

Hop Bottom Borough Agenda Regular Meeting
March 5, 2019

- ** Call to Order**
- ** Approval of previous Meeting Minutes**
- ** Approval of Treasurers Report**
- ** Citizen/Visitor Comments**
- ** Correspondence**
- ** Police Reports**
 - Resume for Police Chief opening
- ** Committee Reports**
 - A-Budget
 - B-Park
 - C-Culvert
 - D-Martins Creek
 - E-Street/Sign Committee
 - F-Emergency Management Committee
 - Hazard Mitigation Grant Opportunity
- ** Old Business**
 - 1 Park Drain
- ** New Business**
- ** Adjournment**

**HOP BOTTOM BOROUGH MINUTES
March 5, 2019
REGULAR MEETING**

ATTENDANCE:

Elected Officials: John Koshinski, Bill Black, Janice Webster, Steve Smithbauer, Tim Hortman, and Fred Fry

Secretary/Treasurer:
Deb Norton

Visitors:
N/A

ACCEPTANCE ON MINUTES: Motion to accept the Minutes from February 5, 2019 meeting was made by Janice W., seconded by Tim H.
Motion Duly Passed.
Bill B. agreed/disagreed with motion

TREASURERS' REPORT: Motion to make the necessary transfers and pay the routine bills during upcoming month was made by Janice W., and seconded by Fred F.
Motion Duly Passed.
Bill B. agreed with the motion

CITIZEN/VISITOR COMMENTS: Floor was opened to visitors to make any comment on Agenda items.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter from Francis O'Connor about request for Transfer Tax.

Motion to refund Norfolk Southern Railway Company the Real Estate Transfer Tax amount of \$1,359.57 was made by Fred F. and seconded by Steve S.

Roll Call Vote:

John K. Yes, Tim H. Yes, Janice W. Yes, Fred F. Yes, and Steve S. Yes

Bill Black agreed with the motion

POLICE:

A resume from Connor Hedrick was received and given to Council Members and the Mayor to review. John K. is going to check references and contact Bill B. if references check out. If everything is clear Bill B. with contact Connor to have attend the April meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

BUDGET / FINANCE:

Projected Liquid fuels amount is \$11,821.97

PARK:

N/A

CULVERT:

Rocky will start on repairs ASAP

MARTENS CREEK WATERSHED:

N/A

STREET/SIGN COMMITTEE:

N/A

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Deb will contact everyone so they can attend the kick off meeting with PEMA/FEMA

Stacey Cook and John Perini (29 Main Street Hop Bottom PA) have asked to be included in the current Hazard Mitigation opportunity, he would like to have his home raised above the flood elevation level. Elevation of homes is one of the options available. Deb has submitted the necessary letter of intent (which allows the process to be started with no commitment from the resident or the Borough). On Monday, March 4, 2019 a meeting with the PEMA Hazard Mitigation representative was held in Montrose for the Municipalities that sent in a letter of intent. This is just the first step in a long process to determine if the property will meet qualifications (even if it meets the qualifications, funds are limited and there is no assurance it will be included in this round of Mitigation). Deb will meet with John Perini to assist him with filling out the paperwork he is required to fill out. The current Hazard Mitigation opportunity is Federal 75% and State 25% funding. If this property is approved for this round, any expenses would be reimbursed. The Borough is the point of contact and will be the representative for this project. At any time either the property owner or the Borough may decide this is not something they want to participate in, it is voluntary for both the property owner and the Borough.

Motion to appoint Deborah Norton as Agent for Hazard Mitigation Grant was made by Janice W. and 2nd by Steve S.

Motion Duly Passed

Bill B. agreed with the motion

OLD BUSINESS:

N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

N/A

MOTION TO ADJURN: At 7:50 PM by Janice W., seconded by Fred F.

Deborah Norton
Secretary/Treasurer

Bill Black
Mayor