#### HARDING TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MONDAY, MAY 9, 2022 IN-PERSON

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION at 6:00 PM**

#### REGULAR MEETING AGENDA at 7:00 PM Kirby Hall, Blue Mill Road, New Vernon, New Jersey MEETING MINUTES

#### **CALL MEETING TO ORDER - Mayor**

Mayor Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

**ADEQUATE NOTICE** of this May 9, 2022 meeting of the Harding Township Committee was sent to the Observer Tribune on January 3, 2022 and published in the Observer Tribune on January 6, 2022.

Mayor Jones announced that adequate notice of the May 9, 2022 Township Committee meeting was called to order according to the Open Public Meetings Act.

#### **ROLL CALL – Municipal Clerk**

Ms. Chipperson, Dr. Lacz, Mr. Platt, Mr. Yates, Mr. Jones

Mrs. Sharp called the roll as follows:

Present:

Absent:

Also Present:

Ms. Chipperson, Dr. Lacz, Mr. Platt, Mr. Yates, Mr. Jones

None

Mr. Falzarano, Township Administrator; Mr. Mark Roselli, Township Counsel; Mr. James Plosia, Labor Counsel; Chief Erik Heller; and Lieutenant Michael Gromek Administrator

#### RESOLUTION TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to recess into Executive Session. Upon a motion made by Township Committee Member Platt, seconded by Township Committee Member Lacz, and with a roll call vote of all ayes, none opposed, the Township Committee recessed into Executive Session at 6:01 pm.

#### Resolution TC 22-110 - Resolution to Recess into Executive Session

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Harding Township Committee that it shall adjourn into executive session to discuss the following subject matter(s) without the presence of the public in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 10:4-12b; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the matter(s) discussed will be made known to the public at such time as appropriate action is taken on said matter(s), and when disclosure will not result in unwarranted invasion of individual privacy or prejudice to the best interests of the Township of Harding provided such disclosures will not violate Federal, State or local statutes and does not fall within the attorney-client privilege. The Township Committee will return to public session after this Executive Session.

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#### Personnel:

- 1. Police Replacement Chief Heller
- 2. Police Personnel Chief Heller

#### **Contracts:**

- 1. Glen Alpin Mayor Jones/V. DeNave
- 2. Hurstmont Mayor Jones/V. DeNave
- 3. KRE M. Roselli
- 4. Solid Waste Bid R. Falzarano

#### Vote on Resolution:

| Ms. Chipperson<br>Dr. Lacz<br>Mr. Platt<br>Mr. Yates<br>Mr. Jones                                  | MOTION  2 <sup>nd</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> | FOR APPROVAL | AGAINST APPROVAL | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |  |
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| RECONVENE INTO PUBLIC SESSION – Mayor  |   |              |                  |         |        |  |
| Upon a motion made by Township Committee Member Yates, seconded by Township Committee Member Lacz, |   |              |                  |         |        |  |

the Township Committee reconvened into public session at 7:05 pm.

#### **ROLL CALL – Municipal Clerk**

Ms. Chipperson, Dr. Lacz, Mr. Platt, Mr. Yates, Mr. Jones

Mrs. Sharp called the roll as follows:

Present:

Ms. Chipperson, Dr. Lacz, Mr. Platt, Mr. Yates, Mr. Jones

Absent:

Also Present:

Mr. Falzarano, Township Administrator; Mr. Mark Roselli,

Township Counsel

Public:

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#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Mayor

Mayor Jones led members of the Township Committee and members of the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADEQUATE NOTICE of this meeting of the Harding Township Committee was given as follows: Notice was sent to the DAILY RECORD and the OBSERVER TRIBUNE on January 3, 2022, and published in the OBSERVER TRIBUNE on January 6, 2022; Notice was posted on the Bulletin Board Harding Township Committee Agenda May 9, 2022 Regular Meeting

in the Township Municipal Building on Blue Mill Road in Harding, NJ on January 3, 2022, and Notice was filed with the Municipal Clerk on January 3, 2022.

Mayor Jones announced that adequate notice of the May 9, 2022, Township Committee meeting was called to order in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE - Mayor Jones

#### Correspondence:

1. Mayor Jones announced that a letter was received by Mr. Larry Weppler inviting the Township Committee to march in the Memorial Day Parade. Mayor Jones thanked Mr. Weppler for the invitation.

#### **Announcements:**

1. Township Committee June 13, 2022 Meeting Rescheduled – Mayor Jones

Mayor Jones announced that the regular Township Committee meeting scheduled for June 13, 2022 will be rescheduled to Monday, June 20, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

2. Acknowledgement of Bullseye Mirror Donation – Mayor Jones

Mayor Jones reported that an invitation to attend tonight's meeting was sent to Mr. Pollaro of Pollaro Custom Funiture, Inc., who generously donated restoring the Federal Bullseye Mirror in 24K gold leaf. Mr. Pollaro donated his services and many many hours in the name of Township Committee Member Platt. The Township Committee thanks Mr. Pollaro for his most gracious and beautiful donation.

3. Centennial – Mayor Jones / Township Committee Member Chipperson

Mayor Jones recognized Township Committee Member Chipperson for her many hours in getting the Centennial festivities started on April 27, 28, and 29, 2022. This was the most important week for Harding Township in the last several years.

Township Committee Member Chipperson reported that the movie night was well attended and had a great turn out. The next event is the Art-In-Bloom Gala at the Davino property located at 93 Blue Mill Road. The NJ Symphony will play for two hours and there are a few tickets left. R. Chipperson explained not to compete with the Memorial Day Parade, with the help of Mr. Balog, the Centennial Committee will have lapel pins available at the parade and centennial merchandize will be available for purchase. There is a pop-up shop to order clothing. All orders must be in by June 1, 2022. The pop-up shop will reopen in September. September 1, 2022 is the real 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for Harding. There will be a dedication of the Centennial Tree at Memorial Park, a bench will be dedicated, and time capsules. The Harding School will have a 100 year capsule and the Township will have a 50 and 100 year capsule. If you have any ideas for the Township time capsule, please let the Centennial Committee know. October 1, 2022 is the big celebration at Margetts field with food, music, and fun. Save the Dates is located on the website.

Mr. Weppler, Lee's Hill Road – asked if there were any 100 year banners left over that could be used to carry in the Memorial Day parade and provide recognition.

#### RESOLUTIONS – (NON-CONSENT – REQUIRING SEPARATE ACTION)

### RESOLUTION TC 21-111 -- RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Mayor Jones asked Township Committee Member Lacz to proceed with Resolution TC 21-111. Township Committee Member Lacz proceeded to read the following:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding that the minutes from the following meetings are approved as prepared and shall be filed as a permanent record in the Municipal Clerk's office: **April 11, 2022**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding that the minutes from the following Executive Session meeting(s) are approved as prepared and shall be filed as a permanent record in the Municipal Clerk's office: **April 11, 2022.** 

Township Committee Member Lacz made a motion to approve the resolution placed on this evening's Non-Consent Agenda by consent of the Township Committee, seconded by Township Committee Member Yates.

Mayor Jones asked the Municipal Clerk for a Roll Call: Mrs. Sharp called the roll as follows:

#### **Vote on Resolution:**

|                | MOTION          | FOR<br>APPROVAL        | AGAINST<br>APPROVAL | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|----------------|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------|--------|
| Ms. Chipperson |                 | AFFROVAL               | AITKOVAL            | П       |        |
| Dr. Lacz       | 1 st            |                        | H                   | H       | H      |
| Mr. Platt      | Ĥ               | Ħ                      | Ħ                   | Ħ       | Ħ      |
| Mr. Yates      | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | $\overline{\boxtimes}$ | Ħ                   | Ħ       | Ħ      |
| Mr. Jones      |                 | Ħ                      | Ī                   |         |        |
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#### RESOLUTIONS – (NON-CONSENT – REQUIRING SEPARATE ACTION)

Mayor Jones asked Township Committee Member Chipperson to proceed with Resolution TC 22-112 listed on the Non-Consent agenda. Township Committee Member Chipperson read the following resolution into the record.

### RESOLUTION TC 22-112 - HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION - HISTORIC HOUSE OF THE YEAR 2021

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission of Harding Township would like to present a historic home that adds aesthetic value and interest to the community; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission is proud of the homes that contribute to the historical character of the Township; and

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WHEREAS, Historic Districts recognize the architectural importance of commercial and residential buildings all across the nation that preserve the character and identity of their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Historic House Award will be an opportunity for the Historic Preservation Commission to highlight a property that enhances the historical character in Harding Township; and

WHEREAS, the home that the Historic Preservation Commission wishes to highlight should be viewed from the road, enhance the streetscape, display proper use of scale, rhythm, massing and materials and have an architectural style that compliments the rural character of Harding Township; and

WHEREAS, 24 Lee's Hill Road is an historic structure dating back to circa 1825; and

WHEREAS, it is a traditional two-story, farmhouse with modest architectural details, simple masses, porches and supporting outbuildings: and

WHEREAS, the present owner, Kristen Peterson has done a fantastic job of maintaining the modest integrity of the house, garage and small barn on the property with the use period correct details, use of properly scaled materials and windows and modest additions that supplement the original scale, massing and architectural details of the farmhouse; and

WHEREAS, the sensitivity to the design decisions allows this home to remain a meaningful contribution to streetscape in the New Vernon Historic District; and

WHEREAS, 24 Lee's Hill Road is noted as a contributing property in the New Vernon District in the Harding Township's Historic District Inventory.

**BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Mayor and the Township Committee of Harding Township in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey that the property at 24 Lee's Hill Road is hereby chosen as Historic House Award.

Township Committee Member Chipperson made a motion to approve the resolution placed on this evening's Non-Consent Agenda by consent of the Township Committee, seconded by Township Committee Member Lacz.

Mayor Jones asked the Municipal Clerk for a Roll Call: Mrs. Sharp called the roll as follows:

#### Vote on Resolution:

|                | MOTION       | FOR         | <b>AGAINST</b> | <b>ABSTAIN</b> | <b>ABSENT</b> |
|----------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
|                |              | APPROVAL    | APPROVAL       |                |               |
| Ms. Chipperson | 1 st         | $\boxtimes$ |                |                |               |
| Dr. Lacz       | $2^{\rm nd}$ | $\boxtimes$ |                |                |               |
| Mr. Platt      |              | $\boxtimes$ |                |                |               |
| Mr. Yates      |              | $\boxtimes$ |                |                |               |
| Mr. Jones      |              | $\boxtimes$ |                |                |               |

Mr. Tom dePoortere, Chair of the Historic Preservation Committee presented Kristen Peterson with a copy of TC Resolution 22-112 which was read into the record by Township Committee Member Chipperson. Mr. dePoortere commented that Kristen has done a great job in maintaining the modest integrity of the house. Kristen Peterson thanked Mr. dePoortere and the Township Committee.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

#### 1. Kemmerer Library Annual Report – M. Ticknor

Margie Ticknor, Director of the Kemmerer Library presented the State of the Library to members of the public and the Township Committee. A copy of the presentation is appended to these minutes. Township Committee Member Yates commented that in previous years, there was a slide that showed the budget for the Library which included the \$40,000.00 from the Township. The Township would like to see this information. M. Ticknor responded that further information can be provided. Mayor Jones asked that the information be sent to Mrs. Sharp's attention. The Township Committee thanked Ms. Ticknor for her presentation.

#### 2. Department of Public Works Road Report - T. Toribio

Tracy Toribio, Director, Department of Public Works presented the annual road report for the Department of Public Works. A discussion ensued regarding the slides presented. A copy of the presentation is appended to these minutes.

#### 3. Planning Board Ordinances – R. Falzarano

Mr. Falzarano, Township Administrator reported that Mr. DeNave, Assistant Administrator had a conversation with the Board Chairs from the Planning Board and Board of Adjustment along with Mark Fornaciari and George Byrnes pertaining to the four ordinances. The changes have been incorporated. The Planning Board had suggested modifying the ordinances which were sent to Mr. Roselli for review. After the ordinances are introduced, they will be sent back to the Planning Board for review with the Masterplan. A discussion on the following two ordinances ensued.

- Generator Ordinance Discussion ensued regarding the 20 kilowatts, limiting the exercise time, air quality, etc. It was recommended that the ordinance limit the exercise time between 10 am to 4 pm, should be a timeframe from Monday to Friday only, during the daylight hours, and positive air quality days.
- Charging Station Ordinance A discussion regarding limiting the height of the charging station ensued. Mr. Roselli, Township Attorney will contact McKinley Mertz, Planner to discuss the charging station ordinance. Mr. Roselli will make the changes, if any, and send them to the Township Committee.

#### 4. Tree Ordinances - Mayor Jones

Township Committee Member Platt commented a hazardous tree should be defined from an unhealthy tree. N. Platt commented that the penalty should be more than \$1,000.00 unless the \$1,000.00 fine is per the State code. The tree vendor should have a copy of the permit on them when doing the work. Township Committee Member Chipperson commented, the vendor and homeowner should receive a copy of the permit as well as a copy of the Township's ordinance. A discussion ensued.

#### MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT TIME LIMIT

Hearing of citizens during the Public Comment section of the Agenda is an opportunity for any member of the public to be heard about issues which are/are not topics scheduled for Public Hearing tonight. To help facilitate an orderly meeting, and to permit all to be heard, speakers are asked to limit their comments to a reasonable length of time.

Mayor Jones opened the meeting to members of the public at 9 pm.

Township Committee Member Platt - commented on the old library. Township Committee Member Platt explained that the old library is being taken out of commission without a needs assessment on the facility and believes the public should have a say on the space. The library will be reconfigured for use by the Police Department. Mr. Falzarano commented that the Police Department has no space to conduct counseling or bring victims. The Police Department is deficient in terms of the requirements by the State. Township Committee Member Platt was concerned that the discussion on the conversion of the old library was conducted at Executive Session meetings and during COVID where the residents may not have had an opportunity to weigh in. Township Committee Member Platt wanted the entire process conducted in public so the public was not surprised when the Municipal Building finally reopens. Mayor Jones reported that professionals were hired to conduct a needs assessment. A lengthy discussed ensued regarding the use of the old library.

Mr. Larry Weppler, Lee's Hill Road – commented that the Township Committee hired an Administrator, Mr. Falzarano, and the Township Committee should not be involved.

#### ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING

Mayor Jones asked Township Committee Member Yates to read Ordinance TC #05-2022.

Township Committee Member Yates read Ordinance TC #05-2022 by title as follows:

ORDINANCE #05-2022 – "CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDING, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND ACUISITIONS IN, BY, AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP AND APPROPRIATING THEREFORE THE SUM OF \$92,000.00"

Which said Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular Township Committee Meeting held on April 11, 2022.

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Mayor Jones asked the Municipal Clerk to give a summary of the legal notice.

Mrs. Sharp announced that a legal notice was sent for publication on April 11, 2022 to the Observer Tribune indicating that Ordinance #05-2022 was introduced and passed on first reading at the April 11, 2022 meeting and indicated that the second reading and public hearing were to be held on May 9, 2022 at 7:00 pm on or at any time thereafter for consideration of final adoption. Copies of this Ordinance were made available to the general public, posted on the Township website, and posted in accordance with the law.

**Mayor Jones** opened the meet to members of the public. With no comments from the public, Mayor Jones closed the public hearing at 9:56 pm.

Township Committee Member Yates offered Ordinance #05-2022 and moved its adoption.

Township Committee Member Chipperson seconded the motion.

**Mayor Jones** asked the Municipal Clerk for a Roll Call: Mrs. Sharp called the roll as follows:

#### **Vote on Adoption:**

| Ms. Chipperson<br>Dr. Lacz<br>Mr. Platt<br>Mr. Yates<br>Mr. Jones   | MOTION  2 <sup>nd</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> | FOR APPROVAL | AGAINST APPROVAL | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |  |
|---|---|--------------|------------------|---------|--------|--|
| ADD-ON RESOLUTIONS: NONE  |   |              |                  |         |        |  |
| RESOLUTIONS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION AND VOTE |   |              |                  |         |        |  |

#### CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are considered to be routine by the Harding Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Township Committee Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

RESOLUTIONS TC 22-113 THROUGH RESOLUTION TC 22-122 HAVE BEEN PLACED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

**CONSENT AGENDA VOTE:** 

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**Mayor Jones** asked Township Committee Member Chipperson to proceed with the Resolutions listed on the Consent agenda, Resolutions TC 22-113 through TC 22-122.

Township Committee Member Chipperson made a motion to approve the resolutions placed on this evening's Consent Agenda by consent of the Township Committee, seconded by Township Committee Member Yates.

Mayor Jones asked the Municipal Clerk for a Roll Call:

*Mrs. Sharp called the roll as follows:* 

#### Vote on Resolution:

|   | MOTION | FOR   | AGAINST<br>APPROVAL | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
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| Ms. Chipperson<br>Dr. Lacz<br>Mr. Platt<br>Mr. Yates<br>Mr. Jones | 1 st   | APPROVAL  S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S | APPROVAL            |         |        |

#### **APPOINTMENTS:**

Resolution TC 22-113 – Resolution to Appoint Antoinette Adams as a Full-Time Secretary to the Harding Township Police Department

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey that effective June 1, 2022, Antoinette Adams is hereby appointed as a full time Secretary for the Harding Township Police Department at a of salary of \$55,510 to be prorated for the remainder of 2022.

Resolution TC 22-114 – Resolution to Appoint Christian Eldridge as a Part-Time Administrative Assistant to the Harding Township Police Department

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey that effective May 16, 2022, Christian Eldridge is hereby appointed as a part-time Administrative Assistant for the Harding Township Police Department at an hourly rate of \$32.00.

#### **CONTRACTS:**

TC Resolution 22-115 – Resolution to Authorize the Withdrawal of the Salt Shed Bid From the Wallkill Group, Inc.

WHEREAS, the Township of Harding solicited public bids pursuant to its public advertisement for the purpose of construction of a salt shed at the Department of Public Works facility; and

WHEREAS, the following bid was received in response to the public advertisement and opened on April 6, 2022:

N 5-09-2022

#### CONTRACTOR

Wallkill Group, Inc.

**Total Bid** \$277,000.00

WHEREAS, the Wallkill Group formally notified the Township of Harding of their request to withdrawal their bid on April 11, 2022; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with New Jersey Local Public Contacts Law, specifically N.J.S.A. 40A11-23.3, a bidder shall include evidence, including any pertinent documents, demonstrating that a mistake was made and was of so great a consequence that: (1) the enforcement of the contract, if actually made, would be unconscionable; (2) the mistake relates to a material feature of the bid; (3) the mistake occurred notwithstanding the fact that the bidder exercised reasonable care in preparation of the bid; and (4) the bidder making the mistake is able to get relief by way of withdrawing the bid without serious prejudice to the contracting unit, except for the loss of the bargain to the contracting unit; and

WHEREAS, the Qualified Purchasing Agent has in good faith reviewed the evidence presented by Wallkill Group, Inc. and recommends that the Township Committee grant Wallkill Group, Inc.'s request to withdraw its bid; and

**WHEREAS**, Wallkill Group shall be disqualified from future bidding on same project should the Township of Harding authorize such a bid.

**BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Committee of Harding Township that it does hereby authorize the withdrawal of Wallkill Group's salt shed bid in the amount of \$277,000; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Clerk shall return the bid guarantee submitted by Wallkill Group, Inc.; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that Wallkill Group, Inc. shall be disqualified from future bidding on the same project, including when all bids are rejected pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A;11-13.2.

### Resolution TC 22-116 – Resolution Awarding Contract for Municipal Salt Shed to Dutchman Contracting, LLC

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., the Township of Harding advertised and received bids for purposes of awarding a contract for the construction of a municipal salt shed at the Township's Public Works facility; and

WHEREAS, bids were received and opened on April 6, 2022; and

WHEREAS, five bids were received from the following bidders:

|   | DIRECT DID                        |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Wallkill Group, Inc., 3505 Route 94, Suite 1A, Hamburg, NJ (bid withd | rawn due to mistake) \$277,000.00 |
| Dutchman Contracting LLC, 278 N. Ridge Road, Reinholds, PA            | \$297,690.00                      |
| Skoype LLC, 40 Henry Road, Newton, NJ                                 | \$328,000.00                      |
| Padovani Roofing & Construction, 46 Higginsville Road, Neshanic Stat  | ion, NJ \$347,700.00              |
| Clarke Moynihan Landscaping/Construction LLC, 229 Main Street, And    | dover, NJ \$348,800.00            |
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;and

WHEREAS, the Assistant Township Administrator and Township QPA have reviewed all bid proposals and have determined that Dutchman Contracting LLC, 278 North Ridge Road, Reinholds, PA 17569 is the lowest responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined that it would be in the best interest of the Township to award a contract to Dutchman Contracting LLC for this project for the base bid amount of \$297,690.00 and in accordance with the vendor's bid proposal, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose and a Certificate of Availability has been filed by the Chief Financial Officer with the Township Clerk, in accordance with the Local Budget Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-57 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.2.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding, County of Morris, State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. The bid proposal submitted by Dutchman Contracting LLC, 278 North Ridge Road, Reinholds PA 17569 for the base bid amount of \$297,690.00 for the Municipal Salt Shed in accordance with the prescribed bid specifications be and is hereby accepted and the Township Committee does hereby award a contract to Dutchman Contracting LLC for the purpose stated herein and for the bid amount of \$297,690.00.
- 2. The cost of these services shall not exceed the total bid amount of \$297,690.00 for the term of the Contract.
- 3. Any change orders to this contract will require prior written approval by the Township Committee
- 4. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver a contract for the total bid amount of \$297,690.00 for the Municipal Salt Shed between Dutchman Contracting LLC, 278 North Ridge Road, Reinholds PA 17569 and the Township of Harding in form and content that is acceptable to the Township Attorney.

This Resolution is conditioned upon the following:

A. Formal execution of a contract prepared by the Township Attorney that is signed by the Contractor, the Mayor, and Municipal Clerk.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Municipal Clerk shall provide a certified copy of the foregoing resolution to the Township Purchasing Agent, Township Chief Financial Officer and the Township Attorney; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Harding has certified that the monies are available in the amount not to exceed \$297,690.00 from the following account numbers:

#### Accounts:

- 04- 2014-201404- 9946- 4- 00000
- 04- 2015-201503- 9946- 4- 00000
- 04- 2016-201602- 4004- 4- 04017
- 04- 2017-201702- 4018- 4- 04017
- 04- 2022-202205- 4018- 4- 04017

### Resolution TC 22-117 – Resolution to Authorize an Increase to the Professional Services Contract for Plosia Cohen, LLC

WHEREAS, at the January 3, 2022 Township Committee meeting, the Township Committee authorized \$15,000.00 for the services of Plosia Cohen LLC, under their professional services contract; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to increase the authorization for the services of Plosia Cohen, LLC, under their professional services contract to perform labor council tasks; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Harding has certified that additional monies are available in the amount of \$10,000.00 from account number # 01-2021-1155-0155-2-00000; and

WHEREAS, the total amount shall not exceed \$25,000.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that all Township employees are hereby authorized and directed to take all action necessary and appropriate to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Labor Council

1/1/22 to 12/31/22 Not to exceed \$25,000.00 01-2021-1155-0155-2-00000

Resolution TC 22- 118 - Resolution to Authorize and Increase to the Professional Services Contract Greenbaum Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP

WHEREAS, at the January 3, 2022 Township Committee meeting, the Township Committee authorized \$25,000.00 for the services of Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis LLP, under their professional services contract; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to increase the authorization for the services of Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis LLP, under their professional services contract to perform redevelopment/disposal/diversion tasks; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Harding has certified that additional monies are available in the amount of \$10,000.00 from account number # 05-5000-0000-0170-2-00000 and \$75,000.00 from account number 01-2022-1110-0100-2-00105; and

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WHEREAS, the total amount shall not exceed \$110,000.00.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey that the following contract is hereby awarded for a one year period; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that all Township employees are hereby authorized and directed to take all action necessary and appropriate to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Redevelopment /Disposal/Diversion Attorney

Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis LLP 75 Livingston Avenue, Suite 301 Roseland, NJ 07068

1/1/2022 to 12/31/2022 Not to Exceed \$110,000.00 05-5000-0000-0170-2-00000 01-2022-1110-0100-2-00105

#### FINANCE:

#### Resolution TC 22-119 - Bill List

WHEREAS, vouchers for payment have been submitted to the Township Committee by various municipal departments.

**BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding that all vouchers approved by the Finance Chairman be paid subject to the certification of the availability of funds by the Chief Financial Officer.

#### Resolution TC 22-120 – Resolution Approving the Purchase of a Marked Police Vehicle

WHEREAS, there is a need to purchase vehicles for the Township of Harding, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30 -5.5(b), the Township Chief Financial Officer has provided a certification of funds for Account #04-2022-202205-4007-4-04062 in the amount of \$39,893.29, including factory and contract options; and

WHEREAS, public bids are not required when the purchase is made under a state contract or co-op in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A11-12; and

WHEREAS, Beyer Fleet, 31 Williams Parkway, East Hanover, NJ is an approved vendor under ESC CO-OP #65MCESCCPS-ESCNUJ 20/21-09.

**BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey that the Municipal Clerk and the Township Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to approve and forward the required purchase order for the following vehicle:

Vendor

ESC CO-OP#

Department

Quantity Color

Item

Price

Beyer Ford

65MCESCCPS-ESCNJ 20/21-09 Police

White

1

SUV

39,893.29

TOTAL:

\$39,893.29

#### PERSONNEL:

Resolution TC 22-121 – Resolution of the Township Committee of the Township of Harding, County of Morris, State of New Jersey Accepting the Termination of J.J. from the Harding Township Police Department

**BE IT RESOLVED,** the Township Committee of the Township of Harding, County of Morris State of New Jersey, hereby accepts the termination of J. J. from the Harding Township Police Department effective May 15, 2022.

#### Resolution TC 22 – 122 – Resolution to Appoint Fran Frigerio to the Centennial Committee

**BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding that Fran Frigerio is hereby appointed to the Harding Township Centennial Committee.

#### ADJOURNMENT - Mr. Jones

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to adjourn. Upon a motion made by Township Committee Member Lacz, seconded by Township Committee Member Chipperson, and with a vote of all ayes, none opposed, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa A. Sharp

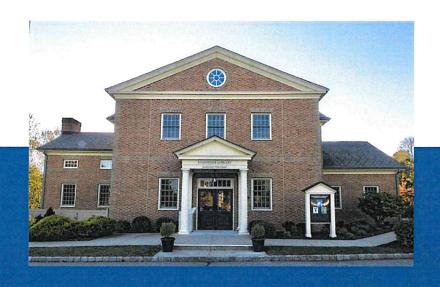
Municipal Clerk



State of the Library

May 2022

### Kemmerer Library Harding Township



**COMMUNITY CENTER** 

# Kemmerer Library Harding Township A few highlights from 2020 and 2021:



Services continued for curbside pickup but we also opened our doors!



Neighbors borrowed Kindles pre-loaded with many popular titles.



Kids and teens enjoyed a successful summer reading program.



We gathered online to learn about music, art, cooking & other topics.

hardinglibrary.org

### Programming - Adults



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### Programming - Kids



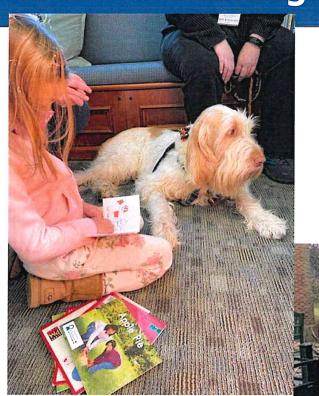




### Programming - Kids



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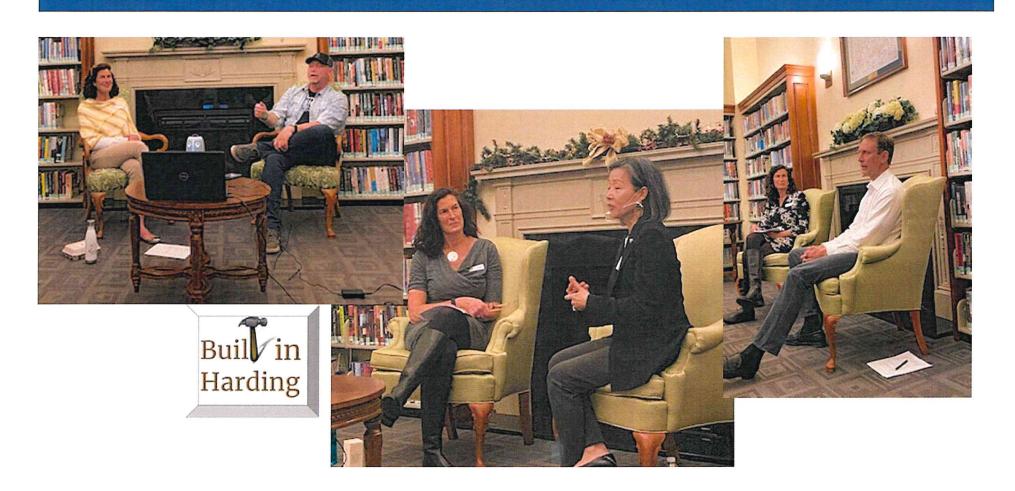


### Kemmerer Library Art Gallery





### **Built in Harding Conversations**



### Re-Framing Harding



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Harding Land Trust

+

Harding Township Historical Society

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Kemmerer Library







### Re-Framing Harding



HARDING TOWNSHIP

#### 'Re-Framing Harding' gets library grant

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And, it will be paid for using a BLOOD federal grant.

The American Library Association (ALA) has awarded 32 million in busenties funding to library beauties for white to library.

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observer-tribune.com

### Cameras in hand, photography courses planned, 'Re-Framing Harding' is about ready to launch

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a grant from the American Library Association's. The classes will be photographs American Rescue Plan Humanities Grants for Librar dren, ages 8 and up, meeting them.

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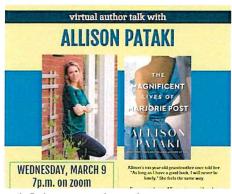
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of prints through galleries



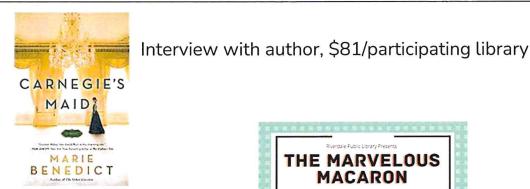
Stories and memories, and art dealers and his im-

### Together We Are Better!



164 attendees! \$21/participating library

MAIN (Morris Area Information Network)
A northern NJ shared services consortium of 49 public libraries



Winning with Wordle with NY Times Crossword Puzzle Editor \$112/participating library



Free!

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### Return on Investment - MAIN

#### Catalog & Integrated Library System



The Integrated Library System (ILS) is a unique, sophisticated database computer system which replaced traditional, physical library card catalogs in the 1980's. MAIN's ILS is a customized third-party product called Polaris.

- Staff members at the MAIN Office support, maintain, and train library staff members in the use of Polaris.
- The new Aspen discovery layer is how patrons interface with holdings.
- Catalogers create and maintain the bibliographic records that library staff then use to manage inventory.
- Third-party add-on software subscriptions include BrowseAloud, Content Cafe, and NoveList Select.

Total Library ILS Costs with MAIN

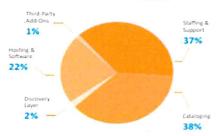
\$9K

Total Library ILS Costs without MAIN

\$215K







#### Digital Resources



Every year patrons become more accustomed to and comfortable with digital content; usage statistics support embracing this medium. An array of digital content is made available to all MAIN member library patrons:

- eBook and eAudiobook titles are available on the cloudLibrary and Tumblebooks platforms.
- eMagazines are housed on the PressReader platform.
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  Mometrix is a standardized test
- The new mobile app provides patrons and staff alike with another method for accessing library collections.

prep platform.

Total Library Digital Costs with MAIN

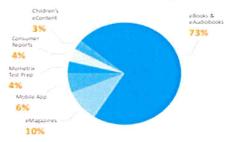
\$2K

Total Library
Digital Costs
without MAIN

\$48K

\$46K SAVINGS





### Return on Investment - MAIN

#### IT Technical Support



MAIN is dedicated to providing the best technical support possible and will attempt to provide at least advisory help with a myriad of kinds of technical problems. Support is typically provided for one of three different types of problems: hardware, software, or network.

- . Routine or "Level 1" support issues include solving usage problems and fulfilling service desk requests.
- . In-Depth or "Level 2" support may require specialized staff to trouble-shoot for longer periods of time.
- "Level 3" support problems are related to network infrastructure and is the most advanced, time-consuming support.

SAVINGS



Total Library

Total Library

without MAIN

ILS Costs

\$1K

ILS Costs

\$26K



### Cooperative

- All MAIN member libraries are invited to take advantage of purely optional cost-savings opportunities for different digital content subscriptions, computer hardware, software licenses, and continuing education events.
- type of hardware, software, or setting?
- · Is there a continuing education director to contact the MAIN be possible to negotiate a

\$8K SAVINGS



Total Library

Digital Costs

Total Library

**Digital Costs** 

\$11K

without MAIN

with MAIN

\$3K

#### Top 3 Areas

- 1. Continuing Education
- 2. Google Workspace
- 3. Dell Hardware

Purchasing

· Are you aware of an emerging other technology that could be implemented in a public library

subject you would like to know more about? Ask your library Office with details and it might discount for all MAIN members.

Total Library Costs without MAIN \$300K





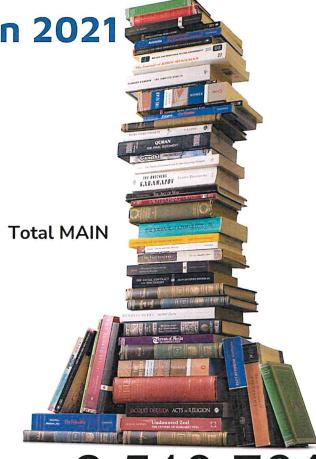
**Total Library** SAVINGS with MAIN \$285K

