

**HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING  
HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING AUDITORIUM**

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**Monday, January 7, 2019 – 7:04 p.m.**

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**Stanley Saperstein**, the Hopewell Township Town Crier, gave a brief history of the term “Oyez,” which is a French term interpreted to mean “Hear Ye” and explained the history of the Town Crier profession which began in medieval times as Heralds. He explained that once England became incorporated the Town Criers became the equivalent of Town Clerks today.

Mr. Saperstein made the following statement:

“Oyez, Oyez, Oyez! (Rings bell three times.) I welcome everyone to the Hopewell Township 2019 reorganization meeting. Congratulations to all those who are being appointed or reappointed to various Township Boards. We thank you for your service. These are important precedings in the board and I, myself, serve as co-chairman of the Senior Advisory Board and I have the honor of the Council appointment to, three years ago, I guess, as the Official Township Crier and I officiate at various functions around the city. So without any further ado, I will be outside for a while if you have any further questions about Town Criers or anything about the Revolutionary War, which I am one of the local experts on. I will turn the meeting over to the Hopewell Township Committee for 2019 and the meeting is officially open.” (Rings bell.)

**PROPER STATEMENT OF NOTICE** – Laurie E. Gompf, Municipal Clerk, called the meeting to order stating that notice of the meeting had been posted on the municipal bulletin board and forwarded to the Hopewell Valley News, The Times, the Trentonian and the Hopewell Express (the official newspapers) on December 17, 2018, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975.

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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG** – Municipal Clerk Gompf led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

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**OATH OF OFFICE OF ELECTED COMMITTEE MEMBER**

Congresswoman Bonnie Watson Coleman of New Jersey’s 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District administered the Oath of Office to elected Township Committee Member Julie Blake.

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**ROLL CALL** - The 2019 Township Committee answered the roll call of the Municipal Clerk:

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Blake, Hart, Kuchinski, McLaughlin, Ruger  
**ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Administrator/CFO Borges, Municipal Clerk Gompf, Director of Community Development/Engineer Kataryniak, Township Attorney Goodell

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**NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF MAYOR FOR 2019**

Municipal Clerk Gompf called for nominations for the office of Mayor for the year 2019. Committee Member Kuchinski nominated Kristin McLaughlin for Mayor for the year 2019. The Municipal Clerk noted for the record that Committee Member McLaughlin was nominated and she called for further nominations for the office of Mayor. Hearing no further nominations from the Floor, the Municipal Clerk announced nominations were closed.

Committee Member Hart stated he would abstain from voting and explained his reasons for abstaining.

**ROLL CALL VOTE FOR THE NOMINATION OF COMMITTEE MEMBER MCLAUGHLIN FOR MAYOR FOR THE YEAR 2019:**

**AYES:** Blake, McLaughlin, Kuchinski, Ruger,

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** Hart

The Municipal Clerk noted for the record that Committee Member McLaughlin was duly elected Mayor for the year 2019.

**OATH OF OFFICE OF 2019 MAYOR** - Congresswoman, Bonnie Watson Coleman of New Jersey's 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, administered the Oath of Office to Mayor McLaughlin.

**NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR FOR 2019**

Municipal Clerk Gompf called for nominations for the office of Deputy Mayor for 2019. Committee Member Blake nominated Michael Ruger for Deputy Mayor for the year 2019. The Municipal Clerk noted for the record that Committee Member Ruger was nominated and she called for further nominations for the office of Deputy Mayor. There were no further nominations from the Floor and the nominations were closed.

Committee Member Hart stated he would abstain from voting and explained his reasons for abstaining.

The Municipal Clerk called for a vote on the nomination of Committee Member Ruger for Deputy Mayor.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES:** Blake, Kuchinski, Ruger, Mayor McLaughlin

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** Hart

The Municipal Clerk noted for the record that Committee Member Ruger was duly elected Deputy Mayor for the year 2019.

