

**MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
REORGANIZATION MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 2024
7:30 p.m.**

AGENDA TO THE EXTENT KNOWN

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

2. **NOTICE OF MEETING** – In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was provided on December 29, 2023 to the Courier News and the Star Ledger, posted on the municipal bulletin board, and filed with the Township Clerk.

3. **SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

4. **OATH OF OFFICE** - Committee Member, Patricia Taylor Todd

5. **OATH OF OFFICE** - Committee Member, Dennis Ahn

6. **ROLL CALL 2024 TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE** – Ahn (); Barragan (); Keenan (); Singh (); Taylor Todd ()

ALSO PRESENT – Rubinstein Quiroga (); Savron (); Fania ()

7. **ELECTION OF MAYOR FOR 2024**

Nomination of _____ by _____, seconded by _____

ROLL CALL VOTE:

| COMMITTEE MEMBER | YES | NO | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|------------------|-----|----|---------|--------|
| Ahn | | | | |
| Barragan | | | | |
| Keenan | | | | |
| Singh | | | | |
| Taylor Todd | | | | |

8. **OATH OF OFFICE** – **Mayor**

(MAYOR PRESIDES OVER THE MEETING)

9. **MAYOR'S REMARKS**

10. **ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR FOR 2024**

Nomination of _____ by _____, seconded by _____

ROLL CALL VOTE:

| COMMITTEE MEMBER | YES | NO | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|------------------|-----|----|---------|--------|
| Ahn | | | | |
| Barragan | | | | |
| Keenan | | | | |
| Singh | | | | |
| Taylor Todd | | | | |

11. **OATH OF OFFICE – Deputy Mayor**

12. **REMARKS – Deputy Mayor, Newly Elected Township Committee Members**

13. **RESOLUTION #24-1-01 – Authorizing 2024 Appointments**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey, that the following appointments shall be made for their respective terms, effective January 1, 2024, as listed:

One-year, expiring 12/31/2024

| | |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Township Attorney | Wendy Rubinstein Quiroga (Weiner Law) |
| Tax Litigation/Appeals Attorney | Wendy Rubinstein Quiroga (Weiner Law) |
| Labor Counsel | Gabrielle Canaie; Mark Tabakin (Weiner Law) |
| Special Projects/Conflict Counsel | Kevin VanHise (Mason, Griffin & Pierson) |
| Bond Counsel | Andrea Kahn (McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC) |
| Township Planners – Planning & Zoning | Michael Sullivan (Clarke Caton Hintz) |
| Auditor | Robert Swisher (Suplee, Clooney & Co.) |
| Communications Consultant | Fuerza Strategy Group |
| Landscape Architect | Richard Bartolone |
| Traffic Engineer | Joseph A. Fishinger, Jr. (Bright View Engineering, LLC) |
| Environmental Engineer s | James Cosgrove (One Water Consulting, LLC) |
| | Kleinfelder, Inc. |
| Consulting Engineers | Menlo Engineering, Inc. |
| | Environmental Resolutions, Inc. |
| | Princeton Hydro, LLC |
| | Melick-Tully Associates |
| | James Cosgrove (One Water Consulting, LLC) |
| | Kleinfelder, Inc. |
| Codifier of Township Ordinances | General Code |

13. **RESOLUTION #24-1-01 – Authorizing 2024 Appointments (CONT.)****One-year, expiring 12/31/2024**

| | |
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| Financial Advisors | Public Financial Management |
| | Phoenix Advisors |
| Appraisers | Bettina D. Scholk Appraisals, LLC |
| | Sockler Realty Services |
| | Mark Tinder |
| Surveyors | Jeff Baldwin (JT Surveying) |
| | Harris Surveying |
| Tax Map Official | Jeff Baldwin (JT Surveying) |
| Affordable Housing Administrative Agent | Community Grants, Planning & Housing |
| Township Physician (Medical Services) | Concentra Occupational Health |
| Health Benefits Consultant | Steve Weiner (Acriscure, LLC) |
| Municipal Housing Liaison | Lori Savron, Planning Director |
| Assessment Search Official | Lisa Fania, Township Clerk |
| Public Agency Compliance Officer | Michael Pitts, Chief Financial Officer |
| Tax Search Official | Michael Pitts, Chief Financial Officer |
| Flood Search Official | Mark Herrmann, Township Engineer |
| Conservation Easement Officer | Joe Samec, Township Zoning Officer |
| Fire Marshal | Roy Mondì |
| Fire Protection Inspector | Roy Mondì |
| Fire Prevention Inspector | Roy Mondì |
| | Brett Colavito |
| | Ryan Pinella |
| Clean Communities Coordinator | Arthur Villano, Superintendent Public Works |
| Recycling Coordinator | Arthur Villano, Superintendent Public Works |
| Americans with Disabilities Compliance Coordinator | Lori Savron, Township Administrator |
| Affirmative Action Compliance Official | Lori Savron, Township Administrator |
| Risk Management Consultant | Steve Weiner (Acriscure, LLC) |
| Municipal Court (concurrent with Hillsborough): | |
| Primary Prosecutor | Christopher Bateman |
| DUI Special Prosecutor | Joseph Tauriello |
| Public Defender | Pete Cipparulo, III |
| DUI/Alternate Public Defender | Scott C. Mitzner |
| Alternate Prosecutors | Rachel Campbell |
| | Brian Davis |
| | Dominic DiYanni |
| | John Donnadio |
| | Philip George |
| | Kevin Hewitt |

BOARD OF FIRE PREVENTION (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Kevin Schroeck, Representative, Chief, Fire Co. #1
Adam Verducci, Representative, Chief, Fire Co. #2
Lori Savron, Township Administrator
VACANT, Fire Commissioner, Fire Co. #1
Animesh Mozumdar, Fire Commissioner, Fire Co. #2
VACANT, Business Representative

13. RESOLUTION #24-1-01 – Authorizing 2024 Appointments (CONT.)**BOARD OF HEALTH**

| | <u>Term</u> | <u>Expiration</u> |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Christine Newman, Regular Member | 3 yr. | 12/31/2026 |
| Janani Mohan, Alternate II | 2 yr. | 12/31/2025 |

