

**MINUTES OF THE HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
HELD ON JULY 24, 2024**

The meeting was called to order by Deputy Mayor Kaminski at approximately 7:00 P.M. with the opening statement that the meeting had been duly advertised and met all the requirements of the Sunshine Law. Also present were: Councilman Kula, Councilman Miller, Councilman Verrilli, Manager Carrine Piccolo-Kaufer, Clerk Jane Bakalarczyk, Township Attorney Fred Semrau and Township Attorney Robert Rossmeissl of Dorsey & Semrau. Councilman Cicerale was absent from this meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Ordinance Amending Township Sign Ordinance

It was the consensus of the Council to table this ordinance during the Regular meeting.

B. Ordinance Establishing Regulations to Prohibit Camping on Public Property

Township Manager and Township Attorney summarized the ordinance. The ordinance is on the regular meeting agenda for Council consideration.

C. Social Media Policy for Township Officials

Township Attorney discussed the policy outlined in his memo with the Council. A suggestion was made to distribute the memo to the Land Use Board as well.

D. ClearGov Budget Preparation & Presentation Software

Township Manager stated that this software will be very helpful in the preparation and presentation of the Municipal Budget. It was the consensus of the Council to add this item to the Consent Agenda during the Regular meeting for Council consideration.

E. Redevelopment Plan – Lasinski Road – Block 75, Lots 53, 72.01 and 72.02

Township Manager and Township Attorney discussed the redevelopment plan for Lasinski Road with the Council.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: None

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.

The following individuals presented public comments relative to the Lasinski Road Redevelopment Plan:

1. Andrew Mulvihill – (Hardyston) Commended Township Council on actions taken on redevelopment project.
2. Mark Scott – (Sparta) Expressed concerns about the project.
3. Amy Sweezy – (Fredon) Expressed concerns about the project.
4. Lauren Drumm – (Hardyston) Expressed concerns about the project.
5. Mike Mornhineway – (Hardyston) Expressed concerns about the project.
6. Marla Casbarro – (Hardyston) Expressed concerns about the project.
7. Al Smith – (Hardyston) Expressed concerns about the project.
8. Fran Bracciodietta – (Hardyston) Expressed concerns about the project.

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9. Joe Clarizio – (Hardyston) Expressed concerns about the project.
10. Brian Tobachnick – (Hardyston) Expressed concerns about the project.
11. Adam Irish – (Hardyston) Expressed concerns about the project.
12. Anar Dash – (Sparta) Expressed concerns about the project.
13. Marge Murphy – (Sparta) Expressed concerns about the project.
14. John Dorney – (Hardyston) Expressed concerns about the project.
15. Kathy – (Sparta) Expressed concerns about the project.
16. Dean Carrigan – (Hardyston) Expressed concerns about the project.
17. Corey Bassett – (Wantage) Expressed concerns about the project.
18. Mike Napovier – (Hardyston) Expressed concerns about the project.
19. Barbara Gomes – (Sparta) Expressed concerns about the project.
20. Mike Devine – (Sparta) Expressed concerns about the project.
21. Richard – (Vernon) Expressed concerns about the project.
22. Rob Drumm – (Hardyston) Expressed concerns about the project.
23. Jaime Milette – (Hardyston) Expressed concerns about the project.

A motion was made and seconded to close the meeting to the public. All in favor. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Hardyston on the 24th day of July, 2024, that:

1. Prior to the conclusion of this **Workshop Meeting**, the Township Council shall meet in Executive Session, from which the public shall be excluded, to discuss matters as permitted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, sub-section (s):
2.
 - () b. (1) Confidential or excluded matters, by express provision of Federal law or State statute or rule of court.
 - () b. (2) A matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.
 - () b. (3) Material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy.
 - () b. (4) A collective bargaining agreement including negotiations.
 - () b. (5) Purchase, lease or acquisition of real property, setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if disclosed.
 - () b. (6) Tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, if disclosure could impair such protection. Investigation of violations of the law.
 - (X) b. (7) Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations other than in subsection b. (4) herein or matters falling within the attorney-client privilege.

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- () b. (8) Personnel matters.
- () b. (9) Deliberations after a public hearing that may result in penalties.
- 3. The time when the matter(s) discussed pursuant to Paragraph 1 hereof can be disclosed to the public is as soon as practicable after final resolution of the aforesaid matter(s).

Motion to adopt: Verrilli
Seconded by: Kula

MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kula	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Miller	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Verrilli	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Kaminski	<u> x </u>	_____	_____	_____
Cicerale	_____	_____	_____	<u> x </u>

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kula to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: At approximately 9:28 p.m., a motion was made by Kula to adjourn seconded by Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

Jane Bakalarczyk, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk