



**Mr. Wagner:** My name is Christopher Wagner. I am the Liquor Service Manager for Fox's Pizza down in Hunker.

**Solicitor Avolio:** And, the purpose of your request for this inter-municipal transfer is to operate at what location?

**Mr. Wagner:** 1669 New Stanton-Ruffsdale Road, Hunker, PA.

**Solicitor Avolio:** To your knowledge, where is this application being transferred from?

**Mr. Wagner:** Mt. Pleasant.

**Solicitor Avolio:** Does the Board have any questions?

**Supervisor Weimer:** Is your location in Hempfield Township or Hunker Borough?

**Mr. Wagner:** Hempfield Township. Sorry.

**Supervisor Weimer:** Thank you.

**Supervisor Silvis:** Hunker address but it's in the Township.

**Supervisor Ritson:** This is a stupid question but you are transferring it from one Fox's Pizza to another?

**Mr. Wagner:** No. It's actually a sub and hoagie shop.

**Supervisor Ritson:** In Mt. Pleasant?

**Mr. Wagner:** In Mt. Pleasant.

**Supervisor Logan:** What will your hours of operation be?

**Mr. Wagner:** Right now our hours of operation are Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.; and then it extends on Friday and Saturday to 11 p.m. It could fluctuate till midnight but no later than 1 o'clock. We are not a bar. We want to keep it more family oriented, so we are not going to do the whole 2 o'clock thing and have to have security or anything.

**Supervisor Logan:** Okay. Will it be a full bar or are you just going to be...?

**Mr. Wagner:** No. It's going to be more a malt beer license than it is a liquor license. We are shooting for the six (6) packs, twelve (12) packs, and BYOW. That's it.

**Supervisor Logan:** Okay.

**Supervisor Reese:** Any other questions? No other questions.

**Solicitor Avolio:** Thank you.

**Mr. Wagner:** You are welcome.

**Solicitor Avolio:** At this time is anybody appearing at tonight's meeting to comment or to provide testimony relating to this Inter-Municipal Transfer? Mr. Chairman, it appears that nobody else is here to provide testimony; therefore, we can close the hearing for the purposes of the Inter-Municipal Transfer.

**Supervisor Reese:** Okay. Very good.

**Hearing for  
Inter-Municipal Transfer Application of CLSW Enterprises, LLC  
Closed at 7:04 P.M.**

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**C. CITIZENS COMMENTS: (As Per Resolution #2012-24)**

1. **Marion Sedlacko** – Ms. Sedlacko of 655 DeGregory Drive, Greensburg, raised concern with the proposed new parks still being considered by the Board because she thought it was a dead issue. She said that there were over thirty (30) to forty (40) people at a previous public meeting against the proposal, in addition to a petition with one hundred fifty-one (151) signatures on it. She requested assurances that the proposed parks would not raise taxes because senior citizens on a fixed income cannot afford it. Ms. Sedlacko told the Board of Supervisors that instead consideration should be given to a police force, attracting more industries into the Township, and paying for firefighters once volunteers are no longer an option.
2. **Alfred Crimboli** – Mr. Ciarimboli of 121 Possum Hollow Road, Greensburg, advised the Board that he contacted D.E.P. regarding an area of Edna Road that is sinking and also the conditions of the dam at the lake. He said he is seriously concerned about the possibility of it flooding over and possibly losing his cattle. Also, Mr. Ciarimboli, again, talked about the condition of Sewickley Creek being obstructed by dead trees.
3. **Jim Errett** – Mr. Errett of 1339 Middletown Road, Greensburg, said that he understands that there is more consideration and deliberation about installing sewage, once again, through the valley and out Middletown Road. He explained that six (6) or eight (8) years ago, he went through this discussion with the Hempfield Township Municipal Authority (THTMA) at which time he was told it would be "X" amount of dollars. Mr. Errett asked that since the Municipal Authority of Westmoreland County (MAWC) owns THTMA, who would initiate consideration of the extension of a sewage line. He said that he does not need the sewage and does not want it and moreover does not want to have to pay up front for it. Mr. Errett added that he believes that it is a clear conflict of interest if Supervisor John Silvis' property, recently subdivided, benefits financially by the addition of the proposed utility.
4. **Todd Slavin** – Mr. Slavin of 241 Eden Drive, Greensburg, raised issue with the Township's recent awarding of the insurance coverage to V.F.I.S. Insurance. He noted that Slavin Insurance (ESIP that he provided) would be less expensive. He also questioned the coverage and replacement costs of certain vehicles, not to mention, vehicles not even in possession yet

by the Township. Mr. Slavin urged the Township to re-evaluate the coverages with the V.F.I.S. Insurance for potential errors and needed updates.

5. **Scott Graham** – Mr. Graham of 40 Cherokee Drive, Greensburg, also voiced his concern about the conflict of interest with the sale of T.H.T.M.A. to M.A.W.C. and Supervisor Silvis voting for the sale and now Supervisor Silvis' financial gain with the recent subdividing of his property.

**Board of Supervisors retired to an Executive Session at 7:21 p.m.**

**Board of Supervisors returned from Executive Session at 7:41 p.m.**

**D. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:**

1. **January 6, 2020 – Legal and Personnel Matters**
2. **January 22, 2020 – Legal and Personnel Matters**
3. **January 27, 2020 – Legal and Personnel Matters**

Supervisor Reese advised that there were executive sessions regarding legal and personnel matters on: January 6, 2020, January 22, 2020, and January 27, 2020.

**E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

1. **Consideration to Approve the Minutes from the December 23, 2019 Hempfield Township Board of Supervisors' Monthly Meeting** – Supervisor Weimer made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Ritson, to approve the minutes of the Supervisors' December 23, 2019 monthly meeting. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

**F. STAFF REPORTS:**

*Complete staff reports were presented to the Board of Supervisors at their Public Work Session meeting on Wednesday, January 22, 2020. Some of the highlights of the staff reports were commented on as follows:*

1. **Jason Winters, Township Manager:**
  - a. **Trustees Meeting** – He noted that there is a meeting after the conclusion of this evening's meeting of the Park and Fire Trustees with a representative from the Community Foundation of Westmoreland County.
  - b. **Joint Meeting with the Hempfield Area School Board** – He noted that there is a meeting on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at 7 p.m. between the Hempfield Area School Board and the Board of Supervisors at the Hempfield Township Municipal Building.
2. **Melanie Phillips, Director of Finance:**
  - a. **Revenues and Expenditures** – Mrs. Phillips reported that revenues for 2019 slightly over 100% collected, with some still coming in. Furthermore, expenditures are at roughly 94% for the year and there are still some bills to be paid so that will go up slightly. In addition, Mrs.

Phillips reported that salt expenditures are at about an average for the year. The Liquid Fuels budget is spent at 97% for 2019. Lastly, she provided the Board with final numbers for employee retiree benefits for 2019

3. **Anthony Kovacic, Director of Emergency Services:**

- a. **Training** – Mr. Kovacic reported that over the weekend the Inspector #1 Program concluded. The Essentials program is also running in conjunction with the City of Greensburg in an effort to give everybody the opportunity to attend. Also, he advised that tomorrow night is the HEMA reorganization meeting. Lastly, he noted that there is an agenda item for consideration of the fire police events.

4. **Doug Cisco, Director of Public Works:**

- a. **Public Works Report** – Mr. Cisco reported as follows: Continuing underdrain installation to fix trouble ice areas throughout the Township, as well as right-of-way brushing throughout the Township. Training was conducted on the new bucket truck. Snow activity operations from December to mid-January was a total of nine (9) days. Mr. Carl John Buczak, a thirty-two (32) year veteran of the Public Works Department, retired. Spoke with Tammy Wolicki, Superintendent of HASD, about an emergency action plan for Spartan Drive due to unforeseen circumstances during snow removal. With regards to the used truck for sale in Salisbury Township, he determined that there is no plow or spreader, a new dump was put on the back with no explanation of why, the vehicle has an air bag suspension, which the Public Works Department doesn't really use something like that and it has a smaller engine as opposed to the normal tandems. In addition, Mr. Cisco advised that Salisbury Township is looking for close to \$90,000.00 and it is a sealed bid process and no warranty. For these reasons, Mr. Cisco said that he did not think it would be a good option to go with at this time and he would recommend continuing with the fleet plan

Supervisor Ritson said he would like to have a conversation to see if there is a way if we can take a look at his budget and work out something to entertain getting a camera system for the Public Works Department for assisting with stormwater management issues.

5. **Aaron Siko, Director of Parks & Recreation:**

- a. **Events** – Mr. Siko reported as follows: Summer Concert Schedule is June the 6<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, July 18<sup>th</sup>, August 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Movie night schedule June 12<sup>th</sup>, July 10<sup>th</sup>, and August 7<sup>th</sup>, which are Fridays. Kids' Fest Event is scheduled for Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Siko said his department is currently looking for food vendors and is also putting out information for a sound technician and recruiting bands at this time for the up-coming events. Relative to the Hempfield Park Rehabilitation project, Mr. Siko said DCED granted one (1) year extensions for the two (2) grants.

6. **Dan Schmitt, Township Engineer:**

- a. **Agenda Items** – Mr. Schmitt reported that included on the agenda items tonight with the Arlee Grant. The Township received grant money in order to upgrade our school crossing and flashing signals at the HAHS, West Hempfield Elementary; and Ft. Allen Elementary. After performing some income surveys, the following areas qualified for CDBG paving grant: Areas which are located off of North Greengate Road – Blair Street, Gemstone, Saddlers Crossing, and Armstrong. Under the 2020 paving program, Mr. Schmitt said the Township is working on having a suggested paving program for the February meeting. In

addition, he said there are also some authorizations for the line painting projects, which typically have been refreshing the intersections associated with traffic signals along the state highways and also various streets throughout the Township on a system wide basis. In closing, relative to citizens comments regarding Edna Road, Mr. Schmitt responded as follows: Edna Road is a state road so any concerns with regards to settlement and the guide rails sinking would have to be turned over to PennDot. and with regard to the issues with the dam, that would be referred to Conservation District and DEP.

**7. Patrick Karnash, Planning Coordinator:**

- a. **Zoning Ordinance Updates** – Mr. Karnash advised that, in conjunction with the Township manager and solicitor, he has been working on updates to the zoning ordinance and should have recommendations prepared for the work session in February. In addition, he said he continues to meet with current developments such as the Walmart and Sam’s Club to talk about the aspects of potential projects. In closing, Mr. Karnash said agenda items include action on subdivisions and a planning module.

**8. Scott Avolio, Township Solicitor:**

- a. **Notes** – Mr. Avolio advised that his department has been working on for the agenda and zoning modifications. In addition, he said he has discussed exploring a non-profit corporation with Mr. Siko. In closing, he said that his department has also been working on some enforcement issues with Mr. Shaw.

**G. TREASURER’S REPORT:**

Supervisor Logan advised that there was nothing additional to add to the Treasurer’s Report given at the Public Work Session.

**H. PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

Supervisor Ritson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Logan, to approve the following payment of bills as listed below. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

1.	General Fund	\$ 714,388.32	2.	Light District	\$ 655.89
3.	Fire Escrow Fund	\$ 10,000.00	4.	Recreation Account	\$ 575.00
5.	Capital Project Fund	\$ 10,938.46			

**I. SCHEDULING OF HEARINGS: None**

**J. DECISIONS FROM HEARINGS:**

- 1. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2020-24; Approving the Inter-Municipal Transfer of a Liquor License from Mt. Pleasant Township to Hempfield Township for CLSW Enterprises, LLC to be Located at 1669 New Stanton Ruffsdale Road** – Supervisor Weimer made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Ritson, to approve Resolution No. 2020-24 which approves the Inter-Municipal Transfer of a Liquor License from Mt. Pleasant Township to Hempfield Township for CLSW Enterprises, LLC to be located at 1669 New Stanton Ruffsdale Road. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

**K. SUBDIVISION PLANS:**

1. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2020-25; Granting the Revised Final Conditional Approval for the Westmoreland Mall Parcel C-1 Subdivision Plan – Plan No. 20190674** – Supervisor Weimer made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Ritson, to approve Resolution No. 2020-25. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
2. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2020-26; Granting Final Approval for the Eubank Subdivision Plan – Plan No. 20190742** – Supervisor Weimer made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Logan, to approve Resolution No. 2020-26. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
3. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2020-27; Granting Final Approval for the ACHIEVA Support Subdivision Plan – Plan No. 20190717** – Supervisor Ritson made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Weimer, to approve Resolution No. 2020-27. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
4. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2020-28; Granting Final Approval for the Mitchell Subdivision Plan – Plan No. 20190743** – Supervisor Weimer made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Reese, to approve Resolution No. 2020-28. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

L. SITE PLAN: None

**M. ITEMS FOR ACTION TO BE TAKEN:**

1. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No.2020-29; Authorizing the Disposition and Destruction of Specific Records by the Duly Elected Hempfield Township Tax Collector** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Silvis, to approve Resolution No. 2020-29. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
2. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2020-30; Approving the Sewage Facilities Planning Module for the Amicone Plan No. 3** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Reese, to approve Resolution No. 2020-30. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
3. **Consideration to Approve the 2020 Parks & Recreation Winter Programming Staff as Listed on Exhibit “A”** – Supervisor Weimer made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Ritson, to approve the 2020 Parks & Recreation Winter Programming staff as listed on Exhibit “A”. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
4. **Consideration to Approve the Fire Police Event Schedule as Listed on Exhibit “B”** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Silvis, to approve the Fire Police Event Schedule as listed on Exhibit “B”. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
5. **Consideration to Approve the Disbursement of the 2020 Hempfield Fire Department Station Allotments** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Weimer, to approve the disbursement of the 2020 Hempfield Fire Department Station allotments. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

6. **Consideration to Approve the Hempfield Township Parks & Recreation Memorial Bench & Tree Policy** – Supervisor Weimer made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Silvis, to approve the Hempfield Township Parks & Recreation Memorial Bench & Tree Policy. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
  
7. **Consideration to Approve the Township Manager to Advertise the Bid for the Annual Line Painting Program** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Ritson, to approve the Township Manager to advertise the bid for the annual line painting program. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
  
8. **Consideration to Authorize the Township Manager to Advertise the Bid for the ARLE Grant – School Zone Updates** – Supervisor Weimer made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Ritson, to authorize the Township Manager to advertise the bid for the ARLE Grant – School Zone Updates. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
  
9. **Consideration to Approve the Following Emergency Service Applications as Members of the Hempfield Township Bureau of Fire, to be Effective Upon the Township Receiving a Physical Report from the Township Physician Stating that the Individual is Capable of Performing Activities Related to the Appointed Position and Successful Criminal History and Act 153 Clearance Requirements:**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Fire Department</b>
1.	Timothy Cianciotti	Admin	Grapeville
2.	Tyler Neat	Sr. Firefighter	Bovard
3.	Zackary Howell	Sr. Firefighter	High Park (Jr. to Sr. Firefighter)

Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Weimer, to approve the above-listed emergency service applications as members of the Hempfield Township Bureau of Fire, to be effective upon the Township receiving a physical report from the Township physician stating that the individual is capable of performing activities related to the appointed position and successful criminal history and Act 153 Clearance requirements. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

**N. OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2020-03; Which Appoints the Township Labor Consultant** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Silvis, to approve Resolution No. 2020-03; appointing Bernie Matthews of Meyer, Darragh Buckler, Bebenek & Eck, P.L.L.C. as the Township labor consultant. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.
  
2. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2020-04; Which Appoints a Certified or Competent Public Accountant** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Weimer, to approve Resolution No. 2020-04; appointing DeLuzio & Company as the certified or competent public account for the Township’s audit for the year 2019, 2020 & 2021 at the rate provided on their R.F.P. which included the tax collector’s audit also. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

3. **Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2020-15; Which Appoints a Member to the Hempfield Township Planning Commission** – Supervisor Logan made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Weimer, to approve Resolution No. 2020-15; appointing Dana Smith of 429 Mt. Thor Road, Greensburg, to the Hempfield Township Planning Commission. Vote: 5-Yes. Motion carried.

**O. NEW BUSINESS:** None

**P. PROCLAMATIONS:**

1. **Alycia Ferrett** – The Board of Supervisors presented a Proclamation to Alycia Ferrett, Property Maintenance Officer for Hempfield Township, for going above and beyond her normal duties to assist an incapacitated, elderly Township resident until such time the proper emergency medical personnel could respond to the house. The Supervisors commended Ms. Ferrett for a job well done.

**Q. SUPERVISORS' COMMENTS:**

**Supervisor George Reese** – Supervisor Reese requested Mr. Errett to speak with the Township Manager and Township Engineer prior to leaving this evening's meeting.

**Supervisor Doug Weimer** – Supervisor Weimer commented as follows: "It's a lot to follow up from the proclamation that we gave Alycia but certainly it's great to have such fantastic employees here at the Township. I know that they are always keeping the best interest of the community and the residents in mind and it's nice to see that she was alert to what was going on and I think we've had occasions over the past years where our road workers and other code officers have been there are the right place at the right time, as well. So, I'm glad to see that someone that is actually new to our work force is definitely following in the footsteps of others and we like to be remembered for that. It's also nice to see on tonight's meeting agenda that we had some new firefighters to approve to some stations and that things are moving forward. We made some further commitments to our twelve departments with the agreements that they signed so we should be able to – they should be on sound fiscal footing now with what we have committed to do. Of course, we are looking for them to make sure that they keep up their end of the commitment as well. Also, I'm excited about the Parks. I never, kind of in the middle of the winter talking about it but although we've had a mild winter, we're certainly looking forward to those concerns that are going to be coming up so I think we work on promoting those and getting people to the park and enjoying that. With the fact that we are having a mild winter, even hearing tonight about asphalt being put down in various places in the Township, as well. I'm glad to hear that we are going to be saving money on overtime and the use of salt, as well. Right now it's a gain for us. We are ahead of the game at this time of year right now anyways. That's all I have and I appreciate everyone coming out tonight and the comments that were made. "

**Supervisor Tom Logan** – Supervisor Logan did not have any additional comments.

**Supervisor John Silvis** – Supervisor Silvis commented as follows: "Two things. I want to wish Rob a happy birthday and the reason I know about it because it was on Facebook. My wife reads Facebook religiously. She said today is Rob's birthday. I said you waitn until Monday night. Okay, the second things. It's the third time I brought it up. I'll probably bring it up again. Wednesday night, we are entering the Roaring 20's. Dan made a joke about it the other day about wondering if I remember but none of us remember. So, we have a lot of things happening in

Hempfield and good things are going to continue to happen and welcome to the Roaring 2020's. Here we are. Our parents lived it and now we can live it..”

**Supervisor Rob Ritson** – Supervisor Ritson commented as follows: “I want to talk briefly going back to Citizens’ Comments, particularly about rting off by saying that Wednesday night we are meeting with the Hempfield Area School Board down here at 7 p.m. It’s a public meeting. Anybody that wants to come and just watch. I think it’s a sign of the times that two boards that oversee a significant amount of money and affect your lives on a daily basis are getting together to talk about, of all things, how we can work together more efficiently. It is is 2020 now. We’ve got to this point where we’re all looking to look forward instead of looking backwards. I’m excited about that. And as part of that conversation, we are going to talk about the piece of property that we own next to HASD and I want to touch on a couple of issues that were brought up in pulic comment. I respect the comments about taxes and parks but I want to point out that HT has a proven track record of expanding and providing the highest quality parks services in Central Westmoreland or if not all of Westmoreland and hasn’t raised a property tax in over 30 years. So, the answer to the question was, yes – you can provide quality parks and not raise property taxes. On top of that we do continue to move forward to try to attract higher businesses. Wednesday night we discussed and we will discuss it this coming Wednesday, how we can work with the School District to look at the tools that are available to us to incentivize larger, employer of businesses to come into Hempfield Township. We were fortunate that we were part of the housing boom and we got a lot of residential houses in the early 2000’2. Now, with every other municipality starting to catch up and figure out that they got to offer incentives to get businesses in, we do now too. And, we have the right people in place to start to work on that on a daily basis – both internally and with Westmoreland County. So, it is part of an over all plan. I take my responsibilities as a Townshipp Supervisor seriously, as do everybody on this dayous but I want to say that I am not forgoing parks and recreation just for the sake of foregoing parks and recreation. It is one element to making this place an overall community that is attractive to both businesses, younger people moving in, which we desperately need in order to help off set and keep that tax base growing, and I look forward to the conversation Wednesday. I also want to point out that we have not decided what we are doing with that property. Wednesday night we are going ask the SD what are their needs. What are their issues? Tonight, we just subdivided a piece of property that the SD purchased that will connect their property to our property. Well, what, if any, are se going to be able to do with that. I’m not sure but we are g oing to have that conversation Wednesday. So, I accept the challenge and I am not going to back down from looking to provide quality public parks. I live next to Hempfield Park. It’s an incredible park. I’m spoiled. There are other people who don’t live remotely close to it all and don’t get to enjoy it on a daily basis and they are entitled to the same type of amenities that the people in the northern part of the Township are entitled to too. And, if we can do that and keep your taxes low, and that’s exactly what this Board intends to do. So. I look forward to the meeting Wednesday. Thank you all for coming and appreciate your interest. That’s all.”

**R. ADJOURNMENT**

Supervisor Reese adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

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Chairman

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Secretary