

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

**7:03 pm: Business Meeting Called to Order by Mr. Bufalini and that the meeting will be recorded**

**ROLL CALL 7:06pm**

Vice President

Rich Bufalini

Commissioners

David Ciccone

Nick DiPietro

Joe Kusnir

**7:04pm PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE FOLLOWED BY A PRAYER FOR THE TOWNSHIP LED BY TOWNSHIP MANAGER NORM KRAUS**

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

**7:08pm BUSINESS AGENDA**

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve the Business Meeting Minutes dated March 24, 2014

Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ciccone Yes

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve the Treasurers Report for March 2014

Mr. Bufalini Second

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ciccone Yes

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Ciccone Motion to approve the Tax Collector's reports for March 2014

Mr. Kusnir Second

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ciccone Yes

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve the list of bills dated April 28, 2014 as presented, General Fund \$18,143.99,

Mr. Ciccone Sewer Fund \$6,984.83 and State Fund \$264.91  
Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve a resolution to participate in Phase One of the Beaver County Ohio River Port  
Planning project dated April 21, 2014  
Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion Carried

**7:20 pm** COMMISSIONERS REPORTS AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS GIVEN ARE ON FILE  
After his department report, Manager Norm Kraus mentioned to the board that he was accepting the representative position for the Township on the Aliquippa Library Board.. Librarian Linda Helms was present and welcomed Norm to their board and thanked the township once again for their support of the library.

**7:30pm** OLD BUSINESS NONE

**7:31pm** NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Ciccone Motion to approve the Margaret Ross Elementary PTA 5K to be held Saturday, April 11,2015  
Mr. Kusnir Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ciccone: Yes  
Mr. DiPietro Yes  
Mr. Kusnir Yes  
Mr. Bufalini Yes  
Motion Carried

Mr. DiPietro Motion to nominate a name to fill the unexpired commissioner term of Norm Kraus. Mr. DiPietro submitted the name of Gary Tranelli.

Mr. Kusnir Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Mr. DiPietro Motion to appoint Gary Tranelli to the Board of Commissioners to fill the unexpired term of Norm Kraus.

Mr. Ciccone        Second the Motion  
Roll Call Vote:  
Mr. Ciccone        Yes  
Mr. DiPietro        Yes  
Mr. Kusnir         Yes  
Mr. Bufalini        Yes  
Motion Carried

Commissioner Rich Bufalini congratulated Parks and Recreation Director Pam Fiejdasz on the successful Community Day Parade and Neighborhood Picnic and Pie Fest.

Commissioner Joe Kusnir mentioned that Manager Norm Kraus should be the appointed representative from Hopewell as point person for all project activities with the Aliquippa Port Authority.

Commissioner Nick DiPietro thanked all the candidates for showing interest in the open commissioner position. Mr. DiPietro said that all of the candidates were good candidates and the Board of Commissioners had a very difficult decision to make, given the quality of the candidates.

7:36pm

**PUBLIC FORUM**

No public comments

7:37pm

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Pitch, Hit and Run: 42 boys and girls entered the competition sponsored by the Recreation Department. The event was held at the Hopewell High School football field on Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 2:00pm. Thanks to Steve Slate, Ed Walker, Anthony Bufalini and all of the Hopewell Youth Baseball/ Softball coaches and assistants, as well as the Park Board and staff, for making this event a success. We plan to host the event again next year.**

**Spring Fest: Approximately 500 children attended this event at Hopewell Park. This is a record number for the Egg Hunt and huge thanks goes out to all who worked, volunteered and attended the event. While we appreciate the turnout, we will address the parking issues for future events at the park.**

**Our Fishing Derby Youth Day, sponsored by the Beaver County Sportsmen's Conservation League, is set for Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Adult Fishing Day is being sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department and is set for Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. Registration on Saturday begins at 8am and fishing goes from 9am to 1pm. Registration on Sunday is at 6am and fishing takes place from 7am to 11am. Prizes will be awarded both days.**

**Camp Lakewood Registrations will be taken at the Fishing Derby from 8am – 1pm on Saturday and from 8am – 11am on Sunday. All campers receive a free Camp Lakewood t-shirt.**

**Please check our website at [www.hopewelltp.com](http://www.hopewelltp.com), our Facebook page, and Twitter, for updates on Township news and events.**

**The Depository re-opened to residents on Monday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. Please make sure you have gotten your new 2014 Depository badge at the Municipal Building prior to attempting to use the Depository. The Depository is open March 31<sup>st</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup> on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 10 am to 6 pm and November 1<sup>st</sup> through December 6<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 5 pm.**

**7:47 pm**            **EXECUTIVE SESSION**            **IN**

**8:16 pm**            **EXECUTIVE SESSION**            **OUT**

**8:18pm**            Commissioner Rich Bufalini presented a letter from Joe and Sandy Bufalini of McIntosh Drive Commending Chas Srafin and the road department on the outstanding job they did this past winter

**8:29 pm**            **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Kusnir            Motion to adjourn  
Mr. Ciccone            Second the motion  
Voice Vote:            All in favor  
Motion Carried

Minutes Recorded by: Norm Kraus 04/28//14  
Minutes Prepared by: Norm Kraus 04/28/14