

**HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
REORGANIZATION/REGULAR MEETING
HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING AUDITORIUM**

Tuesday, January 2, 2008 - 7:05 p.m.

PROPER STATEMENT OF NOTICE - Municipal Clerk Bielawski 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 of Trenton and the Pennington Post on December 20, 2007 in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG - Children of the Township Committee Members and children in the audience led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

OATH OF OFFICE OF ELECTED TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Municipal Clerk Bielawski administered the Oath of Office to elected Township Committee Members James Burd and Michael Markulec.

ROLL CALL - The 2008 Township Committee answered the roll call of the Municipal Clerk:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Burd, Markulec, Murphy, Sandahl, Sandom
ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Administrator/Engineer Pogorzelski, Municipal Clerk Bielawski, Township Attorney Goodell, Assistant Administrator/CFO Borges

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF MAYOR FOR THE YEAR 2008

Municipal Clerk Bielawski called for nominations for the office of Mayor for the year 2008. Committee Member Sandahl nominated Vanessa Sandom for Mayor for the year 2008. The Municipal Clerk noted for the record that Committee Member Sandom was nominated and she called for further nominations for the office of Mayor. There were no further nominations from the Floor and the nominations were closed.

The Municipal Clerk called for a vote on the nomination of Committee Member Sandom for Mayor.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Burd, Markulec, Murphy, Sandahl, Sandom

NOES: None

The Municipal Clerk noted for the record that Committee Member Sandom was duly elected Mayor for the year 2008.

OATH OF OFFICE OF MAYOR - Michael Kahme, Esquire, administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Sandom.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE YEAR 2008

Municipal Clerk Bielawski called for nominations for the office of Deputy Mayor for 2008. Committee Member Sandahl nominated John Murphy for Deputy Mayor for the year 2008. The Municipal Clerk noted for the record that Committee Member John Murphy was nominated and she called for further nominations for the office of Deputy Mayor. There were no further nominations from the Floor and the nominations were closed.

The Municipal Clerk called for a vote on the nomination of Committee Member Murphy for Deputy Mayor.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Burd, Markulec, Murphy, Sandahl, Mayor Sandom

NOES: None

The Municipal Clerk noted for the record that Committee Member Murphy was duly elected Deputy Mayor for the year 2008.

OATH OF OFFICE OF DEPUTY MAYOR - Mr. Kahme administered the Oath of Office to Deputy Mayor Murphy.

2008 MAYOR'S WELCOME AND COMMENTS

Mayor Sandom recognized dignitaries who were present in the audience that included Mercer County Freeholders Lucy Walter and Liz Muoio, and Pennington Council Member Weed Tucker. Mayor Sandom thanked those present for continuing to work with the township over the years and in particular for providing monetary assistance to purchase open space that will be used for both active and passive recreation. Mayor Sandom also recognized past elected Hopewell Township officials that included Judy Niederer and William Cane.

Mayor Sandom delivered the following 2008 Mayor's Message:

“As I look around me tonight I do think back to the very first day that I sat up here myself. It was actually a couple of weeks after 9/11 and we were busy pulling together as a community with our “Hands Across Hopewell Valley” memorial service preparations. It seems like so long ago when all of us have seen so many changes in the valley since that time. And yet there are some essential characteristics of the Valley that have not changed. We are still a rural community with farms and farm stands found throughout the township. We have come together many times in the past and we’ve come together as a community to protect our agricultural heritage through the acquisition and preservation of the Martin Farm and the St. Michael property, these being just two notable examples of our preservation efforts. We are still a community of unbroken open vistas and pristine natural resources and historical treasures. We’ve come together again as a community to make sure that our children will be able to not only view these hills and forests in the distance, but will actually be able to play in them. And our children will not only know but also be able to touch and feel how significant Titusville and Harbourton and Twin Pines are to our historical heritage. We are a community that cares about our seniors and our youngsters. We are making sure that those who are no longer able to drive can get a ride to buy groceries, and we are making sure that our community centers will be healthy and fun places to visit if you are young or simply young at heart. And we are still a community that plans for its future. Soon we will welcome our new neighbor, Capital Health System, to the Valley. We will have some new housing which hopefully will be affordable to our children and our retiring friends and neighbors. We are a very rich community in so many ways. I know that there is a lot that we still need to accomplish. There will be many challenges that we will need to overcome this year, not the least of which will be controlling the cost of government while continuing to provide essential services. But in my mind, despite these challenges, I also know there is a lot that we need to be thankful for tonight. I want to thank my colleagues David Sandahl and John Murphy for the years of service and dedication to our community. I want to welcome Jim Burd and Mike Markulec to the Township Committee and we are looking forward to the many evenings that we spend together over the next year and I want to thank you all for your confidence and trust in me as Mayor for another year. I also want to take this opportunity to thank those of you who are in the audience who come every other week to make sure that we are doing what we need to be doing which is serving the community, Bill Schoelwer, and there are a number of other people who keep us honest and I appreciate you being here. I want to thank all of our volunteers on the various boards and commissions and committees for your unwavering commitment to this Valley. And I want to thank the Township staff and professionals and there are many of you here, Mr. Silvestrov, Chief Meyer, Ms. Borges, Mr. Goodell, Mr. Pogorzelski, my favorite clerk in the world Ms. Bielawski, Ms. Moore,

Mr. McManimon and Ms. Gompf. Thank you for helping us be the best that we can be. I'm looking forward to working with all of you also. And finally, and certainly not last or least, I want to thank my family for all your support over these last years and for being so patient and understanding in 2008. And I would also like to thank my friends who have always supported me even when I know you don't necessarily agree with my positions on certain issues. So here's to a happy, productive and collaborative new year in Hopewell Valley. Thank you."

Deputy Mayor Murphy delivered the following 2008 Deputy Mayor's comments:

"I want to echo Mayor Sandom's comments and thank all our distinguished guests and friends and family for being here. I'm sure there are many more important things you would be doing tonight rather than fighting the wind to get down here, parking far away and walking a quarter mile to get to the building. So I appreciate you being here and wish you a Happy New Year as well. I want to thank my friend David Sandahl for nominating me for this position. David has served as the Deputy Mayor for the last two years and I know that I have huge shoes that I need to fill and I am glad that he will not be too far away and his continued guidance and support will be there for me. I think it is important to say a quick word about the work David has done as Deputy Mayor during his entire tenure on the Township Committee. He has with the help of Elaine Borges, Paul Pogorzelski, and Vanessa Sandom done a tremendous job to turn around the finances of this township. He has brought fiscal discipline and operational efficiency to our township that would be envious of many corporations and I think that will always be his lasting legacy. I also need to thank Vanessa as well because without her I would not be sitting here. It was Vanessa who two years ago convinced me to be her running mate and to run for office. She has been my mentor and friend and I thank her for that as well. Last but not least as well I need to thank my family who is here and they were here two years ago as well, my wife, daughter, son and my mother. With that I want to share a story that involves my family and it involves my position on the Committee. We were driving down Carter Road heading towards Hopewell Borough and my wife and I in the front seat were sharing a conversation about my decision to go through a career change. Both my son and daughter were listening and said you're not going to quit your government job are you? And I said no, I'm talking about my other job. And they said okay. And I said why is that job so important to you. That's the job that keeps daddy out away from home late at night and sometimes on the weekend. They said because you help people. I said I help people in my other job as well. And they said but you help people in the town in your government job. And then there was this pause and then my daughter said "plus all my friends think it's really cool that you serve in government." I share this story with you because my reflection on that was that it wasn't too long ago when to serve in government was a position of high esteem where only the best and the brightest were asked to serve. And we had tremendous respect for the people who served in government and civil service and the people who served in government and civil service knew how important that respect was and had a tremendous amount of honor for it. Somewhere along the line we somewhat lost that. I don't know if this generation can turn it around, but I've got tremendous confidence that if we can't the next generation will. But I think in Hopewell Township we have turned that corner in the short two years that I have served on this Committee and I'll just give you two quick examples. I was on the Committee for about a month and I got a call in the middle of the night and it was Vanessa and she said can you come to the Municipal Building. She said we are having a meeting with some representatives from our two borough councils, Hopewell and Pennington Borough and we're talking to them about our ongoing litigation between the three of us and I think it's important for you to come down here. So I went down and it was like a scene out of Mr. Smith Goes to Washington. I walked into that room and the only thing missing was the smoke, but it was definitely a lot of angry people and a lot of things that were said in regret that night and there were a lot of accusations. But what came out of that meeting was an agreement by all of us to settle our differences and try never to find ourselves back in that room and to work together. About a month ago Vanessa and I as well as some of the members of those borough councils including some people in that room that night and some

of our community leaders came before the County Board of Freeholders to thank them for their support for a grant they had awarded to Hopewell Township along with Hopewell and Pennington Boroughs and Lawrence Township to build athletic fields to service our four communities. It is always tremendous how far we've come in that short period of time to go from people who are pointing fingers at each other and banging on the table and I think someone in the room that night said this will lead to World War III. That's how bad it was. To have a group of us come together again on a night when we had more important things to do, come together not to complain to the county, not to petition the county, but to thank them. We had about a dozen people who showed up that night and I think it was significant that we would have that many people come to show their support. Pat Colavita, I don't know if we were meant to hear it, but he said to his colleagues that really warms my heart that people would come out to thank us, because we don't do enough of that, we don't say thank you enough. That's the first example. The other example and it is related as again being Mr. Smith, when I joined the Township Committee I said I wanted to play a role in recreation and I was told by a lot of wise people don't because you are going to commit political suicide. Recreation is a dirty word in Hopewell Township. I said I have got to try and I did and not by virtue of my expertise or efforts, because I didn't have any, but because of the support of a lot of people including the people on this dais and the many people in this community, we were able to secure funding to build athletic facilities in the township, something we've talked about for years and I think now will become a reality. We've done a lot in those two years to include the MAC Center behind us and improving Independence Park. We've got a great Recreation Director in Judy Niederer who it was a difficult decision for her to step down from this dais to serve in that position, but Judy is one of the people I refer to about appreciating when the best and brightest are called to service. I think there is a lot that we have to celebrate. There is a lot more that we need to do, but I think the difference is that going forward we can do it together and not do it against each other and for that I am very thankful. Thank you."

Committee Members Markulec and Burd also expressed thanks to family and friends for their support and also appreciation to Hopewell Township residents.

Mayor Sandom announced the following departmental assignments for 2008:

- Public Safety, Youth Advisory Board, HealthBurd
- Economic Development, Agriculture, Open Space Preservation Markulec
- Recreation, Building & Grounds, Parks, Public Works
and Interlocal RelationsMurphy
- Finance, Legal, Planning and ZoningSandahl
- Administration, Affordable Housing, Historic Preservation,
Environmental, and Wastewater Sandom

RESOLUTION #08-1. Read by title.

Motion by Sandahl, seconded by Murphy to adopt Resolution #08-1.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

RESOLUTION #08-1

**A RESOLUTION APPOINTING
A TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, that Steven P. Goodell is hereby appointed Township Attorney for the year 2008.

RESOLUTION #08-02. Read by title.
 Motion by Sandahl, seconded by Murphy to adopt Resolution #08-02.
MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

R E S O L U T I O N #08-2

**A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING
 JOHN M. HOLLIDAY AS
 MUNICIPAL PUBLIC DEFENDER**

BE IT RESOLVED, on this 2nd day of January 2008, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that John M. Holliday be and is hereby reappointed Municipal Public Defender for the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer for a one-year term expiring January 1, 2009.

RESOLUTION #08-03. Read by title.
 Motion by Sandahl, seconded by Murphy to adopt Resolution #08-03.
MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

R E S O L U T I O N #08-3

**RESOLUTION DESIGNATING
 ONE-YEAR APPOINTMENTS FOR 2008**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, that the persons listed as follows are hereby appointed for a one-year term expiring December 31, 2008:

COURT ADMINISTRATOR	Margaret Umbro
DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR:	Christine Irizarry
DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK:	Laurie E. Gompf
TREASURER:	Elaine Cruickshank-Borges
PENSION CERTIFYING OFFICER:	Deborah L. Smith
SEARCHER FOR PROSPECTIVE ASSESSMENTS:	Annette C. Bielawski
TAX SEARCH OFFICER	Alice Anne Pareti

RESOLUTION #08-4. Read by title.
 Motion by Sandahl, seconded by Murphy to adopt Resolution #08-4.
MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

R E S O L U T I O N #08-4

**HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS
 TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES**

BE IT RESOLVED, on this 2nd day of January 2008, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, that the following are hereby appointed for the terms designated:

	NOMINEE	TERM	TERM EXPIRING
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT, ZONING:	John Van Raalte	4 year	12/31/11
	William H. Cane	4 year	12/31/11
	Alternate No. 2 Marta Gold	2 year	12/31/09
PLANNING BOARD CLASS III: (Township Committee Member)	David Sandahl	1 year	12/31/08

AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE:

	Alice Zeldis	2 year	12/31/09
	Edward Truscelli	2 year	12/31/09
	Dori Anderson	2 year	12/31/09
(Township Committee Member)	Vanessa Sandom	1 year	12/31/08

HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(Township Committee Member)	John Murphy	1 year	12/31/08
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SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD

	William Farmer	3 year	12/31/10
	Lawrence Mansier	3 year	12/31/10
	Anne Bolick	3 year	12/31/10

BOARD OF HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

	Allen Thomas	3 year	12/31/10
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RESOLUTION #08-5. Mayor's Appointment.

Motion by Sandahl, seconded by Murphy to adopt Resolution #08-5.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**R E S O L U T I O N #08-5****MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS,
COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES**

BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Vanessa Sandom, Mayor of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, on this 2nd day of January 2008, do hereby appoint the following for the terms designated:

	NOMINEE	TERM	TERM EXPIRING
PLANNING BOARD:			
	Mayor	1 year	12/31/08
	John R. Hart, Jr.	1 year	12/31/08
	Karen Murphy	4 year.	12/31/11
	William Connolly	unexpired	12/31/08
	Bruce Gunther	unexpired	12/31/08
	Janet Krommes	2 year.	12/31/09
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION:			
	Michael Aucott	3 year	12/31/10
	John Hart	3 year	12/31/10
	Nora Sirbaugh	3 year	12/31/10
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION			
	David Blackwell	4 year	12/31/11
	Elizabeth Ackerman	4 year	12/31/11
	Moirra Lawrence	2 year	12/31/09
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE			
	Michele Byers	3 year	12/31/10
	Carol Kleis	3 year	12/31/10
AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE			
	Mary Jo Herbert	3 year	12/31/10
Alternate No. 1	Robin Perelli	3 year	12/31/10
Township Committee Member	Michael Markulec	1 year	12/31/08

OATH OF OFFICE OF APPOINTEES

Municipal Clerk Bielawski administered the Oath of Office to the aforementioned appointees.

RESOLUTION #08-6. Read by title

Motion by Sandahl, seconded by Murphy to adopt Resolution #08-6.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

R E S O L U T I O N #08-6

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
PART-TIME SEASONAL WORKERS FOR THE
HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, there is a need for part-time seasonal workers to manage and supervise a variety of programs sponsored by the Hopewell Township Recreation Department; and,

WHEREAS, after reviewing their experience and qualifications, the following individuals were selected and are recommended by the Hopewell Township Recreation Director for appointment,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 2nd day of January, 2008, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that part-time seasonal workers be hereby appointed effective January 3, 2008 as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Grace Rarich	Recreation Supervisor	Field Hockey	\$25.00
Margaret Rarich	Recreation Leader	Field Hockey	\$15.00
Jennifer Lubin	Recreation Leader	Field Hockey	\$15.00
Jackie Gelinas	Recreation Leader	Field Hockey	\$15.00
Heather Diaforli-Day	Recreation Leader	Voice Instruction	\$50.00

RESOLUTION #08-7. Read by title

Motion by Sandahl, seconded by Murphy to adopt Resolution #08-7.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

R E S O L U T I O N #08-7

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
MEETING DATES FOR THE YEAR 2008**

WHEREAS, Section 13 of the Open Public Meetings Act requires the posting of annual meetings together with notification of said meetings to the official newspapers of the Township, and submission of the same to those persons requesting copies of said notice; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell desires to set forth a schedule of public meetings for the year 2008;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer and the State of New Jersey that the Township Committee shall hold its regular meetings at 7:00 p.m. at the municipal building auditorium located at 201 Washington Crossing-Pennington Road, Titusville, New Jersey, on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month, except when that Monday is a national holiday and then the meeting will be held the following Tuesday evening; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Committee will hold Agenda Sessions at 7:00 p.m. on the first Monday of each month except when that Monday is a national holiday and then the meeting will be held the following Tuesday evening; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be posted and maintained posted throughout the year in accordance with the statutes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution and schedule be forwarded to the official newspapers of the Township.

RESOLUTION #08-8. Read by title.

Motion by Sandahl, seconded by Murphy to adopt Resolution #08-8.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

RESOLUTION #08-8

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hopewell Valley News and The Times of Trenton are hereby designated as the official newspapers of the Township of Hopewell for the year 2008.

RESOLUTION #08-9. Read by title.

Motion by Sandahl, seconded by Murphy to adopt Resolution #08-9.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

RESOLUTION #08-9

**A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING STATE
APPROVED PUBLIC DEPOSITORIES AS OFFICIAL
DEPOSITORIES OF HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP**

BE IT RESOLVED, on this 2nd day of January 2008 by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer and State of New Jersey, that any public depository as listed on the attached Cash Management Plan be designated as an Official Depository of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, for the year 2008.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Administrator and the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer are hereby authorized to purchase and sell participations in the cash fund of these depositories for investment purposes for the account of the Township of Hopewell.

RESOLUTION #08-10. Read by title.

Motion by Sandahl, seconded by Murphy to adopt Resolution #08-10.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Burd, Markulec, Murphy, Sandahl, Mayor Sandom

NOES: None

RESOLUTION #08-10

ADOPTING A TEMPORARY 2008 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Local Budget Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19) provides that where any contracts and/or commitment of payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2008 budget, temporary appropriations shall be made for the purpose in the manner and the time provided; and

WHEREAS, this resolution is within the first thirty days of the year 2008, and

WHEREAS, 26.25% of total appropriations of the 2007 budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for debt service, capital improvement fund and deferred charges in said budget is the sum of \$3,916,114.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 2nd day of January 2008, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, that the following temporary appropriations be made and that a certified copy of the Resolution be transmitted to the Township Treasurer's Office.

IN CAP APPROPRIATIONS:

	2007 Budget	2008 Temporary Budget
Legislative		
S&W	16,000	5,000
OE	14,500	3,125
Executive		

S&W	391,322	88,200
OE	186,460	22,300
Financial Administration		
S&W	199,888	58,000
OE	22,675	5,300
Tax Collection		
S&W	140,386	27,000
OE	41,890	4,800
Legal Services/Prosecutor		
S&W	60,374	17,000
OE	563,031	110,000
Municipal Clerk		
S&W	139,181	35,000
OE	31,000	6,700
Municipal Assessor		
S&W	164,508	42,000
OE	57,125	12,600
Engineering		
OE	119,000	30,000
Municipal Building		
S&W	60,820	20,000
OE	89,905	16,900
Police Services		
S&W	2,843,244	800,000
OE	303,822	103,400
Planning Services		
S&W	111,303	31,000
OE	83,200	24,300
Zoning		
S&W	77,966	23,000
OE	16,943	5,400
Auditing Services		
OE	32,000	33,000
Community Development		
S&W	47,200	13,000
OE	6,000	4,000
Health		
S&W	282,336	70,000
OE	45,288	12,500
Solid Waste & Recycling		
OE	72,000	45,000
Public Works		
S&W	1,449,054	370,000
OE	366,043	94,439
Fleet Maintenance		
S&W	170,372	56,000
OE	119,630	30,000
Recreation/Parks		
S&W	42,768	10,000
OE	63,000	8,500
Recreation		
S&W	112,738	34,000
OE	11,760	3,000
Senior Services		
S&W	1,878	- 0 -
OE	19,697	5,000
Motor Fuels		
OE	225,000	60,000
Street Lighting		
OE	115,000	40,000
Utilities		
OE	155,000	40,000

Telephone		
OE	85,000	40,000
Municipal Court		
S/W	255,273	80,000
O/E	23,526	40,100
Public Defender		
S/W	24,000	6,000
Historic Preservation Commission		
S&W	4,455	2,000
OE	2,565	1,000
Environmental Commission		
OE	12,400	1,000
Insurance Premiums		
OE	410,300	500,000
Disability Insurance		
OE	6,000	1,000
Social Security		
OE	510,000	170,000
Employee Benefits		
OE	1,566,352	500,000
OUT OF CAP APPROPRIATIONS:		
Interlocal Police Services		
S&W	347,100	78,000
OE	42,900	8,000
Interlocal Health Services		
S&W	43,509	11,000
OE	8,911	2,000
Interlocal Recycling		
OE	178,695	44,000
Interlocal Drug Alliance Program		
OE	2,200	550
Interlocal Animal Control		
S&W	15,080	- 0 -
Interlocal Dispatch		
S&W	47,657	12,000
Interlocal Recreation		
S&W	- 0 -	- 0 -
OE	23,500	- 0 -
Interlocal Senior Service Coordinator		
O/E	5,883	- 0 -
Pension	422,887	- 0 -
Employee Benefits	46,931	- 0 -
Miscellaneous Expenses		
OE	1,762,102	- 0 -
TOTAL	\$14,918,533.00	3,916,114.00

RESOLUTION #08-11. Read by title.

Motion by Sandahl, seconded by Murphy to adopt Resolution #08-11.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Burd, Markulec, Murphy, Sandahl, Mayor Sandom

NOES: None

RESOLUTION #08-11

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING TEMPORARY
2008 WATER & SEWER UTILITY BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the Local Budget Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19) provides that where any contracts and/or commitment of payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2008 budget,

temporary appropriations shall be made for the purpose in the manner and the time provided; and

WHEREAS, this resolution is within the first thirty (30) days of the year 2008; and

WHEREAS, 26.25% of the total appropriations of the 2007 Water Utility budget, exclusive of debt service is the sum of \$15,028.00; and

WHEREAS, 26.25% of the total appropriations of the 2007 Sewer Utility budget, exclusive of debt service is the sum of \$240,160.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 2nd day of January 2008, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that the following temporary appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Township Treasurer's office.

	2007	2008
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<u>WATER UTILITY</u>		
S & W	15,000.00	7,000.00
OE	41,000.00	7,028.00
Employee Benefits		
OE	1,250.00	1,000.00
TOTAL	57,250.00	15,028.00
<u>SEWER UTILITY</u>		
S & W	24,500.00	16,000.00
OE	887,396.00	222,660.00
<u>Insurance Premiums</u>		
OE	1,000.00	500.00
<u>Employee Benefits</u>		
OE	2,000.00	1,000.00
TOTAL	914,896.00	240,160.00

RESOLUTION #08-12. Read by title.

Motion by Sandahl, seconded by Murphy to adopt Resolution #08-12.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

R E S O L U T I O N #08-12

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PUBLIC WORKS AND RECREATION TO RE-OPEN THEIR PETTY CASH FUNDS FOR 2008 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200.00 EACH AND THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE TO REOPEN ITS PETTY CASH FUND FOR 2008 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$400

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of Petty Cash funds for the Administration, Public Works and Recreation departments of Hopewell Township; and

WHEREAS, said petty cash funds were established by resolutions dated October 7, 1991 (Administration), January 4, 2001 (Recreation) and February 1, 2001 (Public Works) by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township Committee that said funds be continued under the direction of Administration, Public Works and Recreation respectively;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 2nd day of January 2008, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that effective January 1, 2008, Public Works and Recreation Offices be and are hereby authorized and permitted to re-open their Petty Cash Funds in the amount of \$200.00 and the Administration Office is hereby permitted to re-open its petty cash fund in the amount of \$400.00 pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21. Said Petty Cash Funds will be used by such office or department to pay claims for small miscellaneous expenses.

RESOLUTION #08-13. Read by title.

Motion by Sandahl, seconded by Murphy to adopt Resolution #08-13.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Burd, Markulec, Murphy, Sandahl, Mayor Sandom

NOES:None

RESOLUTION #08-13

BILLS & CLAIMS

BE IT RESOLVED, that the list of cash disbursements authorized for approval of bills for payment dated January 2, 2008 in the following amounts:

Bills and Claims	-	\$ 4,691,991.28
Payroll	-	\$ -
Total Disbursements	-	\$ 4,691,991.28

itemized and listed on the submitted schedule are hereby approved and filed as a record as part of the minutes of this meeting.

PUBLIC SECTION

There were no comments from the public.

At 7:42 p.m. Motion by Sandahl, seconded by Murphy to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

ANNETTE C. BIELAWSKI
MUNICIPAL CLERK