The May 24, 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:
Peter Correale, Acting Township Manager
Robert Oostdyk, Esq., Township Attorney
Christopher Tietjen, Asst. to the Twp. Manager
Carol J. Marsh, Township Clerk

There were 22 members of the public in attendance.

PRESENTATIONS.

- Ed Engelbart was honored as the 2016 Citizen of the Year.
- Matthew Rothman was recognized for attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

REPORTS FROM VOLUNTEERS. There were no reports from volunteers.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

- Robert Dixon, 21 Evans Place, expressed concern about speeding traffic near Evans Place.
- Alberta Alleva, 4501 Tudor Drive, recommended current employees of the Parks and Recreation Department be considered when replacing the retiring Director.
- Lou Hebert, 11 Copley Court, thanked the Reformed Church and the many volunteers who assisted with preparations for Memorial Day.
- George Stafford, Outreach Director for the New Jersey Highlands Coalition, 16 Kitchel Avenue, Wharton, distributed a sample resolution requesting the State of New Jersey release information regarding water quality in New Jersey.

PUBLIC HEARINGS.

- PUBLIC HEARING Ordinance No. 2016-08, ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$575,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY
- Rob Cascone, 5 Fourth Street, stated the Skateboard Park advocates committed to raising the funds for the park.
- Steve Connolly, Skate Board Park Committee Chair, responded the committee did not say they would raise all the money, noted the total amount authorized in the capital budget may not be necessary, and reported the value of the donated obstacles is approximately \$75,000.
- Frank Spizzirri, 35 West Franklin Avenue, suggested information concerning the cost of skateboard parks be gathered from similar parks and stated the committee should provide

information on the overall cost prior to approval.

- Mike Bertuna, 8 Reynolds Road, expressed support for a skateboard park but objected to locating it in a flood zone.

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

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.

■ PUBLIC HEARING - Ordinance No. 2016-09, 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 \$613,000 FOR FINANCING THEREOF

There were no public comments.

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

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Vanderhoff, 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.

- R2016-109, authorizing a 2016 Municipal Alliance Grant application in the amount of \$2,000.00.
- R2016-110, approving the designated special event permit applications (Grace Bible Church).
- R2016-111, approving payment of the itemized claims as set forth on the May 23, 2016 Bill List.

On a motion by Mr. Vanderhoff, seconded by Mr. Phelan, **Resolutions R2016-109 through R2016-111** 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. There were no discussion items.

REPORTS AND NOTICES.

Notice of Introduction - Ordinance No. 26-2016, An ordinance to amend and supplement Chapter 134 (Land Development), Article VI (Environmental Protection) of the Code of the Township of Wayne

MANAGER'S REPORT. Acting Township Manager Peter Correale reported the following:

- As previously scheduled, there will be no recycling on Monday. The next recycling pick up day will be Monday June 6th.

COUNCIL REPORTS.

Mrs. Florance-Lynch:

- Requested the Health Department schedule another Shred Day and another Hazardous Waste Day.
- Reported a recent Suburban Trends article regarding the availability of applications for

affordable units at Hearle Village.

Mr. Phelan:

- No Report.

Mr. Vanderhoff:

- No Report.

Ms. Winterfield:

- Extended an invitation to the Memorial Day parade and service.
- Reported on traffic and pedestrian concerns during the Town wide garage sale.

Mayor Kohle:

- Invited members of the public to the Morris County Freeholder meeting to be held in Pequannock on May 25th.
- No recycling on Monday, May 30th.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

- Mike Bertuna, 8 Reynolds Road, expressed interest in the Wayne Township ordinance included in Reports and Notices and in the resolution provided by Mr. Stafford, and requested information on the procedure for reporting potholes.
- Frank Spizzirri, 35 West Franklin Avenue, reiterated reports of pedestrians crossing streets unsafely during the town wide garage sale.
- Jordan Galiano, 10 Peck Avenue, stated bank accounts for the non-profit supporting the skateboard park have been set up and donations can now be accepted; and reported enjoying the process of moving the project forward.
- Louise Marchese, 16 Roland Road, commented garage sale related traffic is an issue in general.

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mrs. Florance-Lynch, **Resolution R2016-112**, authorizing an Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations was unanimously adopted.

The public portion of the meeting was recessed at 7:51 p.m. followed by the Executive Session during which the following items were discussed:

Contract negotiations for the acquisition of the Martin Berry House. Mr. Tietjen provided the Council with an update on a meeting that took place with Mrs. Bogert concerning the contract for the acquisition of her property and direction was provided by the Council.

The closed session was completed at 7:59 p.m. at which time the public meeting was reconvened.

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

ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Ms. Winterfield the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m. without objection.

David G. Kohle, Mayor

Carol J. Marsh, Township Clerk