Township of West Milford

Passaic County, New Jersey

~ Resolution 2023 – 108 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING TO LARRY COHEN ESQ. TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD ON NEWARK WATERSHED TAX APPEAL

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford is in need of legal services to represent the Township in the matter of the Newark Watershed Tax Appeal; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds for these Services, said funds to be encumbered from account number 01-201-20-155-502; and

WHEREAS, Larry Cohen, Esq. has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that his 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 Lavery, Selvaggi, Abromitis & Cohen, P.C. from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to execute a contract with Larry Cohen, Esq. 1001 Route 517, Hackettstown, NJ 07840 for professional services to assist the Township with legal matters pertaining to Newark Watershed at a rate of \$175.00 per hour and in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.
- 2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as Professional Services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20 et seq. and the local public contracts law.
- 3. This contract shall expire on December 31, 2023 whichever comes first,
- 4. That a notice of this action shall be published in accordance with law, and said notice to provide that the contract awarded and this resolution authorizing same are available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk.

Adopted: March 1, 2023

Adopted this 1st day of March, 2023 and certified as a true copy of an original.

William Senande, Township Clerk