

**TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL
Beaver County, Pennsylvania
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

7:02pm: Business Meeting Called to Order by Mr. Kraus and that the meeting will be recorded

ROLL CALL 7:06pm

President

Norm Kraus Jr

Vice President

Rich Bufalini

Commissioners

Nick DiPietro

Joe Kusnir

Brian Rohm

7:07pm CITIZEN COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE BUSINESS AGENDA None

7:07pm BUSINESS AGENDA

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve the Business Meeting Minutes dated August 26, 2013.

Mr. Bufalini Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Rohm Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Mr. Kraus Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve the list of bills dated September 23, 2013 as presented, State Fund \$15184.15,
General Fund \$86738.61, and Sewer Fund \$29529.83.

Mr. Bufalini Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Rohm Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Mr. Kraus Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Rohm Motion to approve the August 2013 Tax Collector's Report.

Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Rohm Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Mr. Kraus Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve the August 2013 Financial Statements Report as presented.
Mr. Rohm Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Rohm Yes
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Mr. Kraus Yes

Motion Carried

7:10pm **COMMISSIONERS REPORTS AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS GIVEN ARE ON FILE**

7:19pm **OLD BUSINESS** None

7:19pm **NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Brian Rohm

Mr. Rohm informed the Board that the state was out and repaired Veasey Road and that it looks good. Also, they graded all the way down Kane Road on both sides as well.

Commissioner Norm Kraus

Mr. Kraus acknowledged Linda Helms from B.F. Jones Library. Linda distributed the October library event calendar and announced the new e magazine program at the library. The Humbugs program will be starting up again and will be at the Township building on Friday mornings at 10: 30 a.m. She also invited all to attend the After Hours fund raiser at the library on October 26th.

7:20pm **PUBLIC FORUM CITIZENS COMMENTS**

Donna Richey 2017 Golfway Road

Mrs. Richey wanted to bring the poor condition of Beaver Lakes Blvd. to the Township Commissioners attention, she feels the road should be resurfaced and made safe. There is no street lighting, as well as no speed limit signs and the condition of the road is bad. Mrs. Hartman, Township Engineer took down Mrs. Richey's phone number and email contact information and will look into both the road conditions as well as the lighting (electric is underground in Beaver Lakes plan). Chief Ungarean stated that the speed limit in the residential neighborhoods is 25 miles per hour and that they are usually not posted unless the area is a problem. He will have the speed trailer moved down to the golf course.

Phil Davis 4011 Fairway Drive

Mr. Davis also stated that the road is dangerous at Shadow Lakes.

Tom Birris 3005 Woodfield Drive

Mr. Birris stated that road conditions in the entire neighborhood are bad and it is affecting the sales of homes. It has gotten worse over the last few years.

Denny Nadzak 4027 Fairway Drive

Mr. Nadzak stated that there is a lot of speeding issues, there is not enough lighting and there is loitering at the cul de sac and picnic shelter. Chief Ungarean told him to please contact the police/911 so that the speeding and loitering issues can be dealt with as they happen.

Phil Davis 4011 Fairway Drive

Mr. Davis is also representing the Village on the Green Association, and would like to know why the refuse prices have increased so much over the past few years and that in addition they are having issues with Waste Management charging people for vacant properties and not giving senior discounts. He handed out an informational sheet with the refuse charges for these 39 homes over the last several years. He also stated that they had signed a contract with Waste Management in the beginning of the year in order to get their billing issue corrected. The township was unaware of this. He will have a copy of the contract sent to Wendy to review the situation and determine what, if anything can be done. The rate he supplied for 2013 was \$1768.00 per quarter for 39 homes, this works out to approximately \$45.33 per quarter per dwelling. I informed him that this is actually cheaper than the residential rate that the rest of the township residents are paying (which is \$49.08 per quarter/\$44.17 with senior discount).

John Kohut 3000 Woodfield Drive

Mr. Kohut reiterated the other residents comments and stated that the poor road conditions are affecting property values and at least 5 homes on Woodfield seem to be having issues selling their properties.

Joe Dornick 5417 Martin Street

Mr. Dornick asked about the outcome of the Seitel lawsuit against Hopewell and Potter. Mr. Jones, township solicitor informed him that the outcome was not in favor of Hopewell or Potter and that the court had issued an injunction and that we are looking into how to proceed on this issue.

7:29pm ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Homecoming Parade is Thursday, September 26th, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. Bonfire at the park immediately after the parade, fire lighting at 8:00 p.m.

Fall Fest will be held Sunday, October 13th, 2013. Pancake breakfast will be from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The Fall Festival will continue until 5:00 p.m.

Thank you to all the Barbeque Cook Off participants and those who attended to make it a great success and we look forward to seeing you next year.

Applications are now being accepted for seasonal park employment for the 2014 summer season. Applications are available at the Township municipal building and Hopewell High School guidance counselors' office and the Township website. Applications must be returned by no later than January 31, 2014.

7:55pm ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Kraus Motion to adjourn
Mr. Bufalini Second the motion
Voice Vote: All in favor
Motion Carried

Minutes Recorded by: Wendy Kasunic 09/23/13
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