

**MINUTES OF THE HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
HELD ON DECEMBER 7, 2010**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kievit, at approximately 7:00 P.M. with the opening statement that the meeting had been duly advertised and met all the requirements of the Sunshine Law. Also present were: Deputy Mayor Ross, Councilwoman Hamilton, Councilman Kula, Councilman Miller, Manager Marianne Smith, Clerk Jane Bakalarczyk and Township Attorney Dominic DiYanni of Dorsey & Semrau

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. 2010 Best Practice Incentive Results

Township Manager handed out a copy of the results to the Council for their information.

B. Request of North Church Gravel for Change of Hours of Operation

The Council reviewed the request from North Church Gravel for a temporary waiver from the permitted hours of operation specified in the Soil Removal Ordinance. The Council also reviewed the letter from Township Engineer Robert P. Guerin dated December 3, 2010 recommending that the applicant provide additional information concerning the specifics of this request before the Council takes any action. The Council agreed with the Township Engineer's recommendations. A member of the public, Eric Miller, presented his concerns regarding the request to the Township Council.

C. Discussion of Inclusion of Fire Department under the Statewide Insurance Fund Coverage

Township Manager stated that the resolution authorizing the addition of the Hardyston Township Fire Department for inclusion under Statewide Insurance Fund has been placed on the regular meeting agenda to follow the workshop for the Council's consideration.

D. County Health Department Letter of November 16, 2010 Regarding Water Testing

Township Manager provided the Council with a copy of a letter received from the County Health Department stating that due to new Federal Ground Water Rule regulations which became effective December 1, 2009, the County Health Department has realized that it is impossible to provide the service of maintaining compliance for water systems as well as being the enforcing agency. The County Health Department stated in their letter that they will no longer provide sample collection and analysis for Total Coliform and Nitrate effective immediately for the Hardyston Municipal Building and the Township Park water systems.

E. Status of Operations and Financial Status Report

Township Manager presented the Council with a status of operations and financial status report for their review.

F. Public Works Status Report

Bob Schultz, DPW Director presented the Council with a status report regarding trucks, recycling and inter-local agreements.

PUBLIC COMMENT (in accordance with P.L. 2002, c.80): A motion was made and seconded to open the meeting to the public. All in favor. Motion carried. No public comment. A motion was made and seconded to close the meeting to the public. All in favor. Motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: No further comments.

ADJOURNMENT: At approximately 8:15 p.m., a motion was made by Ross to adjourn seconded by Hamilton. All in favor. Motion carried.