

The April 13, 2021 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 Kyle Russell 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 Russell led the Pledge of Allegiance, which was followed by a prayer and a moment of thanks for those individuals serving our nation.

Present:

Mayor Kyle Russell
Deputy Mayor Melissa Florance-Lynch
Councilwoman Ryan Herd
Councilman David Kohle
Councilman Richard Phelan

Absent: None

Also Attending:

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

There were 2 members of the public in attendance.

PRESENTATIONS. There were no presentations.

REPORTS FROM VOLUNTEERS. There were no reports from volunteers.

PUBLIC COMMENT. There were no public comments.

MANAGER'S REPORT. Township Manager Adam Brewer reviewed the Manager's report for the meeting, providing information on agenda items and status on issues with Cablevision.

PUBLIC HEARINGS. There were no public hearings.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2021-05; AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A REVISION AND CODIFICATION OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

On a motion by Mr. Kohle, seconded by Mr. Phelan, the ordinance was approved for introduction by the following vote:

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

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2021-06; AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 189 "ZONING," SECTION 7 "SUPPLEMENTAL REGULATIONS," SUBSECTION 040 "REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO ALL DISTRICTS" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK TO INCLUDE A NEW PARAGRAPH "M" TO PROHIBIT CANNABIS ESTABLISHMENTS AS USES WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP

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, Mr. Phelan, Mayor Russell
Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION - Ordinance No. 2021-07; BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ELEVATION OF FLOOD PRONE HOMES IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$3,752,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,752,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF

On a motion by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. H, the ordinance was approved for introduction by the following vote:

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

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

RESOLUTIONS.

- **R2021-104**, authorizing Change Order No. 2 and final payment for the Kent Place Sewer Extension project decreasing the contract with Messercola Excavating of Plainfield, NJ by \$10,233.22 to a revised total contract price of \$96,510.78.
- **R2021-105**, cancelling unexpended General Capital Appropriation balances.
- **R2021-106**, authorizing an emergency contract with Northeast Communication for Police Department communication equipment.
- **R2021-107**, awarding a contract for the Alexander Avenue Improvement Project to American Asphalt & Milling Services, LLC, for the total contract amount of \$255,566.75 in accordance with the bid specifications.
- **R2021-108**, authorizing Tax Office refunds, overpayments or cancellations
- **R2021-109**, authorizing a grant agreement with the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management (administering a FEMA grant) for a the 2018 Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant
- **R2021-110**, approving payment of the itemized claims as set forth on the **April 8, 2021 Bill List** and **2015 FEMA Elevation Escrow List**.

On a motion by Mr. Herd, seconded by Mrs. Florance-Lynch, **Resolutions R2021-104 through R2021-110** were adopted by the following vote:

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

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

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION. There were no discussion items.

REPORTS AND NOTICES. There were no reports or notices.

COUNCIL REPORTS.

Mrs. Florance-Lynch

- Economic Development Advisory Committee is continuing to work on a number of projects including a website, grand openings and outreach to other committees and organizations.
- Flood Control Advisory Committee is hoping to meet in person next month.

Mr. Kohle:

- Reported on the April 5th Planning Board meeting.
- Fire Co. No. 2 met on Thursday, April 8th and Fire Co. No. 1 met on Friday April 9th. Both companies participated in an entrapment incident on Route 23. The patient is expected to recover.
- Fire Co. No. 1 is working on issues with traffic interfering with returning engines. The company has donated equipment to the Cocker, Alabama Fire Department to replace equipment damaged by tornado.

- Company 2 held their most recent meeting in person and Company 1 is planning to resume in person meetings at their next meeting.
- TBSA meets tomorrow, April 14th.

Mr. Phelan:

- No report.

Mr. Herd:

- First Aid and Rescue Squad reported a total of 62 calls including one mutual aid, 16 calls to Cedar Crest and participation in the entrapment incident on Route 23.
- Thanked all the first responders for their continued efforts.
- Dedication of a baseball sign will take place at Washington Park field 2 on Wednesday, April 14th at 6:45 p.m. Thanked the Scienski family for contribution of the sign.

Mayor Russell:

- Environmental Commission meets tomorrow.
- Girl Scouts are setting up a donation box and will work with the administration on the installation.

PUBLIC COMMENT. There were no public comments.

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

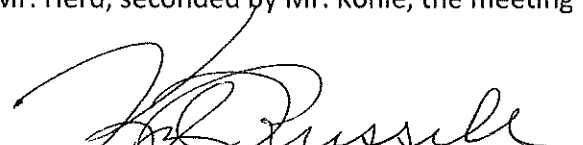
EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION. There was no Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Herd, seconded by Mr. Kohle, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. without objection.



Carol J. Marsh, Township Clerk



Kyle Russell, Mayor

