

TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Beaver County, Pennsylvania
August 26th, 2019
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

7:07 P.M. **Call to Order**
Business Meeting Called to Order by President Richard Bufalini. President Bufalini indicated that the meeting is being recorded.

7:07 P.M. **Pledge of Allegiance**

7:07 P.M. **Roll Call**
President Richard Bufalini –In Attendance
Vice President Joe Kusnir – In Attendance
Commissioner David Ciccone – In Attendance
Commissioner Nick DiPietro – In Attendance
Commissioner Tim Force – In Attendance

Others Present
Michael B. Jones (McMillen, Urick, Tocci & Jones), Township Solicitor

7:06 P.M. **Public Comments**
No Public Comments regarding the proposed Business Agenda.

7:06 P.M. **Business Agenda**
President Bufalini announced that the Treasurer’s Report is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building.

Commissioner Force: Motion to approve the July 22nd, 2019 Business Meeting minutes.

Commissioner Kusnir: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:
Commissioner Force Yes
Commissioner Ciccone Yes
Commissioner DiPietro Abstain
Commissioner Kusnir Yes
Commissioner Bufalini Abstain
Motion Carried

Commissioner DiPietro: Motion to approve the June 24th, 2019 Business Meeting minutes.

Commissioner Force: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:
Commissioner Force Yes
Commissioner Ciccone Yes
Commissioner DiPietro Yes
Commissioner Kusnir Abstain
Commissioner Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

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Commissioner Ciccone: Motion to approve the List of Bills dated August 26th, 2019 as presented: General Fund \$211,339.12; Sewer Fund \$18,973.83; and State Fund \$1,831.80.

Commissioner DiPietro: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:
 Commissioner Force Yes
 Commissioner Ciccone Yes
 Commissioner DiPietro Yes
 Commissioner Kusnir Yes
 Commissioner Bufalini Yes
 Motion Carried

Commissioner Kusnir: Motion to approve the Tax Collector's Monthly Report for the month of July 2019, for the tax year 2019.

Commissioner Force: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:
 Commissioner Force Yes
 Commissioner Ciccone Yes
 Commissioner DiPietro Yes
 Commissioner Kusnir Yes
 Commissioner Bufalini Yes
 Motion Carried

Commissioner Bufalini: Motion to approve the Hopewell Township Pension Plan (04-090-4N) Financial Requirement and Minimum Municipal Obligation for 2020 as presented in the amount of \$158,306.

Commissioner Kusnir: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:
 Commissioner Force Yes
 Commissioner Ciccone Yes
 Commissioner DiPietro Yes
 Commissioner Kusnir Yes
 Commissioner Bufalini Yes
 Motion Carried

Commissioner DiPietro: Motion to approve the Hopewell Township Police Pension Plan Financial Requirement and Minimum Municipal Obligation for 2019 as presented in the amount of \$348,599.00.

Commissioner Bufalini: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:
 Commissioner Force Yes
 Commissioner Ciccone Yes
 Commissioner DiPietro Yes
 Commissioner Kusnir Yes
 Commissioner Bufalini Yes
 Motion Carried

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Commissioner Force: Motion to accept the bid submitted by Youngblood Paving Inc., for the 2019 Road Program in the amount of \$444,181.55.

Commissioner Ciccone: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:
 Commissioner Force Yes
 Commissioner Ciccone Yes
 Commissioner DiPietro Yes
 Commissioner Kusnir Yes
 Commissioner Bufalini Yes
 Motion Carried

Commissioner Bufalini: Motion to sell 1986 Chevy Pickup from the Road Department for \$1000 to Charles Danylo.

Commissioner Ciccone: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:
 Commissioner Force Yes
 Commissioner Ciccone Yes
 Commissioner DiPietro Yes
 Commissioner Kusnir Yes
 Commissioner Bufalini Yes
 Motion Carried

7:15 P.M. **Commissioner's Reports**
 No Commissioner Reports.

7:22 P.M. **Department Reports**
 The various Department Reports were given and are on file at the Hopewell Township Municipal Building.

Police Chief Brian Uhrmacher, Sewer Dept Superintendent Chris Thompson, Road Department David Kriger, KCI Technologies Curtis Miller, and Planning and Zoning Officer John Bates presented their respective reports.

7:22 P.M. **Old Business**
 No Old Business.

7:22 P.M. **New Business**
 No New Business

7:22 P.M. **Citizen's Forum**

Sandy Giordano 3965 Washington St. Hopewell Twp. PA 15001
 Mrs. Giordano discussed her concerns regarding the kids riding bikes around the Hopewell Shopping Center and adjacent areas as she feels it is a dangerous situation.

Charles Schavolt, 4401 Creese St. Hopewell Twp. 15001
 Mr. Schavolt voiced a safety concern regarding the recent road that was put in at Casey Dr. He believes that due to the engineering of the road someone ran into his garage. His

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concern is that his bedroom is in the direct path of any future mishaps and would like to have the road closed until it can be addressed. Mr. Bufalini stated that the Township Engineer, the Police Chief and Township Manager will go out and assess the situation.

Mr. Schavolt inquired about zoning ordinances regarding signage. He is also asking for speed bumps be put in place along his road.

Wendy Dameron, 1036 Lexington Dr. Hopewell Township 15001

Mrs. Dameron was in attendance with senior girl scouts and congratulated them for recently completing their silver award by helping with the Dog Park project.

Edward Burak 1105 Morrow Rd. Hopewell Township PA 15001

Mr. Burak referenced last month's meeting where it was noted there would be a follow up regarding the VFW but he has not heard back from Mr. Bates.

John Janicki, 141 Stone Quarry Rd. Hopewell Township PA 15001

Mr. Janicki spoke to the DEP regarding the led clean up effort that is to be taking place at the VFW. They have not started the process and will be fined \$250/day. The DEP will follow up with actions, including a lien if needed. Mr. Janicki also noted the shooting at the range has not stopped.

Solicitor Mike Jones explained that the VFW's lawyer has reached out to the Township regarding clean-up and noise concerns and a meeting of both parties is in the process of being set up.

Joseph Dornick, 5417 Martin St. Hopewell Township PA 15001

Mr. Dornick is inquiring if Webb St will be paved soon? Also, he is asking about what is being done regarding the cave in on Kane Rd? Mr. Bates stated that he has been in touch with PennDott and they will contact the Twp if any plans to repair Kane Rd. are scheduled. Mr. Bates will continue to follow up as it is an important road in our Township. Mr. Bufalini will also follow up with our State Representative.

7:42 P.M.

Announcements

The September 9th, 2019 workshop meeting of the Board of Commissioners will start at 6:00 P.M. and will include budget proposals from Department Heads from 6:00 P.M. to approximately 7:40 P.M.

The Hopewell Township Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring the Hopewell Township Labor Day Car Cruise, Cruisin in the Park, on Monday, September 2nd, 2019 from 12:00 noon until 4:00 P.M. at the Hopewell Community Park.

The Hopewell Township Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring the Hopewell Township BBQ and Blues Fest on Saturday, September 28th, 2019 from 12:00 noon until 8:00 P.M. at Hopewell Community Park

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Please visit our website at www.hopewelltp.com, our Facebook page, and Twitter, for updates on Hopewell Township news and events.

7:42 P.M. **Executive Session-Beginning**
No Executive session needed.

7:42 P.M. **Adjournment**
Commissioner Kusnir: Motion to Adjourn.
Commissioner Ciccone: Second the Motion.

Voice Vote:
All in Favor
Motion Carried

Minutes Recorded By: Jamie Yurcina August 26th, 2019
Minutes Prepared By: Nora Janicki August 27th, 2019