

TOWNSHIP OF QUINTON
COUNTY OF SALEM
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
QUINTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

AUGUST 5, 2025

Called to order at 6:06 pm by Mayor Marjorie 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 the annual notice, which was filed with the Quinton Township Clerk, forwarded to the South Jersey Times and Elmer Times, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the Quinton Township Municipal Building.

Roll Call

Marjorie Sperry, Mayor
Raymond Owens, Deputy Mayor
Joseph Hannagan Jr., Committeeman
Jacqueline Vigilante, Solicitor
Marty Uzdanevics, Municipal Clerk
Emily Thalwitzer, Deputy Clerk

Minutes to be approved June 18, 2025, Special Meeting, July 1, 2025, Regular Meeting

MOTION Owens **SECOND** Hannagan **RCV** 3 Yes

Vouchers to be approved

MOTION Owens **SECOND** Hannagan **RCV** 3 Yes

RESOLUTIONS TO BE APPROVED

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-87 RESOLUTION APPOINTING SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

MOTION Owens **SECOND** Hannagan **RCV** 3 Yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-88 RESOLUTION APPOINTING ALTERNATE SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

MOTION Owens **SECOND** Hannagan **RCV** 3 Yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-89 RESOLUTION OF THE QUINTON TOWNSHIP IN SUPPORT OF FARMLAND PRESERVATION

MOTION Owens **SECOND** Hannagan **RCV** 3 Yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-90 RESOLUTION RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 2025-50 A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT PLANNING BOARD MEMBER ALTERNATE NO.3

MOTION Owens **SECOND** Hannagan **RCV** 2 Yes, 1 No

Marjorie Sperry, Mayor: Yes
Raymond Owens, Deputy Mayor: Yes
Joseph Hannagan Jr., Committeeman: No

RESOLUTION NO. 91 RESOLUTION DESIGNATING ROBINSON STREET AND ROUTE 49 AS THE MAIN CROSSING GUARD POST FOR QUINTON SCHOOL

MOTION Owens **SECOND** Hannagan **RCV** 3 Yes

RESOLUTION NO. 92 A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT PLANNING BOARD MEMBER ALTERNATE NO.3 AND 4

MOTION Owens **SECOND** Hannagan **RCV** 2 Yes, 1 No

Marjorie Sperry, Mayor: Yes
Raymond Owens, Deputy Mayor: Yes
Joseph Hannagan Jr., Committeeman: No

Chairperson of Administration and Environmental

Mayor Sperry reported that the Municipality will incur an additional monthly cost of \$60,659.17 for Quinton Township Elementary School from July 2025 through June 2026. She noted that the Township’s monthly payment to the school will increase from \$250,082.00 in the prior year to \$310,741.00.

Chairperson of Public Buildings and Grounds, Trash, and Recycling

The Clerk’s Office reported two new roof leaks at the Municipal Building following the July 31, 2025, storm; Maintenance (Allison O’Boyle) was notified.

Chairperson of Streets and Roads, Fire, Ambulance, and Recreation n/a

Open to the public

MOTION Owens **SECOND** Hannagan **RCV** 3 Yes

PUBLIC SESSION

P. Rivel: Inquired about the school tax increase.

M. Sperry: The Quinton Township Elementary School board approved the tax increase to cover a deficit caused by the removal of state funding.

J. Hannagan: Noted that the Township Committee was not involved in voting for the tax increase.

P. Rivel: What funding was taken away?

R. Owens: Referenced Governor Murphy's School Funding Reform Act (SFRA).

Solicitor: Some state funding has been withdrawn; however, the school still has a budget to fulfill, so the school board voted to increase residents' taxes to cover the shortfall.

D. Perry: Will this increase appear on the tax bill under the 'school' line?

M. Sperry: Yes.

P. Remster: Inquired about Resolution 2025-90.

M. Sperry: Explained that, following discussions with the Planning Board Solicitor, it was determined that state law permits up to four alternate members; however, Quinton Township’s ordinance allowed only two. As a result, the original resolution was rescinded.

Solicitor: Reported that the ordinance has since been amended to allow up to four alternates per state law.

M. Sperry: Referenced Resolution No. 2025-92 allowing the appointment of alternate members no. 3 and no.4.

T. Boker: Inquired about any updates regarding the Freedom Farms pending lawsuit.

Solicitor: Reported there were no updates at this time, noting that while the property owner retains the right to farm, shooting is not permitted. Concerns were raised regarding the buildings constructed on the property. The Township’s Construction and Zoning Officials will advise the Solicitor if any violations are identified.

T. Boker: Inquired if there are any updates regarding the Warehouse pending lawsuit – Planning Board issue.

Solicitor: Normally, any pending litigation is discussed during a closed session with the members of the planning board.

Close to the public

MOTION Owens **SECOND** Hannagan **RCV** 3 Yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-93 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC WITH REGARD TO CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

MOTION Owens **SECOND** Hannagan **RCV** 3 Yes

Close Executive Session

MOTION Owens **SECOND** Hannagan **RCV** 3 Yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-94 RESOLUTION REJECTING SETTLEMENT OFFER FROM ALAN INVESTMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THEIR ZONING VIOLATION

MOTION Owens **SECOND** Hannagan **RCV** 3 Yes

There being no further business motion to adjourn at 6:40 pm.

MOTION Owens **SECOND** Hannagan **RCV** 3 Yes

Marty Uzdanovics
Municipal Clerk