

# Township of West Milford

Passaic County, New Jersey

## ~ Resolution 2021 – 035 ~

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY PROVIDING ADVICE & CONSENT TO THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF FRED SEMRAU, ESQ. AS TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION §15-30 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE AND AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR SAME**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of West Milford has a need to appoint a Township Attorney as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5 as appropriate*; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et. seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for Professional Services without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

**WHEREAS**, the term of a contract for this service is one year from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, Fred Semrau, Esq. will provide legal services as sought by the Township of West Milford at the annual compensation not to exceed \$140,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, Fred Semrau, Esq. has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that the firm has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of West Milford with the elected officials in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit the firm of Dorsey & Semrau, LLC from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract.

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for these services, said funds to be encumbered from 01-201-20-155-501 in an amount not to exceed \$140,000.00 without prior written consent from the Township Council; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford that they do hereby provide advice and consent to the Mayor's appointment of Fred Semrau, Esq. to the position of Township Attorney in accordance with section §15-30 of the Township Code for a term of one year from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey authorizes the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk to enter into a contract with Dorsey & Semrau, LLC as described herein to the satisfaction of the Mayor and Council; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the contract, resolution and all other pertinent documents shall remain on file in the office of the Township Clerk; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a notice of this action shall be printed once in the Township's legal newspaper.

Adopted: January 6, 2021

Adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021  
and certified as a true copy of an original.

---

William Senande, Township Clerk