

**MINUTES OF THE HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING  
HELD ON JULY 12, 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/Deputy Clerk Marianne Smith and Township Attorney Susan Sharpe of Dorsey & Semrau.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

A. Affordable Housing

The Township Manager and Township Planner presented an overview of the State's Affordable Housing requirements, provided details about the Township's Affordable Housing Plan, and answered specific questions from residents regarding the Township's implementation of its Plan, including the purchase of Affordable Housing units within the Township.

B. Board Appointment Interview - HTMUA

Council had an informal interview with Michele Van Allen for a position on the Hardyston Township Municipal Utilities Authority. This item was placed on the regular meeting agenda to follow for Council consideration.

C. Temporary Sign Ordinance

It was the consensus of the Council to postpone discussion of this item until the August 9, 2017 meeting.

D. Community Energy Aggregation Presentation

Stacia M. Scaduto of Commercial Utility Consultants, Inc. gave a presentation on the New Jersey Government Energy Aggregation Program (Community Energy Aggregation) which allows municipalities, working alone or in a group, to aggregate the energy requirements of residential and commercial accounts so that the GEA program can purchase energy supply from non-utility sellers of electricity and gas supply at prices lower than the average utility price. Councilman Miller asked if the Council could review a template of a contract before making any decisions.

**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.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At approximately 9:42 p.m., a motion was made by Cicerale to adjourn seconded by Verrilli. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Jane Bakalarczyk, RMC/CMC  
Municipal Clerk