

**MINUTES OF THE HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
FEBRUARY 12, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kula at approximately 8:05 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, Manager Marianne Smith, Clerk Jane Bakalarczyk and Township Attorney Fred Semrau of Dorsey & Semrau. Councilman Verrilli and Councilman Cicerale were absent from this meeting.

**SALUTE THE FLAG**

**CONSENT AGENDA: ALL MATTERS LISTED BELOW ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE IN NATURE AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF ANY DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT PARTICULAR ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.**

**Agreements/Applications/Licenses:**

1. Raffle – Sussex County Community College Foundation
2. Raffle – Samaritan Inn, Inc.
3. Raffle – Wallkill Valley Booster Club
4. Trailer Court License Renewal – Russell & Eileen Post
5. Trailer Court License Renewal – Stanley Tabaka
6. Trailer License Renewal – Elizabeth McDole
7. Fire Department – New Member Application – Associate Member – Devin Vogel

A motion was made by Hamilton to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCES**

**1<sup>st</sup> READING:**

**None**

**ORDINANCES**

**2<sup>nd</sup> READING:**

**2014-01**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF  
HARDYSTON AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF REAL  
PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 67.07, LOT 1.30 AS PART OF  
THE TOWNSHIP'S MARKET TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING  
PROGRAM**

**Purpose Statement:**

The purpose of this Ordinance shall be to authorize the sale of real property known as 5 Pale Star Court, Block 67.07, Lot 1.30 in the Township of Hardyston to Buyer Kristi Lavin, as part of the Township's market to affordable housing program.

**WHEREAS**, the Township owns Block 67.07, Lot 1.30, 5 Pale Star Court (“the property”) in the Township of Hardyston (“Township” or “Hardyston”); and

**WHEREAS**, the property is a low-income housing unit that the Township desires to convey to Kristy Lavin, 22 Wits End Drive, Apt. 1, Hardyston, New Jersey 07419 (“the Buyer”) as part of the Township's Market to Affordable Housing Program; and

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**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has determined that it should convey the property to the Buyer as part of the Township's Market to Affordable Housing Program for the purpose of addressing the Township's affordable housing obligations pursuant to the Township's Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing ("COAH") Substantive Rules (N.J.A.C. 5:97-1 et seq.).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Township Council of the Township of Hardyston that the Township shall convey 5 Pale Star Court, Block 67.07, Lot 1.30 in the Township to Buyer Kristi Lavin, for consideration in the amount of \$122,800.00, and in accordance with the terms of a Contract for Sale to be executed by the Buyer and the Township.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Hardyston, the Township Manager and Clerk, the Township Housing Liason, and Vogel, Chait, Collins and Schneider, P.C., as Special Counsel to the Township of Hardyston are hereby authorized to prepare and execute any and all documentation to effectuate the sale of the property described herein.

**Severability.**

If any section, paragraph, subdivision clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to that section, paragraph, sub-division, clause or provision and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

**Effective Date.**

This ordinance shall take effect after publication and passage in accordance with law.

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. A motion was made by Miller to approve Ordinance 2014-01 on second reading, seconded by Hamilton. All in favor. Motion carried.

**2014-02**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF  
HARDYSTON AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF REAL  
PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 67.24, LOT 15 AS PART OF  
THE TOWNSHIP'S MARKET TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING  
PROGRAM**

**Purpose Statement:**

The purpose of this Ordinance shall be to authorize the sale of real property known as 8 Mulberry Lane, Block 67.24, Lot 15 in the Township of Hardyston to Buyer Sheila Brunda, as part of the Township's market to affordable housing program.

**WHEREAS**, the Township owns Block 67.24, Lot 15, 8 Mulberry Lane ("the property") in the Township of Hardyston ("Township" or "Hardyston"); and

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**WHEREAS**, the property is a low-income housing unit that the Township desires to convey to Sheila Brunda, 223B Lakeside Blvd., Hopatcong, NJ 07843 (“the Buyer”) as part of the Township’s Market to Affordable Housing Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has determined that it should convey the property to the Buyer as part of the Township’s Market to Affordable Housing Program for the purpose of addressing the Township’s affordable housing obligations pursuant to the Township’s Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing (“COAH”) Substantive Rules (N.J.A.C. 5:97-1 et seq.).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Township Council of the Township of Hardyston that the Township shall convey 8 Mulberry Lane, Block 67.24, Lot 15 in the Township to Buyer Sheila Brunda, for consideration in the amount of \$123,499.00, and in accordance with the terms of a Contract for Sale to be executed by the Buyer and the Township.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Hardyston, the Township Administrator and Clerk, the Township Housing Liason, and Vogel, Chait, Collins and Schneider, P.C., as Special Counsel to the Township of Hardytson are hereby authorized to prepare and execute any and all documentation to effectuate the sale of the property described herein.

