

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
MEETING LOCATION: JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
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MARCH 11, 2026
REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 PM
AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER – Presiding Officer

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of **March 11, 2026** was included in a list of meetings notice sent to the official newspapers of the Township, the Daily Record and the Star Ledger, on **January 9, 2026** and was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on **January 9, 2026** and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the Statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

2. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Mr. Birmingham		
Mr. Schultz		
Mrs. Senatore		
Vice President Garruto		
President Kalish		
Ms. Leo, Township Attorney		
Ms. Reilly, Township Clerk		

Let the record reflect the following members of the Administration are present: Mayor Eric Wilsusen, Administrator Debi Millikin, Chief Financial Officer Bill Eagen.

3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG – Presiding Officer

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS – Presiding Officer

- Highlands Impact Aid Now Challenge

5. PUBLIC COMMENT – Presiding Officer

Please state and spell your name for the record. Each speaker is limited to one (1) comment of no more than five (5) minutes and no yielding of time to another person.

6. ORDINANCES –PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE FOR ADOPTION – Township Clerk

ORDINANCE #26-01 - “ORDINANCE ADOPTING SHIPPING CONTAINERS STANDARDS IN SECTION 490 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, MORRIS COUNTY”

WHEREAS, the Township Council determined that establishing distinct and predictable standards for use of shipping containers would be beneficial to Township residents; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council wish to clarify the ordinance provisions for use of shipping containers; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council have determined that clarifying the ordinance would be beneficial to the general welfare of the community; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, in the County of Morris, and State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 490 “Zoning” Section 490-5 Definitions is amended to read as follows:

§ 490-5 Definitions

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Any material, solid, liquid or gas, listed as a hazardous substance or material, including but not necessarily limited to the NFPA Guide of Hazardous Materials, the Department of Transportation Guide Book, the list of hazardous substances and toxic pollutants designated by the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Section 311 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, Amendment of 1972, as amended by the Clean Water Act of 1977 (33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq.) and the list of toxic pollutants designated by Congress or the EPA pursuant to Section 307 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, and hospital or medical waste, including but not limited to syringes, bandages and discarded pharmaceutical products and any material warranting removal or cleanup in the opinion of the Jefferson Township Fire Prevention Bureau.

SHIPPING CONTAINER, ISO CONTAINER, ISO SHIPPING CONTAINER, SEA CONTAINER

Any standardized shipping container constructed in accordance with the standard sizes promulgated by the International Standards Organization (ISO) for use in international intermodal transportation of goods by ship, rail, or truck, which shall include but shall not be limited to containers that are 20 feet in length and 8 feet in width, 40 feet in length and 8 feet in width, and 53 feet in length and 8 feet in width. Shipping containers that have been modified into a permanent structure and no longer appear to be a shipping container shall follow accessory building standards.

SECTION 2. Chapter 490 "Zoning" Section 490-29 Supplemental use and building regulations is amended to read as follows:

§ 490-29 Supplemental use and building regulations.

O. Shipping containers.

- (1) Shipping containers placed on any site shall comply with the provisions of this section, except that portable moving containers/moving pods placed on private property for no more than 30 cumulative days in any twelve-month period shall not be regulated by this section.
- (2) Nonconforming structures. Structures rendered non-conforming by this ordinance may obtain a certification pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-68 that a use or structure existed prior to the adoption of the ordinance, which rendered the use or structure nonconforming by applying for a zoning permit, subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) The applicant shall have the burden of proof that the structure existed prior to the adoption of this ordinance.
 - (b) The structural integrity of the existing container must receive approval from the Construction Official or the Construction Official's Designee.
 - (c) All existing shipping containers are grandfathered as of the date this ordinance goes into effect, provided that they meet the color scheme, screening, location in rear yard, and setbacks of the zone.
 - (d) Noncompliant shipping containers that exist prior to the adoption of this ordinance have 60 days from the date of adoption to comply with all ordinance requirements.
- (3) Temporary shipping containers. Shipping containers or pods under 200 square feet may be placed on the property for more than 30 days and up to 180 days in one calendar year, beginning on the date of the zoning permit approval, provided that the following standards are met:
 - (a) The pod/shipping container is being used for a renovation project with an open building permit.
 - (b) The pod/shipping container is either (1) placed in the driveway of the structure being renovated or (2) placed elsewhere on the property in a location that meets accessory structure standards in the underlying zone.
 - (c) A maximum of two (2) 90 day extensions for a temporary shipping container, due to open construction permits, may be permitted, upon approval of the Township Zoning Officer.
- (4) Permit required. Placement of shipping containers or pods in any zone district requires a zoning permit application. Placement of a shipping container over 200 square feet will also require a building permit application. Shipping containers in commercial or industrial districts shall adhere to additional requirements set forth in § 500-93.E. Shipping containers of any size located on farm-assessed properties and used for agricultural uses are exempt from this subsection.
- (5) Residential districts (non-farm assessed). Permanent shipping containers over 200 square feet are prohibited in residential districts. A shipping container under 200 square feet may be used as permanent storage, but must adhere to the following standards:
 - (a) Shipping containers shall meet accessory building area and bulk requirements of the underlying zone district. If the shipping container is in any yard that is adjacent to another residential property, or visible from any street, the container must be screened, improved with cladding or siding, painted earth-tone colors, or painted the same color as the principal structure.
 - (b) Shipping containers may not be used as dwelling units.
 - (c) Permanent shipping containers must be placed in the rear yard.
- (6) Commercial districts and industrial districts.
 - (a) Shipping containers must adhere to the accessory building area and bulk requirements of the underlying zone district.
 - (b) Shipping containers shall not be used for storage of hazardous material (as defined in § 490-5) and may not be used as dwelling units, commercial sales or service, or other use types.
 - (c) Shipping containers may not be stacked.
 - (d) Screening or buffering must be implemented if a shipping container is within 50 feet of any residential use or district or visible from any public street.
 - (e) One (1) shipping container up to 40 feet in length is allowed without applying for a permit; two (2) or more units, or a unit greater than 40 feet in length, requires a zoning permit.
 - (f) Any shipping container must be painted an earth tone color or the color of the principal structure.

SECTION 3. All ordinances of the Township of Jefferson, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

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

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance may be renumbered for codification purposes.

If adopted this Ordinance shall take effect after publication and passage as provided by law.

PUBLIC HEARING- Please state and spell your name for the record. Each speaker is limited to one (1) comment of no more than five (5) minutes and no yielding of time to another person.

INTRODUCED:

JANUARY 21, 2026

ADOPTED:

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham			X									
Mr. Schultz			X									
Mrs. Senatore	X		X									
Vice President Garruto		X	X									
President Kalish			X									

ORDINANCE #26-04 - "ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, DELETING SECTION 490-26.1, "AFFORDABLE HOUSING OVERLAY ZONE" AND REPLACING SECTION 490-26.1 WITH "INCLUSIONARY OVERLAY ZONES"

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson Council desires to amend the Township Code, to comply with relevant New Jersey fourth round affordable housing law and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the current Township Code is hereby revised to implement new overlay zones to implement the Township's Housing Element and Fair Share Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township of Jefferson, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION ONE. The General Ordinance of the Township of Jefferson is hereby amended by the deletion of existing Section 490-26.1, "Affordable Housing Overlay Zone", and replacing it with a new Section 490-26.1, "Inclusionary Overlay Zones", as follows:

§ 490-26.1 Inclusionary Overlay Zones.

A. Intent, purpose, and applicability. The intent and purpose of these inclusionary overlay zones is to create a realistic opportunity for the construction of low- and moderate-income housing in the Township of Jefferson on land that may become available for development, thereby addressing the Township's fair share housing obligation under the New Jersey Fair Housing Act and constitutional obligations to provide affordable housing. The overlay zones may be utilized to develop under these standards upon the provision of adequate sewer and water service to support the proposed densities in the zones. These zones are as follows:

- (1) The AHO-1 Zone applies to Block 273.03, Lot 1 when residential uses are proposed in the zone.
- (2) The AHO-2 (Route 181 West) Zone applies to Block 105, Lots 1, 5, and 5.02.
- (3) The AHO-3 (Route 181 East) Zone applies to Block 320.01, Lots 3 & 5, and Block 321, Lot 1.
- (4) The AHO-4 (Route 181/Route 15) Zone applies to Block 307.01, Lots 1, 1.01, 1.02, and 2.
- (5) The AHO-5 (Route 23) Zone applies to Block 571, Lots 4, 5, and 6; Block 574, Lot 2; Block 575, Lots 1, 2, 2.01, 3, 4.02, 4.03, 4.04, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10.
- (6) The AHO-6 (Route 15/Berkshire Valley Road) Zone applies to Block 254, Lots, 8, 9, 11, 12, and 13; Block 254.01, Lot 1; Block 255, Lots 1.01, 1.02, 1.03, 35 and 36; Block 260, Lots 1, 2, and 9; Block 260.01, Lots 1, 4, 4.01, 5, 6.01, 7 and 8; Block 265.01, Lot 1; Block 265.02, Lot 1.
- (7) The AHO-7 (Route 15/Taylor Road) Zone applies to Block 250 Lots 4, 4.01, 5, 8, 9, 10, 13.04, 14.01, 13, 14, 14.03; Block 266, Lot 3.02; Block 266.01, Lot 1; Block 267, Lots 6, 6.01, 6.02, 6.03; Block 267.01, Lots 1, 3, 3.01, 3.02; Block 269.02, Lot 1.
- (8) The AHO-8 (Ridge Plaza) Zone applies to Block 453, Lots 5, 5.01, 6.01 6.02, 6.03, 7; Block 473.12, Lots 16.02 and 16.06; Block 513, Lots 2.01, 2.02, 4, 20.01; Block 518, Lots 33, 34, 36, 37; Block 566, Lot 1.
- (9) The AHO-9 (Route 15) Zone applies to Block 233.01, Lots 1, 2; Block 249, Lots 1, 3.01, 3.02, 3.04, 3.06, 3.07, 3.08, 3.10, 3.11, 3.18, 3.19, 3.20, 3.21, 3.22, 3.22, 4, 4.01, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23, 24, 26; Block 272, Lots 1, 8, 9, 10, 10.01; Block 272.01, Lots 2, 3.01, 3.02, 5.01, 5.02, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 12.01, 13, 15, 16, 17, 19, 19.01, 21; Block 273, Lot 2.0.

