

TOWNSHIP OF QUINTON
COUNTY OF SALEM
REGULAR MEETING
QUINTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
April 4, 2023

Call to order by Mayor Sperry at 6:00pm

Pledge of allegiance

Open Public Meetings Act

This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Advanced notice of this meeting was given by way of the annual notice which was filed with the Quinton Township Clerk, forwarded to the South Jersey Times and was posted on the door and the bulletin board located in the lobby of the Quinton Township Municipal Building.

Roll Call Mayor Sperry, Deputy Mayor Hannagan, Committeeman Owens, CFO Elwell, Solicitor Arbittier, Clerk Uzdanic

Minutes to be approved March 7, 2023 regular meeting, Special Meeting March 14, 2023

Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3RCV yes

Vouchers to be approved

Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3RCV yes

ORDINANCES ADOPTED

ORDINANCE 2023-03
AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$131,950.00
TO BE USED FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF BROWN ROAD SECTION II
WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF QUINTON,
COUNTY OF SALEM, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the Governing Body desires to authorize the Reconstruction of Brown Road Section II within the Township of Quinton: and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available for said purpose from the New Jersey Department of Transportation Trust Fund and from the Township's Capital Improvement Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton, County of Salem, State of New Jersey, that:

SECTION 1: There is hereby appropriated from the following sources the sum of \$131,950.00 to be used for the following capital project within the Township of Quinton:

<u>Purpose/Improvement</u>	<u>Estimated Total Cost</u>	<u>Capital Improvement Fund</u>	<u>Grants</u>
A. Reconstruction of Brown Road Section II	\$131,950.00	\$17,200.00	\$114,750.00

SECTION 2: In connection with the amounts authorized in Section 1, the Township makes the following determinations:

- a) The purpose described in Section 1 is not a Current Expense and is an improvement, which the Township may lawfully make as a general improvement.
- b) The period of usefulness of the purpose described in Section 1 hereof is within the limitations of the Local Bond Law and according to the reasonable life thereof is five (5) years or more.
- c) No debt is authorized by this ordinance.

- d) The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith, and the resolution promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Municipal Clerk and available for inspection.

SECTION 3: All ordinances or parts of ordinances that are inconsistent with the terms of this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

SECTION 4: This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon proper passage, publication in accordance with law and after final adoption as provided by law.

Open public Hearing Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3RCV yes
Close Public Hearing Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3RCV yes
Motion to adopt Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3RCV yes

RESOLUTIONS APPROVED

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-43

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH STOW CREEK TOWNSHIP AND THE TOWNSHIP OF QUINTON FOR THE USE OF QUINTON TOWNSHIPS ZONING OFFICE PHONE LINE FOR THE YEAR 2023

WHEREAS the Township of Stow Creek would like to enter into an interlocal agreement with Quinton Township to share the Zoning Office phone line, and,

WHEREAS municipalities can enter into an Interlocal Agreement pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:8A-10 et seq., and;

WHEREAS Stow Creek Township will pay \$35.00 monthly for the use of the phone line starting January 1, 2023; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute an Interlocal Agreement for the sharing of the Zoning Office phone line with Stow Creek Township, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Clerk of Stow Creek Township.

Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3RCV yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-44

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF 'COMPLIANCE WITH THE UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S

"Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964"

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183 requires the governing body of each municipality and county to certify that their local unit's hiring practices comply with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964," as amended,42U.S.C. §2000e et seq., (April 25, 2012) before submitting its approved annual budget to the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have familiarized themselves with

the contents of the above-referenced enforcement guidance and with their local unit's hiring practices as they pertain to the consideration of an individual's criminal history, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Township of Quinton, Township Committee, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5, as amended by P.L.2017, c.183, by certifying that the local unit's hiring practices comply with the above referenced enforcement guidance and hereby directs the Clerk to cause to be maintained and available for inspection a certified

and Recycling

Motion Hannagan

Second Owens

3RCV yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-45

INTRODUCTION OF THE 2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Motion Hannagan

Second Owens

3RCV yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-46

**RESOLUTION TO AVERAGE TAX COLLECTION RATE
FOR USE IN THE 2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the Township of Quinton experienced a decline in the tax collection rate for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the use of the lower collection rate in arriving at the budget appropriation Reserve for Uncollected Taxes in the 2023 Municipal Budget would result in an unfair tax burden to the taxpayers of the Township of Quinton; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs will allow the Township of Quinton to use the average of the prior three years' collection rates in calculating the budget appropriation Reserve for Uncollected Taxes in the 2023 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the prior three years' collection rates are 95.35% for 2021, 94.69% for 2020 and 94.67% for 2019; and

WHEREAS, the averaging of the prior three years' collection rates result in a collection rate of 94.90%;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Quinton will use the collection rate of 93.90% in calculating the budget appropriation Reserve for Uncollected Taxes in the 2023 Municipal Budget.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Quinton held April 4, 2023.

