

The October 25, 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

Absent:

Councilwoman Catherine Winterfield

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 12 members of the public in attendance.

**PRESENTATIONS.**

- Sergeant George Lane recognized Crossing Guard Randi Henning for her 21 years of service, and Philomena Horgan for 28 years of service.

**REPORTS FROM VOLUNTEERS.**

- Jay Wanczyk, Historic District Commission Chair, thanked Mr. Hollberg and Mr. Tietjen for the replacement lights at the Railroad Museum and reported the goal of raising \$12,000 to purchase contents of the Martin Berry House has nearly been reached.
- Louise Marchese, Flood Advisory Committee and Economic Development Advisory Committee Recording Secretary, reported the Flood Committee is continuing to plan their public event which is tentatively scheduled for the second Thursday in December; the next meeting of the Economic Development Advisory Committee is tomorrow evening.

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

**PUBLIC HEARINGS.**

**PUBLIC HEARING - Ordinance No. 2016-13, BOND ORDINANCE RE-APPROPRIATING \$16,540,000 AND RE-AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$15,965,000 BONDS AND NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY TO PROVIDE FOR THE VILLAGE AREA SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED AND SUPERSEDING BOND ORDINANCE #2010-22, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED BY #2014-02, AS AMENDED BY 2015-11 OF THE TOWNSHIP, AMENDING SUCH BOND ORDINANCE AND DIRECTING THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT OF PART OF THE COST THEREOF.**

There were no public comments.

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

Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Ms. Winterfield.

**PUBLIC HEARING - Ordinance No. 2016-14**, ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$171,000 FROM THE WATER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE WATER UTILITY IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY  
There were no public comments.

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

Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Ms. Winterfield.

**PUBLIC HEARING - Ordinance No. 2016-15**, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM SALARIES AND PAY RATES FOR DESIGNATED OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK FOR THE YEAR 2016

There were no public comments.

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

Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Ms. Winterfield.

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

#### **RESOLUTIONS.**

- **R2016-181**, authorizing release of deposits for construction in a Township Right of Way.
- **R2016-182**, authorizing payment in the amount of \$1,459.20 to Katie Frey for Accumulated Leave.
- **R2016-183**, certifying there are no objections to the issuance of an Alcoholic Beverage Control *Social Affair Special Permit* for Holy Spirit School.
- **R2016-184**, supporting Assembly Bill No.2717 providing for the allowance of charitable contributions deductions from New Jersey gross income tax.
- **R2016-185**, supporting Assembly Bill No.2717 providing for the allowance of charitable contributions deductions from New Jersey gross income tax
- **R2016-186**, expressing opposition to the excessive increase in the motor vehicle fuel tax.
- **R2016-187**, approving payment of the itemized claims as set forth on the **October 21, 2016** Bill List.

After discussion, members of the Council requested the wording of Resolution R2016-186 be changed and the resolution reconsidered at the next meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mrs. Florance-Lynch, **Resolutions R2016-181 through R2016-185 and Resolution R2016-187** were adopted by the following vote:

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

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.** There were no discussion items.

**REPORTS AND NOTICES.**

- New Jersey Department of Transportation Letter re: Transportation Trust Fund Authority.
- Certificate of Determination and Award: Bond Anticipation Note.

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

- A Joint Study Committee meeting with the Board of Education was held on October 12<sup>th</sup>. A number of current topics were discussed and we continue to have a very good working relationship with the Board.
- All paving associated with the Village Sewer project has been completed. Punch list items need to be completed and a number of street and driveway drainage issues are being reviewed.
- The new digital radio system has been installed and full conversion of all agencies was scheduled to be completed today. The radios have the capability of communicating with other agencies that are not digital including pagers which are in use by our Fire and EMS.

**COUNCIL REPORTS.**

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

- A representative from the Economic Development Committee is planning to provide an update of the Committee's activities at the next Council meeting; members of the Committee as well as the Mayor and Councilwoman Florance-Lynch attended a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce last week where an update was provided. Information regarding next steps on zoning updates was requested; the Committee's regular meeting is tomorrow night.
- Library Board regular meeting was rescheduled and will also be held tomorrow night.

***Mr. Phelan:***

- Requested information on the schedule for leaf pickup.

***Mr. Vanderhoff:***

- Shade Tree Commission met last night. About 160 work orders have been processed this year; an expert has been hired for tree trimming on Rockledge.
- Suggested the Council review the Christmas Tree Sale ordinance.

***Mayor Kohle:***

- Fair Housing meets tomorrow.

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

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

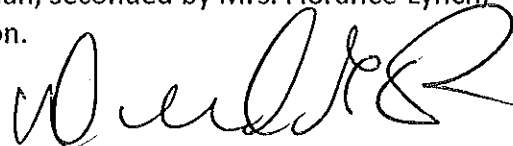
**EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION.** There was no Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mrs. Florance-Lynch, the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m. without objection.



Carol J. Marsh, Township Clerk



David G. Kohle, Mayor