B. Permitted uses. Multifamily residential units are permitted in each of the AHO Zones subject to a mandatory 20% set-aside for affordable housing, regardless of tenure. Multifamily residential uses are permitted in addition to those uses already permitted by the underlying zone district. Multifamily residential use may be proposed over permitted uses in the underlying zone in a mixed-use building or as a stand-alone multifamily residential building. Nonresidential uses may be proposed in addition to the proposed residential uses on the property.

C. Residential density.

- (1) The density in the AHO Zones shall be a maximum residential density of 20 residential dwelling units per acre with a minimum 20% set-aside for affordable housing.
- (2) Other residential, retail, service, and office use shall follow the underlying zone standards.

D. Multifamily residential development standards.

- (1) The property specified in the location above may be proposed for subdivision and/or site plan for residential development over retail and service or office uses or adjacent to permitted nonresidential uses in the zone in the form of multifamily apartment buildings.
- (2) Bulk standards:

	AHO 1-9 Bulk Standards
Minimum Lot Size	1.0 ac.
Minimum Lot Width	75 ft.
Maximum Building Height	3 stories/ 45 ft.
Minimum Front Yard:	25 ft.
Minimum Side Yard, Each	10 ft.
Minimum Rear Yard	25 ft.
Maximum Lot Coverage:	75%

- (3) Parking shall be provided at 1.5 spaces per unit with EVSE parking spaces as required by state law.
- (4) All other regulations and requirements of the underlying zone shall remain in effect.

SECTION TWO. Any article, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of the Revised General Ordinance of the Township of Jefferson inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION THREE. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision so adjudged, and the remainder of this ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION FOUR. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication and filing with the Morris County Planning Board, and as otherwise provided for by law.

SECTION FIVE. The Municipal Clerk is directed to give notice at least ten days prior to the hearing on the adoption of this Ordinance to the County Planning Board and to all others entitled pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:55D-15 and N.J.S.A. 40:55D-62.1.

After introduction, the Clerk is hereby directed to submit a copy of the within Ordinance to the Jefferson Township Land Use Board for its review in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26 and N.J.S.A. 40:55D-64.

Upon the adoption of this Ordinance, after public hearing, the Municipal Clerk is further directed to publish notice of the passage and to file a copy of this Ordinance, as finally adopted, with the Morris County Planning Board, as required by N.J.S.A. 40:55D-16.

If adopted this Ordinance shall take effect after publication and passage as provided by law.

PUBLIC HEARING- Please state and spell your name for the record. Each speaker is limited to one (1) comment of no more than five (5) minutes and no yielding of time to another person.

INTRODUCED: FEBRUARY 11, 2026

ADOPTED:

Council Member	INTRODUCED: FEBRUARY 11, 2026						ADOPTED:					
	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham			X									
Mr. Schultz	X		X									
Mrs. Senatore						X						
Vice President Garruto		X	X									
President Kalish			X									

ORDINANCE #26-05 -“ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, DELETING CHAPTER 193 “DEVELOPMENT FEES” AND DELETING AND ADOPTING A NEW CHAPTER 57, “AFFORDABLE HOUSING”

SUMMARY:

An Ordinance replacing current Township affordable housing regulations, including development fees, to conform with the applicable provisions of the Uniform Housing Affordability Controls (UHAC) promulgated by the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency at N.J.A.C.5:80-26 et seq., the amended Fair Housing Act at N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301 et seq., the Fair Housing Act Regulations promulgated by the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Planning Services (“LPS”) at N.J.A.C. 5:99 et seq., and statutorily upheld existing regulations of the former Council on Affordable Housing (“COAH”) at N.J.A.C. 5:93 and 5:97, and to implement and incorporate relevant provisions of the Township’s Fourth Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan.

If adopted this Ordinance shall take effect after publication and passage as provided by law.

PUBLIC HEARING- Please state and spell your name for the record. Each speaker is limited to one (1) comment of no more than five (5) minutes and no yielding of time to another person.

INTRODUCED: FEBRUARY 11, 2026

ADOPTED:

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham	X		X									
Mr. Schultz		X	X									
Mrs. Senatore						X						
Vice President Garruto			X									
President Kalish			X									

ORDINANCE #26-07 – “ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 429, “STREETS AND SIDEWALKS”, SECTION 20, “PROHIBITED OBSTRUCTIONS” TO PROHIBIT BASKETBALL HOOPS AND SIMILAR ITEMS WITHIN TOWNSHIP ROADS AND RIGHT-OF-WAYS”

The public hearing for Ordinance #26-07 will be held on March 25, 2026.

