

TOWNSHIP OF QUINTON
COUNTY OF SALEM
Special Meeting Minutes
QUINTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
May 21, 2025

Called to order at 4:00pm 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 the annual notice which was filed with the Quinton Township Clerk, forwarded to the South Jersey Times, Elmer Times, posted on the Township website and 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
Jacci Vigilante, Solicitor
Marty Uzdanovics, Municipal Clerk
Emily Thalwitzer, Deputy Clerk

****Trimming of brush & trees**** Chair of the street and road department, Deputy Mayor, Owens stated Lower Alloway Creek Township is preparing an official proposal for five days of work, expecting to cost Quinton Township ~\$3,000.00. Quinton Road Department will compile a list of roadways within the Township that need brush/ tree trimmings. The list will be in order of most to least emergent. Cool Run Road, Waterworks Road, and Lawrence Road will all be listed as top priority.

****Garage door overhead automatic actuator**** Chair of the street and road department, Deputy Mayor, Owens is asking for an actuator to be purchased for the street and road department garage. Neither garage door has one, these doors are very heavy. Mayor Sperry agreed to purchase one actuator for the first door, closest to the office, to be installed by our street/road department.

****Mower**** Chair of the street and road department, Deputy Mayor, Owens stated the Township will need to purchase a new mower (zero-turn) rather soon. Mayor Sperry stated we do have \$12,000-\$15,000 in the budget towards a new mower and asked Deputy Mayor Owens to obtain pricing.

****731 Salem Quinton Road Sewer Connection**** Municipal Clerk, Marty Uzdanovics, informed the committee that the above-mentioned residence will be hooking into the sewer. The residence has been paying the debt and maintenance fees; therefore, it will not be charged the EDU hook-up. American Water has been informed of the new connection, and the resident will be obtaining the proper permits required. The committee asked the Clerk to prepare a resolution to add 731 Salem Quinton Road to the sewer.

****NJDOT Grant Application due 7/1/2025**** The Chair of the street and road department, Deputy Mayor Owens, will have a list of suggested roads for the June meeting.

****American Water Sewer Emergency Number**** American Water has given us a new emergency phone number for Quinton residents: (609)-351-6524. The Clerk's office will update our voicemail and website. The tax/sewer office will include verbiage on the new bills and ask if we could purchase magnets for the sewer bills to hang on their refrigerators. The Clerk will obtain a quote for said magnets.

****American Water Meter Permit**** The Clerk informed the committee that American Water has applied for a permit to install a meter pit at Quinton Alloway Road and Waterworks Road. American Water will send Quinton Township \$500 for the permit; we will pass a resolution. Deputy Mayor Owens requested that the resolution specify that the road patch must be hot-patched, not cold-patched.

****Chipper Service 2026**** The street/road department has requested that we have residents call the clerk's office beginning in Spring 2026 when they need the Chipper service and be put on a list, as they do for bulk pick-up. Due to the amount of time, fuel required to drive through the township looking for clippings. The committee stated that most residents will likely forget, as this has not been required previously, we can try educating the public going into 2026.

Public Session

D. Peyre-Ferry: reviewed firehouse wish-list items:

1. **Pumper Replacement:** Bid Spec Published 05/16/2025 – 07/14/2025
2. **Parking Lot Resurface & Curb Replacement:** on hold, due to lack of funding
3. **Firehouse Vehicle Exhaust System:** Tri Ad, grant writer reviewing
4. **Game Room Air Conditioning Replacement:** Maintenance is placing the order
5. **Tree Overhang & Intrusions Township Roads:** Pending, proposal from LAC
6. **Comcast/Xfinity Cable Service:** The clerk's office obtained new contract pricing to upgrade internet speed and phone lines. \$239.99 for months 1-24, increase to \$289.99 for months 25-36, then we will need to renew the contract agreement.

D. Peyre-Ferry: Asked if there is a standard for hanging wires, Deputy Mayor Owens replied 13ft 6in for cable wires. Don replied that there are a few low-hanging wires within the Township.

Deputy Mayor Owens asked if he could obtain the pole numbers so that we could notify Verizon.

Mayor Sperry commented on the landscape work completed by the Firehouse Volunteers over the weekend. It looks very nice, please consult with the committee before making any changes related to the building, as we do pay for its maintenance and have a landscaping contract.

R. Owens: Inquired if we could move to summer hours, eliminating work session meetings in July and August.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-69 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

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:

Contract Negotiations

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: Owens **SECOND: Hannagan** **RCV 3 YES**

Motion to close public session

MOTION: Owens **SECOND: Hannagan** **RCV 3 YES**

Motion to open public session

MOTION: Owens **SECOND: Hannagan** **RCV 3 YES**

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-70

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF QUINTONTO ENTER INTO A JOINT PURCHASING AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF SALEM FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF ANIMAL SHELTERING SERVICES

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(10) authorizes contracting units to establish a Joint Purchasing System and to enter into a Joint Purchasing Agreement for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the County of Salem, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency" has offered voluntary participation in a Joint Purchasing System, Identifier #299SCJPS, for the provision and performance of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, on May 21, 2025 the governing body of the Township of Quinton, County of Salem, State of New Jersey duly considered participation in a Joint Purchasing System, Identifier #299SCJPS, for the provision and performance of goods and services, more specifically for the provision of temporary animal sheltering services for the municipality.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

1. This Resolution shall be known and may be cited as the Joint Purchasing Resolution of the Township of Quinton.

2. Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10 the Mayor, Municipal Clerk, and/or their designees are hereby authorized to enter into a Joint Purchasing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

3. The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

AND, BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk certify a copy of this Resolution and file it on the public record.

MOTION: Owens

SECOND: Hannagan

RCV 3 YES

There being no further business motion to adjourn at 5:03pm

MOTION: Owens

SECOND: Hannagan

RCV 3 YES

Marty Uzdanovics
Clerk