

SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP

R-29-2018

RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO INSPECT THEIR RIGHT OF WAY ON THE ROUTE 206 CORRIDOR IN SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP AND TRIM AND REMOVE DANGEROUS TREES, THEIR LIMBS AND BRANCHES, DEBRIS, TRIM VEGETATION AND INITIATE A REGULAR MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

WHEREAS, Sandyston Township has reason to be concerned with the neglect and lack of regular maintenance of trees, their limbs and branches and vegetation which has been allowed to continuously grow along the Route 206 corridor, leaving debris and dangerous situations to exist; and

WHEREAS, through the years, due to budget cuts, neglect and lack of regular maintenance, trees, tree limbs and branches as well as vegetation exist with no trimming, pruning, or removal and there is no plan in place for regular maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the lack of trimming and maintenance of trees and vegetation along the Route 206 corridor has caused us concern and there now exists a very dangerous situation of tree branches which hang over the roadway, downed trees which hazardously lean on other trees and limbs and vegetation that has been allowed to accumulate along the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation Right of Way; and

WHEREAS, in the aftermath of storms, such as Winter Storm Riley, this neglect and dangerous situation is magnified when leaning trees, branches and limbs hang dangerously over the roadway and trees and tree debris is visible and left to accumulate along the Route 206 corridor;

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston hereby requests the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation, inspect their right of way along the Route 206 corridor in Sandyston Township and immediately commence the trimming, pruning and removal of trees and vegetation and debris for the safety and welfare of the residents of Sandyston Township and the motorists that use this road for travel daily.

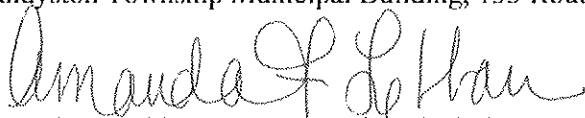
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Township Committee requests the Department of Transportation initiate and maintain a plan for regular inspection and maintenance schedule going forward.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Department of Transportation, Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti, Acting Commissioner, PO Box 600, Trenton, NJ 08625.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the following: Senator Steven Oroho; Assemblyman Parker Space; Assemblyman Harold J. Wirths; Sussex County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Director Jonathan Rose; United States Congressman Josh Gottheimer; United States Congressman Rodney P. Frelinghuysen; United States Senator Cory Booker; United States Senator Robert Menendez; Sussex County municipalities.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and certified copy of the resolution adopted by the Sandyston Township Committee at the regularly scheduled meeting held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 7:00 pm, at the Sandyston Township Municipal Building, 133 Route 645, Sandyston, New Jersey.



Amanda F. Lobban, RMC, Municipal Clerk