### **MAIN Print Collection 2021**



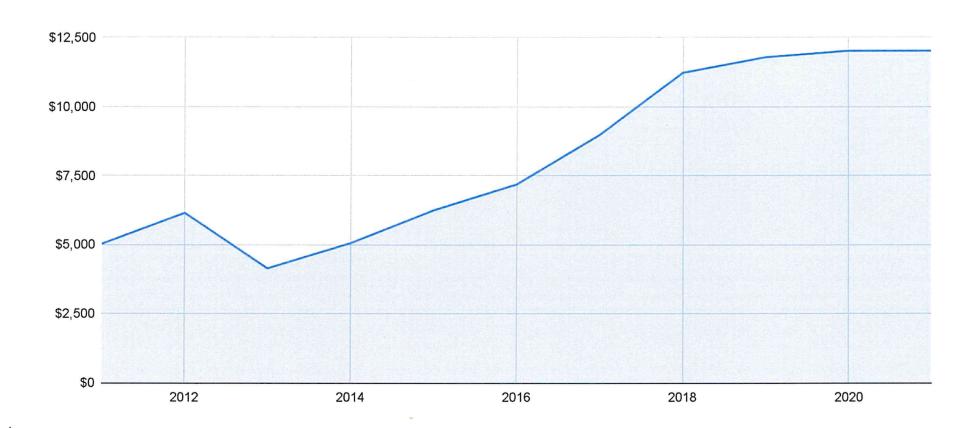
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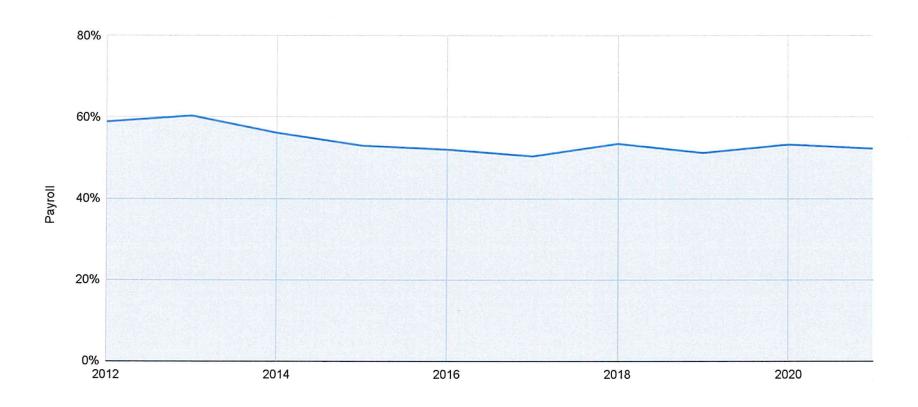


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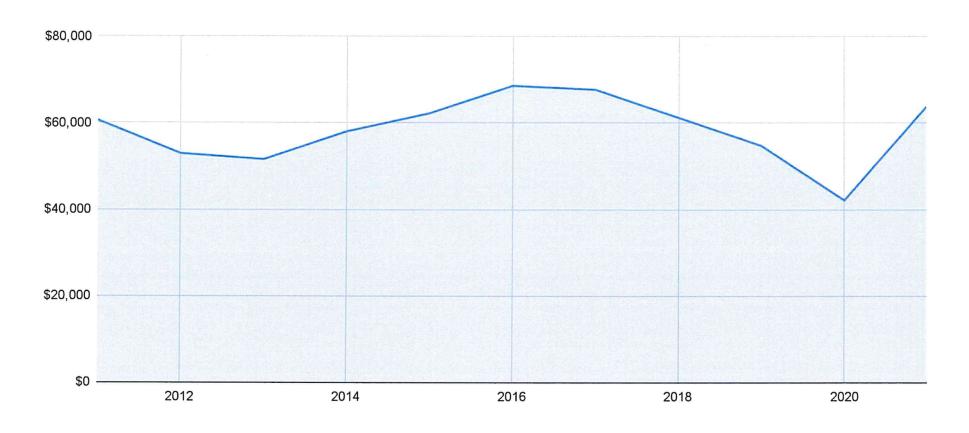
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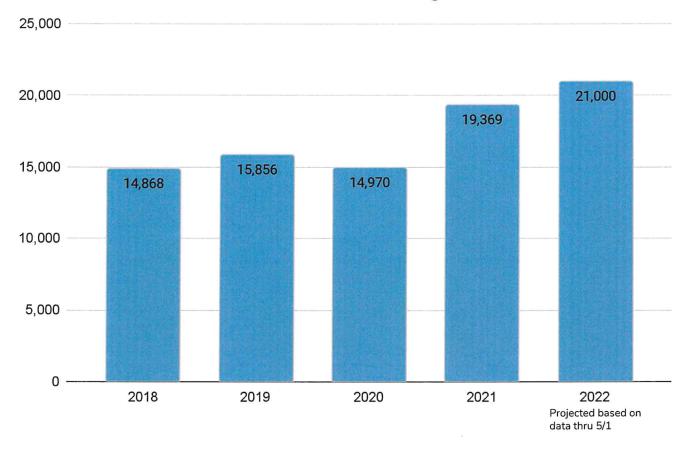
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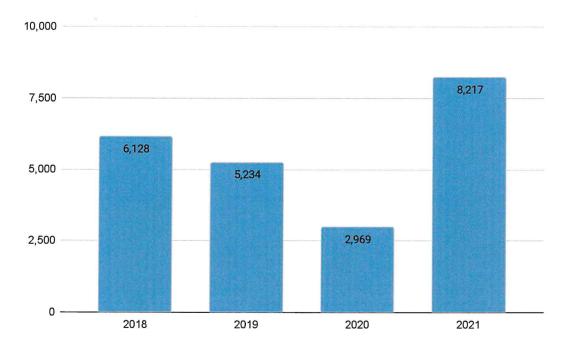
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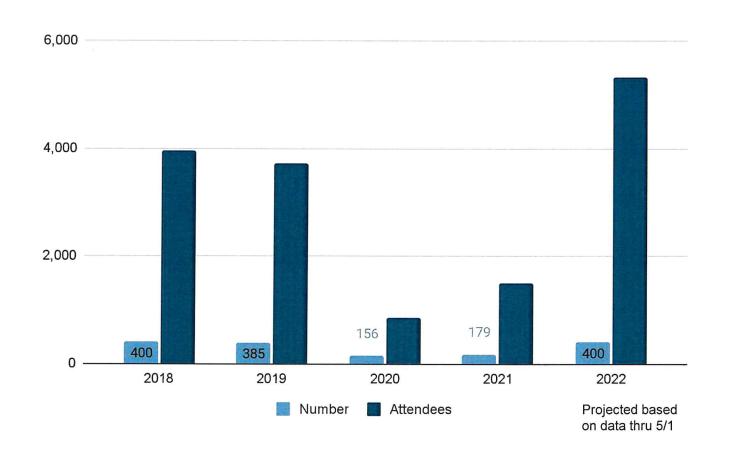
## Kemmerer Library Items Circulated by Year



# Kemmerer Library Childrens Items Circulated by Year



#### Kemmerer Library - Programming







Collaboration and partnership



Support local businesses



Programming, outreach and broaden reach



Community Center

Eye on the Future Kemmerer Library

## **Harding Township**

Township Committee Meeting

May 9, 2022

# Harding Township Department of Public Works

- 9 EMPLOYEES:
  - 1- Superintendent
  - 1- DPW Supervisor
  - 4- Operators/drivers
  - 2- Drivers/laborers
  - Road Department
  - Ice and Snow Control
  - Facilities maintenance
  - Parks & Grounds maintenance
  - Recycling
  - 1- Mechanic
    - Vehicle Maintenance (30 vehicles, 4 pc const equip & 40 pcs equip) (saws, trailers, salters, mowers, tractors, pumps and motors)
- OPERATING BUDGET

\$635,800.00 (incl. fuels and ice and snow-salt)(no salary)

### **Road Improvement Program**

#### Harding road program responsibilities:

- Nearly 30 miles of publicly maintained roads.
- Over 3 million square feet of asphalt roadways (350,000 square yards of asphalt roadways)
- **461 catch basins** (side of the road grates for storm water (CBRP)
- 243 cross over pipes (underground pipes cross under the road)
- Over 5 miles of connecting pipes (pipes connecting basin to basin)
- Over 500 street signs (stop, speed limit, street name, etc.)
- Stop lines and basin lines
- Guard rails (on public roads- deep culvert safety)
- Roadside mowing (all road sides not maintained by home owner)
- StormWater management (culverts/ditches and basins)

### Harding Road Improvement program rating system

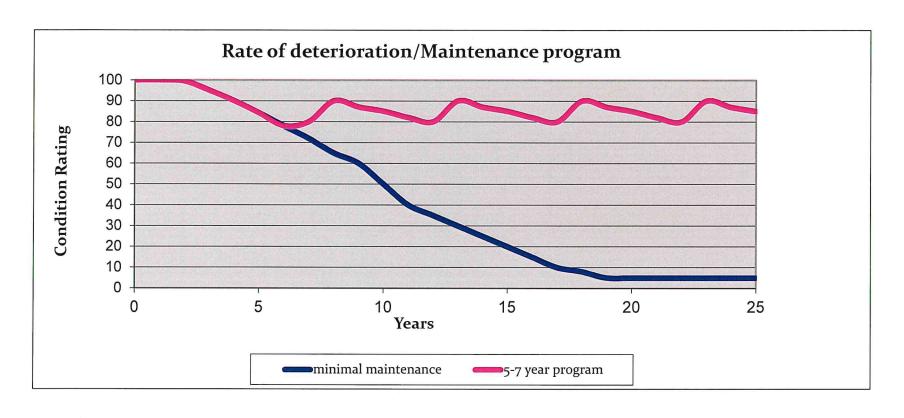
#### **ASPHALT INSTITUTE RATING SYSTEM**

| STREET:           | DATE: |  |  |  |
|-------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| LENGTH OF PROJECT |       |  |  |  |
| PAVEMENT TYPE     |       |  |  |  |

| Defect                 | Description   | Scale          | Rating |
|------------------------|---|----------------|--------|
| Transverse Cracks      | across width of road, partial or full               | 0 – 10         |        |
| Longitudinal Cracks    | run parallel with road,<br>usually along seam       | 0 – 10         |        |
| Alligator Cracks       | many close together, re:<br>alligator skin          | 0 – 10         |        |
| Shrinkage Cracks       | all other cracks                                    | 0 – 10         |        |
| Rutting                | depression usually in tire lane                     | 0-10           |        |
| Corrugations           | rumble strip similarity                             | 0 – 5          |        |
| Raveling               | pavement lifting away from lower level, rolling     | 0 – 5          |        |
| Shoving and<br>Pushing | usually around turns, heavy traffic forcing lifting | 0-5            |        |
| Pot Holes              | depression in or missing pavement                   | 0 – 5          |        |
| Excess Pavement        | bump, utility connection, lip in compaction         | 0 – 5          |        |
| Polished Asphalt       | too much emulsion, road appears glass-like          | 0 - 5          |        |
| Deficient Drainage     | low spot, sediment build up, standing water         | 0 – 10         |        |
| Overall Ride Quality   | 0 is excellent: 10 is year                          |                |        |
|                        |   | sum of defects |        |

Condition Rating equals 100 minus the sum of defects:

#### **Active versus Minimal Maintenance**



- 100 90 considered good to excellent condition
- □ 70 89 considered fair to good condition
- 55 69 considered poor to fair condition
- Below 55 considered very poor possible reconstruction

#### Road Survey Results - Spring 2017

#### CONDITION OF ALL TOWNSHIP ROADS (S.Y.)

| Year | Good to Excellent |        | Fair to | Good   | Poor to Fair |        |  |
|------|-------------------|--------|---------|--------|--------------|--------|--|
| 2007 | 313,655           | 88.50% | 40,685  | 11.50% | O            |        |  |
| 2009 | 221,988           | 62.60% | 132,352 | 37.40% | o            |        |  |
| 2011 | 107,365           | 30.30% | 246,975 | 69.70% | o            |        |  |
| 2012 | 106,720           | 30.10% | 247,620 | 69.90% | O            |        |  |
| 2014 | 51,520            | 14.50% | 302,820 | 85.50% | o            |        |  |
| 2015 | 72,922            | 20.70% | 245,690 | 69.30% | 35,728       | 10.10% |  |
| 2016 | 131,765           | 37.20% | 212,690 | 60.80% | 9,855        | 2.50%  |  |
| 2017 | 157,672           | 44.50% | 196,668 | 55.50% | o            |        |  |
| 2018 | 225,589           | 63.30% | 130,434 | 36.70% | o            |        |  |
| 2019 | 136,768           | 61.60% | 219,254 | 38.40% | o            |        |  |
| 2021 | 225,318           | 36.80% | 130,704 | 63.20% | o            |        |  |

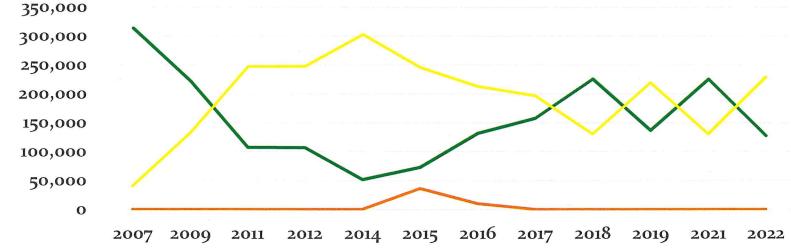
228,603

64.00%

2022

#### Rating summary

| -    | Primary | Secondary |  |  |  |
|------|---------|-----------|--|--|--|
| 2007 | 93.60   | 92.23     |  |  |  |
| 2009 | 90.40   | 93.17     |  |  |  |
| 2011 | 86.30   | 90.00     |  |  |  |
| 2012 | 84.95   | 88.30     |  |  |  |
| 2014 | 81.05   | 84.47     |  |  |  |
| 2015 | 81.60   | 81.93     |  |  |  |
| 2016 | 86.00   | 86.37     |  |  |  |
| 2017 | 89.25   | 89.50     |  |  |  |
| 2018 | 88.70   | 90.77     |  |  |  |
| 2019 | 90.77   | 87.57     |  |  |  |
| 2021 | 89.70   | 91.03     |  |  |  |
| 2022 | 85.45   | 85.93     |  |  |  |



