

**LOWER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

RESOLUTION NO. LNT-08-25

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP
MANAGER TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY OPEN SPACE INITIATIVE
LIVABLE LANDSCAPES GRANT PROGRAM ON BEHALF
OF LOWER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP FOR THE PURPOSE
OF FUNDING THE PURCHASE OF 15.491 ACRES OF OPEN
SPACE LOCATED ON HANOVERVILLE ROAD BEARING
TAX PARCEL ID L7-8-2.**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lower Nazareth Township recognizes that the Township contains natural areas that contribute to the quality of life and economic health of our community which are worthy for preservation;

WHEREAS, the Northampton County Council adopted Ordinance #603-2015, titled “AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING “THE LIVABLE LANDSCAPES – AN OPEN SPACE PLAN PROGRAM FOR NORTHAMPTON COUNTY AND FURTHER PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE 21ST CENTURY OPEN SPACE INITIATIVE” on January 7, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the program provides for funding grants that may be used by the municipality to acquire land, protect significant natural areas and rehabilitate degraded and underutilized lands that are important examples of Northampton County’s natural heritage; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lower Nazareth Township desires to acquire in fee simple a parcel of land totaling 15.491 acres located on Hanoverville Road bearing Tax Parcel ID L7-8-2 for the benefit and enjoyment of community; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors wishes to acquire this property with the intent to eventually expand Hahn’s Meadow Park to create a large natural passive recreation area; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lower Nazareth wishes to participate in the 2025 Livable Landscapes Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lower Nazareth Township proposes to acquire the property in fee simple and further place a conservation easement on the parcel; and

WHEREAS, Lower Nazareth Township will have the required match of \$300,000.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Lower Nazareth Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania approves the filing of an application for funds under the

Livable Landscapes Grant Program and hereby requests a Livable Landscapes grant of \$ 300,000.00 from Northampton County to be used for the purpose of acquiring the Hanoverville Road parcel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate Lori A. Stauffer, Township Manager, as the official to execute all documents and agreements between Lower Nazareth Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania and Northampton County to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant.

DULY ADOPTED, this 22nd day of January, 2025, by a majority of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Lower Nazareth, Northampton County, Pennsylvania.

**LOWER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

ATTEST:



Martin Boucher, Vice-Chairman



Tammi Dravec, Secretary/Treasurer