

**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG  
RESOLUTION: R1**

**WHEREAS**, Section 2-25.13 of the Code of the Borough of Watchung requires that contracts for purchases or services involving more than two thousand dollars be awarded by a resolution of the Mayor and Council.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to issue Purchase Orders as follows:

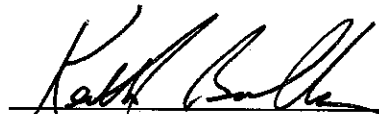
Vendor: Messercola Excavating, 549 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Plainfield, NJ 07060  
Item: PW-Snow Plowing Services  
Total Price: \$16,185.00  
Charged to: 2-01-205-281

Vendor: Air Group LLC, 1 Prince Road, Whippany, NJ 07891  
Item: PD – Cooling / Heating System  
Total Price: \$9,900.00  
Charged to: 2-01-610-202



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Ronald Jubin, Council President



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Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG  
RESOLUTION: R2**

**WHEREAS**, a tax payment was made by Michael I Birnberg, Esq. for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2022 taxes on Block 4001 Lot 4 Qualifier C0022 also known as 22 Schmidt Circle, and

**WHEREAS**, the taxes were also paid by the mortgage company.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the refund of said payment be made per the details listed below:

Block 4001 Lot 4 Qualifier C0022

22 Schmidt Circle Watchung, New Jersey 07069

Payment made to:

Michael I Birnberg, Esq

10 Blue Wolf Trail

Watchung, New Jersey 07069

Amount: \$2,237.67



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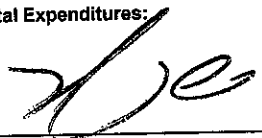
Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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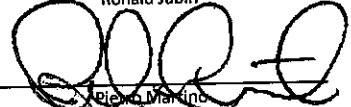
RESOLUTION: R3

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung,  
that the Borough Treasurer be, and is hereby directed to pay bills in the amount of  
\$2,582,914.37 per the attached bill list. The expenditures can be broken down into  
the following categories:

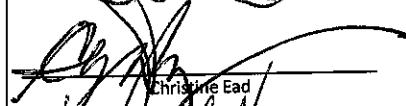
Affordable Housing Trust	\$	-
Animal Control	\$	103.80
Capital Fund	\$	16,797.04
Developer's Escrow	\$	8,975.00
Other Escrow	\$	4,421.32
Watchung Board of Education Taxes	\$	1,024,190.00
Watchung Hills Regional High School Taxes	\$	596,529.00
Current Fund	\$	931,898.21
<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,582,914.37</b>

  
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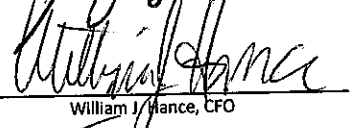
  
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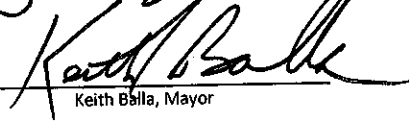
  
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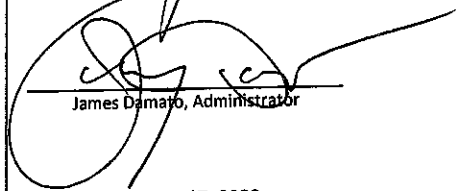
  
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Freddie Haveck

  
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Christine Ead

  
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Curt Dahl

  
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William J. Hance, CFO

  
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Keith Balla, Mayor

  
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James Damato, Administrator

Date: February 17, 2022

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG  
RESOLUTION: R4**

**WHEREAS**, across New Jersey, communities are facing a rise in health care costs; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been widely reported that physical activity levels have been decreasing and obesity rates are increasing; and

**WHEREAS**, local leaders are looking for ways to promote active living, healthy eating, and overall wellness in their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayors Wellness Campaign seeks to work with all members of the Borough to shape healthier lifestyles for men, women and children in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough can work towards the goal of healthier citizens and potentially lower health care costs by championing practices and programs that promote active healthy living; and

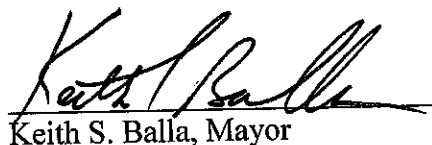
**WHEREAS**, the Mayors Wellness Campaign will work to implement a program of education and activities to combat obesity and promote community involvement in the Borough of Watchung.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, New Jersey, to ask that all residents of this community join us in supporting the Mayors Wellness Campaign; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that we encourage the residents of the Borough of Watchung to participate in the Mayors Wellness Campaign activities to promote exercise and a healthy lifestyle.



Ronald Jubin, Council President



Keith S. Balla, Mayor

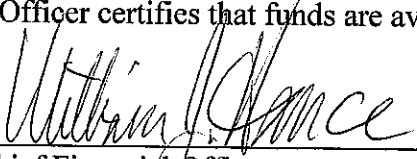
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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG  
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**WHEREAS**, the Watchung Volunteer Fire Department has submitted the roster of firefighters eligible for a stipend for the year 2021; and

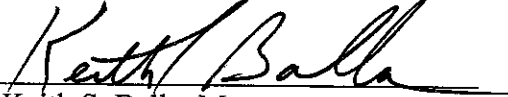
**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to formally approve the stipend amounts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer certifies that funds are available in the 2021 budget.

