

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

7:04pm Business Meeting Called to Order by Mr. Bufalini and he announced that the meeting will be recorded

7:04pm PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

7:05pm Hopewell Township Police Chief Brian Uhrmacher swore in the two new Sergeants in the Hopewell Township police force, that being Officer Eric Yerdon and Officer Ron McMasters. Families and friends for both officers were present to watch the swearing in ceremony.

ROLL CALL 7:10pm

President Rich Bufalini In Attendance
Vice President Joe Kusnir In Attendance
Commissioner David Ciccone In Attendance
Commissioner Nick DiPietro In Attendance
Commissioner Dave Swihart 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. Bufalini Motion to approve the Business Meeting Minutes of November 28th, 2016.
Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Swihart Yes
Mr. Ciccone Yes
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Abstain (absent from the meeting)
Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve the list of bills dated December 27th, 2016, as stated; General Fund; \$57,411.06 ; Sewer Fund; \$31,573.99 and State Fund: \$15,626.28.

Mr. DiPietro Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Swihart Yes
Mr. Ciccone Yes
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes

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Mr. Bufalini Yes (Except for line item 2713 /Bufalini Plumbing)
Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve the 2017 budget as proposed and advertised November 21st, 2016. General Fund; \$6,543,194; Sewer Fund \$2,941, 071; Liquid Fuels Fund ; \$300,550, and Capital Improvements Reserve Fund; \$50,140.

Mr. DiPietro Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Swihart Yes

Mr. Ciccone Yes

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Ciccone A Motion to approve Ordinance 2016-02, appropriating money from municipal taxes and revenues to defray expenses and liabilities of Hopewell Township for the calendar year ending December 31st, 2017, as advertised on November 28th, 2016.

Mr. DiPietro Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Swihart Yes

Mr. Ciccone Yes

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir A Motion to approve Ordinance 2016-03 fixing the tax rates at 14 mills to be required to defray Specific expenditures and liabilities for the operation of Township Government for the calendar year ending December 31st, 2017.

Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Swihart Yes

Mr. Ciccone Yes

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Ciccone Motion to approve Resolution 2016-28 for a committed fund balance for 2017 for Hopewell Township, Beaver County, Pennsylvania.

Mr. DiPietro Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Swihart Yes

Mr. Ciccone Yes

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to designate Wesbanco as the primary depository for the township.

Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Swihart Yes
Mr. Ciccone Yes
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Ciccone Motion to designate the Beaver County Times as the primary newspaper for ads and notifications
Mr. Bufalini Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Swihart Yes
Mr. Ciccone Yes
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to re-appoint McMillen, Tocci, Urick and Jones as Township Solicitor for Hopewell Township.
Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Swihart Yes
Mr. Ciccone Yes
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Bufalini Motion to re-appoint Ag Squared, LLC, to provide Sewage Enforcement Officer Services for the year 2017 in accordance with the 2017 Fees and Method of Compensation effective January 1st, 2017. Note that the fees presented are the same as the 2016 fees.
Mr. DiPietro Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Swihart Yes
Mr. Ciccone Yes
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to re-appoint Cottrill Arbutina as the Hopewell Township independent auditor.
Mr. Ciccone Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Swihart Yes
Mr. Ciccone Yes
Mr. DiPietro Yes
Mr. Kusnir Yes
Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Ciccone Motion to designate Rich Bufalini as Hopewell Township COG Delegate and Joe Kusnir as Alternate COG Delegate.

Mr. Swihart Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Swihart Yes

Mr. Ciccone Yes

Mr. DiPietro Yes

Mr. Kusnir Yes

Mr. Bufalini Yes

7:17 pm COMMISSIONERS REPORTS NONE

7:18 pm THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENT REPORTS WERE GIVEN AND ARE ON FILE

7:20pm OLD BUSINESS NONE

7:20pm NEW BUSINESS NONE

7:21pm PUBLIC FORUM NONE

7:21pm ANNOUNCEMENTS :

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

All Hopewell Township Municipal and Public Works offices will be closed on Monday, January 2nd, 2017, in observance of the New Years Day holiday.

7:22pm ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Kusnir Motion to adjourn

Mr. Ciccone Second the motion

Voice Vote: All in favor

Motion Carried

Minutes Recorded by: Norm Kraus 12/27/2016

Minutes Prepared by: Norm Kraus 12/28/2016



ORDINANCE 2016-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL, BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, APPROPRIATING MONEYS FROM MUNICIPAL TAXES AND REVENUES TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Hopewell, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby ordained and enacted according to the power and authority granted under the First Class Township Code, Act of December 14, 1967, P.L. 819, effective January 1, 1969.

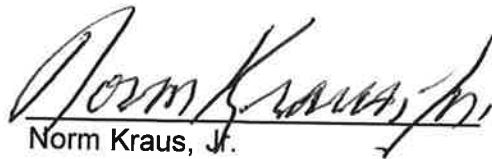
SECTION 1. That the following sums of money, or as much therefore as may be authorized by law, as may needed or deemed necessary to defray all expenses and liabilities of the Township, be and the same hereby are appropriated for the purposes and objects of said Township hereinafter specified for fiscal year commencing on the first day of January, 2017, and ending the thirty-first day of December, 2017.

General Fund	\$6,543,194
Sewer Fund	\$2,941,079
Sewer Construction Fund	\$ 45,000
Liquid Fuels Fund	\$300,550
Capital Improvements Reserve Fund	\$50,140
Park Capital Projects Reserve Fund	\$ 0
TOTAL 2016 ANNUAL BUDGET	\$9,879.63

ORDAINED AND ENACTED THIS 27th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2016.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Norm Kraus, Jr.
Hopewell Township Manager


Richard Bufalini, President
Hopewell Township Board of Commissioners

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