



TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Beaver County, Pennsylvania
August 8th, 2022
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

6:32 P.M. Workshop Meeting, held in the Township Municipal Building located at 1700 Clark Boulevard, Hopewell Township, was called to Order by Vice President Joe Kusnir. Mr. Kusnir announced that the meeting is being recorded.

6:32 P.M. **Roll Call**

President Richard Bufalini – Absent
Vice President Joe Kusnir – In Attendance
Commissioner Nick DiPietro – Absent
Commissioner Tim Force – In Attendance
Commissioner Barbara Michna – In Attendance

Others Present

Jamie Yurcina, Township Manager, Michael Jones, Solicitor and HRG Inc. Engineers.

6:33 P.M. **Citizens Comments on Agenda Items**

None

6:33 P.M. **Business Agenda**

Commissioner Force: Motion to approve the Workshop Meeting Minutes of July 11th, 2022.

Commissioner Kusnir: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Michna	Yes
Commissioner Force	Yes
Commissioner DiPietro	Absent
Commissioner Kusnir	Yes
Commissioner Bufalini	Absent
Motion Carried	

Commissioner Kusnir: Motion to approve the list of bills dated August 8th, 2022, as presented: General Fund \$552,031.20; Sewer Fund \$126,967.08; Sewer Escrow Fund \$258.21; Equipment Fund \$937.25; Bartolotta Grant Fund \$49,720.00, State Fund \$4,601.06 Sewer Construction Fund \$3,343.77.

Commissioner Force: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Michna	Yes
Commissioner Force	Yes
Commissioner DiPietro	Absent
Commissioner Kusnir	Yes



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Commissioner Bufalini Absent
Motion Carried.

Commissioner Michna: *Motion to approve the July 2022 Financial report as presented.*

Commissioner Force: *Second the Motion.*

Roll Call Vote:
Commissioner Michna Yes
Commissioner Force Yes
Commissioner DiPietro Absent
Commissioner Kusnir Yes
Commissioner Bufalini Absent
Motion Carried

Commissioner Kusnir: *Motion to approve the July 2022 Tax Collector's report as presented.*

Commissioner Force: *Second the Motion.*

Roll Call Vote:
Commissioner Michna Yes
Commissioner Force Yes
Commissioner DiPietro Absent
Commissioner Kusnir Yes
Commissioner Bufalini Absent
Motion Carried.

Commissioner Michna: *Motion to approve a 16-month membership with the Pittsburgh Area Chamber of Commerce beginning Aug 1st, 2022, for a fee of \$482.00.*

Commissioner Force: *Second the Motion.*

Roll Call Vote:
Commissioner Michna Yes
Commissioner Force Yes
Commissioner DiPietro Absent
Commissioner Kusnir Yes
Commissioner Bufalini Absent
Motion Carried

Commissioner Kusnir: *Motion to appoint Harold W. Allinder for Planning Commission Board Vacancy. Term ending 12/31/2024.*



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Commissioner Force: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Michna	Yes
Commissioner Force	Yes
Commissioner DiPietro	Absent
Commissioner Kusnir	Yes
Commissioner Bufalini	Absent
Motion Carried	

*Commissioner Force: Motion to rename the following previously passed Resolutions due to duplicate Resolution numbers.
RESOLUTION 2022-09A LSA Grant Wickham WWTP Upgrades
RESOLUTION 2022-9B PennDot Highway Transfer Program.*

Commissioner Michna: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Michna	Yes
Commissioner Force	Yes
Commissioner DiPietro	Absent
Commissioner Kusnir	Yes
Commissioner Bufalini	Absent
Motion Carried	

Commissioner Michna: Motion to approve RESOLUTION 202-17. A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL, BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, APPROVING A TWO LOT SUBDIVISION AND LOT CONSOLIDATION OF THE CITY OF ALIQUIPPA/HOPEWELL TAX PARCEL NO. 08-048-0107.000/65-005-1010.000 LAND OWNED BY JASON AND LAURA HUMBERT A PORTION OF WHICH IDENTIFIED AS PROPOSED LOT "A" TO BECOME AN INTREGAL PART OF ALIQUIPPA/HOPEWELL TAX PARCEL NO. 08-048-0108.000/65-005-1009.000 LAND OWNED BY JOHN RAGER, AND A PORTION OF WHICH, IDENTIFIED AS PROPOSED LOT "B", TO



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BECOME AN INTEGRAL PART OF ALIQUIPPA/HOPEWELL TAX PARCEL NO. 08-048-0106.000/65-005-1011.000 LAND OWNED BY JASON AND LAURA HUMBERT LOCATED IN THE HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP R-4 ZONING DISTRICT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF THE HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE NO. 91-2 AND ZONING ORDINANCE 95-2.

Commissioner Force: Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Michna	Yes
Commissioner Force	Yes
Commissioner DiPietro	Absent
Commissioner Kusnir	Yes
Commissioner Bufalini	Absent
Motion Carried	

6:42 P.M.

Solicitor's Report

Mr. Jones stated that the state passed a new firework statute regarding the proximity of Structures but it did not regulate hours as to when you can set them off. The Commissioners will discuss adding a time regulation specific to Hopewell Township.

Mike Jones also discussed the ongoing issues with B&B Auto and the volume of vehicles and location of work being done on the premises. B&B is not compiling with the consent from the Township. Further action may need to be addressed.

Other property in the Township currently in noncompliance with Township regulations were also discussed.

6:51 P.M.

Engineer's Report

Engineer's Report was Discussed, Submitted, and is on File.

7:12 P.M.

Items for Discussion

Crossing guard's resident requirements were discussed. With the lack of applicants it may be necessary to extent the 5-mile radius residence requirement.

Citizens Forum

Bethany Pistorius, 2008 S. Trillium Dr. Hopewell Township.

Ms. Pistorius addressed the landslide in her backyard in Autumn Ridge.



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Renee Russman, 2006 S. Trillium Dr., Hopewell Township

Ms. Russman discussed how work on the landslide will affect their properties

Commissioner Kusnir said the Township is working to address the issue and a solution. The Township legally will need to obtain consent to enter the property from the homeowners prior to work starting.

7:20 P.M.

Old Business

Commissioner Michna discussed the flooding issues on Sharon Grange.

Mr. Kusnir confirmed that area has natural springs stemming from private property resulting in very little the Township can do to remedy the problem.

7:22 P.M.

New Business

Commissioner Force:

Motion to amend the 8.8.2022 Workshop Meeting agenda adding a motion to approve a contract with Garvin Boward Beiko for consulting geotechnical engineering services related to a stability evaluation of the South Trillium landslide, preliminary proposal #22072, inclusive of test borings, laboratory testing and stability analysis at an estimated cost of \$37,155.00.

Commissioner Michna:

Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Michna	Yes
Commissioner Force	Yes
Commissioner DiPietro	Absent
Commissioner Kusnir	Yes
Commissioner Bufalini	Absent
Motion Carried	

Commissioner Kusnir:

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Commissioner Michna:

Second the Motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Michna	Yes
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Motion Carried	

7:30 P.M. **Executive Session**
No Executive Meeting Needed.

7:30 P.M. **Adjournment**
Commissioner Force: Motion to Adjourn.
Commissioner Michna: Second the Motion.

Voice Vote:
All in Favor
Motion Carried

Minutes Recorded by: Jamie Yurcina 8/8/2022
Minutes Prepared by: Nora Janicki 8/9/2022