**OATH OF OFFICE OF 2019 DEPUTY MAYOR** – Congresswoman Bonnie Watson Coleman administered the Oath of Office to Deputy Mayor Ruger.

**2019 MAYOR'S WELCOME AND COMMENTS**

Mayor McLaughlin delivered the following 2019 Mayor's Message:

“I would like to thank you for coming tonight to the first meeting of the Hopewell Township Committee in 2019. A lot of family and friends are gathered here.

I would like to recognize the elected officials who are here tonight. I know how many events pull at your time. I'm very grateful that you've chosen to make Hopewell Township's reorganization meeting a priority. Congresswoman Bonnie Watson Coleman, thank you for making an extraordinary effort in bad weather to get down here from Middlesex, I think, to swear us all in. Clearly, we would not be sitting here tonight without you. So thank you for coming. Assemblywoman Reynolds-Jackson, thank you so much for coming. We have Deputy County Counsel, Lillian Nazzaro here. Thank you Lilly for being here. We have former

Mayor, Jim Burd in the back, former Committeeman Todd Brant and former Committeewoman Judy Neiderer and Vanessa Sandom, of course! Thank you very much everybody for being here.

Thank you to my colleagues on the dais here. Julie Blake, John Hart, Kevin Kuchinski, and Michael Ruger. We have a lot of work to do, and I'm grateful to all of you for your willingness to jump in to solve the challenges we face. Each of you has a unique perspective and our outcomes are better when we work together to share these thoughts and craft decisions with everyone in mind. Kevin and Julie, thank you for your responsible and courageous leadership over the past few years. We are able to look toward the future rather than simply facing the problems of the past because of what you all did and I'm very grateful for it.

Second, I would like to recognize all of our First Responders and any veterans we have in attendance tonight. The sacrifices you make in service to your community cannot be overstated. We are deeply grateful to you.

Third, I would like to thank our incredible volunteers. I know how much time, care, and thought you put into your work on behalf of the community. When we first moved into the area, I could see the beautiful farms and preserved spaces. I could see history reflected in the names and buildings. What I had to learn was the depth of connection our community feels to this place we all call home. Your gift of service to your fellow citizens reflects the strong values of commitment and concern for others so prevalent here.

Fourth, I will owe a great debt to our incredible employees and professionals who do the hard work of the Township. I know I can rely on you to continue to do the diligent, thoughtful and caring work you do every day to make sure that Hopewell Township remains the very best place to live in New Jersey, so thank you.

Finally, but certainly not least in any way, I want to thank my family. My husband Mike, daughters Megan, Amelia, and Carolyn. My sister Julia, brother-in-law Jeff, nephew Peter, and niece Margot, Kevin. Thank you for your support and encouragement. I absolutely would not be here tonight without you. And Mom, even though you can't be here tonight, and she's fine, she's just in Kansas City, thank you. When I was in high school, and you were blazing a trail through the political world in Johnson County, Kansas, I had no understanding that what you were doing was hard or unusual. You made your success seem inevitable. And it was. So thank you for proving that public service is possible, and worth the challenges that come with it.

And now we turn to our plans for 2019. First, we have to continue to manage the budget with careful and deliberate thought. I pledge that I will look carefully at our spending choices. But, as every parent says, dollars don't grow on trees and cutting spending can't be the only way to a balanced budget. At the end of last year, we voted to form an Economic Development and Tourism Committee. We need to put effort towards strengthening our current businesses, growing new ones, and attracting people to enjoy everything that our Township has to offer. We ought to make sure that folks do more than just drive through on their way to someplace else. We need to continue to work with Bristol-Myers Squibb to make sure that that campus, which is an important part of our tax base, attracts exciting, new companies which can grow and flourish in Hopewell Township.

We need to find additional ways to build community here. Communication between our residents and the Township is a critical part of that process. Last year, we sent out the first Township Newsletter since 2004. I expect to send out three editions this year. With the 320th anniversary of the Township coming in 2020, I would like us to find a way to celebrate that as a community. I'd like to bring together the Arts Community, anyone interested in history, the schools, our youth and our seniors to honor this amazing milestone. I want to continue the work already started on making Woolsey Park a centerpiece of community life here in Hopewell Township. We need a common gathering place for celebrations and commemorations.

I am incredibly excited by the conversations I've had with so many members of our community about the possibilities in a community and senior center. This building could serve as another place where Township residents can come together to build healthier, more engaged lives. I hope to move toward design work this year and move this project from the dreaming phase closer to reality.

There are challenges coming that we need to have a way to discuss. One example of this is the probable legalization of marijuana at the state level. There will be decisions that need to be made at the municipal level because of this change. These are complicated issues that will take all of us time to sort through. This is the kind of topic that I can envision using our web based tool 'Have Your Say Hopewell Township' to explore. This community engagement tool on our website has the potential to let all residents express their thoughts on important issues facing the township and that certainly will be one.

Hopewell Township is entering the last year of this decade in a very different place than it found itself at the beginning. Then, COAH was still in place and numbers for the Third Round were unknown. We are now almost through the legal process and have much more clarity on how we will meet our obligation. The thoughtful deliberations of years of Planning Boards and Township Committees crafted a solution that kept our total numbers much lower than they would otherwise have been and gave us the ability to protect the environment and open spaces that help define who we are. I am grateful to the combined efforts of the many people who came before us.

What connects all of us here, keeps families in the Township for generations, and makes Hopewell Township unique and special, is the land. We have preserved or otherwise protected 1/3 of the land in the Township. Our open spaces and aquifer sustain us. I pledge to continue the fight against the PennEast pipeline. I pledge to hold our interveners to the highest environmental standards as they begin to plan the new neighborhoods which fulfill our affordable housing obligation. I pledge to hold Trenton Water Works accountable for the water they provide to our residents. I will work with our environmental groups, FOHVOS and the Watershed, to make sure that we are careful and deliberate as we make decisions that affect our natural resources.

I firmly believe that we cannot hide from the reality of change. We can, however, be thoughtful about our responses to any challenge that comes to us. The people gathered in this room are professionals, volunteers, elected officials, give me absolute certainty that we can handle any problems we face by working together. I will work hard to make sure that we are all working as team to face the exciting realities and possibilities of this coming year. Thank you."

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## 2019 DEPUTY MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Deputy Mayor Ruger delivered the following 2019 Deputy Mayor's Message:

"Thank you, Mayor. Let me begin by thanking my family: my wife, Tracy Vogler; our sons, Teddy, Billy and Bobby; my mother, Betty Ruger and my aunt, Dianne Tenney; as well as my friends here tonight.

And I want to echo what the Mayor said: Thank you, Committee Members Kuchinski and Blake for your work over the past few years. You are a hard act to follow.

The Mayor laid out some goals for 2019. I am in full agreement with them, but I'd like to add a few points:

A long time ago a colleague told me that making decisions is really easy. All you have to do is learn the facts, study the law, and then do the right thing. It's easy, right? That's all it takes. So, that's what I have tried to do all my working life. It's what I tried to do last year, on my first year, on the Township Committee it is what

I will do in the year ahead as Deputy Mayor.

With respect to learning the facts: I do listen to what people say, whether they are in here, online, on the street, or in print. Committee Member Hart, you and I are not often in full agreement, but I value your input, and listen to you, even if sometimes I may not agree with you. And everybody should always feel that they can reach out to me at any time. Get me before or after a meeting, give me a call or send me an email at my Township email address.

But I would like to add a goal to the agenda that the Mayor just laid out. I think that it is time for all of us, whether we are on the dais, in the audience, or watching on TV, to work toward a new civility in this Township. Robust discussion about critical issues that we face is critical. Whenever you speak or type, you have a choice. You can add to the public discourse, have vigorous debate, listen to the other side, and disagree without being disagreeable, or you can do the opposite. The choice is yours. I know what I want to do. And I hope that I try to be the change I want to see through the coming year that all of you will join me in this journey.

