

ORDINANCE NO.: 23-09
INTRODUCTION DATE: 04-05-2023
ADOPTION DATE: 04-19-2023

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 23 BURNT
TAVERN ROAD AND KNOWN AS BLOCK 57, LOTS 30.01 AND 32

WHEREAS, Block 57, Lots 30.01 and 32 are located within the Township of Millstone at 23 Burnt Tavern Road; and

WHEREAS, Block 57, Lots 30.01 and 32 consist of a total of approximately 11.52 acres of wooded vacant land and is deemed useful for recreation and/or open space purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Township has received an independent appraisal for the property, negotiated with the property owner and has prepared a contract to purchase the property in the amount of \$115,000.00, contingent upon title review, taxes and other closing costs, and contingent upon the receipt of funds to purchase the Property from the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program in the amount of \$57,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Township may purchase the property jointly with and/or assign its interests to the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program and enroll the property in the Green Acres Program; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Township Committee that the purchase of this property will further its aims and objectives in setting aside property for public purposes, open space and recreation, and will assist in preserving the quality of life within the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Millstone as follows:

1. The Mayor, the Township Administrator and the Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a Contract for Sale of Real Estate as well as any and all other documents necessary to

effectuate the purchase of the above-described property.

2. The Township Attorney and other municipal officials are hereby authorized to undertake any and all acts reasonably necessary to effectuate the purchase of the above-described property and to receive maximum reimbursement from the State of New Jersey Green Acres through its open space program.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication according to law.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT: This Ordinance provides for the purchase by the Township of Millstone of property known as Block 57, Lots 30.01 and 32, located at 23 Burnt Tavern Road.