

The July 8, 2014 meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Pequannock, Morris County, New Jersey was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building Meeting Room located at 530 Newark-Pompton Turnpike; Mayor Melissa Florance-Lynch presiding.

Township Clerk Delaney read the following statement for inclusion in the meeting minutes:

"Pursuant to the requirements of New Jersey's Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was included in the Annual Meeting Notice which was filed in the Office of the Township Clerk; posted on the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building; published as legal notice in the Suburban Trends newspaper; and mailed to all persons requesting notice and providing payment in accordance with Township policy."

Mayor Florance-Lynch led the Pledge of Allegiance, which was followed by a prayer and a moment of thanks for those individuals serving our nation.

Present:

Mayor Melissa Florance-Lynch
Deputy Mayor Cathy Winterfield
Councilman David Kohle
Councilman Richard Phelan
Councilwoman Jay Vanderhoff

Absent: None

Also Attending:

David Hollberg, Township Manager
Robert Oostdyk, Esq., Township Attorney
Joseph J. Delaney, Jr., Township Clerk

There were 9 members of the public in attendance.

Mayor Florance-Lynch requested a moment of silence in observance of the passing of Mace Koroski, foreman for the Department of Public Works and an employee of the Township since 1976.

PRESENTATIONS. There were no presentations.

REPORTS FROM VOLUNTEERS. There were no reports from volunteers.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

- Rocco Salluce, 153 Jacksonville Road, requested the source of funds and intended use be explained as each capital ordinance is considered.
- Pat Gilligan, Township resident, attending with neighbor Jeff, criticized communications regarding road closures related to the sewer project. Mr. Hollberg outlined procedures and challenges regarding the anticipation and communication of road closures.
- Jeff Spaldi, 11 Sunset Road, added that efforts of police and onsite personnel have been great and questioned if there were plans for communicating information regarding emergencies such as water main breaks. Mr. Hollberg provided an overview of the Township's procedures for communicating emergencies.
- Frank Spizzirri, 35 West Franklin Avenue, suggested providing information to the public regarding procedures for awarding contracts through the newsletter.

PUBLIC HEARINGS.

PUBLIC HEARING - Ordinance No. 2014-14, ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 189 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK AND REGULATING SIGNS

Mr. Delaney reported the Planning Board reviewed the ordinance and has provided recommendations for updates to the ordinance.

After a discussion, the Council decided to re-introduce the ordinance incorporating the Planning Boards recommendations.

Rocco Salluce, 153 Jacksonville Road, requested clarification of regulations regarding LED signs.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Vanderhoff, the ordinance was tabled by the following vote:

For: Mr. Kohle, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Vanderhoff, Ms. Winterfield, Mayor Florance-Lynch.
Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

REINTRODUCTION OF SIGN ORDINANCE.

Ordinance No. 2014-23, ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 189 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK AND REGULATING SIGNS

On a motion by Mr. Vanderhoff, seconded by Mr. Kohle, ordinance No. 2014-23, which incorporates the recommendations of the Planning Board for ordinance No. 2014-14, was approved for introduction by the following vote:

For: Mr. Kohle, Mr. Vanderhoff, Mayor Florance-Lynch.

Against: Mr. Phelan, Ms. Winterfield. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

▪ **R2014-109**, adopting the 2014 Municipal Budget.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Ms. Winterfield, the 2014 Municipal Budget (**Resolution R2014-109**) was adopted by the following vote:

For: Mr. Kohle, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Vanderhoff, Ms. Winterfield, Mayor Florance-Lynch.

Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2014-15, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND APPROPRIATING \$495,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Township Manager Hollberg reviewed the cost, purposes and funding sources for the Capital Ordinances.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Vanderhoff, the ordinance was approved for introduction by the following vote:

For: Mr. Kohle, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Vanderhoff, Ms. Winterfield, Mayor Florance-Lynch.

Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2014-16, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND APPROPRIATING \$1,137,000 FROM EXISTING CAPITAL FUND BALANCES AND RESERVES

On a motion by Mr. Kohle, seconded by Mr. Phelan, the ordinance was approved for introduction by the following vote:

For: Mr. Kohle, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Vanderhoff, Ms. Winterfield, Mayor Florance-Lynch.

Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2014-17, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING SEWER UTILITY EQUIPMENT PURCHASES AND APPROPRIATING \$170,000 FROM THE SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND BALANCE

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mrs. Winterfield, the ordinance was approved for introduction by the following vote:

For: Mr. Kohle, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Vanderhoff, Ms. Winterfield, Mayor Florance-Lynch.

Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2014-18, BOND ORDINANCE (\$2,270,000) AUTHORIZING THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR ELEVATED WATER TANK

Mr. Hollberg reviewed the project history, scope and costs included in the ordinance.

On a motion by Mr. Vanderhoff, seconded by Mr. Phelan, the ordinance was approved for introduction by the following vote:

For: Mr. Kohle, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Vanderhoff, Ms. Winterfield, Mayor Florance-Lynch.

Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2014-19, ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2007-08 TO PROVIDE AN APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$190,000 FOR JEFFERSON STREET IMPROVEMENTS

Mr. Hollberg reviewed the ordinance, noting it is a re-appropriation ordinance and does not authorize new debt.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Kohle, the ordinance was approved for introduction by the following vote:

For: Mr. Kohle, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Vanderhoff, Ms. Winterfield, Mayor Florance-Lynch.

Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2014-20, ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 129 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK AND REVISING THE FIELD USAGE FEES

On a motion by Mr. Kohle, seconded by Mr. Vanderhoff, the ordinance was approved for introduction by the following vote:

For: Mr. Kohle, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Vanderhoff, Ms. Winterfield, Mayor Florance-Lynch.

Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2014-21, ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 117 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK AND ADDING AN EXCEPTION TO THE NOISE LIMITATIONS FOR CERTAIN PUBLIC PROJECTS

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Vanderhoff, the ordinance was approved for introduction by the following vote:

For: Mr. Kohle, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Vanderhoff, Ms. Winterfield, Mayor Florance-Lynch.
Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2014-22, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCES NO. 2010-22 AND 2014-02 TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL PROPERTIES AS PART OF THE VILLAGE AREA SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Kohle, the ordinance was approved for introduction by the following vote:

For: Mr. Kohle, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Vanderhoff, Ms. Winterfield, Mayor Florance-Lynch.
Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

RESOLUTIONS.

- **R2014-137**, confirming the designated memberships in the Pequannock Township Fire Department.
- **R2014-138**, authorizing a grant agreement with the N.J. Department of Environmental Protection for De-Silting and De-snagging of the Pequannock River and its tributaries.
- **R2014-139**, authorizing a Shared Services Agreement with the Pequannock Township Board of Education for landscape and field management services.
- **R2014-140**, approving Change Order No. 1 for the Reconstruction of West Franklin Avenue project.
- **R2014-141**, authorizing the reinstatement of special assessment installment payment plan.
- **R2014-142**, authorizing Tax Office refunds, overpayments or cancellations.
- **R2014-143**, authorizing release of designated Escrow Deposits.
- **R2014-144**, approving payment of itemized claims as set forth on the July 3, 2014 Bill List.
- **R2014-145**, authorizing the filing of tax appeals and counterclaims and authorizing the Tax Assessor and Township Attorney to represent the Township in connect with appeals.
- **R2014-146**, appointing George Janowicz to the Historic District Commission.
- **R2014-147**, authorizing continuation of the Green Team advisory committee and appointing members to serve for the calendar year 2014.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Vanderhoff, **Resolutions R2014-137 through R2014-145** were adopted by the following vote:

For: Mr. Kohle, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Vanderhoff, Ms. Winterfield, Mayor Florance-Lynch.
Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.

- Committee appointments

The Council discussed policies and procedures regarding committees including the posting of minutes, appointment of new members, and attendance as well as resolutions R2014-146 and R2014-147.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Kohle, **Resolutions R2014-146 and R2014-147** were adopted by the following vote:

For: Mr. Kohle, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Vanderhoff, Ms. Winterfield, Mayor Florance-Lynch.
Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

Lou Hebert, 11 Copley Court requested information regarding removal of members who have not attended meetings.

Rocco Salluce, Fair Housing Committee Chair, recommended every committee take attendance, keep minutes and forward them to the liaison.

