TOWNSHIP OF QUINTON COUNTY OF SALEM REGULAR MEETING QUINTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING NOVEMBER 1, 2022

CALL TO ORDER at 7:00pm by Mayor Sperry

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 a public notice which was filed with the Quinton Township Clerk, forwarded to the South Jersey Times, the Elmer Times, posted on the township website and bulletin board located in the lobby of the Quinton Township Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL Mayor Sperry, Deputy Mayor Hannagan, Committeeman Owens, CFO Elwell, Clerk Uzdanovics, Solicitor Arbittier

Minutes to be approved – October 4, 2022, Regular meeting, September 28, 2022 Work Session Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3 RCV yes

Vouchers to be approved

Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3 RCV yes

ORDINANCE to be Adopted

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-06 ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SEWER CONNECTION FEE

WHEREAS, the Township of Quinton ("Quinton") owns and operates a sanitary sewer system (the "Sewer"); and

WHEREAS, Quinton desires to establish a sewer connection fee for those residents who desire to connect to the Sewer; and

WHEREAS, the Code of the Township of Quinton requires a connection fee to be established by the Township Committee by Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:26A-11 authorizes the establishment of a connection fee and sets forth the calculation method that must be used in order to establish a maximum connection fee; and

WHEREAS, the maximum connection per Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU) has been calculated as follows in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:26A-11.

1. Actual Cost of the physical connection (time and materials) \$55,000.00 *Costs are incurred by the recipient of the connection

2. Increased by all debt service expenses plus all capital 1,504,136.86 expenditures not funded by indebtedness as of the end of the immediately preceding fiscal year.

3. Less any gifts, contributions or subsidies to the Authority received from state, federal, county or any municipality

0.00

Total \$1,559,136.86

Divided by the total approximate number of service units serviced by the Authority at the end of the immediate preceding fiscal year (December 31, 2021

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Maximum Connection Fee

\$4,500.00 per EDU

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton that the sewer connection fee is hereby established at \$4,500.00 per EDU and is effective immediately; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this sewer connection fee shall remain in effect until the Township Committee adopts a new connection fee in 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon proper passage, publication in accordance with law and after final adoption as provided by law.

Motion open to public Motion Hannagan	Second Owens	3 RCV yes
Motion to close Motion Hannagan	Second Owens	3 RCV yes
Motion to adopt Motion Hannagan	Second Owens	3 RCV yes

RESOLUTIONS to be adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-93 RESOLUTION RENEWING THE JUNK YARD LICENSE FOR SALEM COUNTY RECYCLERS, LLC. 2023

WHEREAS, the Township of Quinton authorized the issuance of one Junk Yard license and,

WHEREAS, Salem County Recyclers, LLC., holds the only license authorized by Quinton Township and said license is renewable yearly and,

WHEREAS, Salem County Recyclers, LLC., has applied for a renewal of said license and,

WHEREAS, the Quinton Township Committee is not aware of any violations relating to said license:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton that they hereby renew the Junk Yard license of Salem County Recyclers, LLC., for a period of one year.

Motion Hannagan Second Owens 2 RCV yes Sperry Abstains

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-94

RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO THE REASSIGNMENT BY THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENTOF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OF ALL MUNICIPALITIES CURRENTLY DESIGNATED TIER B UNDER THE MUNICIPAL SEPARATESTORM SEWER SYSTEM PERMIT PROGRAM TO TIER A DESIGNATION AND EXPANSION OF TIER A PERMIT CONDITIONS

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) has undertaken efforts to reassign to 'Tier A' designation under the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit Program (MS4 Permit Program) all New Jersey Municipalities currently designated 'Tier B'; and

WHEREAS, compliance with the MS4 Permit Program for a Municipality designated Tier A is far more costly and more onerous than compliance for a Municipality designated Tier B; and

WHEREAS, under the existing designation system, the Tier B designation was specifically created for Municipalities that are located in more rural areas and non-coastal regions, while Tier A designation was created for Municipalities that are located within the more densely populated regions of the State or along or near the coast; and

WHEREAS, many Municipalities designated Tier B under the existing designation system simply do not have the resources to comply with Tier A designation; and

WHEREAS, the NJDEP, while attempting to reassign all Municipalities to Tier A, is simultaneously proposing to renew the Tier A MS4 General Permit to include additional conditions on municipal permit holders; and

WHEREAS, the NJDEP is asking current Tier B Municipalities to come into compliance with both existing Tier A requirements and a set of still unfinalized Tier A renewal requirements on practically the same schedule as existing Tier A Municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the State, however well intended in its actions, continues to saddle Municipalities with additional responsibilities through unfunded and underfunded mandates, putting additional burdens on property taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the reassignment by the NJDEP to Tier A designation for all New Jersey Municipalities currently designated Tier B will result in a redistribution of these municipalities' limited resources, away from their crucial government functions; and

WHEREAS, Quinton Township supports taking action to better protect and improve the quality of its own waterways, as well as waterways throughout the State but efforts to do so must be balanced against other critical needs with consideration for the limited resources of Municipal Government.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Quinton Township, in the County of Salem, and State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. The Township of Quinton herby urges the members of the New Jersey Assembly and Senate to support, co-sponsor, and adopt legislation that would prevent the NJDEP from reassignment Tier A designation under the MS4 Permit Program for NEW Jersey Municipalities that are currently designated Tier B, and also prevent the NJDEP from expanding conditions of the Tier A permit until a full analysis of the fiscal impact these changes will have on these Municipalities can be completed, and State funding is made available.
- 2. The Township of Quinton herby urges Governor of the State of New Jersey to sign any legislation adopted by the State Assembly and Senate that would prevent the NJDEP from reassignment Tier A designation under the MS4 Permit Program for NEW Jersey Municipalities that are currently designated Tier B, and also prevent the NJDEP from expanding conditions of the Tier A permit until a full analysis of the fiscal impact these changes will have on these Municipalities can be completed, and State funding is made available.
- 3. A certified copy of this resolution upon its adoption shall be furnished to the Salem County Assembly Representative and State Senator, Governor Phil Murphy, the Commissioner of the

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

Motion Hannagan

Second Owens

3 RCV yes

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF 2022 TAXES AND REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT FOR A TOTAL DISABLED VETERAN (Block 59, Lot 2 – Loufik, William & Mildred)

WHEREAS, THE TAX ASSESSOR OF QUINTON TOWNSHIP has certified that the above-referenced taxpayer has been approved for tax exempt status effective July 6, 2022; therefore, the fourth quarter taxes should be cancelled in the amount of \$1,268.65 together with prior and subsequent billing; and

WHEREAS, THE TAX COLLECTOR OF QUINTON TOWNSHIP has certified to the Mayor and Township Committee that the above-referenced taxpayer has been approved for total disabled veteran exempt status; therefore, the fourth quarter should be cancelled in the amount of \$1,268.65, together with prior and subsequent billing; and

WHEREAS, THE TAX COLLECTOR OF QUINTON TOWNSHIP has additionally certified to the Mayor and Township Committee that William & Mildred Loufik paid the third quarter 2022 property taxes which has generated an overpayment in the amount of \$1,268.66 and that the books of the Tax Collector be adjusted to reflect said overpayment; and

WHEREAS, THE TREASURER OF QUINTON TOWNSHIP shall make said refund from the Current Account;

WHEREAS, based on the approval for tax exempt status effective July 6, 2022, this total disabled veteran is no longer required to pay property taxes on Block 59, Lot 2 for as long as he/spouse owns the property and it is their permanent primary residence;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Quinton, County of Salem, and State of New Jersey, cancel the fourth quarter 2022 real estate taxes as noted above, refund the overpayment of the third quarter 2022 taxes in the amount of \$1,268.66 to Loufik, William & Mildred, 9 Hummel Road, Bridgeton, NJ 08302 and the books of the Tax Collector be adjusted to reflect the cancellation and overpayment as noted above.

Motion Hannagan

Second Owens

3 RCV yes

EMERGENCY RESOLUTION - NJSA 40A:4-87 2022-96

WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen with respect to Municipal Alliance Grant Matching Funds and, no adequate provision was made in the 2022 budget for the aforesaid purpose, and

NJS 40A:4-46 provides for the creation on an emergency appropriation for the purpose mentioned above, and

WHEREAS, the total amount of the emergency appropriations created, including the appropriation to be created by this resolution is \$507.92 and three (3) percent of the total operating appropriations in the budget for 2021 is \$36,450.64 and

WHEREAS, the foregoing appropriation together with prior appropriations does not exceed three (3) percent of the total operating appropriations in the budget for 2021,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, (by not less than 2/3 of all governing body members affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with NJS 40A:4-48:

- 1. An emergency appropriation is here by made for Municipal Alliance Grant Matching Funds in the amount of \$507.92.
- 2. That said emergency appropriation shall be provided for in full in the 2023 budget, and is requested to be excluded from CAPS, pursuant to NJS 40A:4-53.3c(1)
- 3. That two (2) certified copies of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services

Motion Hannagan

Second Owens

3 RCV yes

RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION NJSA 40A:4-87 2022-97

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount,

(Section 1)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of Quinton Township in the County of Salem, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2022 in the sum of \$2,031.66 which is now available as a revenue from the State of New Jersey, Municipal Alliance on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Grant. Pursuant to the provision of the statute, and

(Section 2)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$2,539.58 is hereby appropriated under the caption Municipal Alliance on Alcoholism and drug Abuse Grant; and

(Section3)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sum of \$507.92 be anticipated from the proceeds of an emergency resolution theretofore adopted providing for the municipality's share of said project or undertaking and the appropriation of the last names sum be added to and be supplementary to the appropriation provided in Section 2 above,

BE IT RESOLVED that the above is a result of a State grant of \$2,031.66 from the State of New Jersey.

Motion Hannagan

Second Owens

3 RCV yes

RESOLUTION FOR TAX EXEMPTION AND REFUND PURSUANT TO NJS 54:4-3.6

WHEREAS, the tax assessor has deemed that the property listed in the tax duplicate as 46 Main Street, Quinton, NJ, Block 26 Lot 14 owned by Quinton Baptist Church is used for a tax exempt purpose and is 100% exempt from property taxes, effective November 1, 2021, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.6; and

WHEREAS, Quinton Baptist Church failed to file the required continuation of tax exemption form, which is required every three years; and

WHEREAS, Quinton Baptist Church has filed the continuation of tax exemption statement, and the statement has been approved by the tax assessor; and

WHEREAS, a refund is authorized for any property tax payments made for the fourth quarter of 2021 and all of 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee, of the Township of Quinton, County of Salem, State of New Jersey, that the tax collector is hereby authorized to make the proper adjustments to exempt the above listed property from property taxes as indicated above.

Motion Hannagan

Second Owens

3 RCV yes

2022-99

RESOLUTION FOR TAX EXEMPTION AND REFUND PURSUANT TO NJS 54:4-3.6

WHEREAS, the tax assessor has deemed that the property listed in the tax duplicate as 685 Salem-Quinton Road, Quinton, NJ, Block 10.02 Lot 18 owned by Seventh Day Adventists Church NFC is used for a tax exempt purpose and is 100% exempt from property taxes, effective November 1, 2021, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.6; and

WHEREAS, Seventh Day Adventists Church NFC failed to file the required continuation of tax exemption form, which is required every three years; and

WHEREAS, Seventh Day Adventists Church NFC has filed the continuation of tax exemption statement, and the statement has been approved by the tax assessor; and

WHEREAS, a refund is authorized for any property tax payments made for the fourth quarter of 2021 and all of 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee, of the Township of Quinton, County of Salem, State of New Jersey, that the tax collector is hereby authorized to make the proper adjustments to exempt the above listed property from property taxes as indicated above.

Motion Hannagan

Second Owens

3 RCV yes

2022-100

RESOLUTION FOR TAX EXEMPTION AND REFUND PURSUANT TO NJS 54:4-3.6

WHEREAS, the tax assessor has deemed that the property listed in the tax duplicate as 350-354 Quinton-Marlboro Road, Quinton, NJ, Block 35 Lot 68 and Block 38, Lot 35.01 owned by Haven United Methodist

Church is used for a tax exempt purpose and is 100% exempt from property taxes, effective November 1, 2021, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.6; and

WHEREAS, Haven United Methodist Church failed to file the required continuation of tax exemption form, which is required every three years; and

WHEREAS, Haven United Methodist Church has filed the continuation of tax exemption statement, and the statement has been approved by the tax assessor; and

WHEREAS, a refund is authorized for any property tax payments made for the fourth quarter of 2021 and all of 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee, of the Township of Quinton, County of Salem, State of New Jersey, that the tax collector is hereby authorized to make the proper adjustments to exempt the above listed property from property taxes as

Motion Hannagan

Second Owens

3 RCV yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-101

Resolution to approve Transfers

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to expend for certain purposes specified in the 2022 budget, amount in excess of the respective sums appropriated therefore;

and

WHEREAS, there is an excess in one or more appropriation over and above the amount deemed necessary to fulfill the purposes of such appropriations;

and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.40A:4-5B provides for the transfer of such excess amounts in appropriations to those appropriations which are insufficient, now

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton, County of Salem, New Jersey (Not less than Two-Thirds of the full Membership thereof affirmatively concurring) that the following transfers are hereby authorized to be made by and between the 2022 Budgeted appropriations:

SEE ATTACHED

A Resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton, County of Salem, New Jersey held on November 1, 2022.

Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3 RCV yes

RESOLUTION #2022-103 RESOLUTION TO REFUND ESCROW ACCOUNT BALANCE

WHEREAS, there remains a fund balance in the Quinton Township Planning Board General Escrow Account on behalf of Cawman Sign – App. #2022-04 in connection with an application that was filed with the Quinton Township Planning Board which required the deposit of escrow funds for payment of applicable professional services incurred by Quinton Township on behalf of said applicant; and WHEREAS, the Quinton Township Chief Financial Officer (CFO) has received written confirmation from the Planning Board Secretary that the application has been withdrawn; and

WHEREAS, the CFO has received written confirmation from all of the Planning Board's professional consultants (i.e., the Planning Board Engineer, Planner and Solicitor) that all of their respective billing to date in connection with the application(s) has been submitted to and paid in full by the Township, and that no further billing is anticipated; and

WHEREAS, the CFO has requested a good-faith review of the account balances by the Planning Board Secretary and the finance office of Quinton Township to facilitate the refund of the applicable funds remaining in said escrow account and the Planning Board Secretary and finance office have confirmed in writing to the CFO that they are not aware of any outstanding expenses or encumbrances remaining to be paid with said application(s); and

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing, the CFO recommends that the Township Committee authorize the subject account balance(s) be refunded to Cawman Sign – App. #2022-04 subject to obtaining the necessary applicant signature(s) on a purchase order.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton, County of Salem, State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to refund the remaining escrow balances as follows:

Account Name Amount Cawman Sign – App. #2022-04 \$722.50

Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3 RCV yes

Motion to approve Best Practices

Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3 RCV yes

PUBLIC SESSION

Mr. Winkels asked if we can tell churches what they can do with their property. Mayor Sperry said She would ask the Tax Assessor and let him know.

RESOLUTION 2022-102 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/Potential 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 3 RCV yes

Close open session Motion Hannagan
Open closed session Motion Hannagan
Second Owens
Second Owens
3 RCV yes
3 RCV yes

There being no further business motion to adjourn at 7:55pm by Hannagan Second Owens 3 RCV yes

Marty Uzdanovics Clerk