



**Resolution No.: 05-28-2026-130**

**Date: 05-28-2026**

**APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENT  
OF AN INTERIM TOWN MANAGER**

**Whereas:** by a majority vote of the Town Council, at a Special Town Council Meeting, held on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at the Cheswold Fire Hall, to approve Resolution 05-20-2026-128 and Resolution 05-20-2026-129, which declared a State of Administrative Operational Emergency and the Appointment of an Interim Town Manager during a State of Administrative Operational Emergency, respectively per Section 6.2.1 per the Town Charter of the Town of Cheswold, and;

**Whereas:** the Interim Town Manager was informed by the Town Attorney, Gary Junge, on Wednesday, May 28, 2026, that from his legal point of view, Resolution 05-20-2026-129, did not apply to the circumstances at issue, and;

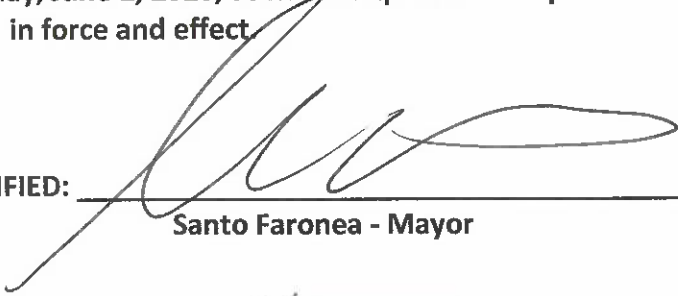
**Whereas:** Attorney Junge indicated that Section 7.1.1 did more adequately apply to the circumstances at issue, in that, that section provides that, "In case of the absence, disability, or suspension of the Town Manager, the Council may designate some other competent person to perform the duties of the office during such absence, disability or suspension, and;

**Whereas:** the Council did designate Mrs. Theon E. Callender as the competent person, to perform as the Interim Town Manager, from May 20, 2026, until such time as the Town Council may, by a majority decision, determine the status of the employment status of the currently suspended Town Manager and;

**Whereas:** Mrs. Callender has agreed to perform in the position of Interim Town Manager on a full-time work-hour status, at the rate of \$45.00 per hour, with five, (5), weeks vacation; sick time and all other applicable in force employee benefits, until such time as a Council decision is made concerning the status of employment of the currently suspended Town Manager.

Be it Resolved that the Town Council of the Town Cheswold hereby approves the action taken by Mayor Santo Faronea, to hire Mrs. Callender as the Interim Town Manager as stated above and as specified in Section 7.1.1 of the Town Charter.

I, Santo Faronea, Mayor of the Town of Cheswold, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution passed by an affirmative majority vote of all elected members of the Town Council of Cheswold at a regularly scheduled Town Council Meeting, held on, Monday, June 1, 2026, at which a quorum was present and voting throughout, and that the same is still in force and effect.

CERTIFIED:   
Santo Faronea - Mayor

Date: June 1, 2026

AFFIRMED:   
Max Flaxman - Vice Mayor

Date: June 1, 2026

AFFIRMED:   
Chris Jenerick - Secretary/Treas

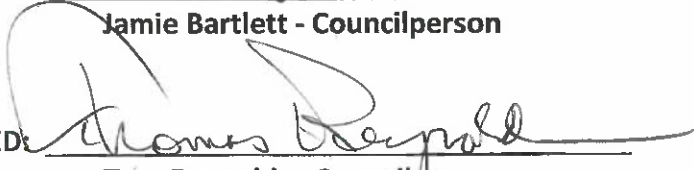
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AFFIRMED:   
Robin Ridgway - Councilperson

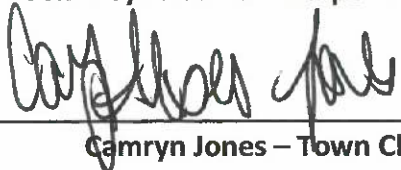
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AFFIRMED:   
Jamie Bartlett - Councilperson

Date: June 1, 2026

AFFIRMED:   
Tom Reynolds - Councilperson

Date: June 1, 2026

NOTARIZED:   
Camryn Jones - Town Clerk

Date: June 1, 2026



Written by: Theon E. Callender - Interim Town Manager

Introduction: May 28, 2026