TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Beaver County, Pennsylvania
October 26th, 2026
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

7:00 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 Kusnir. Mr. Kusnir indicated that this meeting is being recorded.

7:00 P.M. **Pledge of Allegiance**

7:00 P.M. **Roll Call**
President Joe Kusnir– In Attendance
Vice President Nick DiPietro– Absent
Commissioner Barbara Michna – In Attendance
Commissioner Kara Rubino – In Attendance
Commissioner Robert Williams – In Attendance

Others Present
Manager Jamie Yurcina, Solicitor Mike Jones, HRG Engineering Kristen Vasilakis, Zoning Officer John Bates, Volunteer Fire Department Chief Jonathon Cochran, and Parks and Recreation, Brad Batchelor.

7:02 P.M. **Public Comments on Agenda Items**
No Public Comments

7:02 P.M. **Business Agenda**

Commissioner Michna: *Motion to approve September 26th, 2026, Business Meeting Minutes.*

Commissioner Rubino: *Second the Motion.*

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Williams	Yes
Commissioner Rubino	Yes
Commissioner Michna	Yes
Commissioner DiPietro	Absent
Commissioner Kusnir	Yes

Motion Carried

Commissioner Williams	*Motion to approve the list of bills dated October 26th, 2026; General Fund $118,443.98; Sewer Fund $45,622.04; State Fund $2,074.00; and the Sewer Construction Fund $3,880.00.*
Commissioner Michna:	*Second the Motion.*

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Williams	Yes
Commissioner Rubino	Yes
Commissioner Michna	Yes
Commissioner DiPietro	Absent
Commissioner Kusnir	Yes

Motion Carried

Commissioner Kusnir:	*Motion to hire Brian Reno as a fill in Crossing Guard for Hopewell Township, pending the completion of all pre-employment screening.*
Commissioner Rubino:	*Second the Motion.*

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Williams	Yes
Commissioner Rubino	Yes
Commissioner Michna	Yes
Commissioner DiPietro	Absent
Commissioner Kusnir	Yes

Motion Carried

7:02 P.M. **Commissioner's Reports**
No Reports currently

7:02 P.M. **Solicitor's Reports**
Solicitor, Mike Jones – No reports currently.

7:03 P.M. **Department Reports**
The various Department Reports were given and are on file at the Hopewell Township Municipal Building.

Manager Jamie Yurcina, Solicitor Mike Jones, HRG Engineering Kristen Vasilakis, Zoning Officer John Bates, Volunteer Fire Department Chief Jonathon Cochran, and Parks and Recreation, Brad Batchelor.

7:11 P.M. **New Business**
No New Business

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7:11 P.M. **Old Business**
No Old Business

7:12 P.M. **Citizen's Forum**

Robert Steffes, 711 Hall Street, Aliquippa, PA 15001
Mr. Steffes – concerned about Dumping on Sohn Road, wants to set up a trail camera. He has been cleaning it up, but he is unable to anymore. He would like the site to be cleaned up. And possibly like the Township to close the road.
Manager, Jamie Yurcina – has been in touch with the District Magistrate about a community service program.

Richard Manko – 1210 New Hampshire Avenue, Aliquippa, PA 15001
Mr. Manko - followed up on the concerns regarding the vacant property at 1200 Connecticut Avenue.
Zoning Officer John Bates - reported improvements to the property, including trimmed trees and bushes and cleanup efforts by community members and Parks and Recreation. Repairs to the windows are planned.
Mr. Bates - will follow up with 1200 Connecticut Ave, regarding long-term options for the property, including selling or demolishing the house.

RJ Grant, 2617 Linden Avenue, Aliquippa PA 15001 – The resident reported speeding on Maple Avenue, concerns about neighbors burning mattresses, overcrowding, and occupants allegedly living without water. He also reported finding needles, pipes, and drugs on the property, difficulty parking in front of his home, and receiving a letter requiring him to remove rocks.
Zoning Officer, John Bates – He stated that a letter had been sent regarding burning materials in the neighborhood. He noted that the rocks are located within the right-of-way. The Township will investigate all the concerns raised.

Johnathan Pisano, 794 Monaca Road, Hopewell Township, Beaver County
Mr. Pisano – introduced himself and brought to everyone's attention that he will be running for District Magistrate Office.

Steve Byrd, 2423 Mill Street, Aliquippa PA, 15001.
Mr. Bryd – Reported that a mattress had been dumped at the dog park and requested to speak with Recreation Director Brad Batchelor regarding another matter.

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7:44 P.M. **Announcements**

HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP TRICK OR TREAT!

Get your costumes ready and your candy bags ready!

Hopewell Township Trick or Treat will take place on Thursday, October 29th, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM!

Allergen-Friendly Trick or Treat

Hopewell Township will also be hosting our Allergen-Friendly Trick or Treat at the Municipal Building during the same hours, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM!

This is a welcoming, inclusive space for children with food allergies and their families to enjoy the fun of Halloween, too! We look forward to seeing all our little ghosts, goblins, superheroes, and princesses! Have a safe and happy Halloween!

Stay connected with everything happening in Hopewell Township!

Visit our website at www.hopewelltwp.com and follow our Facebook page for the latest township news, community updates, and upcoming events.

7:45 P.M. **Executive Session**

Executive Session Needed for Taxpayer Appeal, Public Works Union Contract Review, the 2 Zoning issues we heard about earlier.

8:32 P.M. **Executive Session Ended**

No Action Needed at this time.

8:32PM. We will discuss our proposed 2027 General Fund Budget.

10:30 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 10.26.2026
Minutes Prepared By: Chrissy Rubino 10.28.2026