

The August 14, 2018 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 Catherine Winterfield 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 Winterfield led the Pledge of Allegiance, which was followed by a prayer and a moment of thanks for those individuals serving our nation.

Present:

Mayor Catherine Winterfield  
Deputy Mayor David Kohle  
Councilwoman Melissa Florance-Lynch  
Councilman Ryan Herd  
Councilman Richard Phelan

Absent: None

Also Attending:

Adam Brewer, Township Manager  
Robert Oostdyk, Esq., Township Attorney  
Carol J. Marsh, Township Clerk

There were 37 members of the public in attendance.

**PRESENTATIONS.**

- In recognition of the closing of Jones Hardware, Mayor Winterfield and the Township Council recognized Robbie Jones and Jones Hardware.
- Mayor Catherine Winterfield administered the Oath of Office to Police Officer Michael Rafferty.

Mr. Phelan excused himself from the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

**REPORTS FROM VOLUNTEERS.** There were no reports from volunteers.

**PUBLIC COMMENT.** There were no public comments.

**MANAGER'S REPORT.**

Township Manager Adam Brewer responded to items raised at prior meetings including efforts to address traffic at the Route 23 interchange with West Parkway and status of the Township's appeal of Flood Insurance Rate Maps; reviewed agenda items for the meeting and provided information on Township related subjects: Mountain Avenue reconstruction paving, the Federal government's extension of the NIFP, flood insurance rates, the Master Plan competitive contract review committee, Jacksonville Road and Sunset Road repairs, and bids for the Jacksonville Road sidewalk replacement.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS.**

**PUBLIC HEARING - Ordinance No. 2018-18; BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR WATER UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$225,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$213,750 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF**

On a motion by Mr. Kohle, seconded by Mr. Herd, the Public Hearing was opened without

objection

There were no public comments.

On a motion by Mrs. Florance-Lynch, seconded by Mr. Herd, the Public Hearing was closed without objection.

On a motion by Mr. Herd, seconded by Mrs. Florance-Lynch, the ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

For: Mrs. Florance-Lynch, Mr. Herd, Mr. Kohle, Mayor Winterfield

Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Mr. Phelan.

#### **ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS.**

**ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2018-19;** ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$48,000 FROM WATER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND BALANCE AND \$35,000 FROM WATER CAPITAL OUTLAY FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND ACQUISITIONS FOR THE WATER UTILITY IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK, NEW JERSEY

Mr. Brewer reviewed the projects to be funded by the ordinance.

On a motion by Mrs. Florance-Lynch, seconded by Mr. Kohle, the ordinance was approved for introduction by the following vote:

For: Mrs. Florance-Lynch, Mr. Herd, Mr. Kohle, Mayor Winterfield

Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Mr. Phelan.

#### **RESOLUTIONS.**

- **R2018-147**, authorizing Tax Office refunds, overpayments or cancellations.
- **R2018-148**, authorizing a Veteran's Exemption and Write Off of Property Taxes.
- **R2018-149**, approving the Corrective Action Plan for the 2017 Municipal Audit.
- **R2018-150**, authorizing the execution of a subordination agreement with Loandepot.com, LLC (McCardle - 103 Chatfield).
- **R2018-151**, confirming the designated membership in the Pequannock Township Fire Department
- **R2018-152**, authorizing a grant agreement with Morris County for a 2018 Historic Preservation Trust Fund Grant.
- **R2018-153**, authorizing the award of a contract to Vektor Corporation, Inc. for the completion of the Jacksonville Road Sidewalk Replacement Project in the total amount of \$210,230.00
- **R2018-154**, authorizing the Purchase of a Ford F550 Utility Truck and Stahl Challenger ST Service Body through the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council.
- **R2018-155**, authorizing the Purchase of a Ford F350 Regular Cab Gas 4X4 Pick Up Body through the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council and the Eight (8) Foot Truck Craft Body through NJ State Contract.
- **R2018-156**, authorizing the Purchase of a Western Star 4700 SB Single Axle Cab and Chassis and a 433U-11' Godwin Stainless Steel Dump Body through the Educational Services Commission of NJ Cooperative Pricing System (Formerly the Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission).
- **R2018-157**, supporting proposed legislation that would make certain changes to police and fire interest arbitration procedures
- **R2018-158**, urging the New Jersey State Senate to amend Senate, No. 716, Senate, No. 477 and Senate, No. 1766

- **R2018-159**, approving payment of the itemized claims as set forth on the **August 10, 2018** Bill List.

On a motion by Mr. Kohle, seconded by Ms. Winterfield, **Resolutions R2018-147 through R2018-159** were adopted by the following vote:

For: Mrs. Florance-Lynch, Mr. Herd, Mr. Kohle, Mayor Winterfield

Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Mr. Phelan.

#### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.**

- **ORDINANCE NO. 2018-;** ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK AND RE-ESTABLISHING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

After discussion, members of the Council agreed to have the Economic Development review the proposed ordinance prior to the Council's consideration.

#### **REPORTS AND NOTICES.**

- Resolution of supporting proposed legislation that would make certain changes to police and fire interest arbitration procedures (Town of Dover).

#### **COUNCIL REPORTS.**

##### ***Ms. Florance-Lynch***

- Attended the Fire Company 2 meeting in place of the current liaison. The Company questioned if there were grant opportunities for the purchase of a sign for the building, announced one new member and reported there will be a joint fundraiser for Police Chief Brian Spring with the Police Department, the First Aid Squad and Fire Company 1 on November 3<sup>rd</sup> at Holy Spirit School.
- Last weekend's Triathlon was well attended.
- Requested status of the Carry In – Carry Out policy discussion.
- There is no Library Board Meeting in August.
- Economic Development Committee meets Wednesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 p.m.

##### ***Mr. Herd:***

- No report.

##### ***Mr. Kohle:***

- Parks and Recreation does not meet during July and August. This past Triathlon may be the last one held as the organizer is stepping down.
- First Aid Squad reported 57 call for the month of July.
- Fair Housing is scheduled for August 23<sup>rd</sup> however the meeting may be cancelled.

##### ***Mayor Winterfield:***

- Historic District Commission and Environmental Commission did not meet this month.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT.**

- Jordon Galiano, 10 Peck Avenue, provided an update on the Pequannock Skate Park Association's activities.
- Sharon Taylor, 19 Libby Avenue, provided information on a donation to the Skate Park Association and requested status on the Jacksonville Road sidewalk replacement and Mountain Avenue projects which was provided by Mr. Brewer.
- Nick DeStefano, 28 Greenwood, requested the Township develop a method of providing important weather related information in real time and reported an improvement of noise

levels at the Castle.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

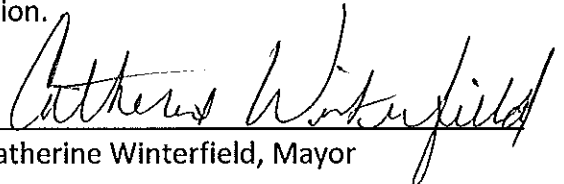
On a motion by Mrs. Florance-Lynch, seconded by Mr. Herd, minutes of the May 8, May 22, June 12, June 26, and July 24, 2018 Council meetings were unanimously approved.

**EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION.** There was no Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

There being no further business, on a motion by Mrs. Florance-Lynch, seconded by Mr. Herd, the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m. without objection.

  
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Carol J. Marsh, Township Clerk

  
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Catherine Winterfield, Mayor