  
Chief Financial Officer

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to pay the Volunteer Fire Department stipends per the attached listing totaling \$42,000.00.

  
Curt Dahl, Council Member

  
Keith S. Balla, Mayor

ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 17, 2022  
INDEX: PURCHASING, FIRE  
C: B. HANCE 3/14/22

**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG  
RESOLUTION: R6**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Watchung has received a Field and Permit application for the use of the Gazebo for a Wedding Ceremony at Watchung Lake filed by Ernst Celestin, a non-resident; and

**WHEREAS**, the application on file is deemed a complete application and the Recreation Coordinator hereby recommends the approval of the Gazebo for use on Saturday, June 25 2022.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Gazebo at Watchung Lake may be rented out to Ernst Celestin, a non-resident of Watchung in the amount of \$100.00 for use on June 25, 2022 for the intended use listed on the application on file with the Borough.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all approvals are contingent upon having a Certificate of Insurance and payment of all applicable fees.



Freddie Hayeck, Council Member



Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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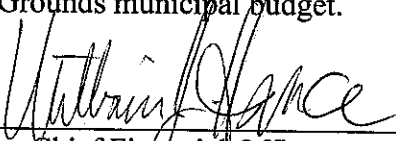
**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG  
RESOLUTION: R7**

**WHEREAS**, Watchung is in need of janitorial services for the municipal buildings; and

**WHEREAS**, a proposal was obtained from ACCSES NJ under State Contract T-1480 77110 for these services; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposal has been reviewed and determined to be the best option for the Borough; and

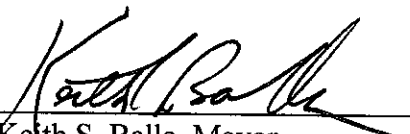
**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available for this contract in the Buildings & Grounds municipal budget.

  
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Chief Financial Officer

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung that Watchung be authorized to enter into a contract with ACCSES NJ for janitorial services three days a week at the Police Station, Library, and Municipal Building for a cost of \$52,775.34 from March 7, 2022 thru March 6, 2023.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that ACCSES NJ be authorized to do an initial cleaning of these buildings for a cost of \$2,358.00 and any additional cleaning services could be done for a cost of \$32.75 per hour.

  
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Ronald Jubin, Council President

  
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Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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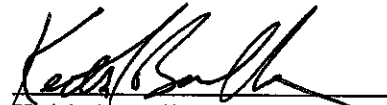
**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG  
RESOLUTION: R8**

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to hire a temporary sub-code official to fill in when the regular sub-code official is out.

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that **Joseph Maretta** be hired as the **Temporary P/T Electrical Sub-Code Official** at an hourly rate of \$45.11 per hour, effective February 14, 2022.



Ronald Jubin, Council President



Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG  
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**WHEREAS**, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(1-9) permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

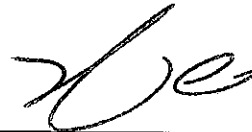
**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

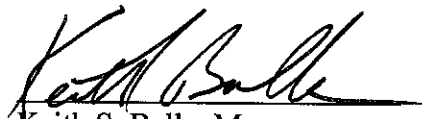
1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the closed session of February 17, 2022.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

Contract Negotiations and  
Anticipated Litigation

3. Minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, then the minutes can be made public.
4. The Borough Council may take official action on those items discussed in executive session upon completion of the executive session.



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Ronald Jubin, Council President



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Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG  
RESOLUTION: R10**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT  
WITH THE FMBA LOCAL 432.**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Watchung and the FMBA Local 432 entered into a collective bargaining agreement, for the period of January 1, 2013, through December 31, 2015, to govern the terms and conditions of employment of dispatchers employed by the Borough; and

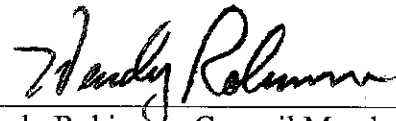
**WHEREAS**, the Borough and the FMBA Local 432 entered into subsequent agreements modifying the terms of the original agreement for the period of January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough and the FMBA Local 432 have been in negotiations for the extension of the collective bargaining agreement for the period of January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2023, which has been memorialized in a Memorandum of Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Watchung has determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to authorize and approve the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement to extend the agreement with the FMBA Local 432.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Watchung that it hereby authorizes and approves the Memorandum of Agreement with the FMBA Local 432 for the period of January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2023, as memorialized in the attached Memorandum of Agreement.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Watchung that it hereby authorizes the Mayor, Borough Administrator, Borough Attorney, and other appropriate Borough officials to effectuate the authorizations in this Resolution, including the execution of the Memorandum of Agreement, in substantially the form attached to this Resolution.



Wendy Robinson, Council Member



Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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