7. COUNCIL AND MAYOR DISCUSSION – Presiding Officer
 - COLA / Cap Bank Ordinance
 - Budget
8. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS OF MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATOR – Presiding Officer
9. COUNCIL REPORTS – Presiding Officer
10. COUNCIL BUSINESS – Presiding Officer
 - Plenary Retail Distribution License #2

RESOLUTION #26-92 - “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS”

WHEREAS, the Business Administrator has reviewed and approved purchase orders requested by the Township Department Heads; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Office has certified that funds are available in the proper account; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Office has approved payment, upon certification from the Township Department Heads that the goods and/or services have been rendered to the Township; and

WHEREAS, purchases under State Contract or under Morris County Cooperative Purchasing Agreement were made where applicable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the current bills, dated **March 11, 2026** and on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Treasurer and approved by him/her for payment, be paid.

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

RESOLUTION #26-93 -“RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, SEEKING ASSISTANCE AND FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DUE TO SIGNIFICANT DETRIMENTAL FINANCIAL IMPACTS OF THE HIGHLANDS ACT”

WHEREAS, the 88 municipalities of the Highlands in New Jersey have been required by the Highlands Act to severely limit future development and to take measures at the local level to support the Highlands Act and the Highlands Regional Master Plan, which has resulted in significant financial stress for Highlands municipalities; and

WHEREAS, Jefferson Township has been severely and adversely affected by the Highlands Act and the restriction of development and loss of tax revenue caused; and

WHEREAS, approximately 88% of Jefferson Township lies within the Highlands Preservation Area, where the anti-development law has significantly limit new housing and commercial growth in Jefferson Township; and

WHEREAS, though approximately 70% of the citizens of the State of New Jersey benefit from Highlands Region water, Jefferson Township and its residents have had to endure development and tax revenue restrictions that other municipalities and citizens have not endured; and

WHEREAS, recent Statewide funding cuts have decimated Jefferson Township’s school budget, resulting in a \$4.8 million shortfall, driven by a 60% reduction in State aid due to a 29% reduction in student allotments; and

WHEREAS, the Jefferson Township Board of Education has already undertaken significant actions, in the form of sale of assets and reductions in programs and staff, as it has already been severely affected by a decrease of approximately \$45 million over the last few years in State funding; and

WHEREAS, should immediate action not be taken, the \$4.8 million shortfall to the Board of Education budget will result in the unacceptable elimination of sports and after-school activities, and reductions in staffing and essential services to the students; and

WHEREAS, the *State of the New Jersey Highlands*, prepared by the Highlands Council, dated January 2026, recognized that the Watershed Moratorium Aid provisions that provide some relief for impacted municipalities are not applied region-wide and are insufficient to support the affected municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Protection Fund is an allocation from the Realty Transfer Fee, which allocation of funding needs to be revised to ensure that Highlands municipalities that have significant watershed lands receive appropriate funding; and

WHEREAS, The New Jersey Watershed Moratorium Offset Aid Act N.J.S.A. 58:29-8, which was established to provide annual state aid to municipalities restricting the sale of watershed lands, compensating for lost property tax revenue, falls far short in compensating municipalities for their lost revenue; and

WHEREAS, Highlands communities need additional financial support from the State of New Jersey to account for the loss of development potential and mandates to take resource protection actions at the local level mandated by the State; and

WHEREAS, the Township appreciates the efforts of State Sen. Anthony M. Bucco, Assemblywoman Aura Dunn and Assemblywoman Marisa Sweeney, and has the need for greater support for immediate emergency aid to be issued, to avoid disastrous impacts to the Township and Board of Education budgets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, request that additional State funding and emergency aid funding be immediately provided to Jefferson Township and the Jefferson Township School District, to compensate the Township of Jefferson for the significant reduction in development opportunities and tax revenue caused by the Highlands Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Jefferson Township supports Assembly Bill 4456, introduced by Assemblywoman Dunn, appropriating \$4.8 million to the Jefferson Township School District for operational aid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to Governor Mikie Sherrill, State Sen. Anthony M. Bucco, Assemblyman Aura Dunn and Assemblywoman Marisa Sweeney, NJ Highlands Council, Senate President Nick Scutari, and Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin.

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

RESOLUTION #26-94 - "RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, SUPPORTING LEGISLATION REQUIRING STATE FUNDING AND REIMBURSEMENT FOR DISABLED VETERAN PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS"

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 permits honorably discharged veterans with 100% permanent and total disability with active service in the US Armed Services and their surviving spouse to obtain a total property tax exemption from municipalities; and

WHEREAS, Jefferson Township appreciates veterans and all they do for us and does not oppose the property tax exemption in general; and

WHEREAS, municipalities are responsible for the entire year property taxes when disabled veterans are approved for the exemption, and yet there is no change or share of responsibility from the County level taxes when an exemption is issued, meaning the Township then becomes responsible for the property taxes; and

WHEREAS, in 2025, Jefferson Township had eighteen (18) new properties approved for the veterans' property tax exemption, which deducted \$157,307.49 from the municipal tax base for 2025; and there were, as of January 1, 2026, 75 veterans' property tax exempt properties, totaling \$716,439.86 not collected in Jefferson Township; and

WHEREAS, A3953, proposed in the last legislative session, sought to require that the State reimburse municipalities for first-year uncollected property tax revenue to ensure that a municipality is not held responsible for the remaining portions of the tax bill when an application is approved, which legislation did not move forward.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, supports legislation seeking reimbursement from the State to municipalities for disabled veteran property tax exemptions.

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

RESOLUTION #26-95 - "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS"

WHEREAS, there is a need for an appropriation transfer for 2025 Current Fund; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds to meet the current needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey that, as authorized by N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58, the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) is hereby authorized and directed to make the following transfers:

Appropriation Transfers - 2025 Budget	03/11/2026 Council Meeting	
	CURRENT FUND	
FROM:	ACCOUNT No.	AMOUNT:
SNOW REMOVAL SW	5-01-26-260-292-100	333.48
SNOW REMOVAL OE	5-01-26-260-292-200	2,000.00
ROAD DEPT SW	5-01-26-260-291-100	35,000.00
POLICE SW	5-01-25-240-240-100	75,000.00
ACCUMULATED ABSCENCES SW	5-01-30-415-415-100	30,000.00
		142,333.48
	TRUST FUND	
TO:	ACCOUNT No.	AMOUNT:
SNOW TRUST	T-15-56-860-000-846	37,333.48
ACCUMULATED ABSENCE TRUST	T-15-56-860-000-856	105,000.00
		142,333.48

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

11. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING –Township Clerk

ORDINANCE #26-03 - “ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF EDGEWOOD ROAD AND UNNAMED ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAYS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON”

WHEREAS, in connection with that certain Lot Consolidation, Use Variances, Bulk Variances and Minor Site Plan approval granted by the Township of Jefferson Land Use Board, Application Number 24-26, on October 28, 2024, and memorialized in that certain Resolution dated January 27, 2025 (hereinafter referred to as the “Approvals”), the Applicant, Lake Hopatcong Ventures, LLC, requested that the Township of Jefferson vacate Right of Ways, consisting of a portion of Edgewood Road and an unnamed road, in relation to Applicant’s Properties situated in Block 198, Lots 10, 14 and 15, which Lots upon approval of this Ordinance will be consolidated into Lot 14; and

WHEREAS, as a condition to the aforementioned Approvals, the Applicant requires the Township of Jefferson to vacate said Right of Ways (as more particularly described on the attached **Exhibit A** further described below), with a portion of the existing Edgewood Road Right of Way being approved as a private roadway (as more particularly described on the attached **Exhibit B** further described below) to provide continued access to Lot 14, together with continuing access to Block 198, Lot 16 (being commonly known as 16 Edgewood Road) and to Block 203, Lot 2 (being commonly known as 2 Edgewood Road), and the responsibilities for construction, improvements, maintenance, repairs and/or replacement of the Edgewood private roadway to be the obligation of the owner of Lot 14; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson has determined that a portion of the Edgewood Road Right-of-Way and an Unnamed Road that traverses Block 198, Lots 10, 14 and 15 (now being consolidated into Lot 14), and also traverses Block 202, Lot 1.01 (being commonly known as 3 Edgewood Road), and Block 198, Lot 22 (being commonly known as 45 Homestead Road), as more specifically described on the attached **Exhibit A** (the “ROW Portions”), is not needed for any public purpose(s) of the Township, and that the public interest would be best served by vacating and extinguishing all public right, title, and interest in and to that ROW Portions, so that the underlying lands may be combined with, and become and form part of, the adjacent properties; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Approvals, the Township of Jefferson has also determined that a portion of Edgewood Road Right-of-Way, more specifically described on the attached **Exhibit B** (the “Edgewood Road Private Driveway Portion”), is best suited to be constructed, improved, maintained, repaired and/or replaced by the Applicant, Lake Hopatcong Ventures, LLC, and that said Applicant, Lake Hopatcong Ventures, LLC (or the then owner of Lot 14) shall be responsible for all costs to construct, improve, maintain, repair and/or replace the Edgewood Road Private Driveway Portion; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Township that once the ROW Portions have been vacated, then ownership of the underlying lands shall revert to the adjoining property owners by operation of law; and

WHEREAS, a vacation of a public street, or part thereof, which has not been opened by the municipality, may be authorized by the municipal governing body by Ordinance, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-19, et seq., when there is no longer any need for the use of said area by the public; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council believes that the vacation of all public right, title, and interest in and to in the ROW Portions, is in the best interests of the Township, and furthermore, that the responsibility to construct, improve, maintain, repair and/or replace the Edgewood Road Private Driveway Portion being the sole obligation of the Applicant pursuant to the Approvals is in the best interest of the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION I

