rule.

- b) Independent Registered Municipal Advisor (IRMA) – There is no separate fee charged. As IRMA, Phoenix would be available to answer general questions concerning outstanding debt issues or prepare preliminary project analyses. A separate fee addendum would be added should the Township choose to have Phoenix involved in a debt issuance.

WHEREAS, funds are available as set forth for section a in Bond Ordinance 2016-5 account #C-04-15-861-160503 and for section b shall be charged as per Resolution approving the addendum should it be required;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign a contract with Phoenix Advisors, LLC to serve as Continuing Disclosure Agent and Independent Registered Municipal Advisor for a period of one year commencing on January 1 2022.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-48. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-49 CY 2022 TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR CURRENT FUND, SEWER OPERATING FUND, OPEN SPACE AND HISTORICAL PRESERVATION TRUST FUND AND CALCULATION OF MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE APPROPRIATIONS.

WHEREAS, revised statutes 40A:2-12 provides that where there are any contracts, commitments or payments that are to be made prior to the adoption of the Calendar Year 2022 Budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purposes and accounts required in the manner and time provided; and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is within the first thirty (30) days of the Calendar Year 2022 Budget and is twenty-six and one quarter percent (26.25%) of the total appropriations made for all purposes in the Calendar Year 2021 Budget, excluding appropriations; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that the foregoing is the Temporary Budget for the Calendar Year 2022; and twenty-six and one quarter percent (26.25%) of the total appropriations made for all purposes in the budget for the year 2022 Calendar Year excluding appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement fund and public assistance.

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CURRENT FUND TEMPORARY BUDGET

CY 2021 Budget Appropriations			\$	11,019,034.61
Less:	2021 Appropriations for Debt Service	1,001,000.00	\$	
	Capital Improvement Fund	715,000.00	\$	
	Subtotal		\$	9,303,034.61
			X	26.25%
			\$	2,442,046.59
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Add:	2022 Appropriation for Debt Service		\$	605,000.00
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	Total		\$	3,047,046.59
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GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Mayor & Council

	Salaries & Wages		\$	32,837.50
	Other Expenses		\$	8,332.80
Township Clerk				
	Salaries & Wages		\$	38,247.63
	Other Expenses		\$	11,845.60
Finance Administration				
	Salaries & Wages		\$	24,517.50
	Other Expenses		\$	6,199.21
Audit Services				
	Other Expenses		\$	11,812.50
Revenue Administration				

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	\$
Salaries & Wages	31,918.75
	\$
Other Expenses	4,766.49
Tax Assessment Administration	
	\$
Salaries & Wages	10,801.25
	\$
Other Expenses	1,681.84
Legal Services & Costs	
	\$
Other Expenses	20,892.64
Engineering Services	
	\$
Salaries & Wages	44,912.50
	\$
Other Expenses	10,762.51
LAND USE ADMINISTRATION Planning/Zoning Board	
	\$
Salaries & Wages	5,095.00
	\$
Other Expenses	2,756.25
STATE UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE Construction Official	
	\$
Salaries & Wages	37,693.75
	\$
Other Expenses	8,591.62
CODE ENFORCEMENT	
	\$
Salaries & Wages	8,037.50
	\$
Other Expenses	5,819.63
INSURANCE Liability Insurance	

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Other Expenses	\$
Worker's Compensation	150,000.00
Other Expenses	\$
Employee's Group Insurance	87,000.00
Other Expenses	\$
Health Benefit Waiver	371,437.50
Salaries & Wages	\$
Unemployment Insurance	9,712.50
Other Expenses	\$
	3,823.58
PUBLIC SAFETY FUNCTIONS	
Municipal Court	
Salaries & Wages	\$
	43,862.51
Other Expenses	\$
Public Defender	14,937.03
Other Expenses	\$
Police Department	131.25
Salaries & Wages	\$
	623,687.51
Other Expenses	\$
Emergency Management	43,633.04
Salaries & Wages	\$
	1,000.00
Other Expenses	\$
Aid to Volunteer Ambulance Company	4,353.32
Other Expenses	\$
Municipal Prosecutor	5,250.00
Salaries & Wages	\$
	5,000.00

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Other Expenses	\$ 136.76
PUBLIC WORKS	
Streets & Roads	
Salaries & Wages	\$ 28,637.50
Other Expenses	\$ 18,001.21
Solid Waste Collection	
Salaries & Wages	\$ 148,375.00
Other Expenses	\$ 3,780.00
Buildings & Grounds	
Salaries & Wages	\$ 24,306.26
Other Expenses	\$ 16,274.99
Vehicle Maintenance	
Salaries & Wages	\$ 29,556.25
Other Expenses	\$ 37,941.76
Traffic Signal Monitoring System	
Other Expenses	\$ 16,065.00
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	
Public Health	
Salaries & Wages	\$ 2,863.75
Other Expenses	\$ 136.50
PARKS & RECREATION	
Recreation Services	
Salaries & Wages	\$ 2,365.00
Other Expenses	\$ 1,391.25

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Maintenance of Parks	\$
Salaries & Wages	5,000.00
	\$
Other Expenses	10,378.46
Maintenance of Free Public Library	
	\$
Salaries & Wages	7,245.00
	\$
Other Expenses	2,882.25
Celebration of Public Events	
	\$
Other Expenses	3,602.81
Payment of PY Bills	
Other Expenses	
 UNCLASSIFIED	
	\$
Electricity & Natural Gas	50,000.00
	\$
Street Lighting	52,338.69
	\$
Telephone	10,000.00
Telecommunication	\$
Charges	2,000.00
	\$
Water	2,000.00
	\$
Petroleum Products (Fuel Oil & Gas)	26,985.00
	\$
Sewer	3,000.00
	\$
Solid Waste Disposal	110,866.63
 Accumulated Leave Compensation	
	\$
Salaries & Wages	13,125.00
 STATUTORY EXPENDITURES	
	\$
PERS	-

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	\$
PFRS	-
	\$
Social Security	71,997.19
	\$
DCRP	5,000.00
OPERATIONS EXCLUDED FROM CAPS	
	\$
Solid Waste Recycle Tax	3,000.00
NJPDES - Stormwater Management	
	\$
Salaries & Wages	20,750.00
	\$
Other Expenses	5,693.62
Shared Service Agreement - Evesham CFO Services	\$ 15,000.00
	\$
FEDERAL & STATE GRANTS	-
	\$
TOTAL TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS	2,442,046.59
MUNICIPAL DEBT SERVICE	
	\$
Principal	440,000.00
	\$
Interest	165,000.00
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TOTAL TEMPORARY CURRENT FUND APPROPRIATIONS	3,047,046.59 <hr/> <hr/>

SEWER OPERATING FUND TEMPORARY BUDGET

		\$
CY 2021 Budget Appropriations		1,141,160.00
Less:	2021 Appropriations for Debt Service	\$ 592,000.00

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	\$	
Capital Improvement Fund	-	
		\$
Subtotal		549,160.00
		X 26.25%
		\$
		144,154.50
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		\$
Add: 2022 Appropriations for Debt Service		491,500.00
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		\$
Total		635,654.50
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Sewer Operating		
		\$
Salaries & Wages		60,094.62
		\$
Other Expenses		80,364.40
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		\$
		140,459.02
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Debt Service		
		\$
Principal		440,000.00
		\$
Interest		51,500.00
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STATUTORY EXPENSES		
		\$
PERS		-
		\$
Social Security		3,590.48
		\$
Unemployment Compensation		105.00
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		\$
TOTAL TEMPORARY SEWER OPERATING FUND APPROPRIATIONS		635,654.50
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OPEN SPACE, RECREATION FARMLAND & HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST FUND

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TEMPORARY BUDGET

CY 2021 Budget Appropriations (Open Space Trust) \$ 254,462.00

Less:	2021 Appropriations for Debt Service	\$ 15,700.00	
	Capital Improvement Fund	\$ -	
	Subtotal	\$ 238,762.00	
		X 26.25%	
		\$ 62,675.03	

Add:	2022 Appropriations for Debt Service	\$ 8,000.00	
	Total	\$ 70,675.03	

OPEN SPACE TRUST

	Salaries & Wages	\$ 48,799.54	
	Other Expenses	\$ 13,875.49	
		\$ 62,675.03	

Debt Service

	Principal	\$ 7,500.00	
	Interest	\$ 500.00	
		\$ 8,000.00	

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TOTAL OPEN SPACE, RECREATION, FARMLAND & HISTORIC
PRESERVATION FUND APPROPRIATIONS

