

**HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING
HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING AUDITORIUM**

Monday, March 11, 2019 – 6:05 p.m.

PROPER STATEMENT OF NOTICE – Mayor McLaughlin 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 January 8, 2019, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975.

ROLL CALL: Those answering the roll call of the Municipal Clerk:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Blake, Hart, Kuchinski, Ruger, Mayor McLaughlin

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Administrator/CFO Borges, Municipal Clerk Gompf, Police Chief Maloney, Lieutenant Springer, Director of Public Works Snyder, General Foreman Guerard

RESOLUTION #19-99. Read by title.
Motion by Ruger, seconded by Blake to adopt Resolution #19-99.
MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

R E S O L U T I O N #19-99

**AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A LICENSE TO
TRAP ROCK INDUSTRIES, LLC. FOR QUARRYING AT
MOORE'S STATION QUARRY (2019/2020)**

WHEREAS, Trap Rock Industries, LLC, Laurel Avenue, Kingston, New Jersey, 08528, has applied for a license for quarrying at the Moore's Station Quarry on Route #29, Block 59, Lot 2; and Block 60, Lot 1 for one (1) year, commencing March 19, 2019; and

WHEREAS, items have been received or completed as follows:

1. The required license fee of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000), and completed application.
2. Site inspection of the quarry operation and its compliance with the requirements of the land reclamation program on March 11, 2019 completed by Hopewell Township Community Development Director/Engineer Mark Kataryniak, P.E.
3. Certificate of Insurance for Moore's Station Quarry - all operations effective September 1, 2018 with an expiration date of September 1, 2019; subject to the submission of a new insurance certificate covering the 2019/2020 licensing period.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk issue the 2019/2020 license upon receipt of a new performance guarantee bond in the amount of \$34,500.00 in accordance with the following recommendations set forth in a letter submitted by the Township Engineer dated March 11, 2019; a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof:

Maintenance of water flows at stockpile locations; dust and tracking control along access driveway and Route 29; fencing repairs and replacements; site grading to maintain diversion to the approved on-site sediment basin and treatment device; placement of seed and plantings on slopes and berms; soil erosion and sediment control measures; cover plantings on spoil areas; general maintenance in accordance with the Ordinance; and providing updated surveys
..... \$28,000.00

Maintenance of stabilization of overburden stockpile embankments; maintenance of cut-off trenches to intercept runoff; additional embankment plantings; and annual over-seeding of embankment
.....\$6,500.00

**Total Recommended Performance Guarantee
For Annual License Renewal..... \$34,500.00**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the issuance of the license is contingent upon the filing of Discharge Monitoring Reports with the Municipal Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, that the application in its entirety is approved, and the Municipal Clerk is instructed to inform the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland that the performance guarantee bond dated March 19, 2018, in the total amount of \$34,500.00 has been released.

2019 MUNICIPAL BUDGET DISCUSSION

Ms. Borges recapped outstanding issues discussed during the previous Special Budget meeting such as:

- Salt barn funding to be provided over a 4-year period in order to provide for an extra SUV for the Police Department.
- Adjustments to Legal budget
- Adjustments to Finance and Tax budgets.
- Offset of scanning fees in Community Development budget.
- Changes to experience rating through the JIF.

Chief Maloney discussed his priorities for the Capital Budget which included new police vehicles and the importance of replacing portable and mobile radios. Committee Member Ruger and Lt. Springer expounded on pending FCC regulation changes and the need to upgrade the radios. Discussion ensued regarding the timing of the replacement and the number of radios needed.

Chief Maloney reviewed certain line items within the Police Department’s budget such as advertising, printing, physical exams, accreditation, office supplies, dues and training, tuition reimbursement, uniform allowance, minor equipment, ammunition, backing boards, uniform cleaning, and replacement and repair of vehicles.

Committee Members discussed the option of purchasing electric/cross over police vehicles; financing the vehicles over a longer length of time; reducing the number of radios to finance a third vehicle; the training budget; new hires; staffing levels; and overtime.

Mr. Snyder and the Committee Members reviewed line items within the Department of Public Works’ budget such as printing, equipment maintenance, professional services, office supplies, dues, training, meetings, uniforms, minor equipment, operating supplies, street signs, road material, road striping, ice and snow supplies, rentals, solid waste, and recycling.

The discussion then moved to the Buildings and Grounds budget which included salaries, new hires, promotions, professional services, equipment maintenance, shared revenue agreement, and uniforms. Mr. Snyder reviewed the Maintenance budget referring to tire maintenance, equipment maintenance and repair, brush pickup offsets, and parts purchases.

Discussion ensued regarding the priorities of the various budgets.

PUBLIC SECTION

No comment by the public.

The detailed public comment may be viewed at www.hopewelltp.org in the video library.

At 8:05 p.m., motion by Kuchinski, seconded by Blake to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

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LAURIE E. GOMPF
MUNICIPAL CLERK