



**TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**Beaver County, Pennsylvania**  
**March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

7:10 P.M. **Call to Order**  
Hopewell Township's Business Meeting, held in the Township Municipal Building, located at 1700 Clark Boulevard, Hopewell Township, was called to Order by President Richard Bufalini. Mr. Bufalini indicated that the meeting is being recorded.

7:10 P.M. **Pledge of Allegiance**

7:11 P.M. **Roll Call**  
President Richard Bufalini –In Attendance  
Vice President Joe Kusnir – In Attendance  
Commissioner Nick DiPietro – In Attendance  
Commissioner Barbara Michna – In Attendance  
Commissioner Kara Rubino– In Attendance

**Others Present**

Jamie Yurcina, Township Manager  
Michael B. Jones (McMillen, Urick, Tocci & Jones), Township Solicitor  
HRG Inc., Engineering

7:11 P.M. **Public Comments on Agenda Items**  
No Public Comments

7:11 P.M. **Business Agenda**  
President Bufalini announced that the Tax Collector's Report and the Treasurer's Report is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building.

*Commissioner Kusnir: Motion to approve the February 26th, 2024, Business Meeting minutes.*

*Commissioner Michna: Second the Motion.*

**Roll Call Vote:**

Commissioner Rubino	Yes
Commissioner Michna	Yes
Commissioner DiPietro	Yes
Commissioner Kusnir	Yes
Commissioner Bufalini	Yes.
Motion Carried	

*Commissioner DiPietro: Motion to approve the List of Bills dated March 25th, 2024, as presented: General Fund \$214,471.45; Sewer Fund \$102,020.21; State ARPA Fund \$16,795.64; and Development Escrow Fund \$649.50.*

*Commissioner Rubino: Second the Motion.*

**Roll Call Vote:**



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Commissioner Rubino	Yes
Commissioner Michna	Yes
Commissioner DiPietro	Yes
Commissioner Kusnir	Yes
Commissioner Bufalini	Yes
Motion Carried	

*Commissioner Kusnir:* Motion to approve Resolution 2024-04. A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL, BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, APPROVING THE DURAN LOT CONSOLIDATION PLAN OF TWENTY (20) UNDEVELOPED TAX PARCELS: 65-020.0305.000, 65-020-0306.000, 65-020-0307.000, 65-020-0308.000, 65-020-0309.000, 65-020.0310.000, 65-020-0313.000, 65-020-0314.000, 65-020-0315.000, 65-020-0316.000, 65-020-0317.000, 65-020-0318.000, 65-020-0319000, 65-020-0320.000, 65-020-0321.000, 65-020-0322.000, 65-020-0323.000, 65-020-0324.000, 65-020-0325.000, 65-020-0326.000 OF LAND OWNED BY ALEX DURAN INTO ONE (1) LOT, LOCATED ON CASEY DR. IN THE R-3 ZONING DISTRICT OF HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF THE HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE NO. 91.2.

*Commissioner DiPietro:* Second the Motion.

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

7:13 P.M. **Commissioner's Reports**

7:13 P.M. **Department Reports**

The various Department Reports were given and are on file at the Hopewell Township Municipal Building.

Police Chief Donald Sedlacek, Sewer Department Supervisor Chris Thompson HRG Engineering, John Bates, Planning and Zoning, Parks and Recreation Director, Brad Batchelor, and Fire Department, Jon Cochran.



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7:28 P.M. **New Business**  
No New Business

7:28 P.M. **Old Business**  
No Old Business.

7:28 P.M. **Citizen's Forum**

Janis Falk, 3217 Roosevelt Ave., Hopewell Township.

*Mrs. Falk confirmed with Mr. Yurcina that Roosevelt Ave. is included on the paving list this year. She lives at the end of the road and would like to ensure that it will also be paved in front of their house. The end of Roosevelt Ave. was never connected to Cleveland Ave. as originally intended. Mr. Bates will investigate what part of Roosevelt Ave. is required to be maintained by the Township.*

Andy Rauch, RAR Engineering

*Mr. Rauch introduced himself to the Board as the engineer heading up the new gypsum plant construction at 2204 Todd Rd.*

Dave Hanne, 124 Valleyview Ave., Hopewell Township

*As a follow-up from the last meeting, Mr. Hanne met with the residents on Valleyview Ave. He is asking what needs to be done to have the road paved correctly. Mr. Yurcina stated that they are planning on paving the road. Mr. Bufalini stated the engineer would need to review the area to see what can be done to try and ensure there are no drainage issues.*

*Mr. Kusnir confirmed that the new paving will be an improvement, but they cannot promise that all drainage issues will be fixed. However, the Township will come up with a price for a permanent fix and will share that with Mr. Hanne. This year they are estimating spending \$100,000.00 to pave the street. Mr. Kusnir stated if we take it off the list of roads to pave this year we can't promise that the budget will allow to have it added to the list next year for paving of other improvements.*

*Mr. Hanne asked that on behalf of the Valleyview Ave. residents the Township hold off on paving this year and reevaluate the foundation of the road next year before it is paved.*

Valerie Alexander, 3190 Bradbury Dr., Hopewell Township

*Ms. Alexander asked more signage to be placed at the dog park to ensure that larger dogs and smaller dogs are kept separate. She also addressed concerns of dogs not always being leashed outside the fenced area.*

8:01 P.M. **Announcements**

Hopewell Township Depository will open on Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup> for the 2024 season. The hours of operation will be 10:00 am – 6:00 pm.

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- 8:01 P.M.     **Executive Session-Beginning**  
Mr. Bufalini stated an Executive Meeting was needed to discuss Fire Department personnel.
- 9:04 P.M.     **Executive Session-ending**  
Mr. Bufalini stated there is no action to take following the Executive Session.
- 9:04 P.M.     **Adjournment**  
*Commissioner Michna:           Motion to Adjourn.*  
*Commissioner Rubino:         Second the Motion*
- Voice Vote:**  
All in Favor  
Motion Carried

Minutes Recorded By: Jamie Yurcina 3.25.2024  
Minutes Prepared By: Nora Janicki 3.26.2024