

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

6:36pm Meeting was called to order by Mr. DiPietro and the meeting was being recorded

6:36pm

ROLL CALL

President

Rich Bufalini- absent

Vice President

Joe Kusnir – absent

Commissioners

Dave Ciccone- in attendance

Nick DiPietro- in attendance

Gary Tranelli – in attendance

Others Present

Norm Kraus, Jr., Township Manager

Marie Stratakis-Hartman, Township Engineer

Michael Jones/McMillen,Urick,Tocci,Fouse&Jones, Township Solicitor

6:37pm ENGINEER’S REPORT Marie Stratakis Hartman **REPORT ON FILE**

6:56pm CITIZEN’S COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE AGENDA: NONE

6:57pm CITIZEN FORUM

Victor Guranowitsch/ 2132 Ridgeway Ave.

Mr. Guranowitsch wanted to make the BOC aware of the particular dangers in place for a catastrophic event due to the Nuclear Power Plant presence in Shippingport. He passed out a national newspaper article detailing the possibility of an EMP (man-made electromagnetic pulse) or catastrophe that can take place here or nationally that could wipe out large numbers of the population if a tragedy/EMP event were to occur. He pointed out that Beaver County does have an emergency management team and plans in place, but that more needs to be done.

7:03pm BUSINESS AGENDA

Mr. Ciccone Motion to approve the Workshop Minutes for January 12, 2015
Mr. Tranelli Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Tranelli Yes

Mr. Ciccone Yes

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Absent

Mr. Bufalini Absent

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Motion Carried

Mr. Tranelli Motion to approve the list of bills dated 10/13/14 as presented. State Fund; \$5,111.55; General Fund; \$34,168.43; Sewer Fund; \$33,503.89
Mr. Ciccone Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion Carried

Mr. Ciccone Motion to rehire Justin Kraus as Park Maintenance at a rate of \$7.75 per hour
Mr. Ciccone Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion Carried

Mr. Tranelli Motion to rehire C. J. Skolnekovich and Sean McMasters as Park Maintenance at a rate of \$7.50 per hour.
Mr. Ciccone Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion Carried

Mr. Ciccone Motion to hire Josh McAfee, Sean Donnelly and William Moonert as Park Maintenance at a rate of \$7.25 per hour.
Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion Carried

Mr. Tranelli Motion to rehire Megan Ciccarelli, Ashley Cameron, Erin Donnelly and Lacey Laurito for Park Recreation at a rate of \$8.25 per hour.
Mr. Ciccone Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Mr. Ciccone Motion to rehire Andrew Brunette for Park Recreation at a rate of \$8.00 per hour.
Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

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

Mr. Tranelli Motion to rehire Liana Muia for Park Recreation at a rate of \$7.75 per hour.
Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

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

Mr. Ciccone Motion to rehire Nicole Ciccarelli, Krista Kasunic, Kari Steuer, Emily Wright and Amanda Alexander for Park Recreation at a rate of \$7.50 per hour.
Mr. Tranelli Second the Motion

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

Mr. Tranelli Motion to hire Paige Bedolata, Eric Ciccarelli, Patrick Drudy, Gabrielle Gress, Alyssa Manfredi, Chelsea Sundy, Lexie Bost, Sarah Walker and Jacob Lauderbaugh for Park Recreation at \$7.25 per hour.
Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

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

Mr. Ciccone Motion to approve Emily Cropper to work in the Park Recreation Department for her senior Project.

Mr. DiPietro Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Mr. Tranelli Motion to approve the 2015 Summer Food Service Program Contract between the Beaver County YMCA and the Hopewell Township Parks & Recreation Department.

Mr. DiPietro Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

Mr. Ciccone Motion to approve the 5K Walk/Run for ALS Research as organized and sponsored by Cody Boring and Sarah Mooney with regards to their senior project.

Mr. DiPietro Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

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

7:09pm ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Solicitor Mike Jones announced the amended caretaker agreement was ready to be executed for our Park Caretaker, Bryan Conforto. Mr. Jones also said he was going to add “some meat” to the confidentiality agreement he is reviewing for Manager Norm Kraus to execute with all township employees. Mr. Jones also addressed the small games of chance license that the Park Board was hoping they could apply for in order to hold a Casino Night to benefit the park. Mr. Jones announced that according to his findings, the township is not an eligible member to be granted a small games of chance license. Only civic, service oriented, sport, church and charitable organizations fall under eligible organizations that can qualify for this type of license.

7:20pm NEW BUSINESS None

7:20pm OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner DiPietro covered some of the upcoming dates of interest with regards to our Parks & Recreation department. The Volunteer Dinner is March 6th at The Fez. The Spring Fest and Easter Egg Hunt is March 28th. Commissioner Tranelli asked where things stood with the township’s project with the Communities of Distinction program.

Manager Kraus told the BOC that the script had been approved and signed off on and the date for the actual shoot for our segment would take place on Tuesday, May 5th.

7:27pm

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was discussed and decided by the BOC along with Norm Kraus and Marie Hartman, that an Executive Session would be held at the conclusion of the Business Meeting that would be taking place on February 23rd, 2015. That is the next regular scheduled meeting of the BOC.

7:28pm

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Ciccone
Commissioner Tranelli

Motion to adjourn
Second the Motion

Voice Vote

All in favor
Motion Carried

Minutes Recorded by: Norm Kraus, Jr. 2/9/2015
Minutes prepared by Norm Kraus, Jr. 2/10/2015