

**MINUTES OF THE HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
HELD ON DECEMBER 6, 2011**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kula, 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 Miller, Councilwoman Hamilton, Councilman Kievit, Councilman Ross, Manager Marianne Smith, Clerk Jane Bakalarczyk and Township Attorney Fred Semrau

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Citizen Concern – Mountain Road – Ted Hessler

Mr. Ted Hessler, a resident of Hardyston Township residing on Mountain Road expressed some concerns that he has with a property located on Mountain Road. He stated that he has been in contact with the Zoning Department to try and resolve the matter.

B. Discussion of Interest in Volunteering

Mr. Hessler expressed his interest in becoming more involved with the Township and possibly volunteering to serve on one of the Boards. The Council recommended that he attend the various board meetings to see what he might be interested in.

C. Brecia Farms Developer's Agreement

Council discussed the request for a 3 year extension to the Brecia Farms Developer's Agreement. This item will be placed on the regular meeting agenda to follow for the Council's consideration.

D. Sale of SREC Update

Township Manager recommended holding off selling the remaining SREC's until a policy decision regarding pricing comes through from the State next year. The Council agreed with this recommendation.

E. Progress Report on Communications Upgrade Project

Township Manager stated that the water tower antenna is up and that the south side was supposed to be done yesterday. She stated that Hamburg Mountain was to be done today and that the antenna on Deer Trail is almost installed. She stated that there is still more ground work to be done.

F. S2794 – Sweeney Shared Service Bill

The Council reviewed and discussed the proposed legislation, S2794, regarding shared services and municipal consolidation and their concerns relating to the bill. Township Manager stated that she will prepare a letter to Senator Oroho stating their concerns.

G. 2012 Appointments

Manager provided the Council with a list of appointments that will be expiring at the end of the year for their review in preparation for the 2012 reorganization meeting.

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. Elizabeth Eager, a resident of Indian Fields, inquired as to when the water tower would be cleaned. Township Manager stated that is a Hardyston Township Municipal Utilities matter, but since she is the Administrator for

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the HTMUA, she would be able to respond to her inquiry. She told Ms. Eager that the rehabilitation of the water tank is scheduled for the spring. 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 7:55 p.m., a motion was made by Ross to adjourn seconded by Kievit. All in favor. Motion carried.

Jane Bakalarczyk, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk