

BOROUGH OF RUMSON, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH,
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NEW JERSEY STATE
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 2108 AND SENATE BILL NO. 1041
PROHIBITING TREATMENT, DISCHARGE, DISPOSAL, OR
STORAGE OF WASTEWATER, WASTEWATER SOLIDS, SLUDGE,
DRILL CUTTINGS OR OTHER BYPRODUCTS FROM NATURAL GAS
EXPLORATION OR PRODUCTION USING HYDRAULIC FRACTURING.

WHEREAS, in the State of New Jersey 216th Legislature A2108 was introduced in the Assembly on January 16, 2014 and S1041 was introduced in the Senate on January 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Bills introduced prohibit treatment, discharge, disposal, or storage of wastewater, wastewater solids, sludge, drill cuttings or other byproducts from natural gas exploration or production using hydraulic fracturing; and

WHEREAS, the term "hydraulic fracturing" shall include "fracking," "hydrofracking," "hydrofracturing," and other colloquial terms for this drilling technique, which refer to the drilling technique of expanding fractures or creating new fractures in rock by injecting water, often with chemicals, sand, or other substances, and often under pressure, into or underneath the surface of the rock for purposes including, but not necessarily limited to, well drilling and natural gas exploration and production; and

WHEREAS, the practice of the drilling technique of hydraulic fracturing for natural gas exploration and production has been found to use a variety of contaminating chemicals and materials and uses vast quantities of water mixed with chemicals and solids pumped in the process resulting in millions of gallons of contaminated water flowing back out of the well causing dangers and uncertainties for wastewater treatment plants, the environment and health and safety of the public; and

WHEREAS, no federal or State standards have been adopted governing the treatment and disposal of hydraulic fracturing wastes and that the results of hydraulic fracturing pose financial, operational, health, and environmental risks to the residents of New Jersey;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rumson hereby supports the State of New Jersey Assembly Bill A2108 and Senate Bill S1041 to prohibit such hydraulic fracturing in the State of New Jersey; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to State Assemblywoman Amy H. Handlin, State Assemblyman Declan J. O'Scanlon, Jr. and State Senator Joseph M. Kyrillos, Jr.

The above Resolution was moved for adoption by Councilman Day. Motion seconded by Councilman Broderick and carried on the following roll call vote:

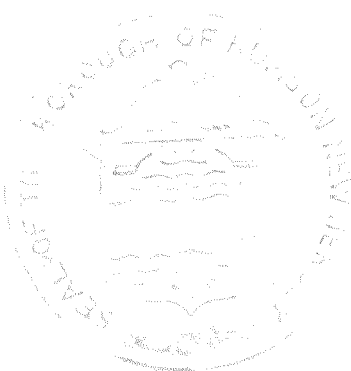
In the affirmative: Atwell, Broderick, Day, Hemphill and Rubin.

In the negative: None.

Absent: Shanley.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Rumson at a regular meeting held on February 25, 2014.





Thomas S. Rogers
Municipal Clerk/Administrator