

The November 22, 2016 meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Pequannock, Morris County, New Jersey was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building Meeting Room located at 530 Newark-Pompton Turnpike; Mayor David Kohle presiding.

Deputy Township Clerk Michele M. Levine 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: David Hollberg, Township Manager

Also Attending:

Robert Oostdyk, Esq., Township Attorney
Christopher Tietjen, Asst. to the Twp. Manager
Carol J. Marsh, Township Clerk
Michele M. Levine, Deputy Township Clerk

There were 4 members of the public in attendance.

PRESENTATIONS.

- Sister Marie Antonelli was presented with a Proclamation recognizing Holy Spirit School's 60th Anniversary.

REPORTS FROM VOLUNTEERS. There were no reports from volunteers.

PUBLIC COMMENT. There were no public comments.

PUBLIC HEARINGS.

PUBLIC HEARING - Ordinance No. 2016-16, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 152 ENTITLED "SEWERS" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK AND REVISING THE SEWER RENTAL FEES AND RATES

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 Ms. Florance-Lynch, 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 N. 2016-17, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTION 3.19.020 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK ENTITLED "COMPOSITION OF POLICE OFFICERS"

There were no public comments.

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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.

- **R2016-194**, authorizing Tax Office refunds, overpayments or cancellations.
- **R2016-195**, authorizing release of deposits for construction in a Township Right of Way.
- **R2016-196**, authorizing Tax office cancellation of 2016 property taxes.
- **R2016-197**, authorizing the abatement of property maintenance violations at designated properties.
- **R2016-198**, approving payment of the itemized claims as set forth on the **November 18, 2016** Bill List.

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Ms. Florance-Lynch, **Resolutions R2016-194 through R2016-198** 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.

REPORTS AND NOTICES.

- Notice of Public Hearing-Pequannock Township Planning Board-Rentals Unlimited, Inc.
- Notice of Public Hearing-Pequannock Township Planning Board-ABN Realty
- Mr. Phelan stated the Planning Board Meeting was not held due to lack of quorum.

MANAGER'S REPORT. No report.

COUNCIL REPORTS.

Mrs. Florance-Lynch:

- Flood Advisory Committee is planning a community event with a tentative date in February, 2017 including Township Engineer Joe Golden, FEMA, Red Cross and other organizations. It will be held at Friendship Hall across the street; invitations will follow.
- Environmental Commission is considering the appointment of a youth liaison, possibly adding this via resolution at the January, 2017 Reorganization Meeting.
- Library Board is requesting guidance from the Township Manager and Council on the purchase of a new sign.

Mr. Phelan:

- Planning Board - expressed concern the November 21, 2016 Planning Board Meeting was not held due to a lack of quorum.

Mr. Vanderhoff:

- Reiterated Mr. Phelan's concern over the lack of quorum at the Planning Board meeting. The next meetings are scheduled for December 5, 2016, where they will address Rentals Unlimited and December 19, 2016, where they will address ABN Realty.

Ms. Winterfield:

- Stated she will discuss the following at the next meeting: resident complaints regarding leaf pick up, Fair Housing updates, status of the Skate Park and Martin Berry House. Mr. Oostdyk stated they hope to close on the Martin Berry House by the end of the year.

Mayor Kohle:

- No report.

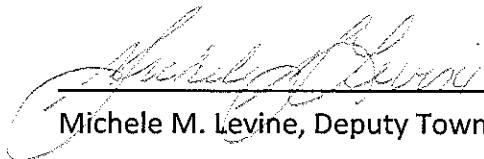
PUBLIC COMMENT. There were no public comments.

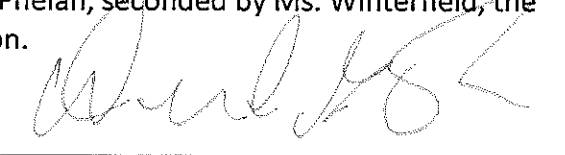
APPROVAL OF MINUTES. There were no minutes presented for approval.

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

ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Ms. Winterfield, the meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m. without objection.


Michele M. Levine, Deputy Township Clerk


David G. Kohle, Mayor