**Severability.**

If any section, paragraph, subdivision clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to that section, paragraph, sub-division, clause or provision and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

**Effective Date.**

This ordinance shall take effect after publication and passage in accordance with law.

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. A motion was made by Hamilton to approve Ordinance 2014-02 on second reading, seconded by Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Resolution #14-14 – Remington & Vernick – Proposal for tax map maintenance services

**RESOLUTION #14-14**

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PROPOSAL FROM REMINGTON & VERNICK  
ENGINEERS FOR TAX MAP MAINTENANCE SERVICES**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Hardyston that the following proposal is hereby accepted:

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- Remington & Vernick Engineers – Proposal for Tax Map Maintenance/Revisions for the Township of Hardyston for Tax Year 2014

A motion was made by Hamilton to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

B. Proclamation – Father William Collins – St. Jude The Apostle Church

**PROCLAMATION  
NAMING SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2014  
“FATHER WILLIAM COLLINS DAY”  
IN HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, the 11th annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade Grand Marshal’s Dinner honoring Father Bill Collins, Sean McGuire and Mike McGuire will be held on Saturday, Feb. 22, 2014 at Crystal Springs in Hardyston.

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2014 a Mass honoring St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, will be held at St. Jude the Apostle Church, Hardyston.

WHEREAS, the 11th Annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade in Newton will take place on Saturday, March 22, 2014. The parade will feature roughly 900 participants, including New Jersey state, county and local dignitaries; bands; floats; police, fire and other emergency response vehicles; military personnel and their vehicles; Scout troops; local schools; antique vehicles; beauty queens; and Irish step dancers.

WHEREAS, the Rev. William Bernard Anthony Collins, a native of County Galway, Ireland, was appointed pastor of St. Jude the Apostle Parish, Hardyston, on Nov. 1, 1988, where he has served ever since. He has attended every Grand Marshal’s Dinner. Since 2009, his parish St. Jude’s has hosted the annual Mass in honor of St. Patrick.

WHEREAS, St. Jude the Apostle Church was formed in 1965 as a mission of Immaculate Conception Parish, Franklin. In 1966, eighteen acres of land were purchased by the Paterson Diocese in Hardyston Township on the corner of Grumm Road and Beaver Run Road. Subsequently, a church with seating for 300 people was constructed. A groundbreaking service was held on September 7, 1967, with the church's dedication celebrated on September 29, 1968. Its opening in 1968 brought the joy of a new home to the 187 Catholic families living in the area. In 1979, Bishop Frank Rodimer granted St. Jude the status of a parish. Its area encompasses the Borough of Hamburg, sections of Hardyston Township, the Scenic Lakes area of Vernon and a small part of Wantage. Presently there are 700 families registered at St. Jude the Apostle Parish.

THEREFORE, the Hardyston Township Mayor and Council, proudly declare Saturday, March 22, 2014, “Father William Collins Day.”

A motion was made by Miller to approve the proclamation as presented, seconded by Hamilton. All in favor. Motion carried.

C. Inclement Weather Policy Amendment

As recommended by the Township Attorney and the Township Manager, a motion was made by Hamilton to approve an amendment to the Hardyston Township Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual as it applies to inclement weather as follows:

**ARTICLE VIII  
SECTION 11 – INCLEMENT WEATHER**

All Township employees are to presume that the office is open each regular workday unless otherwise notified. Individual employees will receive communication from their Department Head by call, text or e-mail, by 8:00 a.m., if there is an official change in office hours on a given day.

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In the event of inclement weather, employees, in the interest of their safety, may choose to utilize sick, personal or vacation time and not report to work on that given day. The employee shall also have the right and option to utilize a portion of said sick, personal or vacation time if they choose to arrive later or during the day, or leave early due to inclement weather. Accordingly, advanced notification to utilize such time will not be applicable under such circumstances; the employee is required, however, to notify before 8:30 a.m. both the Municipal Clerk and their Department Head of their intention to not report to work on the subject day of inclement weather. This shall apply in the event Township offices are open.

Unless otherwise advised by the Township Manager, employees who arrive to work after 8:30 a.m. and before noon shall be assessed for a half a day's time off. An employee who leaves after noon, but before 4:30 p.m. will be charged a half day's time off. An employee who reports to work but leaves before noon will be charged a full day's time off.

Seconded by Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

**BILLS TO BE PAID:** A motion was made by Miller to approve the bill list as presented, seconded by Hamilton. All in favor. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC PORTION:** 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.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Miller to adjourn at approximately 8:15 p.m., seconded by Hamilton. All in favor. Motion carried.

Jane Bakalarczyk, RMC/CMC  
Municipal Clerk