

R2023-173

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF M35A3 6X6 HIGH WATER RESCUE TRUCK FROM EASTERN SURPLUS & EQUIPMENT CO.

WHEREAS, given the recent increase in urbanized flooding due to the combination of aging stormwater and flood control infrastructure and as well as increasingly intense and concentrated patterns of rainfall, the Fire Department and Office of Emergency Management have determined that the purchase of a high water rescue vehicle would be prudent; and

WHEREAS, high water rescue vehicles prove to have greater utility than watercraft in urbanized flooding situations including maneuverability, cargo and personnel capacity, as well as applications beyond high water rescue; and

WHEREAS, Eastern Surplus & Equipment Co. is a sole source provider and upfitter of specialized military surplus vehicles with an extensive inventory of parts as well as a staff of highly skilled and experienced technicians; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1.b When in excess of the bid threshold, and after documented effort by the contracting agent to secure competitive quotations, a contract for extraordinary unspecifiable services may be awarded upon a determination in writing by the contracting agent that the solicitation of competitive quotations is impracticable. Any such contract shall be awarded by resolution of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Emergency Management Coordinator recommends purchase of the M35A3 6X6 High Water Rescue Truck as specified herein and accompanied with a sole source certification from Eastern Surplus & Equipment Co.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of Town of Phillipsburg hereby approves the purchase of the M35A3 6X6 High Water Rescue Truck as specified herein in the amount of **\$69,575.00**

CERTIFICATION

I, Matthew C. Hall, Acting Municipal Clerk for the Town of Phillipsburg, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Town Council at their September 19, 2023 meeting.



Matthew C. Hall,
Acting Municipal Clerk