RESOLUTION 2017-19

Hopewell Township, Beaver County, Pennsylvania

S.R. 3009, SECTION 000
SANITARY SEWER LINE RELOCATION AT TRAMP MILL RUN (JV 456)

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL, BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST TO PENNDOT FOR COSTS INCURRED RELATIVE TO A SANITARY SEWER LINE RELOCATION AT TRAMPMILL RUN, STATE ROUTE 3009, WITH PENNDOT PAYING 100% OF THE ACTUAL COSTS LOCATED OUTSIDE OF PENNDOT'S RIGHT-OF-WAY AND 75% OF THE ACTUAL COSTS LOCATED INSIDE OF PENNDOT'S RIGHT OF WAY.

In accordance with the requirements of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Design Manual - Part 5, Section 8.1.C, Hopewell Township does hereby authorize the submission of the attached request for the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to provide seventy-five percent (75%) reimbursement to Hopewell Township for all costs incurred in relocating our sanitary sewer interceptor facilities affected within public rights-of-way by the S.R. 3009, Section 000 highway improvements project necessitated by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

Furthermore, it is understood that the Department of Transportation would reimburse Hopewell Township 100% of the actual costs of adjusting the existing facilities which are located outside of public rights-of-way, for our sanitary sewer line facilities affected by the S.R. 3009, Section 000 highway improvements project necessitated by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

Also, the President of said Township be authorized and directed to sign an agreed upon Utility Reimbursement Agreement on its behalf and that the Manager be authorized and directed to attest the same.

Adopted as Resolution this 12th day of June, 2017.

Attest: Norm Kraus Jr.
Norm Kraus, Jr., Manager
Hopewell Township

By: Richard Bufalini
Richard Bufalini, President
Hopewell Township Board of Commissioners

(SEAL)

Certification

I, Norm Kraus, Jr., Manager of Hopewell Township, attest that this Resolution was officially adopted by the Township at a duly-called meeting of the Township.

(SEAL)

By: Norm Kraus Jr.
Norm Kraus, Jr., Manager
Hopewell Township

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

6:32pm
ROLL CALL
President
Rich Bufalini- present
Vice President
Joe Kusnir – present
Commissioners
Dave Ciccone- present
Nick DiPietro- present
Dave Swihart - absent

Others Present
Norm Kraus, Jr., Township Manager
Marie Stratakis-Hartman, Township Engineer
Michael Jones /McMillen,Urick,Tocci &Jones, Township Solicitor

6:32pm **ENGINEER'S REPORT** – Marie Stratakis Hartman (report is on file)
The main item Marie Hartman reviewed was where the 2017 road improvement program stands so far in 2017. Youngblood Paving has actively been milling and paving township streets for the last two weeks and our road department has done all the base repair before Youngblood has come in to do their work on the streets thus far. President Bufalini asked Ms. Hartman to check with Youngblood to see if a tar and chip treatment could be done with Davidson Lane.

6:57pm **Police Chief Brian Uhrmacher met with BOC to review ongoing police department activity**
The Chief told the BOC the Civil Service Commission Board met last Friday (6/9) addressed the issue of tiebreakers on testing as put forth on the Rules & Regs of the department. Also, the CS Board voted to have the polygraph testing now become of the final testing, along with the psychological and physical testing, once a perspective candidate was made a conditional offer to join the police department.
The Chief next addressed the Board of Commissioners on placing the speed cart on Valleyview Drive after Commissioner Kusnir made the inquiry on behalf a resident who lives on that street. 1500 cars were measured and, for the most part, speed was not an issue on the road. The Chief made a recommendation to have a "Slow, Watch Children" sign placed on the street.
The next street signage problem the Chief discussed was the signage at Longview Avenue, Penny, Washington and the High School road. The signage has misplaced signs and the Chief made a recommendation to the Board that they can vote on tonight after showing pictures of the current signage in place there.
The Chief also brought up signage issues near the high school on Knoll, Fisk, Carver and Perry Streets. One sign has "No Parking between 6am and 4PM" and the other sign states "NO Parking Anytime" on these streets. It has to be one or the other only on these streets and he made his Recommendation that the BOC could act on this evening later in the meeting.
With regards to the cop hiring grant, the Chief did say the department was down one officer since

Jim Lewis retired. Through the grant, he had proposed a School Resource Officer for the Hopewell School District, but the school district is not interested. Commissioner Bufalini expressed surprise at the school district passing on this resource officer, but mentioned that with the hiring of Aaron Lopez and Nicolette Jena last year, that addressed the issue with regards to Officer Lewis. The Chief mentioned the grant, at $125,000, would be over a three year period and would cover most of the first year costs of the position. The grant would drop off after that.

The Chief mentioned coming up with a Community Service Officer with the grant period open for the BOC to consider. Also, the Chief is applying for the canine grant again for a third year in a row. The BOC okayed it for the Chief to pursue the COPS hiring grant for one additional position.

Finally, the Chief filled the BOC in on activity in the township with his department. May 2017 was the busiest month since the Chief took over. There were pattern-type crimes committed that the department was following up on. At the Police Memorial Ceremony at the Beaver County Courthouse, Officer Darren Caruso received a Traffic Enforcement Top Gun Award. Officer Nicolette Lopez received an award for Investigative work she's done. Our police department received a domestic violence program award for work in that area.

Commissioner Bufalini mentioned that when looking to promote an officer from part-time to full time, the Chief would make the promotion largely based on his recommendation.

7:24pm **Citizen Forum moved to this slot/ Bob Years- Veasey Drive**

Mr. Years addressed the BOC about an incident that occurred between 1pm and 4pm at his property. He had mentioned he was cleaning up property on Grace Lane and Veasey Road making his property even more attractive. Someone came with a dump truck and dumped logs. Millings and branches onto his road leading to his property. He has no idea, after talking to neighbors, who might've done this to him. Police from the township were there to gather details from Mr. Years. As Mr. Years said, things have been quiet for some time at his house and property and now this happened. He is quite upset and determined to find out who did this to him. He is having a security company come in again and cost out installing cameras.

7:37pm **BUSINESS AGENDA**

Mr. DiPietro Motion to approve the Workshop Meeting minutes of May 8th, 2017.
Mr. Bufalini Second the motion

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

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve the list of bills dated 6-12-2017 as presented: General Fund; $51,690.52; Sewer Fund; $11,913.38 and State Fund; $5,176.43.
Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

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

Mr. Ciccone Motion to pass Resolution R 2017-17, a Resolution of the Township of Hopewell, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, approving the Land Development Plan for the construction of a Warehouse Building and Laydown Yard in the Riverfront Industrial District known as Betters Real Estate Holdings, L.P., Warehouse & Laydown Yard Land Development Plan in accordance with Subdivision & land Development Ordinance 91-02.
Mr. Bufalini Second the Motion

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

Mr. Kusnir Motion to promote Carlie Critchlow to Senior Camp Counselor overseeing Camp Lakewood at a pay rate of $8.50 per hour. Carlie is replacing Kari Steuer, who decided not to come back and supervise Camp Lakewood this summer.
Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

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

Mr. Ciccone Motion to remove one of the signs on Knoll, Fisk, Carver and Perry Streets, That sign would be the one stating "No Parking from 6am till 4pm."
Mr. DiPietro Second the Motion

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

Mr. Kusnir Motion to place a "Watch Children" sign and have it installed and placed on Valleyview Drive.
Mr. Bufalini Second the Motion

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

Mr. Kusnir Motion to add a sign saying "opposing Traffic Does Not Stop" at Washington and Longvue Avenues. Also, at Washington Street, place a"Traffic does not stop to traffic from the right" sign as well as a similar sign saying "Traffic does not stop from the right" at the Hopewell High School exit.
Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

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

Motion Carried

7:46pm **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

Solicitor Mike Jones reviewed the ordinance concerning rental inspections that he had already drawn up for Potter Township. This process would go through the Magistrate. There were associated forms that go with the ordinance that need adjusted to work for Hopewell. The ordinance, as it stands, is very strongly worded and encompassing. President Bufalini expressed concern with units like the new apartments at Kane Road, with over 200 units involved. Mike did say this ordinance covers new apartment construction. The commissioners said to possibly limit the ordinance to duplexes and single family homes. Mr. Jones said he could work with the options with buildings over five units. The BOC said they liked the concept of the ordinance, but would want Mike to limit the type of units directly affected. Mike will fine tune and bring back to the Board of Commissioners.

The next discussion item was that of Sharp Collections and was presented to the BOC by Norm Kraus and Barb Swearingen. With the one year agreement expiring the end of the month between the township and Sharp, Manager Kraus laid out where things stand with sewage collection now being administered by Sharp to township residents. After getting everything in place after Renee Cameron, who handled collections, left for another job, things have gone very well. The percentage of collections being taken in has increased according to Barb Swearingen. After Barb did a financial breakdown of where our numbers were on collections in house with Renee, as compared with Sharp, there is a difference in savings of $8,220,31 to the good side of the ledger. The certified fees and mailings that Sharp pays for account for a good bit of the savings. Commissioner Kusnir asked if the system in place was working smoothly with Sharp, in addition to saving us money. Norm and Barb agreed that things are working fine. The commissioners agreed we should extend out the agreement with Sharp for another year.

The last item for discussion was the proposal that Police Chief Brian Uhrmacher brought to the BOC about getting pet control/animal control services from the Beaver County Humane Society. The cost would be $750 per month, which is on the pricey side. Commissioner Kusnir pointed out that the township had gotten by before without this service. Norm Kraus will follow up with the Chief to see how much usage or situations our police department had been involved in with pet/animal control in the past and then review if it is something we might need.

8:22pm **CITIZEN'S FORUM / No further comments besides Mr. Years earlier**

8:22pm **NEW BUSINESS NONE**

8:22pm **OLD BUSINESS/** Solicitor Jones brought up the item that Maronda was willing to deed property over to the township with regards to the pump station at Clairmont Manor. With that in mind, the following motion was made:

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve a deed of dedication from Maronda Homes deeding over property from Maronda to Hopewell Township with BR Phase 1 Plan. This involves Tax Parcel

ID# 65-204-0142.006.
Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

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

Also under "Old Business" Mr. Bufalini asked that the lines of communication open up a little more to the Park Board when issues involving the Park come up in any number of ways. This was the sentiment put forth in a meeting Mr. Bufalini and Swihart attended with the Park Board last week. This was duly noted by all.

8:27pm **EXECUTIVE SESSION/IN Litigation matters with the township**

9:20pm **OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Out of Executive Session, Solicitor Mike Jones had two resolutions to be put forth for the BOC to take action on. The two resolution actions were:

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve Resolution 2017-18 authorizing and entering into an agreement with PennDOT relative to a sanitary sewer line relocation at Tramp Mill Run, State Road 3009
Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

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

Mr. Bufalini Motion to approve Resolution 2017-19 authorizing the submission of a reimbursement request to PennDOT for costs incurred relative to a sanitary sewer line relocation at Tramp Mill Run, State Route 3009, with PennDOT paying 100% of the actual costs located outside of PennDot's right-of-way and 75% of the actual costs located within the township right-of way.
Mr. Kusnir Second the Motion

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

9:25pm	**ADJOURNMENT**	
	Commissioner Kusnir	Motion to adjourn
	Commissioner Ciccone	Second the Motion

Voice Vote
All in favor
Motion Carried

Minutes Recorded by: Norm Kraus, Jr. 6/12/2017
Minutes prepared by Norm Kraus, Jr. 6/13/2017