Finally, let me end with a couple of thanks: Thank you to our terrific Township staff that does a great job every day, our energetic volunteers, and all of you who care enough about Township issues to attend meetings, write letters, go online and voice your opinions. Without your work, the work we do in the Township wouldn't be possible. So, at this point I think I have thanked everybody in this room, and I'll turn it back to you."

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**AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY, DEPARTMENTS FOR 2019 BY MAYOR**

- A. Board of Health, Public Works, Historic Preservation Commission, Lawrence Hopewell Trail – Blake
  - B. Agricultural Advisory Committee, Deer Management Advisory Committee, Affordable Housing Committee – Hart
  - C. Administration/Legal, Planning Board, Finance, Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, Economic Development & Tourism – Kuchinski
  - D. Environmental Commission, Public Safety, Open Space Advisory Committee - Ruger
  - E. Senior Advisory Board, Youth Advisory Board, Planning Board - McLaughlin
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**RESOLUTION #19-1.** Read by title.  
Motion by Kuchinski, seconded by Blake to adopt Resolution #19-1.  
**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #19-1**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING ONE YEAR  
TERMS EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2019**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, that the persons listed as follows are hereby appointed for a one-year term expiring December 31, 2019:

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| <b>TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY:</b>          | Steven P. Goodell       |
| <b>MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR:</b>       | Robert Yostembski       |
| <b>MUNICIPAL PUBLIC DEFENDER:</b>  | John M. Holliday        |
| <b>DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR:</b> | Christine Irizarry      |
| <b>DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK:</b>     | Katherine Fenton-Newman |

<b>TREASURER:</b>	Elaine Borges
<b>PENSION CERTIFYING OFFICER:</b>	Susan Newman
<b>SEARCHER FOR PROSPECTIVE ASSESSMENTS:</b>	Laurie E. Gompf
<b>TAX SEARCH OFFICER:</b>	Mary Kennedy Nadzak

**RESOLUTION #19-2.** Read by title.  
Motion by Ruger, seconded by Blake to adopt Resolution #19-2.  
**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

### **R E S O L U T I O N # 19-2**

#### **HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 2019, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, that the following are hereby appointed for the terms designated:

	<b>NOMINEE</b>	<b>TERM</b>	<b>TERM EXPIRING</b>
<b>BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT, ZONING:</b>			
	Linda Rogers	4 year	12/31/22
	Andrew Borders	4 year	12/31/22
Alternate No. 1	Katherine Dresdner	2 year	12/31/20
<b>PLANNING BOARD CLASS III:</b>			
(Township Committee Member)	Kevin Kuchinski	1 year	12/31/19
<b>AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE:</b>			
	Lauren Williams	2 year	12/31/20
	Christine Herman	2 year	12/31/20
(Township Committee Member)	John Hart	1 year	12/31/19
<b>HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP PARKS &amp; RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE</b>			
	Paul Kinney	3 year	12/31/21
	Kurt Vollherbst	3 year	12/31/21
	Thomas Finn	3 year	12/31/21
(Township Committee Member)	Kevin Kuchinski	1 year	12/31/19
<b>BOARD OF HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE</b>			
	Heather Kintzel	3 year	12/31/21
	Michael Rothwell	3 year	12/31/21
Alternate No. 1	Carolyn Wooley	2 year	12/31/20
<b>SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD</b>			
	Nils Stout	2 year	12/31/20
	Vanessa Sandom	2 year	12/31/20

**RESOLUTION #19-3.** Read by title.

### **R E S O L U T I O N #19-3**

**MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS,  
COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Kristin McLaughlin, Mayor of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 2019, do hereby appoint the following for the terms designated:

	<b>NOMINEE</b>	<b>TERM</b>	<b>TERM EXPIRING</b>
<b>PLANNING BOARD:</b>			
Class I	Mayor	1 year	12/31/19
Class II	Rex Parker	3 year	12/31/21
Class IV	Milind Khare	4 year	12/31/22
Class IV	Courtney Peters-Manning	4 year	12/31/22
Alternate No. 1	Vanessa Sandom	2 year	12/31/20
Alternate No. 2	Leigh Ann Peterson	2 year (unexp.)	12/31/19
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION:</b>			
	James Gambino	3 year	12/31/21
	Rex Parker	3 year	12/31/21
<b>HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION:</b>			
Class C	Anita Crane	4 year	12/31/22
<b>OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE:</b>			
	Peter Fengler	3 year	12/31/21
	Lisa Wolff	3 year	12/31/21
<b>AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:</b>			
	Lucia Huebner	3 year	12/31/21
	Anne Carcagno	3 year	12/31/21
Alternate No. 2	Theresa Vogler	3 year (unexp.)	12/31/20
<b>DEER MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE</b>			
	Dorothy Aicher	3 year	12/31/21
(Master Gardener)	John Piepszak	3 year	12/31/21
Alternate # 1 (Hunter)	Dave Guerard	1 year	12/31/19

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Municipal Clerk Gompf administered the Oath of Office to the Board and Committee Appointees.

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**RESOLUTION #19-4.** Read by title.

Motion by Hart, seconded by Kuchinski to adopt Resolution #19-4.

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

**R E S O L U T I O N # 19-4**

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
MEETING DATES FOR THE YEAR 2019**

**WHEREAS**, Section 13 of the Open Public Meetings Act requires the posting of annual meetings together with notification of said meetings to the official newspapers of the Township, and submission of the same to those persons requesting copies of said notice; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell desires to set forth a schedule of public meetings for the year 2019.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer and the State of New Jersey that the Township Committee shall hold its regular meetings at 7:00 p.m. at the municipal building auditorium located at 201 Washington Crossing-Pennington Road, Titusville, New Jersey, on the first (1<sup>st</sup>) and third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Monday of each month, except when that Monday is a national holiday and then the meeting will be held the following Tuesday evening or as noted in the attached annual notice of scheduled meetings; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township Committee will hold Agenda Sessions at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) Monday of certain months except when that Monday is a national holiday and then the meeting will be held the following Tuesday evening as noted in the attached annual notice of scheduled meetings; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of this Resolution be posted and maintained posted throughout the year in accordance with the statutes; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of this Resolution and schedule be forwarded to the official newspapers of the Township.

**RESOLUTION #19-5.** Read by title.

Motion by Blake, seconded by Ruger to adopt Resolution #19-5.

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

### **R E S O L U T I O N # 19-5**

#### **A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Hopewell Valley News, The Times of Trenton, The Trentonian and the Hopewell Express are hereby designated as the official newspapers of the Township of Hopewell for the year 2019.

**RESOLUTION #19-6.** Read by title.

Motion by Kuchinski, seconded by Hart to adopt Resolution #19-6.

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

### **R E S O L U T I O N #19-6**

#### **A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING STATE APPROVED PUBLIC DEPOSITORIES AS OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES OF HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 2019 by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer and State of New Jersey, that any public depository as listed on the attached Cash Management Plan be designated as an Official Depository of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, for the year 2019.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Administrator and the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer are hereby authorized to purchase and sell participations in the cash fund of these depositories for investment purposes for the account of the Township of Hopewell.

**RESOLUTION #19-7.** Read by title.

Motion by Blake, seconded by Kuchinski to adopt Resolution #19-7.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES:** Blake, Hart, Kuchinski, Ruger, Mayor McLaughlin

**NOES:** None

### **R E S O L U T I O N #19-7**

#### **ADOPTING A TEMPORARY 2019 BUDGET**



**WHEREAS**, the Local Budget Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19) provides that where any contracts and/or commitment of payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2019 budget, temporary appropriations shall be made for the purpose in the manner and the time provided; and

**WHEREAS**, this resolution is within the first thirty days of the year 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, 26.25% of total appropriations of the 2018 budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for debt service, capital improvement fund and deferred charges in said budget is the sum of \$4,297,020.37

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 2019, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, that the following temporary appropriations be made and that a certified copy of the Resolution be transmitted to the Township Treasurer's Office.

