

RESOLUTION R2017-13
Hopewell Township, Beaver County, Pennsylvania

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPWELL RELATIVE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF EMPLOYEES PENSION, ANNUITY, INSURANCE AND BENEFIT FUND OR FUNDS, TO AMEND CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE PENSION PLAN OR PROGRAM APPLICABLE TO THE POLICE EMPLOYEES OF SAID TOWNSHIP:

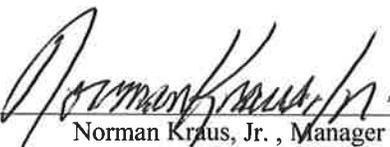
WHEREAS, the Township of Hopewell (the "Township") has established a retirement plan for certain of its employees known as the Hopewell Township Police Pension Plan (the "Plan") which was adopted pursuant to Act 600; and

WHEREAS, the Township reserves the right to reduce or eliminate Participant Contributions below the mandated rate of five percent (5%) of compensation subject to certain conditions on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, the Township has received confirmation from the Plan's Actuary with respect to the Participant Contributions and the actuarial soundness of the plan; and

WHEREAS, the Township is satisfied upon the receipt of the Actuary's Report that the conditions have been met to have the contribution rate remain at 5% of compensation for the 2017 plan year.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 8th day of May 2017 by the Board of Commissioners that, effective January 1, 2017, and continuing through and including December 31, 2017, the amount of Participant Contributions due shall be 5% of compensation. The obligation to pay Participant Contributions pursuant to Act 600 in the amount specified therein shall resume effective as of January 1, 2018.

Attest: 
Norman Kraus, Jr., Manager


Rich Bufalini, President,
Hopewell Township Board of Commissioners

**TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL
Beaver County, Pennsylvania
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORKSHOP MINUTES**

6:26pm

ROLL CALL

President

Rich Bufalini- in attendance

Vice President

Joe Kusnir – absent

Commissioners

Dave Ciccone- in attendance (by phone conference)

Nick DiPietro- present

Dave Swihart - present

Others Present

Norm Kraus, Jr., Township Manager

Marie Stratakis-Hartman, Township Engineer

Michael Jones /McMillen,Urick,Tocci &Jones, Township Solicitor

6:27pm

ENGINEER'S REPORT – Marie Stratakis Hartman (report is on file)

7:06pm

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS pertaining to the Business Agenda/ None

7:071pm

BUSINESS AGENDA

Mr. Bufalini Motion to approve the Workshop Meeting minutes of April 10th, 2017.

Mr. Swihart Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Swihart Yes

Mr. Ciccone Yes

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Absent

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. DiPietro Motion to approve the list of bills dated 5-8-2017 as presented: General Fund; \$18,686.06; Sewer Fund; \$105,235.60 and State Fund; \$2,412.08.

Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Swihart Yes

Mr. Ciccone Yes

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Absent
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

Mr. Bufalini Motion to pass Resolution R 2017-13, a Resolution of the Township of Hopewell, relative to the establishment and maintenance of Employee's Pension, Annuity, Insurance and Benefit Fund or Funds, to amend certain provisions of the Pension Plan or Program applicable to the Police Employees of said Township
Mr. DiPietro Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote
Mr. Swihart Yes
Mr. Ciccone Yes
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Absent
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

Mr. Ciccone Motion to pass Resolution R 2017-14, a Resolution of the Township of Hopewell, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, Authorizing an Amendment to the Agreement dated January 1, 1987, between the Township of Hopewell and the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement Board to reduce for 2017, only the required member contribution to the Municipal Pension Plan.
Mr. Bufalini Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote
Mr. Swihart Yes
Mr. Ciccone Yes
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Absent
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

**BEAVER COUNTY REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (BCRCOG)
SPRING/SUMMER COMMODOTIES**

The BCRCOG has opened Bids for Spring/Summer Commodities. The Hopewell Township Road Department, Sewer Department, and Park have jointly participated in this process. Attached please find a summary table indicating the low bidder for each item that was bid by the BCRCOG and the corresponding total bid price. The Bids should be formally accepted by Hopewell Township and their execution by the Township Manager with individual suppliers should be authorized as follows:

Mr. DiPietro: Motion to pass the following six contracts through BCRCOG:

- 1) Contract #1 – A.R. Oliasto, Inc. for Size No. 2A (Formerly 2A) River Gravel at \$17.49 per Ton Delivered to the Job Site; Size No. 57 (Formerly 2B) River Gravel at \$21.62 per Ton Delivered to the Job Site; and Natural Sand at \$15.35 per Ton Delivered to the Job Site.
2. Contract #1 – McCiymonds Supply and Transit Company, Inc. for Size No. 2A Limestone at \$19.11 per Ton Delivered to the Job Site; Size No. 8 (Formerly 1B) Limestone at \$20.86 per Ton Delivered to the Job Site; and Size No. 3 (Formerly 3) Limestone at \$20.86 per Ton Delivered to the Job Site.
3. Contract #3 – Hanson Aggregates BMC, Inc. for Superpave HMA Wearing Course 9.5mm, 0 to 0.3 Million Design ESAL's, PG 64-22, SRL-H, Section 409 at

\$48.00 per Ton FOB Plant.

4. Contract #4 – Wine Concrete Products, Inc. for Standard Inlet Box with Base H=2' at \$191.00 Each Delivered to the Job Site.
5. Contract #5 – Chemung Supply Corp. for 2' x 4' Storm Inlet Risers, T = 4" at \$335.00 Each Delivered to the Job Site!
6. Contract #6 – ADS, Inc. for 12" Diameter HOPE Smooth Interior Pipe at \$4.55 per Foot (Bands are \$5.69 Each) Delivered to the Job Site; and 18" Diameter HOPE Smooth Interior Pipe at \$8.75 per Foot (Bands are \$10.94 Each) Delivered to the Job Site.

Mr. Swihart: Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Swihart Yes
Mr. Ciccone Yes
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Absent
Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. DiPietro Motion to pass Resolution R 2017-15, a Resolution of the Township of Hopewell, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, accepting certain public improvements of Phase One of the Clairmont Manor Subdivision and Land Development Plan as identified in Exhibit "A" attached hereto

Mr. Swihart Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Swihart Yes
Mr. Ciccone Yes
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Absent
Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Ciccone Motion to pass Resolution R 2017-16, a Resolution of the Township of Hopewell, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, accepting certain Public Improvements of Phase Two of the Clairmont Manor Subdivision and Land Development Plan as identified in Exhibit "A" attached hereto

Mr. Bufalini Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Swihart Yes
Mr. Ciccone Yes
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Absent
Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Swihart Motion for consent to the private offer to purchase from the Repository of unsold properties , Tax Parcel No. 65-004-1307.000 by Charles Hull in the amount of \$1,111.90.

Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

- Mr. Swihart Yes
- Mr. Ciccone Yes
- Mr. DiPietro Yes
- Mr. Kusnir Absent
- Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. DiPietro Make the motion for final approval of the Clairmont Manor Subdivision and Land Development Plan Phase 2, conditioned upon continued compliance by the Developer with the Development Improvement Agreement, including providing the requisite Performance Bond.

Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

- Mr. Swihart Yes
- Mr. Ciccone Yes
- Mr. DiPietro Yes
- Mr. Kusnir Absent
- Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

7:27pm

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Solicitor Mike Jones mentioned the Widmer Litigation going on and him preparing documentation and background material for the trial.

He also brought up the correspondence he received from Mark Ceccarelli, the attorney for the Independence Square Homeowners Association, regarding the road that comes off Hamilton Drive and leads to our pump station. The homeowner’s association claims Township Trucks are damaging that part of the road and is asking that the township repair/pave the road. Engineer Hartman said the township will look into the condition of the road and see what can be done to make repairs on the road. Solicitor Jones said he would mail Attorney Ceccarelli a response in this matter.

Engineer Hartman brought up to Solicitor Jones, of him putting together an agreement with Chris Thompson for the position of Sewer Department Supervisor. She also said she wanted to post the other Sewer Department positions and advertise, if needed. Mr. Jones said the BOC could act on these matters at this meeting and thus, the following motion was introduced by Solicitor Jones for the BOC to act upon:

Mr. Bufalini Motion to enter into a one year employment agreement with Harry “Chris” Thompson to assume the position of Sewer Department Superintendent at the annual salary of \$69,500.00, effective May 1st, 2017. The agreement is to be prepared by the Township Solicitor.

Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

- Mr. Swihart Yes
- Mr. Ciccone Yes
- Mr. DiPietro Yes
- Mr. Kusnir Absent

Mr. Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

Mr. DiPietro Motion to approve the Qualifications and Duties for the Sewer Department Superintendent.
Mr. Swihart Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:
Mr. Swihart Yes
Mr. Ciccone Yes
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Absent
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

Mr. Bufalini Motion to approve the following; Posting of Certified Laboratory Technician (1); Posting of Sewer Plant Operator (2); Posting of Maintenance Technician (1) and Posting of Laborers (2), and to advertise as necessary.
Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:
Mr. Swihart Yes
Mr. Ciccone Yes
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Absent
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

7:33pm CITIZEN'S FORUM / NONE

7:33pm NEW BUSINESS NONE

7:38pm OLD BUSINESS/ Mr. Kraus brought up the old Lopata Properties, which the township owns. He has received complaints on the property by residents around that property that children are going into the property playing and it is unsafe to do so. President Bufalini said to board up the property and Mr. Jones said posting "No Trespassing" signs would also be another deterrent to kids entering the property.

Mr. Bufalini also brought up the matter of rental properties serving notification to the township of when tenants come and go. Mr. Jones said he could draft an ordinance that the BOC could review at the next meeting stating that when rental properties exchange renters/owners, the township must be notified when people are coming and going.

7:39pm EXECUTIVE SESSION/ NONE

7:39pm **ADJOURNMENT**
Commissioner DiPietro Motion to adjourn
Commissioner Swihart Second the Motion

Voice Vote

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All in favor
Motion Carried

Minutes Recorded by: Norm Kraus, Jr. 5/8/2017
Minutes prepared by Norm Kraus, Jr. 5/9/2017