



TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Beaver County, Pennsylvania

January 5th, 2026

REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES

HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REORGANIZATION MEETING

The reorganization meeting of the Hopewell Township Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, January 5th, 2026, at 7:00 P.M. at the Hopewell Township Municipal Building, Clark Boulevard, Aliquippa, PA 15001.

7:00 P.M. District Magistrate Felicia Santillan swears in newly elected officials Commissioners, Robert Williams, Joe Kusnir and Barb Michna and our Tax Collector Diane Palsa.

7:09 P.M The meeting was called to order by Jamie Yurcina, Township Manager.

7:10 P.M ROLL CALL – COMMISSIONERS

Mr. Williams - Present
Mrs. Rubino - Present
Mr. DiPietro - Present
Mrs. Michna - Present
Mr. Kusnir – Present

7:10 P.M Manager: In accordance with the First-Class Township Code, the Township Commissioners shall organize each even numbered year, at which time the Manager shall chair the meeting until such time as a President of the Board of Commissioners is nominated.

Manager: Is there a motion to appoint the President of the Board of Commissioners?

Mr. DiPietro: Motion to appoint Joe Kusnir as President.

Mrs. Michna: Second the Motion

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Williams - Yes
 Mrs. Rubino - Yes
 Mr. DiPietro - Yes
 Mrs. Michna - Yes
 Mr. Kusnir – Yes

Motion Carried



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Let the record reflect that Joe Kusnir is President of the Hopewell Township Board of Commissioners.

The chair will now be turned over to the President of the Board of Commissioners Joe Kusnir.

President Kusnir thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as President again with this Board of Commissioners.

Mr. Kusnir: Is there a motion to appoint the Vice President of the Board of Commissioners?

Mr. DiPietro: Motion to appoint Nick Dipietro as Vice President. (Amended)

Mrs. Michna: Second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Williams - Yes
 Mrs. Rubino - Yes
 Mr. DiPietro - Yes
 Mrs. Michna - Yes
 Mr. Kusnir – Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir: Is there a motion to appoint the Vice President of the Board of Commissioners?

Mr. DiPietro: Motion to appoint Barb Michna as Vice President.

Mrs. Michna: Second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Williams - No
 Mrs. Rubino - Yes
 Mr. DiPietro - No
 Mrs. Michna - Yes
 Mr. Kusnir – No

Motion Carried

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Mrs. Michna: Second the motion.



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Roll Call Vote: Mr. Williams - Yes
Mrs. Rubino - Yes
Mr. DiPietro - Abstain
Mrs. Michna - Yes
Mr. Kusnir – Yes

Motion Carried

Let the record reflect that Nick DiPietro is Vice President of the Board of Commissioners.

7:11 P.M REORGANIZATION MEETING AGENDA

Mr. Kusnir: Motion to designate WesBanco as primary bank depository.

Mr. DiPietro: Second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Williams - Yes
Mrs. Rubino - Yes
Mr. DiPietro - Yes
Mrs. Michna - Yes
Mr. Kusnir – Yes

Motion Carried

Mrs. Michna: Motion to designate the Beaver County Times as the official primary newspaper for advertisements and notifications.

Mr. DiPietro: Second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Williams - Yes
Mrs. Rubino - Yes
Mr. DiPietro - Yes
Mrs. Michna - Yes
Mr. Kusnir – Yes

Motion Carried



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Mr. Williams: Motion to re-appoint McMillen, Urick, Tocci & Jones as Township Solicitor.

Mr. DiPietro: Second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Williams - Yes
 Mrs. Rubino - Yes
 Mr. DiPietro - Yes
 Mrs. Michna - Yes
 Mr. Kusnir – Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. DiPietro: Motion to re-appoint Hurlbert, Rowland and Grubic, Inc as Township Engineer.

Mr. Williams: Second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Williams - Yes
 Mrs. Rubino - Yes
 Mr. DiPietro - Yes
 Mrs. Michna - Yes
 Mr. Kusnir – Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir: Motion to re-appoint Mark C. Turnley, CPA to serve as Township independent Auditor.

Mrs. Michna: Second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Williams - Yes
 Mrs. Rubino - Yes
 Mr. DiPietro - Yes
 Mrs. Michna - Yes
 Mr. Kusnir – Yes

Motion Carried



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Mr. Williams: Motion to re-appoint the EADS Group, Inc. by Anthony DiPippa, as the Hopewell Township Septic Enforcement Officer.

Mr. DiPietro: Second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Williams - Yes
 Mrs. Rubino - Yes
 Mr. DiPietro - Yes
 Mrs. Michna - Yes
 Mr. Kusnir – Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. Kusnir: Motion to designate Commissioner Barb Michna as Hopewell Township's COG delegate and Commissioner Joe Kusnir as Alternate COG Delegate.

Mr. DiPietro: Second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Williams - Yes
 Mrs. Rubino - Yes
 Mr. DiPietro - Yes
 Mrs. Michna - Yes
 Mr. Kusnir – Yes

Motion Carried

Mr. DiPietro: Motion to re-appoint Dean Aires to the Civil Service Commission for a 6-year term.

Mr. Williams: Second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Williams - Yes
 Mrs. Rubino - Yes
 Mr. DiPietro - Yes
 Mrs. Michna - Yes
 Mr. Kusnir – Yes

Motion Carried



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Mr. Kusnir: Motion to designate Ron Sullivan to the Vacancy Board.

Mrs. Michna: Second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Williams - Yes
 Mrs. Rubino - Yes
 Mr. DiPietro - Yes
 Mrs. Michna - Yes
 Mr. Kusnir – Yes

Motion Carried

7:21 PM PUBLIC FORUM NONE

7:21 PM ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Kusnir: Motion to adjourn.

Mrs. Michna: Second the motion.

All voice voted in favor to adjourn the meeting.

Minutes Recorded by Jamie Yurcina 1/5/2026
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