RESOLUTION 2018-009

TO RATIFY THE RESULTS OF THE JULY 21, 2018, WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS REFERENDUM

WHEREAS, the Town of Milton, Delaware, owns, operates and maintains a public water system; and

WHEREAS, the Town proposed to its citizens and property owners the need to construct water system improvements, specifically being the Shipbuilders Well and Treatment Facility, and Wagamons Water Main Extension; and

WHEREAS, the Town had applied to the State of Delaware and received a preliminary commitment for a loan of up to $895,000 principal amount ($500,000 to fund the project known as the Shipbuilders Well and Treatment Facility; $395,000 to fund the project known as the Wagamons Water Main Extension) from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (“DWSRF”), to finance the total project cost; and

WHEREAS, Section 33 of the Town Charter outlines specific procedures that were followed in order to conduct a referendum and incur indebtedness;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Milton ratifies the following actions that were completed in accordance with Section 33 of the Town Charter:

a) In compliance with Section 33(a)(1), Resolution 2018-007, entitled “To Propose Borrowing of up to $895,000.00 to Finance Public Water System Improvements and to Establish the Time and Place for a Public Hearing Thereon”, was adopted on May 7, 2018;

b) In compliance with Section 33(a)(2), the Town posted the public hearing notice on the Town’s website, bulletin board, and front door at Town Hall on May 8, 2018; on May 11, 2018, mailed the public hearing notice to all property owners and residents; and advertised the public hearing notice in the Cape Gazette on May 18, 2018;

c) In compliance with Section 33(a)(3), on June 4, 2018, said public hearing took place, and thereafter Mayor and Town Council adopted Resolution 2018-008, entitled “To Propose Borrowing of up to $895,000 to Finance Public Water System Improvements and Order the Referendum to be Scheduled”;
d) In compliance with Section 33(a)(4), a notice of the time and place of the Referendum was published in the Cape Gazette on June 29, July 6, July 13, and July 20, 2018; published in the Delaware State News on July 2, July 9, July 16, and July 20, 2018; mailed to all property owners and citizens on June 29, 2018; and posted at Town Hall, bulletin board, Town website, Milton Post Office, Kiosk in Memorial Park, Milton Library, and Milton Mail Boxes; and

e) In compliance with Section 33(a)(6), the Board of Special Election was appointed on June 4, 2018; the referendum ballot was prepared by the State of Delaware, Department of Elections on June 26, 2018; and the referendum was conducted using voting machines.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Town Council note that prior to the June 4, 2018, public hearing, four workshops were held related to the water system improvement projects and referendum, those dates being May 10, May 15, May 21, and June 2, 2018.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Water System Improvements Referendum took place on Saturday, July 21, 2018, at Milton Town Hall, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., with the Board of Special Elections then counting the absentee votes and certifying the voting totals between the machine votes and absentee votes, said certificate showing a total of 531 votes, with 493 votes in support and 38 against; receipt of said certificate is hereby acknowledged and the results are hereby ratified.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, Secretary of the Town Council of the Town of Milton do hereby certify that the above resolution was passed at the meeting of the Town Council, duly called and convened, held on the 6th day of August, 2018, at which a quorum was present and voting throughout and that same is still in full force and effect.

TOWN OF MILTON

BY: ____________________________

SECRETARY OF TOWN COUNCIL

DATE: 6/17/2018