**IN CAP APPROPRIATIONS:**

	<b>2018 Budget</b>	<b>2019 Temporary Budget</b>
Legislative		
S&W	22,108.50	6,000.00
OE	19,600.00	6,000.00
Executive		
S&W	315,907.50	78,000.00
OE	233,386.00	40,000.00
Financial Administration		
S&W	210,278.97	53,000.00
OE	28,308.00	6,500.00
Tax Collection		
S&W	90,112.12	23,000.00
OE	10,215.00	3,500.00
Legal Services/Prosecutor		
S&W	48,709.86	12,200.00
OE	379,050.00	82,000.00
Municipal Clerk		
S&W	152,108.90	38,000.00
OE	26,095.00	6,400.00
Municipal Assessor		
S&W	128,694.14	38,000.00
OE	39,965.00	7,500.00
Engineering		
OE	59,000.00	25,000.00
Municipal Building		
S&W	48,000.00	10,000.00
OE	151,745.63	40,000.00
Police Services		
S&W	3,461,967.85	947,600.00
OE	267,350.30	100,000.00
Community Development		
S&W	319,512.90	56,000.00
OE	91,350.00	15,000.00
Auditing Services		
OE	30,000.00	30,000.00
Health		
S&W	282,600.56	74,000.00
OE	30,500.00	9,000.00
Solid Waste & Recycling		
OE	28,000.00	5,000.00
Public Works		
S&W	1,397,480.89	527,000.00
OE	440,800.00	290,000.00
Fleet Maintenance		
S&W	167,227.02	42,000.00
OE	105,000.00	70,000.00
Recreation/Parks		
S&W	59,363.07	14,000.00
OE	20,620.00	14,000.00
Recreation		

S&W	109,748.09	29,000.00
OE	2,550.00	1,400.00
Senior Services		
S&W	45,447.80	20,000.00
OE	6,700.00	1,500.00
Motor Fuels		
OE	170,000.00	61,300.00
Street Lighting		
OE	165,000.00	43,800.00
Utilities		
OE	150,000.00	43,800.00
Telephone		
OE	80,000.00	24,200.00
Municipal Court		
S/W	258,884.83	66,000.00
O/E	11,510.00	3,500.00
Public Defender		
S/W	16,600.00	5,400.00
Historic Preservation Commission		
OE	2,600.00	2,000.00
Environmental Commission		
OE	9,800.00	1,000.00
Insurance Premiums		
OE	442,158.00	442,670.37
Disability Insurance		
OE	6,000.00	8,000.00
Social Security		
OE	510,000.00	140,000.00
Employee Benefits		
OE	2,349,715.17	565,000.00
DCRP		
OE	1,000.00	2,500.00
Pension		
OE	1,334,799.00	0.00
Affordable Housing		
OE	98,200.37	0.00
Health Benefit Waiver		
OE	55,000.00	12,000.00
Animal Control		
OE	55,000.00	0.00
Interfund Operating Trf		
OE	42,187.50	0.00
Water Utility		
OE	3,643.68	0.00

**OUT OF CAP APPROPRIATIONS:**

Interlocal Police Services		
S&W	408,097.33	100,000.00
OE	34,149.70	5,000.00
Interlocal Recycling		
OE	172,550.00	50,000.00
Interlocal Dispatch		
S&W	71,826.00	
Interlocal Senior Service Coordinator		
S&W	10,000.00	
O/E	4,776.00	
Interlocal EMS Mercer County		
O/E	13,680.00	
Municipal Alliance Grant		
O/E	2,670.00	
Recycling Tonnage Tax		
O/E	1,000.00	250.00
Declared State of Emergency		