BOARD OF IMPROVEMENT ASSESSORS (Two-year, expiring 12/31/2025)

Marilyn Blazovsky, Regular Member
 Srinivas Diddi, Regular Member (unexpired term to 12/31/2024)
 VACANT, Regular Member

CENTRAL JERSEY INSURANCE FUND (Three-year, expiring 12/31/2026)

Lori Savron, Commissioner
 Tamarah Novak, Alternate

LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Township Mayor
 Sean Devlin, OEM Representative
 Silvio Bet, Police Director/Captain
 Kevin Schroeck, Chief, Fire Co., #1
 Adam Verducci, Chief, Fire Co., #2
 Siddharth Saran, EMS President
 Louis Dundi, EMS Captain
 Christopher Lalicato, Township Director of Wastewater Operations
 John A. Ferrara, Township IT Director
 Devangi Patel, Township Health Officer, Staff Liaison
 Kiele Cruse, Township Health Outreach Coordinator, DAFN Individuals
 John Groeger, Township Recreation Director
 Arthur Villano, Township Public Works Superintendent
 Jeff Birkland, Township Public Works
 Chris Butler, OEM Coordinator, Rocky Hill Representative
 Facilities Director, Stonebridge at Montgomery
 Pastor, Evangelical Church
 Mary McLoughlin, Superintendent, Montgomery Township Board of Education
 Representative, Volunteer Groups
 James Danner, Montgomery Business Association Representative, Local Businesses

INCLUSION & EQUITY COMMITTEE

| | <u>Term</u> | <u>Expiration</u> |
|---|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Nancy Herrington, Regular Member | 3 yr. | 12/31/2026 |
| Sarah Roberts, Regular Member | 3 yr. | 12/31/2026 |
| Patricia Taylor Todd, Twp. Committee Member | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |

13. RESOLUTION #24-1-01 – Authorizing 2024 Appointments (CONT.)**JOINT INSURANCE FUND (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)**

Michael Pitts, Fund Commissioner
 Tamarah Novak, Alternate Fund Commissioner
 Lori Savron, Special Fund Commissioner
 Laura Pavan, Safety Delegate
 VACANT, Alternate Safety Delegate

LICENSE APPEALS BOARD (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Srinivas Diddi, Regular Member
 Richard Karsay, Regular Member
 Richard Kennedy, Regular Member

MILLSTONE VALLEY SCENIC BYWAY (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Chery Chrusz, Assistant Planning Director
 Lori Savron, Township Administrator
 Lauren Wasilauski, Open Space and Stewardship Director

MONTGOMERY/ROCKY HILL MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE & YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Kharan Narayanan, Citizen-at-large
 Christine Newman, Citizen-at-large
 Lori Huff, Citizen-at-large
 Lisa Shapiro, Citizen-at-large
 VACANT, Citizen-at-large
 VACANT, Citizen-at-large
 VACANT, Citizen-at-large
 Christine Grossman, Montgomery High School
 Stefanie Lachenauer, Montgomery Upper Middle School
 Corie Gaylord, Montgomery School District
 VACANT, Representative, Board of Education
 Ellen Robbins, Local Civic Organization
 Silvio Bet, Captain/Police Director, Police Department Liaison
 Tom Frascella, Lieutenant, Police Department Liaison
 VACANT, Health Department Representative, Coordinator

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

| | <u>Term</u> | <u>Expiration</u> |
|--|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Michelle Baker, Regular Member | 4 yr. | 12/31/2027 |
| Sarah Roberts (Planning Board Appt.) | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |
| Susann Brown, (Environmental Commission Appt.) | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |
| VACANT, Board of Education Appt. | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |
| Kent Huang, Recreation Committee Appt. | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |
| Reed Chapman, Montgomery Friends of Open Space Liaison | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |
| VACANT, D&R Canal Commission Rep. | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |
| James Amon, D&R Greenway Rep. | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |

13. **RESOLUTION #24-1-01 – Authorizing 2024 Appointments (CONT.)****OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE (CONT.)**

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------|------------|
| Vince Barragan, Twp. Committee Member | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |
|---------------------------------------|-------|------------|

PLANNING BOARD

| | <u>Term</u> | <u>Expiration</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Devra Keenan, Class III Member | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|
| Paul Blodgett, Regular Member | 4 yr. | 12/31/2027 |
| Avinash Singh, Regular Member | 4 yr. | 12/31/2027 |
| Eileen Bruns, Alternate I, Member | 2 yr. | 12/31/2025 |
| Michael Urbanski, Alternate II | 2 yr. | 12/31/2024 (unexpired term) |
| Shree Shah, Alternate III | 2 yr. | 12/31/2025 |

RARITAN & MILLSTONE RIVERS FLOOD CONTROL COMMISSION (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Neena Singh, Township Committee Member
 Michael Urbanski, Alternate I Member
 Paul Blodgett, Alternate II Member

RECREATION COMMITTEE

| | <u>Term</u> | <u>Expiration</u> |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Danni Zhao, Regular Member | 3 yr. | 12/31/2024 (unexpired term) |
| Douglas Herring, Regular Member | 3 yr. | 12/31/2024 (unexpired term) |
| Kent Huang, Regular Member | 3 yr. | 12/31/2026 |

SEWER COMMITTEE (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Mayor
 Dave Campeas, Planning Board Chair
 Jeremy Grayson, Board of Health President
 Mary Reece, Environmental Commission, Chair
 Vince Barragan, Township Committee Member
 Lori Savron, Township Administrator
 Wendy Rubinstein Quiroga, Township Attorney
 Mark Herrmann, Township Engineer
 Arthur Villano, Superintendent Public Works
 Christopher Lalicato, Director of Wastewater Operations

13. **RESOLUTION #24-1-01 – Authorizing 2024 Appointments (CONT.)**

SHADE TREE COMMITTEE (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Larry Koplik, Regular Member
Judy Colburn, Regular Member
Irene Stein, Regular Member
John Waltz, Regular Member
Kristina Feja, Regular Member
Sandra Richter, Regular Member
Taraja Amoako-Poku, Regular Member

SUSTAINABLE MONTGOMERY’S GREEN TEAM (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Susann Brown, Regular Member
Mary Reece, Regular Member
Greg Kaganowicz, Regular Member
Sarah Roberts, Regular Member
Yasmin Reyes, Regular Member
Frank Derby, Regular Member
Michelle Jacob, Regular Member
Kathy Lynch, Alternate I
Ratna Revankar, Alternate II

VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

| | <u>Term</u> | <u>Expiration</u> |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Subhash Durga, Regular Member | 3 yr. | 12/31/2026 |
| Dale Weingart, Regular Member | 3 yr. | 12/31/2026 |

LIAISONS/REPRESENTATIVES (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Somerset County Solid Waste Advisory Council
Donald Matthews

Somerset County Municipal Wastewater Management Planning Council
Neena Singh, Elected Official

Somerset County Community Development Committee
Chery Chrusz, Assistant Planning Director, Regular Member
Ellen Robbins, Alternate Member

MOTION to adopt Resolution #24-1-01 _____, second _____

13. **RESOLUTION #24-1-01 – Authorizing 2024 Appointments (CONT.)**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

| COMMITTEE MEMBER | YES | NO | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|------------------|-----|----|---------|--------|
| Ahn | | | | |
| Keenan | | | | |
| Taylor Todd | | | | |
| Barragan | | | | |
| Singh | | | | |

14. **RESOLUTION #24-1-02 – 2024 Mayoral Appointments**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey, that the following appointments shall be made for their respective terms effective January 1, 2024:

BOARD OF HEALTH

| | Term | Expiration |
|-----------------------------|-------|------------|
| Bert Mandelbaum, MD Advisor | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |

CENTRAL JERSEY TRANSPORTATION FORUM (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Mark Herrmann, Township Engineer, Representative
Lori Savron, Township Administrator, Alternate
Mayor, Alternate

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

| | Term | Expiration |
|---------------------------------|-------|------------|
| Greg Kaganowicz, Regular Member | 3 yr. | 12/31/2026 |
| Yasmim Reyes, Regular Member | 3 yr. | 12/31/2026 |
| Kathy Lynch, Alternate I Member | 2 yr. | 12/31/2025 |
| Brian Zinn, Advisory | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |

INCLUSION & EQUITY COMMITTEE (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Jeff Knol, Advisor

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

| | Term | Expiration |
|-------------------------------------|-------|------------|
| Emad Abou-Sabe, Class A Member | 4 yr. | 12/31/2027 |
| Bruce Daniels, Alternate I Member | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |
| Runette Parker, Alternate II Member | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |

14. **RESOLUTION #24-1-02 – 2024 Mayoral Appointments (CONT.)**

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COUNCIL (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Mayor

Emergency Management, Officer Sean Devlin, OEM Coordinator

Law Enforcement, Silvio Bet, Captain/Police Director

Fire Services, Kevin Schroeck, Chief, Fire Co. #1

Fire Services, Adam Verducci, Chief, Fire Co. #2

VACANT, Fire Services, Fire Commissioner, Fire Co. #1

Fire Services, Animesh Mozumdar, Fire Commissioner, Fire Co. #2

Emergency Medical Services (EMS), Siddharth Saran, EMS President

Emergency Medical Services (EMS), Louis Dundi, EMS Captain

Health, Devangi Patel, Health Officer, Staff Liaison

Local Transportation, Montgomery Township Board of Education, Dwayne Wahington-Velazquez

VACANT, Local Environmental, Township Environmental Health Specialist

Hospital, RWJ Somerset

Local Media, Barbara Preston, Montgomery News

VACANT, Community Groups

Facility Representative, Vinny Greene, Bloomberg, LC

Local Business, Montgomery Business Association Representative, James Danner

PLANNING BOARD

| | Term | Expiration |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Class I, Mayor | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |
| Class II, Paul Blodgett | 1 yr. | 12/31/2024 |
| Class IV, Aruni Mani | 4 yr. | 12/31/2027 |
| Alternate II, Ibad Khan | 2 yr. | 12/31/2025 |

RECREATION COMMITTEE (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Matt Rosenthal, Advisor

SHADE TREE COMMITTEE (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Ewa Zak, Advisor

Sarah Roberts, Advisor

Eileen Forti, Advisor

Judy Dexter, Advisor

Amy Rosenthal, Advisor

Ed Heebner, Advisor

Philip Adams, Advisor

Ed Trzaska, Advisor

VETERANS MEMORIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Mike Maloney, Advisor

Simon Clark, Advisor

Peter Rayner, Advisor

Harel Rosen, MD, Advisor

14. **RESOLUTION #24-1-02 – 2024 Mayoral Appointments (CONT.)**

LIAISONS/REPRESENTATIVES (One-year, expiring 12/31/2024)

Somerset County Community Development Committee
Mayor, Regular Member
Lori Savron, Township Administrator, Alternate

Delaware & Raritan Canal Commission
Rikki Massand

Somerset County Solid Waste Advisory Council
Neena Singh, Elected Official

Somerset County Cultural & Heritage Committee
Rikki Massand

MOTION to adopt Resolution #24-1-02 _____, second _____

ROLL CALL VOTE:

| COMMITTEE MEMBER | YES | NO | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|------------------|-----|----|---------|--------|
| Ahn | | | | |
| Keenan | | | | |
| Taylor Todd | | | | |
| Barragan | | | | |
| Singh | | | | |

15. **RESOLUTION #24-1-03 – 2024 Mayoral Appointments with Township Committee Consent**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor with consent of the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey, that the following appointments shall be made for their respective terms, effective January 1, 2024, as listed:

AGRICULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Three-year, expiring 12/31/2026)

Marie Voorhees, Regular Member
Penny Pariso, Regular Member

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (Three-year, expiring 12/31/2026)

Arjun Singh, Regular Member
Diana Andes, Regular Member (unexpired term to 12/31/2025)
Aron Kruse , Regular Member (unexpired term to 12/31/2025)

MOTION to adopt Resolution #24-1-03 _____, second _____

15. **RESOLUTION #24-1-03 – 2024 Mayoral Appointments with Township Committee Consent (CONT.)****ROLL CALL VOTE:**

| COMMITTEE MEMBER | YES | NO | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|------------------|-----|----|---------|--------|
| Ahn | | | | |
| Keenan | | | | |
| Taylor Todd | | | | |
| Barragan | | | | |
| Singh | | | | |

16. **RESOLUTION #24-1-04 – 2024 Township Committee Liaisons to Boards and Committees**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor with consent of the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey, that Township Committee liaisons to boards and committees shall be as follows effective January 1, 2024:

Agriculture Advisory Board
Board of Fire Prevention
Board of Health
Budget & Finance Committee

Economic Development Committee
Local Emergency Management Council
Environmental Commission/Sustainable Montgomery's Green Team
Inclusion & Equity Committee
Landmarks Preservation Commission
Montgomery/Rocky Hill Municipal Alliance/Youth Services
Municipal Center Green Initiative Advisory Committee
Open Space Committee
Pedestrian Safety & Mobility Committee
Recreation Committee
Shade Tree Committee
Somerset County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Committee
Transportation Advisory Committee
Veterans Memorial Advisory Committee
Wildlife Management Committee
Youth Leadership Council
Zoning Board of Adjustment

Dennis Ahn
Neena Singh
Dennis Ahn
Neena Singh
Vince Barragan
Dennis Ahn
Neena Singh
Devra Keenan
Patricia Taylor Todd
Patricia Taylor Todd
Patricia Taylor Todd
Neena Singh
Vince Barragan
Neena Singh
Neena Singh
Vince Barragan
Neena Singh
Neena Singh
Vince Barragan
Devra Keenan
Neena Singh
Neena Singh

MOTION to adopt Resolution #24-1-04 _____, second _____

16. **RESOLUTION #24-1-04 – 2024 Township Committee Liaisons to Boards and Committees (CONT.)**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

| COMMITTEE MEMBER | YES | NO | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|------------------|-----|----|---------|--------|
| Ahn | | | | |
| Keenan | | | | |
| Taylor Todd | | | | |
| Barragan | | | | |
| Singh | | | | |

17. **RESOLUTION #24-1-05 – 2024 Appointment – Appropriate Authority**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor or the Mayor’s designee from the membership of the Township Committee, and Deputy Mayor are appointed as the Appropriate Authority; and Committee Member Taylor Todd is appointed as Alternate.

MOTION to adopt Resolution #24-1-05 _____, second _____

ROLL CALL VOTE:

| COMMITTEE MEMBER | YES | NO | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|------------------|-----|----|---------|--------|
| Ahn | | | | |
| Keenan | | | | |
| Taylor Todd | | | | |
| Barragan | | | | |
| Singh | | | | |

18. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – Members of the public wishing to address the Township Committee on matters pertaining to the Township will be limited to three minutes per person. If comments are similar to those already stated, please indicate your support or opposition. Groups are asked to select a spokesperson.

19. **CONSENT AGENDA** – All matters listed on the consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

A. **RESOLUTION #24-1-06 – Designating Official Depositories**

BE IT RESOLVED that the depositories for the funds of the Township of Montgomery for the year 2024 shall be any bank licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey and who holds a Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act Certificate.

19. **CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)**

B. **RESOLUTION #24-1-07 – Designating Officials Authorized to Sign Checks**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township officers authorized to sign Township checks are the Township Mayor; Chief Financial Officer and Township Clerk.

C. **RESOLUTION #24-1-08 – Authorizing Assistant Chief Financial Officer to Sign Checks**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Assistant Chief Financial Officer, Olu Ochei, is hereby authorized to sign Township checks in 2024 in the absence of the Chief Financial Officer.

D. **RESOLUTION #24-1-09 – Authorizing Deputy Mayor and Deputy Township Clerk Signatures**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Deputy Mayor is hereby authorized to sign Township checks in 2024 in the absence of or inability of the Mayor to serve and that the Deputy Township Clerk is authorized to sign Township checks in the year 2024 in the absence of or inability of the Township Clerk to serve.

E. **RESOLUTION #24-1-10 – Authorization to Establish Interest on Tax Delinquencies and Tax Sales**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-67 permits the Township Committee to establish by resolution the rate of interest to be charged for the non-payment of taxes or assessments on any installment which is not made within the tenth calendar day following the date upon which same became due and payable; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 75, P.L. 1991, now permits the Township Committee to establish a penalty to be charged to a taxpayer with a delinquency in excess of \$10,000.00 who fails to pay that delinquency prior to the end of the calendar year; and

WHEREAS, The Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey, finds it to be in the best interests of the Township to establish said penalty.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey as follows:

1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-67, the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery reaffirms that the following interest shall be charged for the non-payment of taxes or assessments on any installment which is not made within the tenth calendar day following the date upon which same became payable: 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency and 18% per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00, to be calculated from the date the tax was payable until the date of actual payment. The term “delinquent” as used herein shall mean the sum of all taxes and municipal charges due on a given parcel of property covering any number of quarters or years.

2. In addition, the Township Committee hereby fixes as a penalty to be charged to a taxpayer with a delinquency in excess of \$10,000.00 who fails to pay that delinquency prior to the end of the calendar year an additional sum of 6% of the amount of the delinquency.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be furnished by the Township Clerk to the Tax Collector.

19. **CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)**F. **RESOLUTION #24-1-11 – Authorizing Grace Period for Delinquent Taxes**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to waive the interest charge on delinquent taxes where payment is received within 10 days after the due date and that any installment received after the expiration of this grace period bear interest from the due date.

G. **RESOLUTION #24-1-12 - Authorizing a Fee for Mailing Tax Sale Notices**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-19.1 authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations promulgated by the Director of the Division of Government Services; and

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations allow a municipality to send two (2) notices of tax sale to all properties included in said sale; and

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations allow said municipality to charge a fee up to \$25.00 per notice for the creation, printing and mailing of said notice, and

WHEREAS, in effort to more fairly assign greater fiscal responsibility to the delinquent taxpayers, the Township of Montgomery wishes to charge \$25.00 per notice mailed which will be assessed specifically to the delinquent accounts that are causing the need for a tax sale and not to the general tax base.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey, that a fee of \$25.00 is to be established and is hereby authorized and directed to be charged for each notice of tax sale that is sent in conjunction with the 2024 electronic tax sale.

H. **RESOLUTION #24-1-13 – Designating Official Newspapers**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Courier News and the Star Ledger are hereby designated as the official newspapers of the Township of Montgomery for the year 2024.

I. **RESOLUTION #24-1-14 – Authorizing Fixed Charge for Meeting Notice**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey as follows:

- (1) A charge of \$12.00 is hereby fixed to cover the cost of providing the 2024 schedule of regular meetings.
- (2) Said charge shall abate at the rate of \$1.00 for each full calendar month that shall have elapsed between the calendar year and the date such request is submitted.
- (3) Payment of such charge shall accompany said request and shall be payable to this body or such public agency as this body shall from time to time designate.
- (4) All such requests for notices shall terminate as of midnight on December 31, 2024.

19. **CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)**

- (5) Notwithstanding the foregoing, requests from news media (other than the newspapers to which notice is required to be given without charge pursuant to Sections 13, 4a and 3d of the Open Public Meetings Act) shall be honored free of charge.

J. **RESOLUTION #24-1-15 – Establishing Township Committee Meeting Dates for 2024**

WHEREAS, Section 13 of the Open Public Meetings Act requires the posting of annual meetings together with notification of said meetings to the official newspapers of the Township; and submission of the same to those persons requesting copies of said notice; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery desires to set forth a schedule of public meetings for the year 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Township Committee shall hold Regular Session meetings at 7:00 p.m. at the Montgomery Township Municipal Building, 100 Community Drive, Skillman, NJ on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month, except as otherwise indicated in the schedule below.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the meeting dates are as follows:

| | | | |
|----------|----------------------------|-----------|----|
| January | 4 (Reorganization Meeting) | | |
| January | 18 | July | 18 |
| February | 1 | August | 1 |
| February | 15 | August | 15 |
| March | 7 | September | 5 |
| March | 21 | September | 19 |
| April | 4 | October | 10 |
| April | 18 | October | 24 |
| May | 2 | November | 14 |
| May | 16 | December | 5 |
| June | 6 | December | 19 |
| June | 20 | | |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be posted and maintained posted throughout the year 2024 in accordance with state statutes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the official newspapers of the Township.

K. **RESOLUTION #24-1-16 – Authorizing State Contract Purchasing**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Purchasing Agent be authorized to purchase goods and services from firms having contracts with the State of New Jersey, and that a list of said firms be kept on file in the Purchasing Department and the contract numbers be listed on the appropriate Township vouchers for reference purposes.

19. **CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)**

L. **RESOLUTION #24-1-17 - Authorizing Issuance of Social Affairs Permits**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Clerk and Police Captain/Director or designee are hereby authorized to endorse applications for Social Affairs Permits to the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, said applications to be in conformance with N.J.A.C. 13:2-5.1(d).

M. **RESOLUTION #24-1-18 – Provisions for Making of Official Certificates of Searches as to Municipal Improvements Authorized but not Assessed**

BE IT RESOLVED that provision is hereby made for the making of official certificates of searches as to municipal improvements authorized by ordinance of the Township of Montgomery, but not assessed, affecting any parcel or tract of land in said Township in that a future assessment will be made thereon pursuant to such ordinance; and further, the Township Clerk is hereby designated as the person who shall make such certificates.

N. **RESOLUTION #24-1-19 – Designation of Official to Make Searches as to Unpaid Municipal Liens and to Certify the Results Thereof**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby designated to make examinations of official records as to unpaid municipal liens and to certify the results thereof.

O. **RESOLUTION #24-1-20 – Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Issue Notes**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Montgomery is hereby authorized to sell and issue Bond Anticipation Notes of the Township pursuant to all bond ordinances that have been finally adopted by the Township Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all Bond Anticipation Notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer, provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to such ordinances, and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8(s). The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the dates 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 delivery of the notes pursuant to such ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

19. CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)**P. RESOLUTION #24-1-21 – Authorizing the Signing of Certain Checks in the Absence of Township Committee Authorization**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey, as follows:

The Mayor, Chief Financial Officer and Township Clerk of the Township of Montgomery are hereby authorized to sign, in the absence of Township Committee authorization, checks from current funds for payroll and payment to the Central Jersey Health Insurance Fund, as needed. In addition, such officials are hereby authorized to sign, as needed, checks from the Dog Tax Fund payable to the State of New Jersey, Department of Health, in accordance with the Statutes of the State of New Jersey and regulations thereunder. The Chief Financial Officer shall, forthwith, prepare vouchers in support of such checks and shall present the same to the Township Administrator for inclusion on the agenda of the next regularly scheduled Township Committee meeting for the consideration and approval of the Township Committee.

Q. RESOLUTION #24-1-22 – Pledging Compliance with Requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 in Order to Preserve Tax Exemption of Interest on Municipal Obligations and Authorizing Designation and Qualification on Bonds Where Applicable for Favorable Tax Treatment for Certain Financial Institutions

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. The Township hereby covenants that the representatives of the Township will take or will refrain from taking all actions within their control that are necessary upon the advice of Bond Counsel to assure that interest on the obligations of the Township is exempt from federal income taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

Section 2. The Chief Financial Officer of the Township is hereby authorized to execute any necessary documents to indicate that the Township has covenanted to take all actions necessary to assure that interest on the obligations of the Township will be exempt from federal income taxation.

Section 3. The appropriate representatives of the Township are hereby authorized to take all necessary actions to assure that interest on the obligations of the Township will remain exempt from federal income taxation.

Section 4. The Chief Financial Officer of the Township is authorized to execute the necessary documents on behalf of the Township to designate and to qualify municipal obligations of the Township where applicable for exemption from the loss of the interest expense deduction for bank indebtedness incurred to purchase or to carry tax-exempt obligations.

Section 5. This resolution will take effect immediately.

19. **CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)**R. **RESOLUTION #24-1-23 – Providing Certain Authorization to the Township’s Tax Assessor (Settlement of Appeals; Commencement of Appeals)**

WHEREAS, Glenn Stives, the Township’s Tax Assessor, is a Certified Tax Assessor (CTA) as recognized by the State of New Jersey, and possesses certain training and experience as municipal tax assessor; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has the statutory responsibility under N.J.S.A. 54:4-23 to 4-36 to set assessments for properties in the Township, and to maintain the accuracy and equality of the Township’s real property assessments; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of the Township to provide the Tax Assessor and Tax Appeal Counsel with certain authority to address and resolve tax appeals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey as follows:

1. The Tax Assessor and Tax Appeal Counsel be and hereby is authorized to resolve and settle any tax appeal filed with and/or heard by the Somerset County Tax Board without further action of the Township Committee.
2. The Tax Assessor and Tax Appeal Counsel be and hereby is authorized to determine when tax appeals, cross appeals, complaints and counterclaims should be pursued on behalf of the Township, and accordingly has the authority to consult with and direct the Township’s Attorney, or any special tax counsel as the case may be, to file such pleadings with either the County Tax Board or the Tax Court, without further action of the Township Committee.
3. The Tax Assessor and Tax Appeal Counsel be and hereby is authorized to resolve and settle tax appeals pending before the New Jersey Tax Court. The Tax Assessor shall first present any proposed settlement of a New Jersey Tax Court appeal, which will result in a refund, or credit, of real property taxes to the Township Committee for approval by formal resolution.

S. **RESOLUTION #24-1-24 – Authorization to Issue Duplicate Tax Sale Certificates**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:5-52.1, the Tax Collector is authorized to issue duplicate tax sale certificates in the event of loss or destruction of the original certificate, the fee for issuance of each duplicate being \$100.00.

T. **RESOLUTION #24-1-25 – Authorizing the Tax Collector to Process Property Tax Refunds in Amounts Less Than \$10**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17.1 authorizes a municipality to designate a municipal employee to process property tax refunds in amounts less than \$10.00, and further authorizes a municipality to designate an employee to cancel property tax refunds or delinquencies of less than \$10.00.

19. CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey, that Michael Pitts, Tax Collector, is herewith authorized to (a) process, without further action by the Township Committee, any property tax refunds in amounts less than \$10.00 and (b) process without further action by the Township Committee, the cancellation of any property tax refunds or delinquencies in amounts less than \$10.00.

U. RESOLUTION #24-1-26 – Adopting a Cash Management Plan for the Township of Montgomery for the Year 2024

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey Local Fiscal Affairs Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:5, et seq. requires that municipalities adopt a Cash Management Plan which is designed to assure, to the extent practical, investment of local funds in interest bearing accounts and other permitted investments; and

WHEREAS, the Cash Management Plan must include:

1. The designation of a public deposit or depositories;
2. The authorization for investments as permitted by various applicable laws;
3. The annual submission of the Cash Management Plan to the governing body, which must be approved by a majority vote; and
4. That when an investment is in bonds which mature in more than one year, a determination that the maturity approximates the prospective time when such funds are needed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey that the attached Cash Management Plan is hereby adopted for the year 2024.

V. RESOLUTION #24-1-27– Appointing Public Agency Compliance Officer (PACO) Pursuant To Public Law 1975, Chapter 127

WHEREAS, New Jersey Public Law 1975, Chapter 127, Section 1, et seq., requires that a municipality annually designate an officer or employee as the Public Agency Compliance Officer (PACO) in accordance with the aforesaid Statute to facilitate the implementation and compliance with the Affirmative Action requirements of the State of New Jersey.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey that Michael Pitts be and is hereby appointed as the Public Agency Compliance Officer for the Township of Montgomery for the calendar year 2024 and that a certified copy of this Resolution be filed with the New Jersey Department of Treasury, Division of Contract Compliance and Equal Opportunity Office.

W. RESOLUTION #24-1-28 – Authorizing Execution of an Agreement to Contract for Copy and Print Services with the County of Somerset, New Jersey

19. **CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)**

WHEREAS, various Somerset County municipalities are desirous of contracting for copy and print services; and

WHEREAS, the County of Somerset is desirous of providing copy and print services to various municipalities in accordance with the terms of agreements, copies of which are on file with the Township Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act (N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq.) authorizes and empowers the County of Somerset and various municipalities to enter into such agreements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey hereby authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute agreements, as prepared by County Counsel and on file with the Township Clerk, to contract for the copy and print services to Montgomery Township as described in said agreements, during the calendar year January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

X. **RESOLUTION #24-1-29 – To not Require Claimant Certifications Except for the Advance or Reimbursement of Employee Expenses or for Services Provided Exclusively and Entirely by an Individual**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-16 requires that the governing body of a local unit shall not pay out of its monies unless:

- (a) The person claiming or receiving payment first presents a detailed bill of items or demand, specifying particularly how the bill or demand is made up (the Invoice), with the certification of the party claiming payment that the bill or demand is correct (the Claimant Certification).
- (b) The payment carries a written or electronic certification of some officer or duly designated employee of the local unit having knowledge of the facts that the goods have been received by, or the services rendered to, the local unit (certification receiving report of the user department); and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-9A.6 and N.J.A.C. 5:31-4.1 allow greater flexibility for local units and authorities for enacting standard policies by resolution regarding claimant or vendor certifications as set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:5- J 6; and

WHEREAS, a claimant or vendor certification is a "wet" signature for the party claiming that the demand for payment is correct; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer and the Purchasing Agent have determined that a claimant certification will no longer be required except for the advance or reimbursement of employee expenses, or for services provided exclusively and entirely by an individual (e.g., sole proprietors); and

19. CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)

WHEREAS, eliminating the requirement for a claimant certification reduces the steps in making payments to vendors and will greatly expedite the process for paying vendors; and

WHEREAS, upon the approval of this resolution the Chief Financial Officer will communicate internal accounting controls as set forth below and has determined same to be sufficient to avoid errors and fraud in the processing of claims for payment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey that the following internal accounting controls presented by the Chief Financial Officer are adopted as Township policy for the Payment of Claims:

1. All procurement transactions must originate by way of a requisition in the Township financial system. Requisitions will not be processed without an approval of the Department Director or a designee approved by the Department Director; and
2. Prior to claims for payment being submitted, invoices must be reviewed by the Department Director or designee to verify that the work was performed or the goods received as authorized and that the prices are consistent with original proposals; and
3. Submitted claims for payment (e.g., Purchase Order, Partial Payment Voucher, NC Voucher) must have a detailed invoice attached and be signed by the person responsible who has direct knowledge that the work was performed or goods received as well as by the Department Director.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-9A.6 and N.J.A.C. 5:3.1-4.1, the Township of Montgomery exercises its discretion to not require claimant certifications except for the advance or reimbursement of employee expenses or for services provided exclusively and entirely by an individual (e.g., sole proprietors).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution is effective upon its adoption for all claims to be paid.

