

The June 28, 2016 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 David Kohle presiding.

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

*"In accordance with 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 distributed to all persons requesting notice in accordance with Township policy."*

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

Present:

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

Absent: None

Also Attending:

- David Hollberg, Township Manager
- Robert Oostdyk, Esq., Township Attorney
- Christopher Tietjen, Asst. to the Twp. Manager
- Carol J. Marsh, Township Clerk

There were 11 members of the public in attendance.

**PRESENTATIONS.**

- Tyler Czubachowski was recognized for attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

**REPORTS FROM VOLUNTEERS.**

- Joe Wells, Open Space Advisory Committee Chair, reported on the status of work on the Riverwalk and on the implications of a change in the planned route for the bike path.

**PUBLIC COMMENT.**

- Frank Spizzirri, 35 West Franklin Avenue, suggested the handball court at Greenview Park be considered as the location for a potential skateboard park.
- Tom Andrea, 6 Elm Road, stated the handball court wall in Greenview Park is used and is an asset to the picnic area.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS.**

**PUBLIC HEARING - Ordinance No. 2016-10, REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE ADVANCE REFUNDING OF ALL OR A PORTION OF CERTAIN SEWER UTILITY BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP, APPROPRIATING \$4,000,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$4,000,000 SEWER UTILITY REFUNDING BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING THE COST THEREOF**

Mr. Hollberg reviewed the cost savings to be realized through the refinancing of the bonds.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Vanderhoff, the Public Hearing on the Ordinance was opened without objection.

There were no public comments.

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

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

**ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS.** There were no ordinances presented for introduction.

**RESOLUTIONS.**

- **R2016-134**, determining the form and other details of not to exceed \$4,000,000 Sewer Utility Refunding Bonds of the Township of Pequannock, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, or such other amount as determined by the Chief Financial Officer to accomplish the refunding on the terms required by the Local Finance Board pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-2.5 and consistent with the refunding provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and to provide for the sale and delivery of such bonds to FTN Financial Capital Markets.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Vanderhoff, **Resolution R2016-134**, was adopted by the following vote:

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

- **R2016-126**, authorizing the completion of an application to participate in the Electronic Tax Sale Program.
- **R2016-127**, authorizing release of designated Escrow Deposits.
- **R2016-128**, authorizing execution of an Agreement with the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council to renew membership for the five (5) year period October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2021.
- **R2016-129**, authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with Morris County for salting, sanding, and/or plowing operations.
- **R2016-130**, authorizing a grant agreement with the N.J. Department of Environmental Protection to fund the Green Communities Community Forestry Management Plan (Grant Identifier FS16-216).
- **R2016-131**, approving the renewal of the designated Alcoholic Beverage Control License (Pequannock Twp Columbian Association, Bardi Grill).
- **R2016-132**, approving the renewal of the designated Alcoholic Beverage Control Licenses (Mounir N. Badaan).
- **R2016-133**, authorizing the award of a Professional Services Contract to NW Financial Group, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 to provide financial advisory services.
- **R2016-135**, approving payment of the itemized claims as set forth on the **June 23, 2016** Bill List

On a motion by Mr. Vanderhoff, seconded by Mrs. Florance-Lynch, **Resolutions R2016-126 through R2016-133 and Resolution R2016-135** were adopted by the following vote:

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

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.**

- Bernd E. Hefe; Letter - Digital Advertising Proposal Eyespy Media  
Mr. Hollberg explained the proposal. After a brief discussion, the Council agreed to decline the proposal.
- Verizon Wireless; Sample Resolution - Small Network Node Technology  
Richard Komissar, of Tilson Technology, 5 East 1st Street, Clifton NJ, provided information on Verizon's request for consent to deploy small network nodes in Pequannock Township.

▪ Regulations regarding domestic animals on park properties

Township Attorney Robert Oostdyk reviewed open issues concerning a proposed change in regulations regarding domestic animals in parks.

- Joe Wells, 5 Washington Street, expressed support for prohibiting dogs only in specific areas and questioned if the ordinance would be voted on at the next meeting.
- Joe Jorgensen, 14 Meyer Place, objected to the ordinance being overly restrictive and suggested using the definitions section where appropriate.
- Dave Perkowski, 12 Daria Drive, objected to an ordinance that would prohibit dogs in the areas surrounding playing fields and noted that paved pathways may be within 50 feet of a ballfield.
- Sharon Taylor, 19 Libby Avenue, recommended the ordinance permit walking dogs on pedestrian walkways.
- Kelly Delia, 492 Newark Pompton Turnpike, suggested a group of volunteers would be able to provide assistance in ensuring compliance with regulations.

After discussion, the Council provided direction concerning various aspects of the ordinance, and requested an ordinance be prepared which reflects the issues as discussed.

**REPORTS AND NOTICES.**

- NJ Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Special Ruling re: Badaan License renewal
- Morris County Freeholders – Municipal Alliance Grant
- Morris County Freeholders – Municipal Alliance Grant – Supplemental Funding

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

- There will be no recycling collection on Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. Recycling collection will resume the following Monday. Vegetative waste will be collected on Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup>. Residents are advised that the collection may be later than normal due to the contractor's increased work load.
- Comparative year to date PV Park registrations statistics were distributed. Registration is up for the second year in a row.
- Sunset Road and Boulevard Sidewalk projects will begin next week.

**COUNCIL REPORTS.**

***Mrs. Florance-Lynch:***

- The Police Department will hold a presentation regarding Senior Scams on Wednesday, July 27 at 10:30 a.m. at Senior House.
- July meeting of the Library Board will be held on July 27, 2016.
- A Shred Day has been scheduled for October 15, 2016.

***Mr. Phelan:***

- No Report.

***Mr. Vanderhoff:***

- Suggested the Council consider making the Citizen of the Year award a Council program.

***Ms. Winterfield:***

- Questioned if an increase in the gas tax would affect the Township.
- Requested status of construction on the Castle.

***Mayor Kohle:***

- Attended the Middle School and High School graduations last week.
- Fair Housing met at the same time as the High School graduation.
- Fireworks are scheduled for Thursday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT.**

- Tom Andrea, 6 Elm Road, requested a copy of the proposed dog ordinance be provided prior to adoption.
- Joe Jorgensen, 14 Meyer Place, expressed concern that the proposed location of a skateboard park was formerly a place used for dumping.
- Louise Marchese, 16 Roland Road, objected to the selling of cars on a residential property.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** There were no minutes presented for approval.

**EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION.**

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mrs. Florance-Lynch, **Resolution R2016-136**, authorizing an Executive Session to discuss Personnel and Property Acquisition was unanimously adopted.

The public portion of the meeting was recessed at 8:24 p.m. followed by the Executive Session during which the following items were discussed:

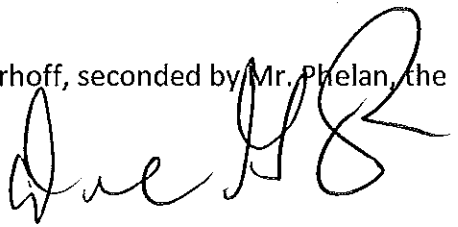
- **Property Acquisition:** The Council was updated on the status of the Bogert property acquisition and direction was given in that regard.
- **Personnel:** The Council discussed the review of the Township Manager and Township Clerk and agreed to continue discussion at the following meeting.

The closed session was completed at 8:51 p.m. at which time the Council reconvened the public meeting.

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

**ADJOURNMENT.**

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Vanderhoff, seconded by Mr. Phelan, the meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m. without objection.

  
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Carol J. Marsh, Township Clerk  
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David G. Kohle, Mayor