Motion Hannagan

Second Owens

3RCV yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-47
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR WELL CLEANING OF
SEWER PUMP STATIONS IN THE YEAR 2023

WHEREAS, The Township of Quinton has solicited bids for the provision of well cleaning of sewer pump stations for the year 2023 and,

WHEREAS, Certified Sewers, LLC. has submitted the lowest bid for the aforesaid well cleaning of sewer pump stations

WHEREAS, the Township CMFO has certified that sufficient and legally appropriated funds are available under CY2023 Public Buildings & Grounds Misc. OE Budget and Pending the successful passage and adoption of the CY2023 Public Buildings & Grounds OE Budget (3-01-26-310-298) for well cleaning of sewer pump stations in the 2023 calendar year; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton, County of Salem and State of New Jersey the contract is hereby awarded to Certified Sewers, LLC.; and

BE IT RESOLVED the mayor and clerk of Quinton Township are hereby authorized and directed to execute the contracts between Township of Quinton and Certified Sewers, LLC.;

and

Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3RCV yes

Boden - \$2800.00
Mobile Dredging & Video Pipe Inc. - \$3900.00
Municipal Maintenance - \$6990.00

RESOLUTION 2023 - 48
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ASSIGNMENT
OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE 09-00010

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-113 authorizes assignment by a municipality of tax sale certificates for the full amount of the certificate, including all subsequent municipal taxes and other municipal charges; and,

WHEREAS, Roy James has presented an offer to purchase, by assignment, Certificate of Sale #09-00010, which was issued to the Township of Quinton at a tax sale held on July 21, 2009, on Block 43, Lot 1, known as Wright Avenue, and assessed to Paul Turkot c/o B. Wood in the amount of \$570.06, being the full amount of the certificate as of April 4, 2023, including all subsequent municipal taxes and other municipal charges; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township of Quinton hereby authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute the necessary assignment documents to effect assignment of the above referenced Municipal Lien Certificate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, this resolution be forwarded to the Tax Collector

Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3RCV yes

RESOLUTION CANCELLING EMERGENCY RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Township of Quinton has determined after further review that Emergency Resolution #2022-96 for Municipal Alliance Grant Matching Funds in the amount of \$507.92 was not needed; and

WHEREAS, The Township of Quinton has determined that Emergency Resolution #2022-96 is to be cancelled;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton has directed the Township Clerk to cancel Emergency Resolution #2022-96 effective as of 12/31/22.

Motion Hannagan

Second Owens

3RCV yes

Mayor Sperry shared that she went to the Salem City Sewer Meeting and informed them of her displeasure with how they do business.

Mayor Sperry liquor license

PUBLIC SESSION

Ed Counsellor asked if we can contact the historical society to keep the electrical company from removing the monument that is located there. The committee said yes.

RESOLUTION 2023-50 Resolution Authorizing Executive Session

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b permits a public body to go into a closed session during a public meeting to discuss certain matters as follows:

- (1) *Matters Required by law to be confidential:* Any matter which by express provision of the Federal law or State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.
- (2) Any matter in which the release of information would impair the right to receive federal funding.
- (3) *Matters involving individual privacy:* Any matter, the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as records, data, reports, recommendations or other personal material of any education, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including, but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned .
- (4) *Matters pertaining to a collective bargaining agreement:* Any matter involving a collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.
- (5) *Matters relating to the purchase, lease acquisition of real property or investment of public funds:* Any matter involving the lease, purchase or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.
- (6) *Matters of public protection:* Any tactic and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, provided that their disclosure could impair such protection.

(7) *Matters relating to litigation, negotiations and attorney-client privilege:* Any matter of pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation other than in (4) above in which the Township is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required for the attorney to exercise ethical duties as a lawyer.

(8) *Matters relating to the employment relationship:* Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of , promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all of the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed in public.

(9) *Deliberations after public hearing.* Deliberations by the Township occurring after a public hearing that may result in a civil penalty or the suspension or loss of a license or permit of a responding party; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined that it is necessary to go into a closed session to discuss certain matters relating to the items as permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of Quinton that the Committee will go into closed session to discuss the following, in accordance with the aforesaid provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, after which it will reconvene in the public:

7. Attorney Client / Pending Litigation

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the minutes of the closed session will be made available to the public when the need for privacy no longer exists.

Motion Hannagan	Second Owens	3RCV yes
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Motion to close open session

Motion Hannagan	Second Owens	3RCV yes
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Motion to open closed session

Motion Hannagan	Second Owens	3RCV yes
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Not action taken for pending litigation

No further business motion to adjourn at 6:50pm by Hannagan, Second Owens, 3 RCV yes