Y. RESOLUTION #24-1-30 – To Authorize and Direct the Tax Collector to Conduct an Electronic Tax Sale

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-19.1 et seq. permits municipalities to conduct electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations promulgated by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

WHEREAS, the rule thus promulgated requires a municipality to authorize said electronic tax sale by resolution of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, an electronic tax sale is innovative and provides a greater pool of potential lien buyers, thus creating the environment for a more effective tax sale process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey hereby authorizes and directs the Tax Collector to conduct an electronic tax sale.

19. CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)**Z. RESOLUTION #24-1-31 - Authorizing the Township of Montgomery Through the Township of Montgomery Police Department to Participate in the Defense Logistics, Agency Law Enforcement Support Office, 1033 Program to Enable the Police Department to Request and Acquire Excess Department of Defense Equipment**

WHEREAS, the United States Congress authorized the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) 1033 Program to make use of excess Department of Defense personal property by making that personal property available to municipal, county and State law enforcement agencies (LEAs); and

WHEREAS, DLA rules mandate that all equipment acquired through the 1033 Program remain under the control of the requesting LEA; and

WHEREAS, participation in the 1033 Program allows municipal and county LEAS to obtain property they might not otherwise be able to afford in order to enhance community preparedness, response, and resiliency; and

WHEREAS, although property is provided through the 1033 Program at no cost to municipal and county LEAs, these entities are responsible for the costs associated with delivery, maintenance, fueling, and upkeep of the property, and for specialized training on the operation of any acquired property; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-30.2 requires that the governing body of the municipality or county approve, by a majority of the full membership, both enrollment in, and the acquisition of any property, through the 1033 Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey that the Montgomery Township Police Department is hereby authorized to enroll in the 1033 Program for no more than a one-year period, with authorization to participate from January 1, 2024 and terminating December 31, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township of Montgomery Police Department is hereby authorized to acquire items of non-controlled property designated “DEMIL A” which may include office supplies, office furniture, computers, electronic equipment, generators, field packs, non-military vehicles, clothing, traffic and transit signal systems, exercise equipment, farming and moving equipment, storage devices and containers, tools, medical and first aid equipment and supplies, personal protection equipment and supplies, construction materials, lighting supplies, beds and sleeping mats, wet and cold weather equipment and supplies, respirators, binoculars, and any other supplies or equipment of non-military nature identified by the LEA, if it shall become available in the period of time for which this resolution authorizes based on the needs of the Montgomery Township Police Department without restriction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Montgomery Township Police Department is hereby authorized to acquire the following “DEMIL B through Q” property, listed in the unredacted portion of the DEMIL inventory sheet, if it shall become available in the period of time for which this resolution authorizes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Montgomery Township Police Department shall develop and implement a full training plan and policy for the maintenance and use of the acquired property.

19. **CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Montgomery Township Police Department shall provide a quarterly accounting of all property obtained through the 1033 Program which shall be available to the public upon request.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately and shall be valid to authorize requests to acquire “DEMIL A” property and “DEMIL B through Q” property that may be made available through the 1033 Program during the period of time for which this resolution authorizes; with Program participation and all property request authorization effective January 1, 2024 and terminating December 31, 2024.

AA. **RESOLUTION #24-1-32 - Authorizing Refund of Overpaid 2017 Taxes (Block 7033, Lot 10)**

BE IT RESOLVED that a refund in the amount of \$7,952.39 be given to First American Title Insurance Company, 1111 Superior Avenue, Suite 5, Cleveland, OH, 44114 for the overpayment of 2017 taxes on Block 7033, Lot 10.

BB. **RESOLUTION #24-1-33 - Authorizing Refund of Overpaid 2016 Taxes (Block 34001, Lot 51)**

BE IT RESOLVED that a refund in the amount of \$1,636.08 be given to Title Evolution, LLC, 230 Farnsworth Avenue, Bordentown, NJ 08505 for the overpayment of 2016 taxes on Block 34001, Lot 51.

CC. **RESOLUTION #24-1-34 - Authorizing Refund of Overpaid 2023 Sewer Fees (Block 30002, Lot 89)**

BE IT RESOLVED that a refund in the amount of \$3,723.07 be given to Wells Fargo Real Estate Tax Services, Cash MAC X230-02-04D, P.O. Box 1405, Des Moines, IA 50306-9395 for the overpayment of 2023 sewer fees on Block 30002, Lot 89.

DD. **RESOLUTION #24-1-35 - Authorizing Refund of Overpaid 2019 Taxes (Block 7017, Lot 3)**

BE IT RESOLVED that a refund in the amount of \$3,891.77 be given to NRT Title Agency, LLC, P.O. Bo 767, Millburn, NJ for the overpayment of 2019 taxes on Block 7017, Lot 3.

EE. **RESOLUTION #24-1-36 - Authorizing Refund of Overpaid 2018 Taxes (Block 37002, Lot 1.135)**

BE IT RESOLVED that a refund in the amount of \$1,326.50 be given to Junhua Zhang, 3502 North Oaks Blvd., New Brunswick, NJ 0890 for the overpayment of 2018 taxes on Block 37002, Lot 1.135.

19. **CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)**

FF. **RESOLUTION #24-1-37 - Authorizing Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00010**

WHEREAS the Township received payment for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00010 in the amount of \$1,102.11.

BE IT RESOLVED that a refund in the amount of \$1,102.11 be given to Towal Properties, LLC, 70 S. Munn, Apt. 714, East Orange, NJ 07108 for the Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00010 on Block 5024, Lot 26.05 (Condo).

