

**HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP
YORK COUNTY PA
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 6, 2020
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
7:00 PM**

Chairman Aaron Manifold called the February 6, 2020 Board of Supervisors meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Also in attendance were Supervisors David Wisnom and John O'Neill, Attorney Stephanie Kogut from the Solicitor's Office and Manager Kristy Smallwood.

Chairman Manifold asked if anyone in the crowd was recording the meeting. No one was recording the meeting. Chairman Manifold stated the Board held executive session prior to the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Supervisor O'Neill motioned to approve the January 2020 Reorg. Board of Supervisors Meeting minutes. Supervisor Wisnom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Manifold motioned to approve the January 2020 Regular Meeting Board of Supervisors Meeting minutes. Supervisor O'Neill seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report/Invoices

Supervisor Wisnom motioned to approve the January 31, 2020 Treasurer's Report and invoices. Chairman Manifold seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Roads Report

The Road Crew has been working on winter maintenance, including the trucks and the paving equipment. They are getting things prepared for the Grove Mill Road bridge project, weather permitting. They are doing minor tree trimming and pot hole maintenance.

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None.

Solicitor's Report:

Dwelling Rights

Attorney Kogut gave an update on the dwelling rights, a project the Solicitor's office has been continuously working on. There are a few properties that would be affected by the proposed ordinance changes, possibly allowing for more rights on certain properties. Chairman Manifold explained that the Solicitor's Office has been working on these for the entire township so when questions arise, the Township can easily access the dwelling rights.

Bridgeview

The Conditional Approval Letter was sent from the Solicitor's Office.

The SEO Officer sent a resolution to the Solicitor's Office for possibly adoption. The SEO Officer is asking that the Board sign the Resolution in opposition of the House Bill. Chairman Manifold motioned to adopt Resolution 4-2020 opposing the house bill. Supervisor O'Neill seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Other Business:

SEO Fees

The SEO submitted a revised fee schedule for their fees after the Board's January Re-Organization Meeting. Supervisor O'Neill motioned to adopt the fees as presented. Supervisor Wisnom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Personnel

Katie Berry, the Township treasurer and administrative staff, had an annual review. Chairman Manifold motioned to increase Katie Berry's pay by \$2.00/hour. Supervisor O'Neill seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tax Collector

The tax collector submitted a request for reimbursement. Supervisor Wisnom motioned to deny the request for reimbursement. Supervisor O'Neill seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Act 537

Supervisor O'Neill motioned for the Solicitor's Office to file complaints for the four outstanding Act 537 properties. Supervisor Wisnom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Mary Glass, 39 Ballast Lane, asked if the Board has received any communication regarding the sale of Penn Waste. Manager Smallwood explained that she has been told that nothing will change with the current contract.

David Gatta was here for Mike Scheddel, resident at 1804 Zeigler School Road. He installed a 4 foot fence, but the ordinance has a restriction of a 3 foot Mr Gatta stated the 4 foot fence is needed due to a medical condition. The homeowner received a notice violation letter received the week before. The homeowner requested a variance as they want to keep the fence at four feet high. The Board explained to the installer about the process of applying for the variance. The Board is willing to table the issue and the complaint received until next month's meeting. Chairman Manifold motioned to grant the extension to come into compliance or apply for a variance until March 6, 2020. Supervisor O'Neill seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Susan Herbert wanted to mention that she is very grateful for the Township Office staff.

Chairman Manifold adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Kristy Smallwood, Secretary

Courtney Costalas, Recording Secretary