





## **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Wantage at a meeting held on January 23, 2020 in the Wantage Township Municipal Building, 888 Route 23, Wantage, New Jersey.

### **REPORTS**

Administrator/Clerk: Mr. Restel spoke about the Animal Control Department meeting that was held on January 16<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Restel stated that Dog Licenses are due by the end of January and a late fee will be charged after.

Mr. Restel stated DPW is still picking up brush from the December ice storms and picking up Christmas trees as well.

Mayor: Mayor Morris spoke about the 911 Data storage responsibility, Attorney Glenn Kienz explained that it is not Wantage Townships responsibility and discussion ensued.

Mayor Morris spoke about the repairs needed to a house on Southfield Drive.

Mayor Morris stated the new code officer has been busy giving 7 tickets and 3 letters of compliance.

Mayor Morris spoke about the need for a representative on the SWAC Committee discussion ensued,

Mayor Morris stated there are 3 budget meetings coming up.

Mayor Morris spoke about the meeting with High Point Youth Football pertaining to the field expansion at Woodbourne park.

Mayor Morris attended the Recreation Meeting and gave an update of the issues pertaining to the field's discussion ensued.

Mayor Morris read the dates for Township Recreation activities.

Deputy Mayor Bill Gaechter: Mr. Gaechter congratulated Mr. Morris on his appointment of Mayor for 2020.

Mr. Gaechter congratulated Mr. DeBoer on his appointment of Land Use Chairman for 2020.

Committeeman Ron Bassani: Mr. Bassani congratulated Mayor Morris on his

appointment of Mayor for 2020.

Mr. Bassani spoke about Berry Road Property and the possibility of doing a field trip for recreation members and space committee to see the property in full.

Mr. Bassani stated Open Space will hold another open public meeting pertaining to the use at the Berry Road Property.

Mr. Bassani provided an update pertaining to the Vietnam Mobile Wall coming to Woodbourne Park.

#### MEETING MINUTES:

Mayor Morris requested a motion to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Committee Meeting Reorganization January 2, 2020 and Regular Meeting on January 2, 2020.

A motion was made by Mr. Gaechter and seconded by Mr. Bassani.

Upon Roll Call:

Ayes: Bassani, Gaechter, Morris   Nays: None   Absent: None   Abstain: None

#### OPEN PUBLIC SESSION:

Bill DeBoer Beemer Road: Mr. DeBoer provided an update on Wantage First Aid squad, Mr. DeBoer stated there are roughly 40 members. Mr. DeBoer spoke about the Ambulances and the Mechanical issues. Mr. DeBoer stated the goal is to get the Weekends back for Daytime callouts.

Mike Dillion 88 Sherman Ridge Road: Mr. Dillion spoke about the response time the ambulance to his house. Discussion ensued.

Walter Drag Linquendin Rd: Mr. Drag spoke as a Wantage First Aid member and that he sleeps at the Ambulance Squad so the response time is faster.

Kathy Gorman Fernwood Drive: Mrs. Gorman asked if the Towns Phone extensions can be posted on the website.

William LaSalla Wantage School Road: Mr. LaSalla stated his displeasure with the paving on Wantage School road. Discussion Ensued.

Barry Young: Mr. Young spoke about the Gun Resolution and discussion ensued.

Christy Tuper: Mrs. Tuper Thanked the Mayor for attending the Recreation Meeting.

Warren Weiss: Mr. Weiss spoke on behalf of the Elks and mentioned the Casino Trip will be March 21<sup>st</sup>

Karen Merit Alpine Road: Mrs. Merit spoke about the Gun Resolution and the Resolution should not state Wantage Township, it should state the Wantage Township Committee. Discussion Ensued.

Kathy Gorman Fernwood Drive: Mrs. Gorman stated she is not against the 2sn Amendments, but she is against Military Style Weapons.

Lynn Neagle Glen Road: Mrs. Neagle spoke out against the Gun Resolution and agreed with Mrs. Merit that the resolution should say Wantage Township Committee not Wantage Township.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

A Motion is in Order to approve Resolution#20-2020 Authorizing the Township Committee to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel Attorney Glenn Kienz read into record the Executive Session Resolution. Executive session started at 8:18PM

A motion was made by Mr. Bassani and seconded by Mr. Gaechter.

Upon Roll Call:

Ayes: Bassani, Gaechter, Morris Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Mayor Bassani requested a motion to return from executive session at 8:37pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Bassani and seconded by Mr. Gaechter.

Upon Roll Call:

Ayes: Bassani, Gaechter, Morris Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Mayor Morris requested a motion to approve the hire of a DPW Mechanic.

A motion was made by Mr. Bassani and seconded by Mr. Gaechter.

Upon Roll Call:

Ayes: Bassani, Gaechter, Morris Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Mayor Morris requested a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bassani made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Mr. Gaechter.

Upon Roll:

Ayes: Bassani, Gaechter, Morris Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael L Restel Administrator/Acting Clerk