- Daily use of PV Park by non-residents

Mr. Hollberg explained a recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee that nonresidents be permitted to attend the PV Park on a daily basis.

The Council agreed to move forward with the ordinance introduction.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2014-24, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 129 (PARKS AND RECREATION) OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK AND REVISING FEES FOR PEQUANNOCK VALLEY PARK AND WOODLAND LAKE

Louise Marchese, 16 Roland Road, noted people who are permitted into the Park free of charge might still spend money.

Lou Hebert, 11 Copley Court, questioned how the Township would control crowds of people attending the Park.

Sharon Taylor, 19 Libby Avenue, stated the Park is a business and consideration should be given to the issue of declining membership, and expressed support for trying new strategies.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Ms. Winterfield, the ordinance was approved for introduction by the following vote:

For: Mr. Kohle, Mr. Phelan, Ms. Winterfield, Mayor Florance-Lynch.

Against: Mr. Vanderhoff. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

REPORTS AND NOTICES.

- Parsippany-Troy Hills Township resolution R2014-104 opposing Pilgrim Pipeline.

MANAGER'S REPORT. Township Manager David Hollberg reported the following:

- Boulevard Sidewalks are underway.
- Jefferson Street bid opens tomorrow.
- An updated project status report will be provided by end of day tomorrow.
- Fireworks were rained out twice last week. A number of alternative dates are under consideration.
- Recognized the contributions and friendship of Mace Koroski.

COUNCIL REPORTS.

Mr. Phelan:

- Requested information on the Tax Rate.

Mr. Vanderhoff:

- Fire Co. No. 2. building work is continuing.

Ms. Winterfield

- Friends of the Martin Berry House are meeting tomorrow night at the American Legion at 7 p.m. The group is working on plans for the Martin Berry House.
- Mayor Budesheim has invited the Council to tour the Glenburn Estate in Riverdale.

Mr. Kohle:

- July 20th is the Pequannock sprint triathlon. The race starts at PV Park and volunteers are needed.
- Morris County Mosquito Commission has started working on the pond at Greenview Park.
- Washington Park soil removal starts on July 17th.
- Members of the Pequannock Township High School Future Business Leaders Garrett Santini, Melissa Tahan, Anthony Hanes, Olivia Schreiber, Mandie Mayer, Andrew Afflitto, Julia Taormina, Michael Thumann and Casey Santini traveled to the 2014 FBLA National Leadership Conference in Nashville Tennessee. The New Jersey State Champion Team of Garrett Santini, Anthony Hanes, Olivia Schreiber, and Mandie Mayer placed sixth in the nation in the Parliamentary Procedure event.

Mayor Florance-Lynch:

- On June 25th Pequannock hosted the Morris County Freeholders meeting.
- Environmental Commission meets tomorrow at 7:30.
- Flood Advisory meets Thursday at 7:30.
- EDC has a flyer to be mailed with the Tax Bills to encourage the tax reward program.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

- Rocco Salluce, 153 Jacksonville Road, questioned how library costs are monitored, recommended the replacement of vehicles be reviewed, suggested the Castle be considered for fireworks, and questioned the cost of tipping fees.

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Vanderhoff, **Resolution R2014-148**, authorizing an Executive Session to discuss Property Acquisitions was unanimously adopted.

The public portion of the meeting was recessed at 9:05 p.m. followed by the Executive Session during which the following items were discussed:

- Acquisition of 255 Mountain Avenue.

The closed session was completed at 9:13 p.m. at which time the public meeting was reconvened.

Township Attorney Oostdyk summarized the Executive Session discussion. No formal action was taken.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES.


On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Ms. Winterfield, minutes of the January 28th, February 11th, and March 25th meetings were approved by the following vote:

For: Mr. Kohle, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Vanderhoff, Ms. Winterfield, Mayor Florance-Lynch.

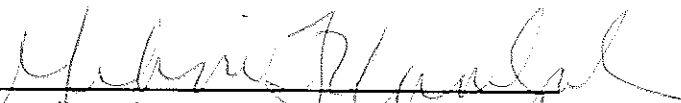
Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Kohle, seconded by Ms. Winterfield, the meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m. without objection.



Prepared June, 2017 by
Carol J. Marsh, Township Clerk



Melissa Florance-Lynch, 2014 Mayor

