

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

7:10pm Business Meeting Called to Order by Mr. Bufalini and he announced that the meeting will be recorded

7:10pm PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL 7:04pm

President Rich Bufalini In Attendance
Vice President Joe Kusnir In Attendance
Commissioner David Ciccone Absent
Commissioner Nick DiPietro In Attendance
Commissioner Gary Tranelli In Attendance

OTHERS PRESENT

Norm Kraus, Jr./ Township Manager
Marie Stratakis Hartman/ P.E. , Engineer/Assistant Manager
Mike Jones (McMillen, Urick, Tocci, Fouse and Jones) Township Solicitor

7:11 pm CITIZEN COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE BUSINESS AGENDA None

7:11 pm BUSINESS AGENDA

Mr. DiPietro Motion to approve the Business Meeting Minutes of October 26th, 2015.
Mr. Tranelli Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Tranelli Yes
Mr. Ciccone Absent
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Abstain (absent from the 10/26/2015 meeting)
Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve the list of bills dated November 23rd, 2015, as stated; General Fund; \$87,712.00; Sewer Fund; \$11,713.07 and State Fund; \$14,179.19.

Mr. Bufalini Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

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

Motion Carried

Mr. Tranelli Motion to Approve the October 2015 Tax Collector's Report for the Tax Year 2015

Mr. Kusnir Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

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

Mr. DiPietro Motion to approve the eight (8) year franchise fee agreement between Hopewell Township and Comcast, commencing 12-1-2015 and running through 11-30-2023.

Mr. Kusnir Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Tranelli Yes
Mr. Ciccone Absent
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Motion Passed

Mr. Kusnir Motion to award the 2016 through 2018 Garbage and Recycling Contract (Contractor Billing Option) to the lowest bidder, Waste Management, Inc. based upon their bid of \$3,143,176.80.

Mr. Tranelli Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Tranelli Yes
Mr. Ciccone Absent
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Motion Passed

7:15 pm COMMISSIONERS REPORTS NONE

7:15 pm THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENT REPORTS WERE GIVEN AND ARE ON FILE

7:19pm OLD BUSINESS NONE

7:19pm NEW BUSINESS NONE

7:15pm PUBLIC FORUM

Mary Ann Bell 2501 Marion Street

Mrs. Bell announced she had been at the last Business Meeting in October and had addressed the BOC. There has been a parking issue that has developed over the last several months for Mrs. Bell and where her house is situated. Originally, this complaint was lodged by Jon Sear, her neighbor across the street, for people parking directly across from his driveway, not permitting him to get his boat or truck out of the driveway. This complaint coincided with Mrs. Bell or her children

parking in such a way that Mr. Sear could not get out. Mrs. Bell was quite upset that she was not given a chance to address the issue with Mr. Sear, before restricted parking signs showed up on both sides of the street. Mrs. Bell has nowhere to park in back of her house and there are also handicapped parking places reserved on the corner houses across from her. The Board of Commissioners had passed motions on the restricted parking in June and then August, on the recommendation of Police Chief Uhrmacher, spelling out what was available in the way of parking spots for Mr. Sear and Mrs. Bell. Those are the details with regards to the ongoing issue. Mrs. Bell reiterated she is less than happy with the signs and the solutions put in place by the Township. She is still without the parking space she needs for her and her children. She mentioned again she has health issues and this parking issue has really gotten her quite upset. She presented pictures of both entrances for the BOC to consider. She also commented she has hired an attorney to represent her in this situation with Mr. Sear and the Township. President Bufalini said the BOC and Chief Uhrmacher would address the situation further.

7:23pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS :

Please check our website at www.hopewelltp.com, our Facebook page, and Twitter, for updates on Hopewell Township news and events.

Our Hopewell Parks & Recreation Department is sponsoring their annual “Visit with Santa in the Holiday Wonderland” from 11AM to 2PM on December 5th at Hopewell Community Park.

Further details on these Parks & Recreation sponsored events can be found on our Website.

7:23pm

At this time. President Bufalini announced that the Board of Commissioners would be going into an Executive Session on contract negotiations with the police department.

7:40pm

Executive Session Begins

8:45pm

Executive Session Ends/ President Bufalini announces there was no action taken with regards to the discussion held on the Police Collective Bargaining Agreement.

8:10pm

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. DiPietro

Motion to adjourn

Mr. Tranelli

Second the motion

Voice Vote:

All in favor

Motion Carried

Minutes Recorded by: Norm Kraus 11/23/2015
Minutes Prepared by: Norm Kraus 11/30/2015