

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

December 9, 2013

6:39pm: Workshop Meeting Called to Order by Mr. Kraus and that the meeting will be recorded

ROLL CALL

President

Norm Kraus Jr.

Vice President

Rich Bufalini

Commissioners

Nick DiPietro

Joe Kusnir

Brian Rohm Absent

Others Present

Wendy Kasunic, Assistant Township Manager

Marie Stratakis-Hartman, Township Engineer

6:40pm ENGINEERS REPORT Marie Stratakis-Hartman (Report on File)

7:10pm CITIZEN COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE BUSINESS AGENDA NONE

7:10pm BUSINESS AGENDA

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve the Workshop Minutes of November 9, 2013

Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Rohm Absent

Mr. Bufalini Abstain

Mr. Kraus Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Bufalini Motion to approve the list of Bills dated December 9, 2013, General Fund \$25,266.27, Sewer Fund \$7,898.90, and State Fund \$17,375.62

Mr. Kusnir Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Rohm Absent

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Mr. Kraus Yes

Motion Carried

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Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve the second reading of the Township's proposed 2014 budget as follows:
General Fund \$5,331,000, Sewer Fund \$3,154,000, Sewer Construction Fund \$450,000, and
Liquid Fuels \$326,660

Mr. Bufalini Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to authorize the advertisement of Ordinance 2013-01 appropriating monies from municipal
taxes and revenues to defray expenses and liabilities of Hopewell Township for the fiscal year
ending December 31, 2014

Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion Carried

Mr. Bufalini Motion to authorize the advertisement of Ordinance 2013-02 fixing the tax rate at 14 mils to
defray specific expenditures and liabilities for the operation of the Township Government for the
year ending December 31, 2014

Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to authorize the advertisement for the Township's reorganization meeting on January 6,
2014 at 7:00pm

Mr. Bufalini Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion Carried

Mr. Bufalini Motion to approve the road maintenance release agreement for Smith Alley as recommended by the Township Engineer
Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Rohm Absent
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Mr. Kraus Yes
Motion Carried

Mr. DiPietro Motion to approve raising the Camp Lakewood Fees for Hopewell Residents to \$40.00 as recommended by the Park Board
Mr. Kusnir Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Rohm Absent
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Mr. Kraus Yes
Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to reappoint Jackie Zelechowski to the Park Board term ending December 31, 2018
Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Rohm Absent
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Mr. Kraus Yes
Motion Carried

Mr. DiPietro Motion to appoint Joe Durinsky to the Park Board replacing Jack Owens term ending December 31, 2015
Mr. Kusnir Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Rohm Absent
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Mr. Kraus Yes
Motion Carried

7:20pm ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION NONE

7:20pm CITIZENS FORUM

John Ketchel 104 Porter Lane Rochester PA

Mr. Ketchel stated that he would like the Board to consider his bid for the 1992 International Dump Truck that is for sale because he does a lot of work in the Township. The Board stated that they will consider his request when they are awarding the bids

Jim MacLaren 1089 Ridgeway Ave

Mr. MacLaren wanted to complain about the speeding and aggressive driving in the school zone on Maratta road. Commissioner Bufalini said he would talk to the police department in regards to this issue.

7:25pm **NEW BUSINESS** **NONE**

7:25pm **OLD BUSINESS** **NONE**

7:40pm **EXECUTIVE SESSION** **IN**

8:48pm **EXECUTIVE SESSION** **OUT**

Mr. Bufalini Motion to reject all bids for the 1992 International Dump Truck for sale
Mr. Kusnir Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Rohm Absent
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Mr. Kraus Yes
Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to authorize the re-advertisement for bids for sale of a 1992 International Dump Truck
Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Rohm Absent
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Mr. Kraus Yes
Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to accept the high bid on the 2003 Chevy Impala in the amount of \$1,165.00, and the 2009
Chevy Impala in the amount of \$3,365 from Asia Motors Inc.
Mr. Kraus Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Rohm Absent
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Mr. Kraus Yes
Motion Carried

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Mr. Bufalini Motion to hire Amilcare Grippa to Full-Time effective January 1, 2014 at \$16.47 per hour. Mr. Grippa will be credited one year of full time service from his part time hire date of September 26, 2011.

Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to close down Public Works and Municipal Office on Friday December 20, 2013 at noon for the Christmas Party at Trenny's

Mr. Bufalini Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion Carried

8:48pm **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Minutes Recorded by: Wendy Kasunic 12/09/13
Minutes Prepared by: Andy J. Brunette 12/10/13