

TOWNSHIP OF QUINTON
COUNTY OF SALEM
SPECIAL MEETING
QUINTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
August 21, 2024

Call to order by Mayor Sperry at 4:00pm

Pledge of allegiance

Open Public Meetings Act

This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice was published and posted on the Municipal Building bulletin board, and the Quinton Township website.

Roll Call Mayor Sperry, Deputy Mayor Hannagan, Committeeman Owens, Solicitor Vigilante, Clerk Uzdanovics

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-06
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF QUINTON GRANTING A UTILITY
EASEMENT TO ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY AFFECTING
BLOCK 23, LOT 1 AND BLOCK 14 LOT 2.

WHEREAS, the Township of Quinton is the owner of the real property known as Block 23, Lot 1, and Block 14 Lot 2 located at on Main Street and Quinton Alloway Road (hereinafter the “parcel”).

WHEREAS, Atlantic City Electric Company presently has electrical poles located in the right of way on the parcel.

WHEREAS, Atlantic City Electric Company is in the process of replacing and relocated poles for the purpose of the New Jersey Economic Development Agency Windport project.

WHEREAS, the poles presently located on the parcel and along Quinton Alloway Road and Main Street will be replaced by poles necessary for the project and which will continue to provide the transmission and/or distribution of electric current to Quinton Township and surrounding areas.

WHEREAS, Atlantic City Electric Company requires an easement in order to install, maintain and service two new poles and electrical equipment on the parcel; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Economic Development Authority has offered and Quinton Township has accepted the sum of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars as consideration for the easement (right of way) expansion; and

WHEREAS, the location of the said easement is more particularly set forth, shown and described on a plat entitled “Plan of Easement for Quinton TWP Block 23 Lot 1 and Block 14 Lot 2: Quinton – Artificial Island 69kv Source Transmission Line”, dated 2/24/2024, which plat is recorded or intended to be recorded with the easement.

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Quinton Township to grant the easement.

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

SECTION 1. The recitals set forth above are incorporated herein as if set forth at length.

SECTION 2. The Mayor, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute and record such utility easement agreement and associated documents as may be necessary to provide the easement described above.

SECTION 3. If any portion of this Ordinance is declared invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect the remaining portions of the Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. All Ordinances or portions thereof inconsistent with this Ordinance are repealed to the extent such inconsistency.

SECTION 5: This ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage and publication as required by law.

Motion Hannagan

Second Owens

3 RCV yes

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-84A
RESOLUTION FOR BALLOT QUESTION NO. 1**

WHEREAS, the Township Officials have received multiple inquiries about growing Cannabis in Quinton Township; and

WHEREAS, Quinton Township desires to received voter input on whether the Township should modify its Ordinance regulating cannabis in the Township of Quinton; and

WHEREAS, the Township committee desires the residents to be a part of the decision making process by putting it on the ballot as a non-binding referendum on the November 2024 ballot, and

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton that the Township Committee is hereby approves the following ballot question and interpretative statement to be sent to the County Clerk with a request that the question be placed on the ballot for the 2024 General Election in Quinton Township:

Ballot Question:

In 2021, the Township of Quinton adopted Ordinance 2021-07, prohibiting all classes of cannabis establishments (including "cannabis cultivators," "cannabis manufacturers," "cannabis wholesalers," and "cannabis retailers") in the Township of Quinton, which was codified in Chapter 170-14 of the Township Ordinances. As a resident of Quinton do you support an amendment to the code to permit only the cultivation or growing of cannabis within the Township of Quinton ?

Interpretative statement

In 2021, the Township of Quinton enacted a local ordinance that prohibited all types of cannabis-related businesses, including those involved in cultivation, manufacturing, wholesale, and retail, within the township. This ballot question asks whether you support amending this ordinance to allow only the cultivation or growing of cannabis in Quinton. A "Yes" vote would permit cannabis cultivation operations within the township, while all other cannabis-related activities, such as manufacturing, wholesaling, and retailing, would remain prohibited.

A "No" vote would maintain the current ordinance, continuing to prohibit all cannabis-related businesses in Quinton, including cultivation.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the clerk certify a copy of this resolution, file it on the public record and deliver it to the County Clerk.

Motion Hannagan

Second Owens

3 RCV yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-85A RESOLUTION FOR BALLOT QUESTION NO. 2

WHEREAS, the township officials have received multiple inquiries about the master plan in Quinton Township; and

WHEREAS, the township has been asked to review the Master Plan before the required review date for Quinton Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township committee desires the residents to be a part of the decision making process by putting it on the ballot as a non-binding referendum; on the November 2024 ballot, and

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton that the Township Committee that the Township Committee is hereby approves the following ballot question and interpretative statement to be sent to the County Clerk with a request that the question be placed on the ballot for the 2024 General Election in Quinton Township:

Ballot Question:

The New Jersey Municipal Land Use Law (M.L.U.L.) requires that each municipality in New Jersey undertake a review of its master plan and prepare a reexamination report at least once every ten years. The Township of Quinton last re-examined its master plan in 2019 and is not required to re-examine its master plan until 2029. Do you support a re-examination of the master plan in 2025 even if that undertaking causes the township to incur expenses which may increase taxes.

Interpretative Statement:

Under the New Jersey Municipal Land Use Law (M.L.U.L.), every municipality must review and reexamine its master plan at least once every ten years to ensure that it

remains relevant and effective. The Township of Quinton last conducted this review in 2019, meaning the next required reexamination is not until 2029. This ballot question asks whether you support conducting an earlier reexamination of the master plan in 2025, even though this may lead to additional costs for the township, which could potentially result in an increase in taxes. A "Yes" vote would support an early reexamination of the master plan in 2025, allowing the township to address potential changes or updates sooner, but with the understanding that this might increase expenses and potentially taxes. A "No" vote would mean that you support the township waiting until 2029 to reexamine the master plan, avoiding any additional costs or potential tax increases associated with an earlier review.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the clerk certify a copy of this resolution, file it on the public record and deliver it to the County Clerk.

Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3 RCV yes

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-87
RESOLUTION TO APPOINT A DEPUTY REGISTRAR FOR THE TOWNSHIP
OF QUINTON FOR THE YEAR 2024**

WHEREAS, The Township of Quinton, Township Committee has been directed by the State Registrars Office that it is mandatory to have a Certified Deputy Registrar

WHEREAS, The Certified Deputy Registrar, Esther Mitchell has retired, and

WHEREAS, Patty Davis is a Certified Registrar and can fill the position, and

WHEREAS, Patty Davis has agreed to fill the position of Deputy Registrar, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Quinton, Township Committee approves this appointment and directs the clerk to proceed with this appointment as mandated by the State of New Jersey.

Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3 RCV yes

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-88
RESOLUTION APPOINTING SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD**

WHEREAS, the Township of Quinton is in need of School Crossing Guard to serve from September 1st, 2024 until June 30th 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee appoints the School Crossing Guard; and

WHEREAS, Timmet Hayes is qualified for the position of School Crossing Guard and as such, the position of School Crossing Guard has been offered to her; and

WHEREAS, Timmet Hayes has agreed to accept the position of School Crossing Guard for the period of September 1st 2024 until June 30, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton as follows:

1. Timmet Hayes is hereby appointed to the position of School Crossing Guards in Quinton Township for the period from September 1st 2024 to June 30th, 2025.
2. Timmet Hayes shall be compensated according to the Quinton Township Salary Ordinance
3. Timmet Hayes shall be paid only when school is in session.
4. That the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute this document

Motion Hannagan

Second Owens

3 RCV yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-89

RESOLUTION APPOINTING ALTERNATE SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

WHEREAS, the Township of Quinton has need for Alternate School Crossing Guard from September 1st, 2024 until June 30th 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee appoints the Alternate School Crossing Guards to fill in for all regular crossing guards; and

WHEREAS, the position of Alternate School Crossing Guard has been offered to Becky Counsellor and Stacy Ricketts; and

WHEREAS Becky Counsellor and Stacy Ricketts have agreed to accept the position of Alternate School Crossing Guard for the current school year and the Township Committee is in agreement on this appointment; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee as follows:

1. The Becky Counsellor and Stacy Ricketts are hereby appointed to the position of Alternate School Crossing Guard in Quinton Township for the period from September 1st, 2024 to June 30th, 2025.
2. That Becky Counsellor and Stacy Ricketts be compensated according to the Quinton Township Salary Ordinance.
3. That Becky Counsellor and Stacy Ricketts shall be paid only when school in session.
4. That the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute this document.

Motion Hannagan

Second Owens

3 RCV yes

Updated committee on the Transfer of Quinton Sand and Gravel Soil Removal Permit. We are waiting for more information before we can continue.

Committeeman Owens said he believes the trucks coming out of Vulcan are starting earlier than 7:00am.

Deputy Mayor Hannagan said he had a complaint of the road being dirty.

Mayor Sperry is compiling all the complaints and information. She also asked for a photo of the trucks parked along the road. Mayor Sperry shared that she talked to the Farm land preservation person after talking to a couple that were interested in acquiring an easement across our property so he can get the farmland preservation. Solicitor Vigilante will look into it.

The clerk updated the committee on the tax collector resigning, the tree trimming quotes and the blue light permit which will be addressed at the next meeting.

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Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3 RCV yes

Don Peyre Ferry said the trucks went by him at 7:00am loaded so they are starting earlier than they should be. He also said the fire truck quote is still at the same price until October 31, 2024. Mayor Sperry said we are waiting on Senator Bookers Office.

Mayor Sperry asked Don to ask Mike Sites for fire reports.

Burt Lopez asked about the easement agreement

Resident on East Avenue has handicap son and he wants handicap signs at each end of East Ave.

There being no further business motion to adjourn at 4:30pm by

Motion Hannagan Second Owens 3 RCV yes

Marty Uzdanovics
Municipal Clerk