O/E		
Miscellaneous Expenses		
O/E	1,059,250.76	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16,369,601.44</b>	<b>4,297,020.37</b>

**RESOLUTION #19-8.** Read by title.  
 Motion by Blake, seconded by Hart to adopt Resolution #19-8.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES:** Blake, Hart, Kuchinski, Ruger, Mayor McLaughlin  
**NOES:** None

**RESOLUTION #19-8**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING TEMPORARY  
 2019 WATER, SEWER UTILITY SBRSA & SEWER UTILITY ELSA BUDGET**

**WHEREAS,** the Local Budget Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19) provides that where any contracts and/or commitment of payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2019 budget, temporary appropriations shall be made for the purpose in the manner and the time provided; and

**WHEREAS,** this resolution is within the first thirty (30) days of the year 2018; and

**WHEREAS,** 26.25% of the total appropriations of the 2018 Water Utility budget, exclusive of debt service is the sum of \$13,354.68; and

**WHEREAS,** 26.25% of the total appropriations of the 2018 Sewer Utility budget, exclusive of debt service is the sum of \$78,394.83 for SBRSA Sewer Utility and \$280,527.87 for ELSA Sewer Utility;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 2019, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that the following temporary appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Township Treasurer’s office.

	<u>2018 Budget</u>	<u>2019 Temporary Budget</u>
<b><u>WATER UTILITY</u></b>		
S & W	11,500.00	4,000.00
OE	38,650.00	9,154.68
Employee Benefits		
OE	725.00	200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>50,875.00</b>	<b>13,354.68</b>
<b><u>SEWER UTILITY SBRSA</u></b>		
S & W	9,400.00	4,000.00
OE	288,547.00	74,194.83
Employee Benefits		
OE	700.00	200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>298,647.00</b>	<b>78,394.83</b>
<b><u>SEWER UTILITY ELSA</u></b>		
S & W	24,000.00	6,500.00
OE	1,043,027.60	273,477.87
Employee Benefits		
OE	1,650.00	550.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,068,677.60</b>	<b>280,527.87</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,418,199.60</b>	<b>372,277.38</b>

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**RESOLUTION #19-9.** Read by title.

Motion by Kuchinski, seconded by Ruger to adopt Resolution #19-9.

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION #19-9**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PUBLIC WORKS TO RE-OPEN  
IT'S PETTY CASH FUND FOR 2019 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200.00;  
RECREATION TO RE-OPEN ITS PETTY CASH FUND  
FOR 2019 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500.00; THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE  
TO REOPEN ITS PETTY CASH FUND FOR 2019 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$400.00;  
AND THE SENIOR SERVICES OFFICE TO RE-OPEN THEIR PETTY CASH FUND  
FOR 2019 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50.00**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of Petty Cash funds for the Administration, Public Works, Recreation and Senior Services departments of Hopewell Township; and

**WHEREAS**, said petty cash funds were established by resolutions dated October 7, 1991 (Administration), January 4, 2001 (Recreation), February 1, 2001 (Public Works) and April 8, 2013 (Senior Services), by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Township Committee that said funds be continued under the direction of Administration, Public Works, Recreation and Senior Services respectively.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 2019, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that effective January 1, 2019, the Public Works Office be and is hereby authorized and permitted to re-open its Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$200.00; the Recreation Office be and is hereby authorized and permitted to re-open its Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$500.00; the Administration Office is hereby permitted to re-open its Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$400.00 and the Senior Services Office be and is hereby authorized and permitted to re-open its Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$50.00 pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21. Said Petty Cash Funds will be used by such office or department to pay claims for small miscellaneous expenses.

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**PUBLIC SECTION**

No comment from the public.

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Mayor McLaughlin noted Freeholder Samuel Frisby's arrival and offered her thanks for his attendance.

At 7:41 p.m., motion by Hart, seconded by Kuchinski to adjourn the meeting.

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**

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LAURIE E. GOMPF  
MUNICIPAL CLERK