

TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Beaver County, Pennsylvania

January 28th, 2019

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

- 7:11 P.M. **Call to Order**
Business Meeting called to order by President Richard Bufalini. President Bufalini indicated that the meeting is being recorded.
- 7:11 P.M. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- 7:12 P.M. **Roll Call**
President Richard Bufalini – In Attendance
Vice President Joe Kusnir – In Attendance
Commissioner David Ciccone – In Attendance
Commissioner Nick DiPietro – In Attendance
Commissioner David Swihart – In Attendance
Others Present
Michael Jones (McMillen, Urick, Tocci & Jones), Township Solicitor
- 7:13 P.M. **Public Comments**
No Public Comments regarding the proposed Business Agenda.
- 7:14 P.M. **Business Agenda**
President Bufalini announced that the Tax Collector’s Report and Treasurer’s Report are available for public inspection at the Hopewell Township Municipal Building.
- Commissioner DiPietro:* *Motion to approve the November 26th, 2018 Business Meeting minutes.*
- Commissioner Bufalini* *Second the Motion.*
- Roll Call Vote:**
Commissioner Swihart Abstain
Commissioner Ciccone Yes
Commissioner DiPietro Yes
Commissioner Kusnir Abstain
Commissioner Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried
- Commissioner Kusnir:* *Motion to approve the List of Bills dated January 28th, 2019, as presented: General Fund \$100,604.60; Sewer Fund \$43,073.31; and Liquid Fuels Fund \$16,474.87.*
- Commissioner Ciccone:* *Second the Motion.*
- Roll Call Vote:**
Commissioner Swihart Yes
Commissioner Ciccone Yes
Commissioner DiPietro Yes
Commissioner Kusnir Yes
Commissioner Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

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Commissioner DiPietro Motion to approve the Tax Collector’s Monthly Report for the month of November 2018 for Tax Year 2018.

Commissioner Swihart Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Swihart Yes
Commissioner Ciccone Yes
Commissioner DiPietro Yes
Commissioner Kusnir Yes
Commissioner Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

Commissioner Kusnir: Motion to approve the Tax Collector’s Monthly Report for the month December 2018 for Tax Year 2018.

Commissioner Ciccone: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Swihart Yes
Commissioner Ciccone Yes
Commissioner DiPietro Yes
Commissioner Kusnir Yes
Commissioner Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

7:15 P.M. Commissioner’s Reports
No Commissioner Reports.

7:15 P.M. Department Reports
The various Department Reports were presented and are on file at the Hopewell Township Municipal Building.

Police Chief, Brian Uhrmacher; Road Department Superintendent, Dave Kriger; Planning and Zoning, John Bates; Sewer Department Superintendent, Chris Thompson.

Sewer Authority Chairman, James MacLaren reports that the Sewer Authority Board held its reorganization meeting. All positions stayed the same.

Zoning Officer John Bates reported that the Planning Commission Board also held its reorganization meeting and all positions stayed the same.

7:15 P.M. Old Business
No Old Business.

7:15 P.M. New Business
No New Business

7:26 P.M. Citizen’s Forum
Scott McCunn, 5810 Shell Circle/5808 Shell Circle

Mr. McCunn is concerned about a drainage pipe that was installed on his property. Only the first 50 feet of the pipe is now buried, the additional pipe is exposed and splitting causing the ground around it to shift. He reached out to the Sewer Dept., John Bates and the Road Dept. Dave Kriger reported that they put a camera through the pipe and found that it needs replaced from the drain all the way down. In the spring they will be starting from the road and working back for approximately 300ft. Mr. McCunn stated that the Road Department is welcome to use his spare lot located at 3808 Schell Cr. for staging and repair.

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David Gill 1025 Sweet Brier Dr.

Mr. Gill is Hopewell Youth Baseball League President. He is asking for a DCNR grant to complete the lighting project at the ball fields located at Hopewell Elementary School.

An update on the lighting project:

Phase One: 11-12 year old was completed in 2018. Funded by a Duquesne Light Grant, a Go-Fund-Me account and various fundraising.

Phase Two: 9-10 year old field is projected to be completed in 2019. Construction is slated to begin in May. It is currently 85-90% funded thanks to a grant from the Pittsburgh Pirates. He estimates it will take an additional \$3000.

Phase Three: 7-8 year old coach pitch field is projected for 2020. Estimated cost will be \$28,000-\$30,000. He is asking for the Township help in securing a DCNR grant. This is a matching grant. HYBL is planning a night at the races and other fundraisers if needed for the remaining funds.

Mr. Bufalini agreed that the Township will assist in obtaining the grant. The grant, which is due 4/10/19, will be written by Mr. Kusnir.

7:35 P.M.

Announcements

Pavilions at Hopewell Community Park are available for rental for Township residents beginning Monday, February 18th at 8:00 AM. Reservations are accepted on a first come first served basis and must be made in person.

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

7:35 P.M.

Executive Session-Beginning

The Board of Commissioners entered into Executive Session to discuss the Police Dept contract.

10:20 P.M.

Executive Session-End

President Bufalini announced that the Board of Commissioners will act upon the following matter:

Commissioner Bufalini: Motion to appoint Commissioner Nickolas DiPietro as the Primary Voting Delegate for the Beaver County Tax Collection Committee (BCTCC).

Commissioner Kusnir: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Swihart	Yes
Commissioner Ciccone	Yes
Commissioner DiPietro	Abstain
Commissioner Kusnir	Yes
Commissioner Bufalini	Yes

Motion Carried

10:21 P.M.

Adjournment

Commissioner DiPietro: Motion to Adjourn.

Commissioner Kusnir: Second the Motion.

Voice Vote:

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Minutes Recorded By: Nora Janicki 1/28/2019
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