

**TOWNSHIP OF WANTAGE**  
**ORDINANCE # 2023-\_\_06\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WANTAGE, SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, NAMING PUBLIC LANDS OWNED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WANTAGE LOCATED AT 41 BERRY ROAD, KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS BLOCK 132, LOTS 1.01 AND 1.01 QFARM AND COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE BERRY ROAD PROPERTY**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Wantage acquired Premises located at 41 Berry Road, known and designated at Block 132, Lots 1.01 and 1.01 QFarm (the “Property”) for use as a park; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Wantage informally named the Property the Berry Road Property; and

**WHEREAS**, the name Papakating has a long history of use within the Township, including formerly as a hamlet within the Township, and currently as the name of a creek and its valley; and

**WHEREAS**, the Post Office servicing the hamlet was initially authorized as “Pepokating” in 1851, but the name was revised to reflect the more common spelling as “Papakating” in 1862; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and the Township Committee are desirous of honoring the Papakating name as a result of its previous uses within Wantage.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Mayor and Township Committee, Township of Wantage, Sussex County, New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor and Township Committee, Township of Wantage, Sussex County, New Jersey, does hereby name the park located at 41 Berry Road, Wantage Township as the “Papakating Park”.
2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances which are inconsistent herewith are repealed, but only to the extent of the inconsistency.
3. If any part of this ordinance is invalidated for any reason by competent authority, that part is severed and the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

4. This ordinance shall take effect following its final passage by the Mayor and Township Committee and publication as prescribed by law.

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Jonathan Morris, Mayor  
Township of Wantage

ATTEST:

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Michael Restel, Acting Municipal Clerk  
Township of Wantage

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