

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

August 8, 2011
Meeting in Session at 6:36 p.m.

6:18pm; Interview for the vacant Planning Board position

6:36pm: Workshop Meeting Called to Order by Mr. Bufalini and that the meeting will be recorded

ROLL CALL

President

Richard Bufalini

Vice President

Norm Kraus

Commissioners

Nick DiPietro

Joe Kusnir

Brian Rohm

Others Present

Andy Brunette, Township Manager/Controller

Marie Stratakis-Hartman, Township Engineer

Mike Jones Township Solicitor

6:36pm EXECUTIVE SESSION IN

7:22pm EXECUTIVE SESSION OUT

7:22pm ENGINEERS REPORT Marie Stratakis-Hartman (Report on File)

7:38pm CITIZEN COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE BUSINESS AGENDA None

7:38pm BUSINESS AGENDA

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve the Workshop Minutes of July 11, 2011

Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Rohm Abstain

Mr. Kraus Abstain

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kraus Motion to approve the list of bills dated for August 8, 2011

Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Rohm Yes

Mr. Kraus Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

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Mr. Kraus Motion to approve Wild World of Animals to perform a wild life show at Fall Fest 2011 in the amount of \$375.00 per budget line item 1-454-475 as recommended by the Park Board unanimously

Mr. Kusnir Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Rohm Yes

Mr. Kraus Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Rohm Motion to accept the Beaver County C.O.G. 2011-2012 road salt bid for Cargill Deicing Technologies in the amount of \$57.70 per ton

Mr. Kusnir Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Rohm Yes

Mr. Kraus Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve invoice #10065F in the amount of \$1,765.60 from Garvin Boward Beitko for Laird Drive engineering services rendered from July 7 thru August 2, 2011

Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Rohm Yes

Mr. Kraus Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kraus Motion to approve extending the contract between Waste Management and Hopewell Township dated November 7, 2008 whereby, pursuant to paragraph 16 "Length of Contract," they hereby agree to extend said contract by one additional successive (4th) year. Waste Management will render curbside collection services, to include leaves and grass mixed with rubbish, for this additional year at the same flat annual tonnage rate as determined at the end of the third year of the contract term. All other terms of said contract are to remain in full force and effect

Mr. Kusnir Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Rohm Yes

Mr. Kraus Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

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Mr. Kraus Motion to upgrade seasonal part time employee Greg Prodonovich to permanent part time status at his current rate of \$8.50/hr
Mr. Kusnir Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Rohm Yes
Mr. Kraus Yes
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

Mr. Rohm Motion to hire part time police officers Shawn Palmer, Jared Rogers, and David Gasparovich at a rate of \$14.35/hr
Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Rohm Yes
Mr. Kraus Yes
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

Mr. Kraus Motion to approve final payment request No. 2 in the amount of \$1,700.00 to Carmen Pailotta Contracting Co., Inc. for the Laird Drive Soldier Beam and Lagging retaining Structure
Mr. Rohm Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Rohm Yes
Mr. Kraus Yes
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

Mr. Kraus Motion to accept and award the Beaver Lakes Boulevard Culvert Replacement project to Stefanik's Next Generation Contracting Company, Inc. based upon their low bid of \$55,212.00
Mr. Kusnir Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Rohm Yes
Mr. Kraus Yes
Mr. Bufalini Yes
Motion Carried

7:45pm **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

All items for discussion in regards to engineering were addressed in the engineers report and are on file at the Township Building.

Mike Jones updated the Board on the pending drilling ordinance and advised the Board that he would make some changes and revisions in the ordinance based on the site visit to the drilling site. Mr. Jones continues to work on the revised grading and filling ordinance and he also advised the board that he has given the Chief of Police a draft for

the ordinance to compensate Hopewell Township Police for providing reciprocating police coverage to neighboring communities. Mr. Jones also updated the board on revising all of the Township fees.

7:47pm CITIZENS FORUM

Jennifer Steck 3021 Scott Avenue

Mrs. Steck addressed the Board on her concerns in regards to ordinance 2011-02 regarding oversized and commercial vehicle parking. Mrs. Steck also would like revisions to the ordinance made so that it might accommodate all of the residents and only punish the people who are abusing the ordinance.

David Clark 132 Bethlehem Church Road:

Mr. Clark questioned the ordinance 2011-02 in regards to what is a designated drive way. Mr. Clark also wanted to express his concerns over ordinance 2011-02 and infringements over private property use and that he was opposed to the ordinance.

Colleen Anderson 8022 Venus Drive

Mrs. Anderson wanted to express her concerns over ordinance 2011-02 in regards to the enforceability of the ordinance and expressed her displeasure with this ordinance and that her belief that it is not fair or legally correct.

Debbie Trillo 102 McKenna Drive

Mrs. Mckenna expressed her concerns over the conditions of McKenna Drive and stated that it is not a private road because of past conduct of what the Township did to the road. Mrs. Trillo also explained how bad the condition is on Mckenna Drive at this current time. Mrs. Mckenna also stated that she would not sign the maintenance release agreement in its current form.

Tom Rohm 227 Sharon Grange Road

Mr. Rohm wanted to express his concerns over ordinance 2011-02 and stated that residents should be grandfathered in and home owner associations in each area should regulate it. Mr. Rohm stated that he is in disagreement of this ordinance.

8:32pm NEW BUSINESS None

8:32pm OLD BUSINESS None

10:45pm ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Kraus Motion to adjourn
Mr. DiPietro Second the motion
Voice Vote: All in favor
Motion Carried

Minutes Recorded by: Andy J. Brunette 08/8/11
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