BOROUGH OF BERNARDSVILLE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Borough of Bernardsville seeks proposals from real estate professionals to assist the Borough in selling the Borough property described below through a public bidding process in accordance with the Local Lands and Buildings Law. In particular, the Borough seeks assistance in the following areas:

- 1. Establishing minimum bid to be set forth in the bid specifications.
- 2. Drafting bid specifications for selling the property.
- 3. Creating a marketing plan to advertise and seek out potential bidders.

The Borough seeks these services in connection with the following property:

The existing residence situated on an 8.634-acre parcel of land, being a portion of property located at 271 Mine Brook Road and known as Block 81, Lot 6 on the Bernardsville Borough Tax Maps. The residence is a colonial style manor house that dates back to 1765 with more recent additions and renovations in 1978. The dwelling is two and one-half stories high and has a live-in area of approximately 9,410 square feet. Additional on-site improvements include a well house, gazebo, stone tower that acts as a waterfall and professional landscaped areas.

You should be aware of the following provision in the Local lands and Buildings concerning commissions:

"In all sales . . . , the governing body of any . . . municipality may provide for the payment of a commission to any real estate broker, or authorized representative other than the purchaser actually consummating such sale; provided, however, that no commission shall be paid unless notice of the governing body's intention to pay such a commission shall have been included in the advertisement of sale and the recipient thereof shall have filed an affidavit with the governing body stating that said recipient is not the purchaser. Said commissions shall not exceed, in the aggregate, 5% of the sale price, . . . " N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13

If you are interested, please submit your proposal, included compensation, in writing to the Borough Clerk by Thursday, October 22, 2020, so the Borough Council can discuss it at its October 26, 2020 meeting. Proposals may be submitted to Borough Clerk Anthony Suriano, by email at the following address: asuriano@bernardsville.us