

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON  
RESOLUTION 2023 – 2.18**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH  
HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT FOR THE PROVISION OF BASIC  
LIFE SUPPORT (BLS) EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TO PENNINGTON  
FROM MARCH 1, 2023 THROUGH APRIL 3, 2024, RENEWABLE THEREAFTER.**

**WHEREAS**, the Pennington First Aid Squad, which has provided emergency BLS medical services to Pennington for almost 70 years, will terminate its operations effective March1, 2023;

**WHEREAS**, Pennington seeks to continue the provision of emergency BLS services in Pennington through the Hopewell Township Fire District (“HTFD;”

**WHEREAS**, HTFD is providing emergency BLS services in the fire district, inclusive of Pennington, through career staff of HTFD, the Union Fire Company & Rescue Squad, Inc. (“Titusville”) and the Hopewell Borough Fire Company (“HBFC”);

**WHEREAS**, Pennington and HTFD now seek to enter into a shared services agreement by which HTFD will provide emergency BLS services to Pennington through an agreement between HTFD and Capital Health, Inc.(“Capital Health”), and further through the career staff of HTFD and in cooperation with Titusville and HBFC;

**WHEREAS**, a copy of the proposed shared services agreement between Pennington and HTFD is attached to this Resolution (“Shared Services Agreement”);

**WHEREAS**, in the agreement between Capital Health and HTFD, Capital Health is made the ”designated contractor” for providing emergency medical services to Hopewell Township, Pennington Borough, and Hopewell Borough, for one year beginning April 3, 2023;

**WHEREAS**, during the interim period from March 1 through April 3, 2023, HTFD, in cooperation with Titusville and HBFC, shall be the primary provider of emergency BLS medical services to Pennington in addition to any mutual aid services HTFD may render during the balance of the contract year;

**WHEREAS**, the Shared Services Agreement will require Pennington to pay HTFD a fee of \$25, 230., payable in equal installments on September 1, 2023 and April 3, 2024, representing Pennington’s proportionate share of the \$200,000 fee HTFD will pay Capital Health for coverage of Hopewell Borough, Hopewell Township and Pennington Borough for the year, based on percentage of population;

**WHEREAS**, HTFD also seeks reimbursement of its out-of-pocket administrative expenses in connection with primary coverage it will provide Pennington during March and early April, 2023 and its back-up services thereafter;

**WHEREAS**, because these expenses are difficult to predict at this time, the Shared Services Agreement provides that an amount for this purpose shall not be included in the Agreement but at year end HTFD and Pennington shall negotiate in good faith to determine the appropriate reimbursement, which shall be subject to appropriation by Pennington in 2024;

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that there are funds available in line item 3-01-42-112-000-250;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that the attached Shared Services Agreement is hereby approved, effective immediately.

**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 the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington at a meeting on March 6, 2023.

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Elizabeth Sterling, Borough Clerk