36.00%

## 2022 ROADWORK

#### FIRST DRAFT X-COMPLETED

| ROADS                                     | RATING | POT HOLE | MILLING        | PAVING        | o/s        | CRACK   | LAST | DRAINAGE        |
|---|--------|----------|----------------|---------------|------------|---------|------|-----------------|
|   | 2022   | REPAIRS  |                | WORK          | COATING    | SEALING | O/S  | WORK            |
| 1 DICKSONS MILL RD                        | 72     | X        | X              | X             |            | X       |      | X               |
| 2 MILITARY HILL                           | 73     | X        | x              | X             |            | X       |      |                 |
| 3 BAILEYS MILL RD (YOUNGS - LEES HILL RD) | 73     | х        | x              | x             |            | x       |      |                 |
| 4 BLACK WELL AVE                          | 74     | X        | х              | x             |            | x       |      |                 |
| 5 JENKS RD                                | 75     | X        | X              | X             |            | x       |      |                 |
| 6 RED GATE RD                             | 75     | X        | ×              | X             |            | x       |      |                 |
| 7 MEYERSVILLE RD                          | 76     | X        | X              | X             |            | X       |      |                 |
| 8 VAN BEUREN (RED GATE - BLUEMILL)        | 76     | X        | x              | x             |            | X       |      |                 |
| 9 SPENCER PL                              | 77     | X        | X              | X             | X          | X       | 2016 |                 |
| 10 WHITEDEER LN                           | 77     | X        | X              | X             | ~          | ~       | 2020 |                 |
| 11 JENKS COURT                            | 78     | X        | X              | X             |            | х       |      |                 |
| 12 BAILEYS MILL RD (YOUNGS - RT202)       | 78     | x        | X              | X             |            | X       |      |                 |
| 13TIGERLILY LN                            | 80     | x        | X              | X             |            | X       |      | х               |
| 14 BLACKWELL PL                           | 81     | X        | X              | X             |            | X       |      | ^               |
| 15 FEATHERBED LN                          | 81     | X        | X              | X             |            | X       |      |                 |
| 16 DOUGLAS RD                             | 82     | x        | x              | x             | X          | X       | 2016 |                 |
| 17 YOUNGS RD                              | 83     | X        | X              | x             | x          | ^       | 2012 |                 |
| 18 ORCHARD DR                             | 84     | X        | X              | x             | X          | ×       | 2012 |                 |
| 19 SAND SPRING LN                         | 85     | X        | X              | X             | X          |         | 2010 |                 |
| 20 HUNTER DR                              | 86     | X        | X              | x             |            | X       |      | <b>5 BASINS</b> |
| 21 SAND SPRING RD (S/B - RT202)           | 86     | X        | x              | X             |            | X       |      |                 |
| 22 WOODLAND RD                            | 86     | X        | X              | X             |            |         |      | X               |
| 23 VAN BEUREN RD (RED GATE - MT)          | 87     | X        | X              | X             |            | X       |      |                 |
| 24 KITCHELL RD (WOOD - RT24)              | 87     | X        | X              | X             |            | X       |      |                 |
| 25 LINDSLEY RD                            | 88     | X        | X              | X             |            |         |      |                 |
| 26 SAND SPRING RD (BLUEMILL - S/B)        | 88     | X        | X              | X             |            | X       |      |                 |
| 27 TALL PINES RD                          | 88     | X        | X              | X             |            |         |      |                 |
| 28 FAWN HILL DR                           | 89     | X        | X              | X             |            |         |      |                 |
| 29 PLEASANTVILLE RD                       | 70     | CONTRACT | FULL<br>LENGTH | MILL AND PAVE | FOR 2022   |         |      | 16 BASINS       |
|   |        |          | 22.10111       |               | . JIL LULL |         |      | 13 DAGING       |

## Asphalt Repairs Performed by DPW

#### Milling and paving –

- O Grinding out deteriorated asphalt section, seal edges, repave.
- O Milling minimum 24" wide X any length.
- O Paving/rolling of milled patches.
- Asphalt 163 square feet/ton at 1" deep (\$72.00 per ton).
- $\circ$  Example: 10'x20' patch @ 2"deep = 240 (1") sq./ft.=1.5 tons asphalt.

#### Cold/Hot Patch – Pot holes

Deficiency cleaned and asphalt shoveled and compacted.

#### Crack Sealing –

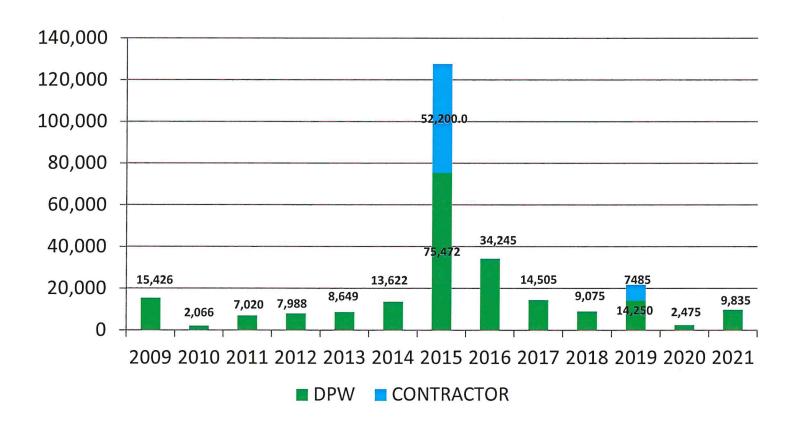
- O Hot liquid emulsion poured directly into crack.
- O Start a semi-annual crack sealing program.
- Oil & Stone- liquid emulsion overlay with fine stones.

#### Basins and pipes–

- O Created basin inventory and Comprehensive Basin Rebuilding Program.
- O Basins are labeled and numbered.
- O 21 basins rebuilt to date.

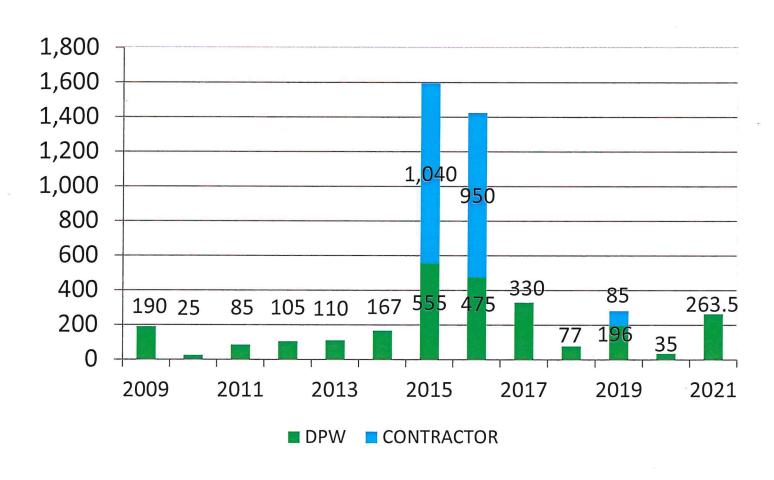
## Square feet of milling

as of April 15, 2022



## Tons of Asphalt

as of April 15, 2022



#### Conclusion

- New developments in the DPW:
  - Road improvement program starts in May.
  - Crack sealing machine will be rented in 2022.
  - Twp. owned Skid Steer and milling head allows road work as weather permits
- Manpower has been re-organized to increase efficiency. Additional employee.
  - Mechanic assisted by qualified DPW employees.
- Sub- contractors:
  - Will quote for possible use of Co-op vendor.

•Thank- you

•Questions?