

Mayor Nolan offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption:

R-13-169

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENTRY OF SHARED  
SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR MUNICIPAL COURT  
SERVICES WITH ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-01 et seq. authorizes local units of the State to enter into a contract with any other local unit or units for the joint provision within their several jurisdictions of any service which any party to the agreement is empowered to render within its own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 2B:12-1(c) allows two or more municipalities to provide jointly for Courtrooms, chambers, equipment, supplies, and employees for their municipal courts and to agree to appoint the same persons as certified court administrator without establishing a joint municipal court; and

WHEREAS, Highlands and Atlantic Highlands desire to share facilities, equipment and administrative staff, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 2B:12-1(c), in order to conserve resources and to provide for a more efficient and economically sound municipal court system, and as necessitated by Hurricane Sandy; while each municipality maintains its right to appoint their own judge, prosecutor, and public defender; and

WHEREAS, Atlantic Highlands has agreed to allow Highlands to utilize the Atlantic Highlands Municipal Court facilities and administrative staff effective immediately, subject to the approval of the Assignment Judge of the County of Monmouth; and

WHEREAS, Highlands and Atlantic Highlands find that it would be in the best interest of the Municipalities to utilize the Atlantic Highlands Municipal Building's courtroom, Court offices, and to share administrative employees, facilities, and equipment, under the terms and conditions referenced herein and contained in the attached draft agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Highlands hereby approves, authorizes and directs the Mayor to execute a shared services agreement for municipal court services with the Borough of Atlantic Highlands for the period of May 30, 2013 through June 30, 2016 in an amount not to exceed \$220,501.82 (for the three-year period) in substantially the same form as the draft agreement attached hereto and made part hereof, subject to the final review and approval of the Assignment Judge for the County of Monmouth.

Seconded by Ms. Ryan and adopted on the following roll call vote:

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan

**NAYES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**DATE:**        **August 21, 2013**

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**Carolyn Cummins, Borough Clerk**

**I hereby certify this to be a true copy of Resolution R-13-169 adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands on August 21, 2013.**

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**BOROUGH CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK**