

**JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Special Joint Meeting with Jefferson Township Council  
Agenda - Tuesday, September 20, 2016 – 7:00 PM  
Jefferson Township Board of Education Central Office**

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A. \_\_\_\_\_ called the meeting to order at \_\_\_\_\_ PM, and read the Open Meeting Statement.

In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, the Jefferson Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof, posted in the Jefferson Township Municipal Building, with copies of such notice delivered or mailed or electronically mailed to the

*DAILY RECORD*, *AIM* Newspaper, and posted on the Jefferson Township Board of Education website (www.Jefftwp.org);

and a copy of said notice delivered to the Municipal Clerk of the Township of Jefferson and the Jefferson Township Library.

**B. Pledge of Allegiance.**

**C. Roll Call:**

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mr. Cuccio	_____	_____
Mrs. Gould	_____	_____
Mrs. Poulas	_____	_____
Mr. Quigley	_____	_____
Mrs. Senatore	_____	_____
Mr. Stewart	_____	_____
Mrs. Van Ness	_____	_____
Mr. Millar, Vice President	_____	_____
Mr. Smith, President	_____	_____

D. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to accept the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, 2016’s National Suicide Prevention Week is September 5th – 11th. The most frequently cited risk factors for suicide by The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention are:

- Mental disorders, in particular: depression or bipolar (manic-depressive) disorder, alcohol or substance abuse or dependence, schizophrenia, borderline or antisocial personality disorder, conduct disorder (in youth), psychotic disorders, anxiety disorders, impulsivity and aggression, especially in the context of the above mental disorders, previous suicide attempt, family history of attempted or completed suicide, serious medical condition and/or pain, and

**WHEREAS**, Jefferson Township’s Mental Health Project *Connect* is trying to open minds about Mental Health, promote wellness, education, support and be an advocate for its residents. Removing the stigma associated with mental health will make getting help more acceptable, and

**WHEREAS**, information about mental health and upcoming *Connect* events will be available that week here in the Municipal complex, and

**WHEREAS**, Connect will sponsor a team of Jefferson Township residents and friends at the upcoming Sunday, October 9th “Walk Out of The Darkness Walk” hosted by The Northwest NJ Chapter of The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention at Waterloo Village in Stanhope, and

**WHEREAS**, anyone needing help or in crisis should call New Jersey’s new hotline is 855-654-6735 or National hotline 1-800-273-TALK (8255), and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Jefferson Township Board of Education declares September 8th through 14th Suicide Prevention Week and urges township residents to become educated about the warning signs of depression, and identify action steps that can be taken to get help for someone who may be suicidal.

**E. Public Comments**

**F. Joint Discussion with Jefferson Township Council**

**G. Adjourn**