\$
70,675.03

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-49. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2022-50 AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION IN THE CAMDEN COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL CONTRACT FOR THE YEARS 2022 THROUGH 2024 WITH THE OPTION TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT FOR THE YEARS 2025 AND 2026

WHEREAS, Camden County has recently received bids for County departments and entities and participating municipalities for solid waste disposal for the years 2022 through 2024 with the options to extend the contract for each year of 2025 and 2026; and

WHEREAS, Berlin Township was not listed as one of the participating municipalities in the bid specifications but, now, desires to be part of the County contract if the annual unit prices are those, which were bid by Camden County Energy Recovery Associates LP (referred to as Covanta) for the tonnage tier of 125,000 to 175,000 tons (2022-\$86.00/ton, 2023-\$88.08/ton, 2024-\$90.20/ton, option year 2025-\$92.38/ton, and option year 2026-\$94.62/ton) or further reduced unit prices, if agreed upon by Camden County and Covanta; and

WHEREAS, the Camden County Cooperative Rules and Regulations allow for any municipality, which was not identified in the bid specifications, to participate in securing the benefits of the contract upon formal request to Camden County and the contracted vendor for solid waste disposal, under said contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council for the Township of Berlin, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey hereby requests that Camden County and Covanta allow Berlin Township to participate in and secure the benefits of the County bid for the years 2022 through 2024 with the option to extend the contract for each year of 2025 and 2026, if it is determined to be beneficial to extend the contract for each year of 2025 and 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Mayor and Council acknowledge that the Township will enter into a contract with Covanta, under the terms of the County bid specifications and award at the unit prices bid or those agreed upon by Camden County and Covanta and determined to be acceptable to the Mayor and Council.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that if the County does not award a contract for the years 2022 through 2025 with the option to extend for each year 2025 and 2026, the Township would continue to participate in the current County contract with Covanta for the one-year extension in 2022 at the unit price of \$86.47/ton, if extended by the County.

Motion by Council President Morris second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adopt resolution 2022-50. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, five members present voting in the affirmative.

Public Portion

Motion by Council President Morris, second by Councilman Epifanio to open the meeting to the public. Motion carried by voice vote, all present voting in favor. Mayor Magazzu opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments.

No comments were to be heard.

Motion by Council President Morris, second by Councilwoman Bodanza to close the meeting to the public. Motion carried by voice vote, all present voting in favor. Mayor Magazzu closed the meeting to the public for questions or comments.

Greetings and Statements

Mayor Magazzu

I remember last year, seems like yesterday, because days seem to run into each other, Infact, I think I am sitting in the same chair, saying I could not wait for 2020 to be over. Here we are, one year later, and not much has changed. But I am optimistic, this year, 2022 will be better!! It goes to show, that you cannot predict our future and life has no Guarantee. But one thing that I can guarantee for our town, it takes hard work for a town to succeed, and we will succeed because Berlin Township has the most important ingredient for success. We have each other. Not just on council, but our employees, volunteers, businesses and most important, our residents.

Well, if we are ready or not, 2022 is here, Whatever the new year has in store for us we are proud to report. that the township is prepared and on solid standing as we head into another year of uncertainty.

Our first responders, police, fire fighters, ambulance and Our Office of Emergency Management, didn't miss a beat either, all year, despite putting themselves in harm's way. We have hired several new officers that will join our already respected Berlin Township Police department. Thank you, Ron, for filling the position of officer in charge and leading these great men! Thank you all for your service.

We were very successful in 2021 in obtaining competitive grants for municipal projects. Governor Murphy's office had informed us several mounts ago, that

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we are receiving a grant from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation in local municipal aid for the reconstruction of Krumm Avenue. Receiving state funding from the NJDOT for reconstruction of a local roadways like Krumm Avenue, enables our municipality to save tax dollars for our citizens as well as enhance their welfare and standard of living. We have also received a Neighborhood Preservation Program grant. for the streetscape improvements along Haddon Avenue and a grant to outfit our officers with body cameras. Berlin Township is on the map!

