

Resolution 2015  
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**TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL  
Beaver County, Pennsylvania  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
WORKSHOP MINUTES**

6:34pm Meeting was called to order by Mr. Bufalini and the meeting was being recorded

6:35pm

**ROLL CALL**

President

Rich Bufalini- in attendance

Vice President

Joe Kusnir – in attendance

Commissioners

Dave Ciccone- absent

Nick DiPietro- present

Gary Tranelli – absent

Others Present

Norm Kraus, Jr., Township Manager

Marie Stratakis-Hartman, Township Engineer

Michael Jones/McMillen,Urick,Tocci,Fouse&Jones, Township Solicitor

6:35pm **ENGINEER’S REPORT – Marie Stratakis Hartman REPORT ON FILE**

7:45 pm **CITIZEN’S COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE AGENDA:**

**Vic Gurinowitsch/ 2132 Ridgeview Ave.**

Mr. Gurinowitsch asked Mr. Kraus what he meant when he commented about a garbage problem with the one day pickup that currently is in place with Waste Management. Mr. Kraus pointed out the numerous times full plans of homes and several streets had been missed by WM, causing the collection to go beyond the one day pickup service the contract stipulates.

7:46pm **BUSINESS AGENDA**

Mr. Bufalini Motion to approve the Workshop Meeting minutes of July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015.  
Mr. Kusnir Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Tranelli Absent  
Mr. Ciccone Absent  
Mr. DiPietro Abstain (absent)  
Mr. Kusnir Yes  
Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to approve the list of bills dated August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015, as presented. General Fund; General

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Fund: \$10,919.81; Sewer Fund; \$1,946.86.

Mr. DiPietro Second the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Tranelli Absent  
Mr. Ciccone Absent  
Mr. DiPietro Yes  
Mr. Kusnir Yes  
Mr. Bufalini Yes (except for budget line item 53-01-410-373 Bufalini's Plumbing Solutions) abstain  
Motion Carried

Mr. Bufalini Motion to release the 1 mil tax payment that is appropriated to the Hopewell Township Volunteer Fire Department for the year 2015 at \$166,000.00, as per budget line item 01-411-530.

Mr. Kusnir Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Tranelli Absent  
Mr. Ciccone Absent  
Mr. DiPietro Yes  
Mr. Kusnir Yes  
Mr. Bufalini Yes  
Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to make a payment of \$9,966.40 in accumulated vacation and sick benefits to the estate of Andy Brunette.

Mr. DiPietro Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Tranelli Absent  
Mr. Ciccone Absent  
Mr. DiPietro Yes  
Mr. Kusnir Yes  
Mr. Bufalini Yes  
Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to pass Resolution 2015-14, removing Wendy Kasunic from the following Wesbanco Accounts and adding Barbara Swearingen to the same Wesbanco Accounts: General Fund: 1300004508; General Fund Sweep; 1300006075; Developer's Escrow Account: 1300006364; Police Federal Equity Fund: 1300003287; LIG Grant: 1300005829; Dye Test & Repairs: 1300006372; Sewer Cash Fund: 1300004540; Sewer Sweep: 1300006067; Park Reserve Fund: 1300001786; General Capital Projects Cash Fund: 1300004558; General Reserve-Sweep: 1300006059; Sewer Construction Fund: 1300004532; Sewer Construction Fund-Sweep: 1300006041; Clearing Cash: 1300004516; Credit Card Clearing: 1300004524; 2011 Series A Bond: 1300006413; 2011 Series B Bond 1300006421; Series A Bond/ Loan: 000000020789; and 2011 Series B Bond/Loan: 000000020788.

Mr. DiPietro Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Tranelli Absent  
Mr. Ciccone Absent  
Mr. DiPietro Yes  
Mr. Kusnir Yes  
Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. DiPietro Motion to have the cost of three clearances for the Crossing Guards be taken out of the Crossing Guard budget, as per budget line item 01-410-441. The total cost would be \$334.00 for all eight guards presently employed by the township. The PA Child Abuse and PA State Police Criminal Clearances are \$8.00 each and the FBI Clearance is \$25.75., which makes it \$41.75 per guard.

Mr. Kusnir Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Tranelli Absent  
Mr. Ciccone Absent  
Mr. DiPietro Yes  
Mr. Kusnir Yes  
Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir Motion to accept the high bid on each of the five township vehicles that are currently being auctioned off on the Municibid online Government auction website. The bidding for the Impala 2009 police car, Impala 2008 police car, Impala 2006 police car, the 1995 Ford F250 Pickup and Chevrolet K1500 Truck from the Park will end this Friday afternoon, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Mr. Bufalini Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Tranelli Absent  
Mr. Ciccone Absent  
Mr. DiPietro Yes  
Mr. Kusnir Yes  
Mr. Bufalini Yes

Motion Carried

7:57pm

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

Commissioner Kusnir again brought up the two Lopata properties that the township currently owns and is paying taxes on and if the status has changed any on them.. He asked Manager Kraus where things stood with these properties. Mr. Bufalini asked if the BOC could be given a property value on the two properties so the Board could determine what to do with these properties.

Ms. Hartman and Mr. Kraus brought the BOC up to date on developments with developer Larry Dorsch and Kellaur Corporation. John Bates, Ms. Hartman and Mr. Kraus are going with Mr. Dorsch to Cranberry next week to look at an apartment complex similar to the one that he is building at Kane Rd. Mr. Kraus also told the BOC that he had contacted Doug Kalegheur about the 85 acres Mr. Kalegheur owns that sits next to the Industrial Park. Mr. Dorsch is interested in that property and Mr. Kraus is working on setting up a meeting with Mr. Kalegheur to discuss.

Mr. Kraus passed out copies of the revised Hopewell Township Employees Handbook that he had been working on for some time. He asked to BOC to review the revised handbook, as well as Solicitor Jones. He would like to finalize the revision, have the Board vote on it to accept the revised edition and get it out to the employees. In addition, Mr. Kraus wanted to verify that the township, has indeed, revised the handbook, and get the final version to Karen Beck an Loss Control Management from the State, which monitors these kind of things and wants revised editions done to reflect the changes in the workplace.