

**TOWNSHIP OF WYCKOFF
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE EMERGENCY PUBLIC MEETING
SECOND FLOOR MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM
THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2016 – 7:00 P.M.**

Mayor Kevin J. Rooney called the Emergency Public Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Kevin J. Rooney, Deputy Mayor Brian D. Scanlan, Committeemen Thomas J. Madigan, Rudolf E. Boonstra and John A. Carolan

Staff Present: Township Administrator Robert J. Shannon, Jr., Township Attorney Robert Landel, Labor Attorney Raymond Wiss and Barry Guaglardi, Esq., Special Counsel

Mayor Rooney read the Open Public Meetings Act statement for public meetings in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-9. The following notice was provided to the Bergen Record and the North Jersey Herald & News and posted on the bulletin boards in Town Hall where notices are customarily posted before 7:00 p.m.

**TOWNSHIP OF WYCKOFF
EMERGENCY MEETING NOTICE**

The Wyckoff Township Committee may convene an emergency public meeting this evening, March 24, 2016 with an affirmative vote of three-quarters of the members present at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Court Room, 2nd Floor, Wyckoff Town Hall, 340 Franklin Avenue, Wyckoff, New Jersey 07481 on an important and urgent matter which has arisen today and a delay of the meeting would likely result in substantial harm to the public interest. This discussion is a personnel issue and anticipated litigation which impacts the operation of the police department which has a direct effect on health, safety and welfare of residents ensuring the proper working of the police department entrusted with securing the safety of residents.

The purpose of the emergency meeting is for the Township Committee to immediately adopt a resolution to enter into a Closed Session discussion to address a personnel matter, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (8) regarding the Wyckoff Police Chief and N.J.S.A. 10:4-123(b)(7) Anticipated Litigation.

The need for such meeting could not have been reasonably foreseen at a time when adequate notice could have been provided since the Township learned of such issue this afternoon.

Discussion is limited to this matter only No other business shall be discussed.

1. Mayor Rooney advised that a three-quarters vote of Township Committee membership present is required to conduct an Emergency Meeting:

MOTION: SCANLAN SECOND CAROLAN
BOONSTRA YES CAROLAN YES MADIGAN YES SCANLAN YES
ROONEY YES

2. Mayor Rooney asked for a motion, second and vote to contract with Barry S. Guaglardi, Esq., of Arturi, D'Argenio, Guaglardi and Meliti, LLP as Special Counsel to assist the Township Committee with anticipated litigation in this matter.

MOTION: CAROLAN SECOND SCANLAN
BOONSTRA YES CAROLAN YES MADIGAN YES SCANLAN YES
ROONEY YES

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5. Motion by Brian Scanlan not to approve Police Chief Ben Fox's request for the Township to defend and provide legal representation for Police Chief Fox in his current matter at this time, since the PBA Defense Fund should provide such services.

MOTION: SCANLAN SECOND BOONSTRA
BOONSTRA YES CAROLAN YES MADIGAN NO SCANLAN YES
ROONEY YES

6. Motion by John Carolan to provide broad authority to the Mayor to execute a memorandum of understanding to participate with the Bergen County Prosecutor as drafted or as may be modified at a meeting tomorrow morning with the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office and as recommended by the Township's Legal Counsel.

MOTION: CAROLAN SECOND BOONSTRA
BOONSTRA YES CAROLAN YES MADIGAN YES SCANLAN YES
ROONEY YES

Adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

Kevin J. Rooney
Mayor

Joyce C. Santimauro
Municipal Clerk