

**MINUTES OF THE HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
HELD ON MARCH 24, 2021**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kaminski at approximately 7:00 P.M. with the opening statement that *the notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act were satisfied with respect to this meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Township of Hardyston which was held both in person and via Zoom webinar. Specifically, the time, date, and public call-in information were included in the meeting notice, posted in the Municipal Building, and on the Township webpage. Additionally, the agenda and public call-in information for this meeting was posted in the Municipal Building and on the Township website.* Also present were: Deputy Mayor Cicerale, Councilman Kula, Councilman Miller, Councilman Verrilli, Manager Carrine Piccolo-Kaufer, and Clerk Jane Bakalarczyk. Township Attorney Robert Rossmeissl of Dorsey & Semrau was present via Zoom.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Proclamation Honoring Robert S. Neubig

Mayor Kaminski read the proclamation honoring Robert S. Neubig and presented the plaque to the Neubig family.

B. Hardyston Township Board of Education Budget Update

Mike Ryder, Chief School Administrator and Ron Hoffman, Board of Education President, updated the Council on the school budget and the various upgrades that are planned for the Hardyston Township Elementary School.

C. New Jersey Marijuana Legalization Update

Township Attorney Robert Rossmeissl gave the Council an update on the New Jersey marijuana legalization process.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilman Cicerale suggested providing a reserved parking spot in the municipal parking lot for veterans.

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. Several residents were present and thanked the Council for their support of the resolution opposing New Jersey State Assembly Bill A4843 which would require local governments to write Forest Stewardship Plans. A motion was made and seconded to close the meeting to the public. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: At approximately 8:20 p.m., a motion was made by Verrilli to adjourn seconded by Kula. All in favor. Motion carried.

Jane Bakalarczyk, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk