

TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Beaver County, Pennsylvania
February 26th, 2018
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

7:09 P.M. **Call to Order**
Business Meeting Called to Order by President Richard Bufalini. President Bufalini indicated that the meeting is being recorded.

7:09 P.M. **Pledge of Allegiance**

7:10 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
Marie Stratakis Hartman, P.E., Engineer/Assistant Manager
Michael B. Jones (McMillen, Urick, Tocci & Jones), Township Solicitor

7:10 P.M. **Public Comments**
No Public Comments regarding the proposed Business Agenda.

7:10 P.M. **Business Agenda**
President Bufalini announced that the Tax Collector's Report and Treasurer's Report are available for public inspection at the Municipal Building.

Commissioner Kusnir: Motion to approve the January 22nd, 2018 Business Meeting minutes.

Commissioner Swihart: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:
Commissioner Swihart Yes
Commissioner Ciccone Abstain
Commissioner DiPietro Yes
Commissioner Kusnir Yes
Commissioner Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

Commissioner Ciccone: Motion to approve the List of Bills dated February 26th, 2018, as presented: General Fund \$103,938.24; Sewer Fund \$54,256.56; and State Fund \$23,384.31.

Commissioner Bufalini: 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 Swihart: Motion to hire Brad Batchelor as a 2018 Park Maintenance Employee at a rate of \$7.25 per hour.

Commissioner Kusnir: 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 sale of a 2006 Ford Explorer owned by Hopewell Township for \$2,005.00. The 2006 Ford Explorer was advertised and sold through an auction on MuniBid that concluded on February 21st, 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

Commissioner Ciccone: Motion to approve the sale of a 2006 Jeep Liberty owned by Hopewell Township for \$2,850.00. The 2006 Jeep Liberty was advertised and sold through an auction on MuniBid that concluded on February 21st, 2018.

Commissioner DiPietro: 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 sale of a 2010 Ford Explorer owned by Hopewell Township for \$3,870.00. The 2010 Ford Explorer was advertised and sold through an auction on MuniBid that concluded on February 21st, 2018.

Commissioner DiPietro: 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 Swihart: Motion to ratify payment to American Bankers Insurance Company for Flood Insurance (\$10,000 deductible) in the amount of \$23,321.00 for the Raccoon Creek WPCF Pump House and \$16,654.00 for the Raccoon Creek WPCF Garage and Press Room for the period encompassing 03/01/2018 through 02/28/2019. (Correction–The Payee was Benedict Insurance Agency)

Commissioner Bufalini: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Commissioner Ciccone: Motion to ratify payment to American Bankers Insurance Company for Flood Insurance for the following structures: Raccoon Creek WPCF Headworks Building (\$10,000 deductible) in the amount of \$23,604.00; Raccoon Creek WPCF Belt Press Blower Building (\$10,000 deductible) in the amount of \$536.00; and Raccoon Creek WPCF Aeration Building (\$10,000 deductible) in the amount of \$10,823.00. These policies shall become effective thirty (30) days from receipt of payment and application and shall be effective for 365 days thereafter. (Correction–The Payee was Benedict Insurance Agency)

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 Resolution No. 2018-03 being a Resolution of the Township of Hopewell, Beaver County, Pennsylvania repealing Resolution No. 2017-02 which approved the commercial land development plan of Lot Parcel 65-050-0100.000 situate at Industrial Boulevard and Gringo Road, Hopewell Township, known as the Esmark Realty, LLC Office Building Preliminary and Final Land Development Plan.

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

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

Police Chief Brian Uhrmacher, Sewer Department Superintendent Chris Thompson, Zoning Officer John Bates, and Engineer/Assistant Manager Marie Hartman presented their respective reports.

7:25 P.M. **Old Business**
No Old Business.

7:25 P.M. **New Business**
No New Business.

7:25 P.M. **Citizen’s Forum**
Cindy Murphy, BF Jones Memorial Library, Aliquippa, PA
Cindy Murphy informed that the “Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss” event will be held at the BF Jones Memorial Library on Saturday, March 3rd, 2018. An event featuring musician Dan Bubien will be presented in April, 2018.

Keith Black, 1216 Vermont Avenue, Hopewell Township, PA
Keith Black voiced his concerns about the deteriorating condition of many roads and the numerous potholes that are occurring. Engineer Marie Hartman responded that roadways that are not selected for contract paving will be repaired by the Hopewell Township Road Department. Hopewell Township is aware of the increased amount of winter damage that has occurred to our roadways. The Hopewell Township Road Department has begun to patch potholes this week.

7:28 P.M. **Announcements**
Please visit our website at www.hopewelltp.com, our Facebook page, and Twitter, for updates on Hopewell Township news and events.

Hopewell Township’s Spring Fest and Eggstravaganza will be held at Hopewell Community Park on Saturday, March 24th, 2018 from 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

7:29 P.M. **Executive Session-Beginning**
The Board of Commissioners entered Executive Session to discuss pending legal matters and personnel issues.

8:58 P.M. **Executive Session-End**
President Bufalini announced that the Board of Commissioners will act upon the following matter:

Commissioner Swihart: Motion to hire Ryan Elias as a 2018 Park Maintenance Employee at a rate of \$7.25 per hour.

Commissioner Bufalini: 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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8:59 P.M.

Adjournment

Commissioner Swihart:

Motion to Adjourn.

Commissioner Kusnir:

Second the Motion.

Voice Vote:

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Minutes Recorded By: Marie S. Hartman 02/26/2018
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