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#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

**PUBLIC NOTICE** of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given by the Township Council in the following manner:

- 1. Notifying the Township Clerk December 22, 2023.
- 2. Mailing Notice to the Courier Post, The Central Record and Burlington County Times on December 22, 2023.
- 3. Posting Notice on the Official Municipal Bulletin Board on December 22, 2023.

Anyone from the public wishing to speak will be permitted to address comments to the Council during public participation portions only. Those wishing to speak should stand up to the podium, state their name and their address prior to making any comment. Each member of the Public will be given one (1) opportunity and up to five (5) minutes during each Public Portion to address comments to Council. A draft agenda and all resolutions have been posted on the Township webpage and bulletin board in the Municipal Building.

Please place all phones on mute to alleviate disruption of the meeting.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Resolution No. 2024-R-73** Resolution to Meet in Executive Session for the following:

- 1. Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiation, and the Attorney-Client Privilege/Personnel:
  - a) Independent Fire Company No. 1 v. Township of Maple Shade

Motion to Close:	Second:	All in Favor:
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Formal action may be taken upon conclusion of Closed Session.

(Mayor of the Township Council then declares the meeting closed and directs that the tape be shut off. At conclusion of closed portion, Mayor of Township Council calls for a motion to reopen the meeting and turn the tape on.)

Motion to Open: Second: All in Favor:

### ORDINANCE - INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

<u>Ordinance No. 2024-09</u> A 2024 Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

Motion for Introduction: Second: Comments: Roll Call: Publication Date: April 17, 2024 Public Hearing: May 9, 2024

### ORDINANCE - SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

Ordinance No. 2024-07 An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 2021-06, and to Conditionally Permit Certain Classes of Cannabis Businesses to Locate within Specified Geographical Boundaries of the Township of Maple Shade in Burlington County, New Jersey, Adding Licensing Requirements to Chapter 114, Article VII, Entitled "Cannabis Resolution of Support and Licensing", and Adding Cannabis Taxing Regulations to Chapter 181 Taxation, Article VII Entitled "Cannabis Taxing Regulations Transfer and User Tax", and Adding Cannabis Zoning Requirements to Chapter 205, Zoning, Article XXIII, Entitled "Cannabis Businesses"

Open Public Hearing:

Motion to Close: Second: Comments: All in Favor: Motion to Table to April 25, 2024: Second: Comments: Roll Call:

<u>Ordinance No. 2024-08</u> An Ordinance of the Township of Maple Shade, in the County of Burlington, New Jersey Repealing Ordinance 2023-23 Regarding the Township Fire Department

Open Public Hearing:

Motion to Close: Second: Comments: All in Favor: Motion to Adopt: Second: Comments: Roll Call:

Resolution No. 2024-R-74 Governing Body Certification of Compliance with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964"

Motion to Approve: Second: Comments: Roll Call:

### Resolution No. 2024-R-75 INTRODUCTION OF THE 2024 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Maple Shade desire to introduce the 2024 Municipal Budget, to wit: Total Budget \$ 21,183,472.00; Amount of Non-Property Tax Revenue \$ 8,668,195.58; Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes \$ 12,515,276.42, and

WHEREAS, a synopsis of the aforementioned Municipal Budget will be published in the April 18th Edition of the Courier Post and a Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, May 9, 2024 at the Municipal Complex at a meeting, which will begin at 6:30 p.m.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Maple Shade in the County of Burlington and State of New Jersey that the Township Council hereby authorizes introduction of the 2024 Municipal Budget, as described.

Motion for Introduction: Second: Comments: Roll Call: Publication Date: April 18, 2024 Public Hearing: May 9, 2024

<u>PUBLIC PORTION (for Consent Agenda Items)</u> - Members of the public wishing to speak will be permitted to address comments or questions to Council regarding resolutions listed under the Consent Agenda only. Those wishing to speak should step up to the microphone and state their name and their address prior to making any comment. Each member of the public will be given one (1) opportunity and up to five (5) minutes during this Public Portion.

Motion to Close: Second: All in Favor:

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

<u>Resolution No. 2024-R-76</u> Authorizing the Appointment of William E. Romero, Jr. as Police Officer

<u>Resolution No. 2024-R-77</u> Resolution Amending Resolution No. 2022-R-169 Awarding a Professional Services Agreement with Donald M. Doherty, Esq.

**Resolution No. 2024-R-78** Appointment of Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief of the Maple Shade Fire Department

<u>Resolution No. 2024-R-79</u> Authorizing the Use of the Gazebo Park for the 2024 Sustainable Maple Shade Green Fair

**Resolution No. 2024-R-80** Resolution to Declare Block 196.01, Lot 185, CU108 as Tax Exempt and to Cancel Taxes from March 22, 2024 Through December 31, 2024

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda:

Second: Comments: Roll Call:

#### APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE LIST

CURRENT FUND	\$ 4	4,277,000.74
UTILITY FUND	\$	319,265.84
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	\$	15,972.27
UTILITY CAPITAL FUND	\$	0.00
TRUST FUND	\$	28,576.96
GRANT FUND	\$	778.65

Motion to Approve: Second: Comments: Roll Call:

**PUBLIC PORTION** 

Motion to Close: Second: All in Favor:

### STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 1. Operations
- 2. Police Report
- 3. Site Plan

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Chicken Ordinance

Motion to go Back into Close: Second: All in Favor:

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Motion to Open: Second: All in Favor:

MOTION TO ADJOURN UNTIL TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR May 9, 2024, AT 6:30 PM

Motion: Second: All in Favor:

Notice is being forwarded in accordance with The Open Public Meetings Act – 4/9/24.