Tax Lien Redemption

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| Certificate Amount | \$ 102.11 |
| PREMIUM | \$ 1,000.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 1,102.11 |

GG. **RESOLUTION #24-1-38 – Authorizing Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00027**

WHEREAS the Township received payment for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00027 in the amount of \$1,102.96.

BE IT RESOLVED that a refund in the amount of \$1,102.96 be given to Pro Cap 8, LLC, Pro Cap 8 FBO Firsttrust Bank, P.O. Box 774, Fort Washington, PA 19034-0774 for the Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00027 on Block 17005, Lot 10.

Tax Lien Redemption

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| Certificate Amount | \$ 1,102.96 |
| TOTAL | \$ 1,102.96 |

HH. **RESOLUTION #24-1-39 - Authorizing Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00037**

WHEREAS the Township received payment for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00037 in the amount of \$773.38.

BE IT RESOLVED that a refund in the amount of \$773.38 be given to Pro Cap 8, LLC, Pro Cap 8 FBO Firsttrust Bank, P.O. Box 774, Fort Washington, PA 19034-0774 for the Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00037 on Block 30003, Lot 24.

Tax Lien Redemption

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| Certificate Amount | \$746.45 |
| Redemption Penalty | \$ 14.93 |
| Search Fees | \$ 12.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 773.38 |

19. **CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)**II. **RESOLUTION #24-1-40 - Authorizing Refund of Overpaid 2019 Taxes (Block 19001, Lot 8.19)**

BE IT RESOLVED that a refund in the amount of \$2,856.24 be given to Foundation Title, LLC, 601 Route 73 N., Suite 201, Marlton, NJ 08053-3474 for the overpayment of 2019 taxes on Block 19001, Lot 8.19

JJ. **RESOLUTION #24-1-41 – Authorizing Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00012**

WHEREAS the Township received payment for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00012 in the amount of \$2,096.11.

BE IT RESOLVED that a refund in the amount of \$2,096.11 be given to Pro Cap 8, LLC, Pro Cap 8 FBO Firsttrust Bank, P.O. Box 774, Fort Washington, PA 19034-0774 for the Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00012 on Block 7004, Lot 37.

Tax Lien Redemption

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| Certificate Amount | \$1,070.22 |
| Redemption Penalty | \$ 21.40 |
| Subsequent Charges | \$ 989.49 |
| Interest | \$ 3.00 |
| Search Fees | \$ 12.00 |
| TOTAL | \$2,096.11 |

KK. **RESOLUTION #24-1-42 – Authorizing Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00030**

WHEREAS the Township received payment for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00030 in the amount of \$4,020.91.

BE IT RESOLVED that a refund in the amount of \$4,020.91 be given to Todd Jerman, 10 Cupsaw Drive, Ringwood, NJ for the Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00030 on Block 24001, Lot 38.

Tax Lien Redemption

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| Certificate Amount | \$ 695.01 |
| Redemption Penalty | \$ 13.90 |
| Search Fees | \$ 12.00 |
| PREMIUM | \$3,300.00 |
| TOTAL | \$4,020.91 |

19. CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)

LL. RESOLUTION #24-1-43 – Authorizing Petty Cash

BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to draw checks, one in the amount of \$1,000 to Olu Ochei, custodian of the Township Clerk’s Petty Cash Funds.

MM. RESOLUTION #24-1-44 – Authorizing Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00008

WHEREAS the Township received payment for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00008 in the amount of \$2,483.97.

BE IT RESOLVED that a refund in the amount of \$2,483.97 be given to Pro Cap 8, LLC, Pro Cap 8 FBO Firsttrust Bank, P.O. Box 774, Fort Washington, PA 19034-0774 for the Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #23-00008 on Block 5018, Lot 5.07 (Condo).

Tax Lien Redemption

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| Certificate Amount | \$1,299.34 |
| Redemption Penalty | \$ 25.99 |
| Subsequent Charges | \$1,142.52 |
| Interest | \$ 4.12 |
| Search Fees | \$ 12.00 |
| TOTAL | \$2,483.97 |

MOTION to adopt Consent Agenda, **Resolutions #24-1-06 to #24-1-44** _____ Second _____

ROLL CALL VOTE:

| COMMITTEE MEMBER | YES | NO | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
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| Ahn | | | | |
| Keenan | | | | |
| Taylor Todd | | | | |
| Barragan | | | | |
| Singh | | | | |

20. **RESOLUTION #24-1-45 – Adopting Temporary Budget for 2024**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19 provides that temporary appropriations be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is within the first thirty days of 2024; and

WHEREAS, the total appropriations in the 2023 Budget, less appropriations for Capital Improvement Fund, Debt Service and Public Assistance are as follows:

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|---------------|-----------------|
| General | \$34,747,195.14 |
| Sewer Utility | \$ 4,184,100.00 |

WHEREAS, 26.25% of the total appropriations in the 2023 Budget, less appropriations for the Capital Improvement Fund, Debt Service and Public Assistance in the said 2023 Budget is as follows:

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| General | \$9,121,138.72 |
| Sewer Utility | \$1,098,326.25 |

WHEREAS, the temporary budget for debt is as follows:

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| General | \$5,565,000.00 |
| Sewer Utility | \$3,420,000.00 |

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the above temporary appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Finance Officer for his record.

MOTION to adopt Resolution #24-1-45 _____ Second _____

ROLL CALL VOTE:

| COMMITTEE MEMBER | YES | NO | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
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| Keenan | | | | |
| Taylor Todd | | | | |
| Barragan | | | | |
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21. **RESOLUTION #24-1-46 – Authorization for Deputy Mayor to Perform Marriages**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor of the Township of Montgomery, County of Somerset, New Jersey that the Deputy Mayor is hereby authorized to solemnize marriage ceremonies in the absence of the Mayor.

MOTION to adopt Resolution #24-1-46 _____, second _____

ROLL CALL VOTE:

| COMMITTEE MEMBER | YES | NO | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
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| Keenan | | | | |
| Taylor Todd | | | | |
| Barragan | | | | |
| Singh | | | | |

22. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION to adjourn _____ Second _____ Favor_____ Opposed _____