

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2023 – 5.6**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TREE WORK AT SKED STREET PARK AND AUTHORIZING
THE USE OF OPEN SPACE FUNDS
FOR THIS PURCHASE**

WHEREAS, on the recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Committee in collaboration with Borough Council’s Public Works Committee, Borough Council seeks to make improvements to Sked Street Park to enhance its enjoyment by Borough residents as active open space;

WHEREAS, the approved plan for Sked Street Park includes replacement of existing playground equipment, park benches, upgrades and expansion of the walking path, tree removal and pruning and purchase and installation of a gazebo; and

WHEREAS, Public Works Superintendent Rick Smith has obtained quotes from HTS Tree Care Professionals, Tom’s Tree Service and Shier’s Tree Expert for tree removal, pruning and stump grinding at Sked Street Park; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith recommends that the Borough accept quote #5506, dated January 20, 2023 submitted by HTS Tree Care Professionals for removal of 11 trees, pruning and stump grinding in the park; and

WHEREAS, Pennington’s Open Space Trust Fund has been created in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.7, which authorizes use of such funds for development and maintenance of lands acquired for recreation purposes, as determined by the governing body of the municipality;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in the Open Space Trust Fund for this purpose;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$4,400.00 for the work described above related to tree work at Sked Street Park and quoted in the attached proposal of HTS Tree Care Professionals.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
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This is to certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by Pennington Borough Council at a meeting on May 1, 2023.

Elizabeth Sterling, Borough Clerk