

The May 12, 2015 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 Cathy Winterfield presiding.

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

Absent: None

Also Attending:

David Hollberg, Township Manager  
Robert Oostdyk, Esq., Township Attorney  
Carol J. Marsh, Township Clerk

There were 16 members of the public in attendance.

**PRESENTATIONS.**

- Rudy Steinthal was honored as the 2015 Citizen of the Year.

**REPORTS FROM VOLUNTEERS.**

- Frank Spizzirri, Open Space Committee Chair, reported the Riverwalk Grant was submitted at 4:30, the Open Space Committee's Kayak Day was successful, and the Open Space Committee is not planning to meet in July and August.

**PUBLIC COMMENT.**

- Alberta Alleva, 75 West Parkway, commended the staff of the Tax office and requested the public be advised of the availability of property tax cards.

**PUBLIC HEARING - Planning Board membership status, Martin Altis**

- Township Attorney Oostdyk summarized the State policy on Financial Disclosure Statements and issues concerning Mr. Altis' filing status.
- Mr. Altis, 21 Ackerson Avenue, Planning Board member, stated he had never filed a Financial Disclosure Statement, believes it to be a waste of time, and suggested he be fired.

Various aspects of the state and local policies concerning Financial Disclosure Statements were discussed.

On a motion by Mr. Kohle, seconded by Mrs. Florance-Lynch, Mr. Altis was removed from the Planning Board by the following vote:

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

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

The public hearing was closed by the following vote:

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

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

**RESOLUTION 2015-98**, adopting the 2015 Municipal Budget.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Vanderhoff, **Resolution R2015-98** adopting the 2015 Municipal Budget was adopted by the following vote:

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

**ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2015-05**, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND APPROPRIATING \$537,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY

Township Manager Hollberg reviewed Ordinance No. 2015-05 and Ordinance No. 2015-06.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Vanderhoff, Ordinance No. 2015-05 was approved for introduction by the following vote:

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

**ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2015-06**, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AND APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$801,000 FOR FINANCING THEREOF

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mrs. Florance-Lynch, Ordinance No. 2015-06 was approved for introduction by the following vote:

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

**RESOLUTIONS.**

- **R2015-99**, authorizing Tax Office refunds, overpayments or cancellations.
- **R2015-100**, approving the designated special event permit applications.
- **R2015-101**, authorizing a 2015 Municipal Alliance Grant application in the amount of \$2,000.00
- **R2015-102**, approving the payment of the itemized claims as set forth on the May 8, 2015 Bill List.

Mrs. Florance-Lynch provided background on additional 2015 programs to be funded by the Municipal Alliance Grant and invited the Council to a June 4 crash reenactment at the high school.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Vanderhoff, **Resolutions R2015-99 through R2015-102** were adopted by the following vote:

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

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.**

- Proposed ordinance regarding sump pumps.

Mr. Hollberg reviewed options for a proposed ordinance regarding the regulation of sump pumps. The Council agreed to move forward with the proposed ordinance.

- Proposed ordinance regarding conditional uses in the I-1 district.
- The Council agreed to move forward with the proposed ordinance.

**REPORTS AND NOTICES.**

- Assemblyman Anthony M. Bucco, 25<sup>th</sup> Legislative District re: resolution concerning CDBG funding for Veteran's organizations
- Betts Environmental and Alternative Fuels correspondence re: Lukoil Property, 729 Route 23 South

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

- As requested by the Environmental Commission, a Shred Day is planned for October 3, 2015 to coincide with the town-wide garage sale.
- Sewer construction is progressing. Underground directional drilling along the highway is moving to the section between Winding Way and Village Road. Information has been received regarding the extension of sewers along the Turnpike to the former Gilly's. The Council will be provided with information concerning the proposal.
- The Township is in the process of gathering data and evaluating the draft flood maps in advance of the official release.
- The Township has received a proposal from the Morris County MUA for curbside recycling. There will be standalone bids for solid waste, vegetative waste, and recycling so the recycling bid can be evaluated separately.

**COUNCIL REPORTS.*****Mr. Kohle:***

- Open Space Committee met last night as reported by Mr. Spizzirri.
- Visited the Martin Berry House and was pleased with the condition

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

- Questioned the status of an anonymous zoning complaint.
- Requested status on a grant related to Mountain Avenue.

***Mr. Phelan:***

- Requested information on the status of Jackson Avenue sewers.

***Mr. Vanderhoff:***

- Fire Co. No. 2 will meet Thursday night.
- Fire Co. No. 1's banner is up for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

***Mayor Winterfield:***

- The Cedar Crest Flags of Freedom event is May 20<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m.
- May 16<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. is the Flags for Veterans event at the First Reformed Church.
- Requested the Clerk follow up on invitations from dignitaries.
- Requested follow up on banners in the business district for the 275<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**PUBLIC COMMENT.**

- Mike Bertuna, 10 Beech Street, questioned the reasons for the proposed changes to the industrial zones and expressed concern about the effect on local residents.
- Joe Wells, 5 Washington Street, reported on his conversations with the President of New York Susquehanna railroad concerning an entrance to Aquatic Park and a bike path.
- Lou Hebert, 10 Copley Court, questioned the priority of the proposed sewer extension on Newark-Pompton Turnpike.

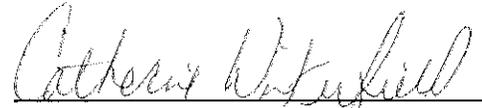
**EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION.** There was no Executive Session.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Kohle, minutes of the February 10<sup>th</sup>, April 14<sup>th</sup> and April 28<sup>th</sup> meetings were unanimously approved.

**ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. without objection:

  
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Carol J. Marsh, Township Clerk

  
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Catherine Winterfield, Mayor