

MINUTES OF THE HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING HELD ON MARCH 8, 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, Manager Marianne Smith, Clerk Jane Bakalarczyk and Township Attorney Fred Semrau of Dorsey & Semrau. Councilman Verrilli was absent from this meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Budget Discussion/Multi-Year Road Planning

Township Manager and the Council reviewed and discussed the proposed 2017 municipal budget. The budget introduction will be placed on the March 22, 2017 meeting agenda.

Robert F. Schultz, Department of Public Works Director and the Council discussed his recommendations with regard to upcoming road work.

B. Firehouse Expansion Project Update

The Council was informed by the Hardyston Township Fire Department of a problem with the distance between the apparatus room floor and the bottom of the second level support beam, which will make it difficult to accommodate the ladder truck that is currently being housed at the Company #2 Firehouse. Township Attorney recommended a meeting between all parties to resolve this issue.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Hardyston on the 8th day of March, 2017, that:

1. Prior to the conclusion of this **Workshop Meeting**, the Township Council shall meet in Executive Session, from which the public shall be excluded, to discuss matters as permitted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, sub-section (s):
2.
 - () b. (1) Confidential or excluded matters, by express provision of Federal law or State statute or rule of court.
 - () b. (2) A matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.
 - () b. (3) Material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy.
 - () b. (4) A collective bargaining agreement including negotiations.
 - () b. (5) Purchase, lease or acquisition of real property, setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if disclosed.
 - () b. (6) Tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, if disclosure could impair such protection. Investigation of violations of the law.
 - (X) b. (7) Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations other than in subsection b. (4) herein or matters falling within the attorney-client privilege.

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() b. (8) Personnel matters.

() b. (9) Deliberations after a public hearing that may result in penalties.

3. The time when the matter(s) discussed pursuant to Paragraph 1 hereof can be disclosed to the public is as soon as practicable after final resolution of the aforesaid matter(s).

Motion to adopt: Cicerale
Seconded by: Miller

MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Miller	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Hamilton	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Kula	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Cicerale	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Verrilli	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> x </u>

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Miller to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Cicerale. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: At approximately 9:10 p.m., a motion was made by Cicerale to adjourn seconded by Verrilli. All in favor. Motion carried.

Jane Bakalarczyk, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk