

R2024-21

ACQUISITION APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program ("State"), provides grants and/or loans to municipal and county governments and grants to nonprofit organizations for assistance in the acquisition, development, and stewardship of lands for outdoor recreation and conservation purposes; and WHEREAS, the Town of Phillipsburg (name of applicant) desires to further the public interest by obtaining funding in the amount of \$1,400,000.00, in the form of a \$1,400,000.00 matching grant and, if available, a \$0.00 loan, from the State to fund the following project(s): (project title) **RAILS TO TRAILS LAND PURCHASE** at a cost of \$1,400,000.00(total project cost);

WHEREAS, the State shall determine if the application is complete and in conformance with the scope and intent of the Green Acres Program, and notify the applicant of the amount of the funding award; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is willing to use the State's funds in accordance with such rules, regulations, and applicable statutes, and is willing to enter into an agreement with the State for the above-named project;

NOW, THEREFORE, the governing body/board resolves that:

1. **Mayor Piazza or Business Administrator Hall** (name of authorized official) or the successor to the office of Mayor and Business Administrator (title of authorized official) is hereby authorized to:
 - a. make application for such a loan and/or such a grant,
 - b. provide additional application information and furnish such documents as may be required, and
 - c. act as the authorized correspondent of the above-named applicant;
2. The applicant agrees to provide its matching share to the Green Acres funding request, if a match is required, in the amount of \$0.00 (no match required);
3. In the event the State's funds are less than the total project cost specified above, the applicant has the balance of funding necessary to complete the project;
4. The applicant agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations in its performance of the project; and
5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION I, Matthew C. Hall, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Town of Phillipsburg at a meeting held on the 30th day of January, 2024. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunder set my hand and the official seal of this body this 30th day of January, 2024.


Matthew C. Hall, MPA

Acting Municipal Clerk