As another unforgettable year came to a close, and we reflect on the hundreds of thousands of lives that were lost, as well as the many events. That did not happen or had to be drastically altered, the isolation that many people were forced to go through, and the countless gatherings that were cancelled, but through it all, I witnessed a lot of good things during this crazy chaos – and specifically, the fine people who rose to the occasion and made a difference in the lives of others.

To our doctors, nurses and all those in the medical field, who are on the front lines of this pandemic. We are grateful for their efforts.

If you have a child who is in the local school system, I am sure you will join me in thanking all of our Berlin Township and Overbrook teachers and administration, who faced unprecedented challenges while educating our kids in 2021. Children are our most precious resource, and a good education is a priceless gift. that they will carry with them always – thanks to their teachers.

I especially want to thank our municipal employees, who those too have not missed a beat during this pandemic, including those who keep us safe, who pick up our trash, who make sure that our town is in good working order, who ensure that justice is always served, who help keep the lines of communications open, and who continually remind others that Berlin Township is a great place to live, work and shop. In light of the pandemic Our employees quickly adapted to new protocols and have continuously worked to give our residents the services and commitment they deserve. Cathy, thank you for being my right hand during this time! Very much appreciated!! Alex, our new CFO, well I guess not new anymore, Alex thank you for doing such a great job! With your help, we were successful. in passing a budget last year with a “0” increase and hope to be able to be in that position this year! To all of our professionals, Stuart, Dan, Dave, Donna, Ryan, and many others, thank you for your guidance. through these difficult times!

My sincere thanks also goes to the members the Berlin Township Governing body, who clearly love this community and are always a pleasure to work with. Thank you, Chris, Marion, Frank and this year I am excited to work alongside our newest member of council Mark Reid

Finally, I am very thankful for all of the residents of Berlin Township. Thank you all for your patience and understanding when we had to cancel events and make other difficult decisions – all of which were done in the interest of public safety and your well-being.

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All of the people I just mentioned have proven that things can happen that seem almost impossible, that you have to look for the light at the end of the tunnel and that there is nothing we can't accomplish. if we work together. Thank you all!

Now that 2022 is finally here, and the better times we all hope and pray will come with it – including the continued success of the COVID-19 vaccine, and booster and an end to this pandemic – let's remember that this is not the time to let our guards down. With that in mind, I ask everyone to continue the good work we started earlier and renew our commitment to wearing face masks, practicing social distancing and avoiding crowds.

These are the best ways to make sure that we will have a much better year ahead, we can return to some form of normalcy in 2022, and we will be able to enjoy all of the events and activities that Berlin Township residents have learned to love and enjoy!

I also ask that we all keep the individuals who are not with their loved ones in our thoughts and prayers, the men and women of the United States military who are serving around the world. Let's never forget the sacrifices they continue to make for others.

I will continue to pray that 2022 will be a better year for us all. Please continue to support our local businesses.

I said this last year and we are still in the same position, usually, these are fun occasions and we get together after these meetings in the past we would get together to celebrate our Newley elected officials but in an effort to protect everyone, this will not happen again. But these are the sacrifices we all have taken to keep everybody safe and healthy, so from a distance and over the phone I am giving you all a hug and looking forward to another year of working hard for our residents.

Please know that you have my best wishes for a happy, healthy and safe 2022; remember that we are all one Berlin Township and together we will be stronger than ever.

From my family, to all of yours, happy new year!! Stay safe!! God bless you all! And may God Bless America!!

Council President Morris

Council President Morris commented that he concurs with the mayors' statements and wished everyone a safe and Happy New year!

Councilman Epifanio

Councilman Epifanio thanked and congratulated the Governing body for their support and looks forward to the coming year.

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Councilwoman Bodanza

Councilwoman Bodanza wished everyone a Happy New Year and looks forward to what 2022 will bring.

Councilman Reid

Councilman Reid stated that he is looking forward in working with everyone and thanked everyone on warmly welcoming him on the team. Councilman Reid commented God Bless you all.

Adjourn

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza, second by Councilman Epifanio to adjourn the meeting at 3:40 pm. Motion carried by voice vote, all members voting in the affirmative. Meeting adjourned 3:40 pm.

Catherine Underwood, RMC