1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-19, et seq., the Township of Jefferson hereby vacates, extinguishes, releases and abandons all public right, title and interest in and to that ROW Portions, as more particularly shown on **Exhibit A** attached hereto.
2. It is the intention of the Township that once the ROW Portions have been vacated, then ownership of the underlying lands shall revert over to the owner of the adjacent properties by operation of law, with a portion of the existing Edgewood Road Right of Way being approved as a private roadway to access Lot 14 and to access Block 198, Lot 16 (being commonly known as 16 Edgewood Road) and to Block 203, Lot 2 (being commonly known as 2 Edgewood Road), as more specifically described on the attached **Exhibit B**, and the responsibilities for construction, improvements, maintenance, repairs and/or replacement of the Edgewood private roadway to be the obligation of the owner of Lot 14.
3. The provisions of this Ordinance shall not be deemed to vacate any rights and privileges which may be possessed by any public utility company (as defined in N.J.S.A. 48:2-13), or by any cable television company (as defined in N.J.S.A. 48:5A-1, et seq.) to maintain, repair, and replace any existing facilities in, adjacent to, over or under the said vacated areas.
4. Following the introduction of this Ordinance, the Township Clerk shall provide notice of its pending status as mandated by N.J.S.A. 40:49-6, and at least one week prior to the time fixed for further consideration and final passage of the Ordinance, the Township Clerk shall mail a copy of the Ordinance, together with a notice of the introduction thereof, and information as to the time and place of when and where the Ordinance will be further considered for final passage, to every person whose lands may be affected by this Ordinance (i.e. Block 198, Lots 10, 14 and 15, which Lots will be consolidated into Lot 14; Block 203, Lot 2 (being commonly known as 2 Edgewood Terrace); Block 202, Lot 1.01 (being commonly known as 3 Edgewood Terrace); Block

- 198, Lot 16 (being commonly known as 16 Edgewood Terrace); and Block 198, Lot 22 (being commonly known as 45 Homestead Road)), by certified mail, return receipt requested and regular mail, to their last known post office address(es).
5. Following the adoption of the Ordinance, the Township Clerk shall, within sixty (60) days of the effective date thereof, file a copy of this Ordinance, along with the attached Exhibits, certified by the Clerk, under seal of the Township, to be a true and exact copy of the Ordinance, together with a copy of the proof of publication thereof, in the Office of the Morris County Clerk for recording in the County's Book of "Vacations," pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:676-21.
 6. Once the ROW Portions have been vacated, then the Township's interests in and to the said ROW Portions shall be released.
 7. The Township Attorney and Township Engineer are hereby authorized and directed to undertake all actions and to prepare all documents that are necessary in order to effectuate the intentions of the within Ordinance.
 8. The Mayor and/or Business Administrator is authorized to execute, and the Township Clerk is authorized to attest any and all documents, and to perform all actions, which may be necessary in order to effectuate the intentions of the within Ordinance.
 9. The Township may request that the owner of any properties in interest to the ROW Portions enter into a consent and release or similar instrument, subject to the review and approval of the Township Attorney, prior to and as a condition of final adoption of the within Ordinance.
 10. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.
 11. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Ordinance is found to be invalid for any reason by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be limited in its effect only to the portion of the Ordinance actually adjudged invalid and shall not be deemed to affect the operation of any other portion thereof, which shall remain in full force and effect.
 12. All other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION II

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION III

If any article, section, subsection, paragraphs, phrase or sentence is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, said article, section, subsection, paragraph, phrase or sentence shall be deemed severable.

SECTION IV

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final publication as provided by law.

Following introduction, the above Ordinance will be published in accordance with the law and a Public hearing will be held on April 8, 2026.

INTRODUCED:

ADOPTED:

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham												
Mr. Schultz												
Mrs. Senatore												
Vice President Garruto												
President Kalish												

12. MINUTES – Township Clerk

March 4, 2026 – Birmingham, Schultz absent

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

13. CONSENT AGENDA* - Township Clerk

Matters listed on the Consent Agenda Resolution are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Council and one roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member requests an item be removed for consideration.

***LICENSES:**

- None for March 11, 2026

***APPOINTMENTS:**

- None for March 11, 2026

***CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:**

- 26-96 Resolution Authorizing the Refund of Overpayment(s) of Taxes
- 26-97 Resolution Authorizing a Disabled Veterans Exemption and the Cancellation of Taxes – Block 300 Lot 17
- 26-98 Resolution Authorizing a Disabled Veterans Exemption and the Cancellation of Taxes – Block 448.08 Lot 3
- 26-99 Resolution Authorizing a Disabled Veterans Exemption and the Cancellation of Taxes – Block 510 Lot 10
- 26-100 Resolution Authorizing Contracts with Certain Approved NJ State Cooperative Pricing Council Contract Vendors For Contracting Units – Atlantic Communications
- 26-101 Resolution Authorizing Contracts with Certain Approved Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council Contract Vendors For Contracting Units – Rio Supply, Inc.
- 26-102 Resolution Authorizing Contracts with Certain Approved Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council Contract Vendors for Contracting Units – Nielsen Ford

