RESOLUTION NO. 2016-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL, BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, APPOINTING DAVID SWIHART TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO FILL THE VACANCY CREATED BY THE RESIGNATION OF GARY TRANELLI UNTIL THE NEXT MUNICIPAL ELECTION

NOW THEREFORE, Hopewell Township, through its Board of Commissioners, hereby appoints David Swihart to the Board of Commissioners to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Gary Tranelli until the next municipal election.

RESOLVED this 13th th day of December, 2016

HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP BOARD
OF COMMISSIONERS

Norm Kraus, Jr., Manager

Richard Bufalini, President

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

6:15pm **The commissioners interviewed the two sergeant candidates that passed the sergeant's exam. Those were Eric Yerdon and Ron McMasters.**

6:46pm **District Magistrate Janet Swihart swore in the four new part-time officers for the Hopewell Township Police Department. They were Officers Cory McNally, Kyle Fabyanic, Joe Daransky and Brandon Fedorka.**

7:00pm
ROLL CALL
President
Rich Bufalini- in attendance
Vice President
Joe Kusnir – in attendance
Commissioners
Dave Ciccone- absent
Nick DiPietro- in attendance
Dave Swihart– in attendance

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

7:02pm **ENGINEER'S REPORT** Marie Stratakis Hartman **REPORT ON FILE**

7:20pm **CITIZEN'S COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE AGENDA:**
Sandy Giordano/ Washington Apartments
Sandy commented that a nice job was done by all involving the hiring of the new part-time Police officers for the township.

7;21pm **BUSINESS AGENDA**

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve the Workshop Minutes for November 14, 2016
Mr. Bufalini Second the motion

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

Mr. DiPietro Motion to approve the list of bills dated 12/12/2016 as presented. General Fund; 44,264.32; State Fund; $18,319.87; Sewer Fund; $15,923.44.
Mr. Swihart Second the motion

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

Mr. DiPietro Motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-27, A Resolution of the Township of Hopewell, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, approving the Ross Lot Consolidation Plan of Lot Parcels #65-007-0711 and #65-007-0712 into one (1) parcel in accordance with Hopewell Township's Zoning and SubDivision and Land Development Ordinance for Subdivisions of three (3) Lots or Less.
Mr. Bufalini Second the motion

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

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve execution and submission to the Department of Environmental Protection of the Sewage Facilities Planning Module for Lot No. 2A of the George W. and Patricia M. Jacoby Plan of Subdivision located at the end of Davidson Lane. The George W. and Patricia M. Jacoby Plan of Subdivision will subdivide Lot No. 2 (Tax Parcel #65-203-0177.000) in the Stone Quarry Plan of Lots as recorded in PBV 25 Page 104 into Lot No. 2A (2.141 Acres) and Lot No. 2 Residual (63.021 Acres) currently owned by George W. and Patricia M. Jacoby, 163 Davidson Lane, Aliquippa, PA. 15001. Sewage Facilities Planning is only proposed for newly created Lot No. 2A. Lot No. 2 Residual will remain unbuildable until such time as appropriate sewage facilities planning is undertaken at this parcel.
Mr. Swihart Second the motion

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

Mr. Kusnir Motion to adopt Resolution 2016-26 appointing Dave Swihart to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Gary Tranelli until the next municipal election.
Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:
Mr. Swihart abstain
Mr. Ciccone Absent
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

Mr. Bufalini Motion to re-appoint Jamie Yurcina to Hopewell Township's Planning Commission, with his term running four years, starting January 1st, 2017 and running through December 31st 2020.
Mr. Kusnir Second the motion

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

Mr. Kusnir Motion to re-appoint Joann Gennero to Hopewell Township's Planning Commission, with her term running four years, starting January 1st, 2017 and running through December 31st, 2020.
Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

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

Mr. DiPietro Motion to re-appoint Brad Batchelor to the Park Board, with his term to run four years, starting January 1st, 2017 and running through December 31st, 2020.
Mr. Bufalini Second the Motion

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

Mr. DiPietro Motion to re-appoint Robert Silvestri to the Universal Construction Code Board of Appeals, with his term to run four years, starting January 1st, 2017 and running through December 31st, 2020.
Mr. Bufalini Second the Motion

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

Mr. Bufalini Motion to approve the Private Roadway Maintenance Agreement for the 2400 block of Andrews Alley (Between Wimpole Street and Estelle Street).
Mr. Kusnir Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Mr. DiPietro	Motion to approve the township offices and departments be closed a half day on Thursday, December 22nd, 2016, so that the township employees can take part in the Township Christmas Party at the Serbian Club
Mr. Swihart	Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

7:25pm **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

Marie Hartman mentioned to the BOC that she had met with the engineers for the hotel project located at the old Berger Furniture location to go over various items associated with the project. Norm Kraus asked the BOC to please find someone who can take over as replacement for Ed Morrow on the Creswell Water Authority Board, with the term of the new person starting January 1st, 2017. Sandy Giordano said she would put something on WMBA/WBVP radio announcing the open position the township is looking to fill.

7:32pm **CITIZEN FORUM/ NONE**

Motion to approve the Olivia Estates Developer's Agreement dated October 15, 2014 providing Ownership and maintenance of the storm water pond on lot 1 and open space on lots 1 and 5.
Second the Motion

7:33pm **NEW BUSINESS/ None**

7:33pm **OLD BUSINESS None**

7:38pm **EXECUTIVE SESSION IN/ Discussion on CBA Agreement, settled litigation, threatened litigation, general litigation and employee compensation agreements.**

9:25pm **EXECUTIVE SESSION OUT**

9:26pm **Additional motions to be acted upon after the conclusion of the Executive Session**

Mr. Kusnir	Motion to approve a one year employment agreement with Norm Kraus, Jr., as Township Manager, effective January 1st, 2017 through December 31st, 2017.
Mr. Bufalini	Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion Carried

Mr. DiPietro Motion to approve a one year employment agreement with Marie Hartman as Township Assistant Manager and Engineer, effective January 1st, 2017 through December 31st, 2017.

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

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve a one year employment agreement with Barbara Swearingen as Township Financial/ Accounting Manager, effective January 1st, 2017 through December 31st, 2017.

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

Mr. DiPietro Motion to approve Diana Palsa as Delinquent Real Estate Tax Collector for Hopewell Township for the 2016 property taxes covering the period December 31st, 2016 through April 1st, 2017.
Mr. Bufalini Second the Motion

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

9:37pm **ADJOURNMENT**
Commissioner DiPietro Motion to adjourn
Commissioner Swihart Second the Motion

Voice Vote
All in favor
Motion Carried

Minutes Recorded by: Norm Kraus, Jr. 12/12/2016
Minutes prepared by Norm Kraus, Jr. 12/13/2016