

**BOROUGH OF HOPEWELL  
BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**OFFICIAL MINUTES  
APPROVED: 2/2/2017**

**SPECIAL MEETING  
JANUARY 26, 2017**

A Special Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Hopewell was called to order by Mayor Paul Anzano 6:03 pm on January 26, 2017. The following members of the Borough Council were present: Mr. Chris Fossel, Ms. Debra Lehman, Mr. Robert Lewis, Mr. David Mackie and Mr. C. Schuyler Morehouse. Borough Administrator/Clerk Michele Hovan was also present. There were no members of the public present.

Ms. Hovan read the “Sunshine Statement” indicating the meeting was being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Mayor Anzano opened the meeting to the public. There being no questions or comments the meeting was closed to the public on motion by Mr. Morehouse, seconded by Mr. Lewis and carried unanimously.

At the request of Mayor Anzano, Ms. Hovan stated the statutory steps to fill a governing body vacancy and announced the two names that had been submitted by the Hopewell Borough Republican Party: Ms. Shelby Tewell and Mr. Wyatt Pratt. The Borough Council engaged in discussion regarding the nominees, largely praising the merits and abilities of each and discussed the fact that the seat would be filled only until the General Election, so a candidate for the November election would file to run at the June primary.

Mayor Anzano called for nominations to fill the Council vacancy through November 7, 2017. Mr. Lewis nominated Ms. Tewell, seconded by Mr. Morehouse. Ms. Lehman nominated Mr. Pratt, seconded by Mr. Mackie. Upon calling the roll for Ms. Tewell, the tally of three ayes secured her successful nomination. Mr. Morehouse asked that Ms. Hovan contact Ms. Tewell and said that he would send the contact information.

**APPOINTMENT TO PLANNING BOARD – RUTH MORPETH ALTERNATE #2 – TERM TO EXPIRE 12/31/18**

Mayor Anzano announced that he was appointing Ruth Morpeth to the Planning Board as Alternate #2 (term to expire 12/31/18) and said that he appreciates her commitment to the Borough.

Mayor Anzano opened the meeting to the public. There being no questions or comments, the meeting was closed to the public on motion by Mr. Morehouse seconded by Mr. Lewis and carried unanimously. There being no further comment, the meeting was adjourned at 6:29 pm on motion by Mr. Morehouse, seconded by Ms. Lehman and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Hovan  
Borough Administrator/Clerk