Council Member	By	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Birmingham						
Mr. Schultz						
Mrs. Senatore						
Vice President Garruto						
President Kalish						

- 14. **PUBLIC COMMENT – Presiding Officer**
Please state and spell your name for the record. Each speaker is limited to one (1) comment of no more than five (5) minutes and no yielding of time to another person.
- 15. **EXECUTIVE SESSION – Presiding Officer**
 - None for March 11, 2026
- 16. **ADJOURNMENT – Presiding Officer**
AT _____ PM _____ Motion to Adjourn _____ Second _____ All in Favor

Michele Reilly, RMC, CMR
Township Clerk
973-208-6133 mreilly@jeffersontownship.net

FUTURE MEETINGS will begin at 7:00 p.m. on each of the dates set forth below, at the Jefferson Township Municipal Building, 1033 Weldon Road, Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey, unless otherwise noticed below or as amended during the year by a vote of the Township Council.

2026 REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE

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| Wednesday, January 21 | Wednesday, July 15 |
| Wednesday, February 11 | Wednesday, August 5 |
| Tuesday, February 17 – Budget, 6 pm | Wednesday, September 2 |
| Wednesday, February 25 – 6 pm | Tuesday, September 15 |
| Wednesday, March 11 | Wednesday, October 7 |
| Wednesday, March 25 | Wednesday, October 21 |
| Wednesday, April 8 | Tuesday, November 10 |
| Wednesday, April 22 | Wednesday, December 2 |
| Wednesday, May 6 | Wednesday, December 16 |
| Wednesday, May 20 | Wednesday, January 6, 2027 - Reorganization |
| Wednesday, June 10 | |
| Wednesday, June 24 | |

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTION #26-96

“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT(S) OF TAXES”

WHEREAS, there appears on the tax records overpayment(s) as shown below; and

WHEREAS, said overpayment(s) were created by the reasons indicated; and

WHEREAS, the Collector of Taxes recommends the refund(s) of such overpayment(s).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the proper officers are hereby authorized and directed to issue checks to refund such overpayment(s) as hereafter shown below:

CODE OF REASONS

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|----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Incorrect Payment | 2. Adjustment of Assessment | 3. Overbilled | 4. Vets, Senior Citizen Deduction |
| 5. Third Party Lien | 6. Duplicate Payment | 7. Exempt | 8. County/State Board Appeal |
| 9. Overpayment | 10. Return of Premium | 11. Return of Recording Fee | |

BLOCK	LOT	NAME	AMOUNT	CODE	YEAR
406	4	BALA PARTNERS LLC	\$26,793.82	5	2026
406	4	BALA PARTNERS LLC	\$17,000.00	10	2026
			TOTAL	\$43,793.82	

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTION #26-97

“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A DISABLED VETERANS EXEMPTION AND THE CANCELLATION OF TAXES –BLOCK 300 LOT 17”

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has approved an application for a totally Disabled Veteran Exemption for a resident property owner; and

WHEREAS, based on the approved permanently Disabled Veterans application date of February 20, 2026, the resident property owner is entitled to an exemption of taxes in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.32; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the Township of Jefferson does recommend a prorated refund of the 1st Quarter payment of taxes paid based on date of approved permanently Disabled Veterans application, February 20, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized to issue a check for the payment appearing on the tax records as follows:

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>QUARTER/YR</u>
Block 300 Lot 17	34 W Lakeview Trl	\$1,145.54	1 st Qtr 2026 (Prorated)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector be and is hereby authorized to cancel said taxes as follows:

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>QUARTER/YR</u>
Block 300 Lot 17	34 W Lakeview Trl	\$1,145.54	1 st Qtr 2026 (Prorated)
		\$2,920.09	2 nd Qtr 2026
		To Be Billed	3 rd Qtr 2026
		To Be Billed	4 th Qtr 2026

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTION #26-98

“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A DISABLED VETERANS EXEMPTION AND THE CANCELLATION OF TAXES –BLOCK 448.08 LOT 3”

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has approved an application for a totally Disabled Veteran Exemption for a resident property owner; and

WHEREAS, based on the approved permanently Disabled Veterans application date of February 24, 2026, the resident property owner is entitled to an exemption of taxes in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.32; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the Township of Jefferson does recommend a prorated refund of the 1st Quarter payment of taxes paid based on date of approved permanently Disabled Veterans application, February 24, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized to issue a check for the payment appearing on the tax records as follows:

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>QUARTER/YR</u>
Block 448.08 Lot 3	10 Highland Rd	\$1,176.11	1 st Qtr 2026 (Prorated)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector be and is hereby authorized to cancel said taxes as follows:

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>QUARTER/YR</u>
Block 448.08 Lot 3	10 Highland Rd	\$1,176.11	1 st Qtr 2026 (Prorated)
		\$2,940.26	2 nd Qtr 2026
		To Be Billed	3 rd Qtr 2026
		To Be Billed	4 th Qtr 2026

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTION #26-99

“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A DISABLED VETERANS EXEMPTION AND THE CANCELLATION OF TAXES –BLOCK 510 LOT 10”

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has approved an application for a totally Disabled Veteran Exemption for a resident property owner; and

WHEREAS, based on the approved permanently Disabled Veterans application date of February 24, 2026, the resident property owner is entitled to an exemption of taxes in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.32; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the Township of Jefferson does recommend a prorated refund of the 1st Quarter payment of taxes paid based on date of approved permanently Disabled Veterans application, February 24, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized to issue a check for the payment appearing on the tax records as follows:

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>QUARTER/YR</u>
Block 510 Lot 10	16 2 nd Lt JT Wroblewski	\$896.89	1 st Qtr 2026 (Prorated)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector be and is hereby authorized to cancel said taxes as follows:

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>QUARTER/YR</u>
Block 510 Lot 10	16 2 nd Lt JT Wroblewski	\$896.89	1 st Qtr 2026 (Prorated)
		\$2,242.22	2 nd Qtr 2026
		To Be Billed	3 rd Qtr 2026
		To Be Billed	4 th Qtr 2026

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTION #26-100

“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN APPROVED NJ STATE COOPERATIVE PRICING COUNCIL CONTRACT VENDOR FOR CONTRACTING UNITS – ATLANTIC COMMUNICATIONS.”

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson, may by resolution and without advertising for bids, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11 of the Local Public Contracts Law, purchase goods or services under the New Jersey State Cooperative Purchasing Program contract entered into on behalf of the State Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing NJ State contracts; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Cooperative Purchasing Program contracts #T-0109, 83924, 83927 & 83917 were awarded to Atlantic Communications, 664 Route 15 South, Lake Hopatcong, NJ 07849 for Zetron and Kenwood Radios and equipment for School Security; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson desires to purchase, in an amount not to exceed \$25,010.01 for Zetron and Kenwood Radios and equipment; through this resolution and properly executed contract, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current New Jersey State Cooperative Purchasing Program contract; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5 (b) a certificate showing availability of funds has been provided to the Township by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township, certifying that funds for said contract are available and are designated to line item appropriations designated below and totaling \$25,010.01.

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C-04-55-924-008-917

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson that the Township Administrator is authorized to purchase Zetron and Kenwood Radios and equipment for School Security from the approved New Jersey State Cooperative Purchasing Program contracts #T-0109, A83924, 83927 & 83917 in an amount not to exceed \$25,010.01 from Atlantic Communications, 664 Route 15 South, Lake Hopatcong, NJ 07849.

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTION #26-101

“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN APPROVED MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING COUNCIL CONTRACT VENDORS FOR CONTRACTING UNITS “RIO SUPPLY, INC.”

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson, may by resolution and without advertising for bids, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11 of the Local Public Contracts Law, purchase goods or services under the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council (MCCPC) contracts entered into on behalf of the Township of Randolph; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing County contracts; and

WHEREAS, MCCPC Contract #47-Categories B, C, D, F, H & J were awarded to Rio Supply, Inc., 100 Allied Parkway, Sicklerville, NJ 08081 for Water Meters and Readers; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson desires to purchase, in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 for Water Meters and Readers, MCCPC #47-Categories B, C, D, F, H & J through this resolution and properly executed contract, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current Morris County contracts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5 (b) a certificate showing availability of funds has been provided to the Township by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township, certifying that the funds for said contract are available and are designated to a line item

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson that the Township Administrator is authorized to purchase Water Meters and Readers from the approved Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council Vendor, MCCPC Contract #47-Categories B, C, D, F, H & J in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 from Rio Supply, Inc., 100 Allied Parkway, Sicklerville, NJ 08081.

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTION #26-102

“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN APPROVED MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING COUNCIL CONTRACT VENDORS FOR CONTRACTING UNITS “NIELSEN FORD”

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson, may by resolution and without advertising for bids, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11 of the Local Public Contracts Law, purchase goods or services under the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council (MCCPC) contracts entered into on behalf of the Township of Randolph; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing County contracts; and

WHEREAS, MCCPC Contract #15-A, Item #2 was awarded to Nielsen Ford, 170 Ridgedale Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960 for 2026 Ford Police Interceptor Utility AWD vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson desires to purchase, in an amount not to exceed \$99,778.00 for (2) 2026 Ford Police Interceptor Utility AWD Vehicles, MCCPC Contract #15-A, Item #2 through this resolution and properly executed contract, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current Morris County contracts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5 (b) a certificate showing availability of funds has been provided to the Township by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township, certifying that the funds for said contract are available and are designated to line item appropriations designated below and totaling \$99,778.00.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson that the Township Administrator is authorized to purchase (2) 2026 Ford Police Interceptor Utility AWD Vehicles in an amount not to exceed \$99,778.00 from Nielsen Ford, 170 Ridgedale Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960.