

**MINUTES OF THE HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
JANUARY 25, 2017**

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 Cicerale, Councilman Verrilli, Manager Marianne Smith, Clerk Jane Bakalarczyk and Township Attorney Fred Semrau of Dorsey & Semrau.

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.

Monthly Reports:

1. Municipal Clerk Report – December 2016
2. Tax Collector Report – December 2016
3. Construction Certificate Activity Report – December 2016
4. Construction Permit Activity Report – Hardyston – December 2016
5. Construction Permit Activity Report – Hamburg – December 2016
6. Construction Permit Activity Report – Franklin – December 2016
7. Construction Permit Activity Report – Newton – December 2016
8. Construction Permit Activity Report – Sussex – December 2016
9. Construction Permit Activity Report – Wantage – December 2016
10. SCHED Report – November 2016
11. SCHED Report – December 2016
12. Land Use Report – December 2016
13. Police Department Report – December 2016
14. Municipal Court Report – December 2016
15. Littell Community Center Report – December 2016
16. Littell Community Center Year End Reports – 2016

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

ORDINANCES

1st READING: None

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2nd READING: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Resolution #12-17 – Resolution authorizing submission of a Strategic Plan for the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse for Fiscal Grant Cycle July 2014 - June 2019

RESOLUTION #12-17

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE GOVERNOR’S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE GRANT FOR FISCAL GRANT CYCLE JULY 2014-JUNE 2019

WHEREAS, the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the

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faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, The Township Council of the Township of Hardyston, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Sussex;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Hardyston, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Township Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Hardyston/Franklin Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2018 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$13,974.00
Cash Match	\$3,493.00
In-Kind	\$10,481.00
2. The Township Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

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

- B. Resolution #13-17 – Resolution to cancel escrow – PBC-7-15-1, Fishman, Glen - Block 63, Lot 1.01

RESOLUTION #13-17

WHEREAS, there is an escrow account within the *Other Trust Fund Account* of the Township of Hardyston; and

WHEREAS, the account balance was researched, and it was determined the amount should be returned; and

WHEREAS, numerous efforts have been made to contact the person who originally posted said escrow with no results; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel said escrow balance so that the balance may be returned to surplus.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Hardyston, that the following escrow account balance in the amount of \$1,640.00 in the *Other Trust Fund* be canceled and transferred to the *Current Fund*:

PBC-7-15-1, Fishman, Glen. Block 63 Lot 1.01

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for his records.

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

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C. Resolution #14-17 – Resolution authorizing the execution of the following shared service agreements:

1. Park Maintenance – Hardyston Township Board of Education
2. Solid Waste and Recycling Removal – Hardyston Township Board of Education

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

D. Correspondence

1. Lafayette Township
2. Lafayette Township
3. State of NJ
4. State of NJ
5. State of NJ
6. Cramer Ecological Services, LLC

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

BILLS TO BE PAID: A motion was made by Verrilli 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. Resident Marty Schweighardt of 44 Tannery Hill suggested painting a blue line down Wheatsworth Road or putting up blue ribbons within the Township to show appreciation and support for law enforcement. Council stated that they will discuss this further at a future workshop meeting.

Resident Michelle Van Allen of 7 Beechmont Terrace asked about the schools recycling requirements. Council stated that she should address her concerns with regard to recycling within the schools to the Board of Education. Ms. Van Allen also stated that she is interested in serving on one of the Boards within the Township. Council asked Ms. Van Allen to submit her resume for their review and consideration.

A motion was made and seconded to close the meeting to the public. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Hamilton to adjourn at approximately 7:30 p.m., seconded by Verrilli. All in favor. Motion carried.

Jane Bakalarczyk, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk