

**TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL
RESOLUTION 24-082
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MICHAEL PEOPLES AS DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF HIS EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Township retained the services of Municipal Resources, Inc. ("MRI") to develop a high-level overview of the Long Hill Township Police Department for the purposes of assessing risk management and potential organizational enhancements; and

WHEREAS, MRI issued its report in October, 2022 and the Township Committee has implemented a number of the recommendations contained therein; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee thereafter saw the need for an experienced professional to review the study prepared by MRI and to develop an implementation plan; and

WHEREAS, retired Long Hill Chief of Police and current Harding Township Administrator Robert Falzarano was found to be a uniquely-qualified candidate to perform that function; and

WHEREAS, Long Hill Township thereafter entered into a shared services agreement with Harding Township to authorize Robert Falzarano to provide police assessment and consulting services for the Long Hill Township Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Robert Falzarano issues a comprehensive report dated November 21, 2023 in which he made a number of findings and recommendations; and

WHEREAS, after review Robert Falzarano's report and consulting with Mr. Falzarano, it was determined that the best way to implement the recommendations contained in the MRI and Falzarano reports was to hire a Director of Public Safety with the requisite knowledge and experience to oversee the operations of the Police Department and to obtain new accreditation for the Long Hill Township Police Department; and

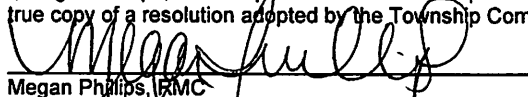
WHEREAS, Michael Peoples, who formerly served as Chief of the Long Hill Township Police Department and currently serves as the Executive Director of the Morris County Communications Center which serves 23 Morris County municipalities as the primary agency to answer all 9-1-1 calls and to dispatch local police, fire and emergency medical personnel and provides the communication needs of four Morris County law enforcement agencies and two Federal agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Michael Peoples is hereby appointed Director of Public Safety for the Township of Long Hill under the following terms and conditions:
 - a. Salary: \$217,500.00 to be prorated for the balance of 2024.
 - b. Term: Five years commencing March 15, 2024, and ending on March 31, 2029.
 - c. Terms and Conditions: As set forth in his Employment Agreement which As set forth in his Employment Agreement which will be on file with the Municipal Clerk.
 - d. Additional Terms and Conditions of Employment: As set forth in the Township Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual.
 - e. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Employment Agreement with Michael Peoples to serve as Township Director of Public Safety.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
x		DORSI	x			
	x	LAVENDER	x			
		PISERCHIA	x			
		RAE				x
		VERLEZZA	x			

I, Megan Phillips, Township Clerk of the Township of Long Hill, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, hereby certify this to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee February 28, 2024.


 Megan Phillips, RMC
 Township Clerk