

HAMBURG BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING MINUTES

August 14, 2013

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act with regard to notification of the meeting of the Hamburg Board of Public Works was called to order by Chairman Chris Kelly at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call: Chris Kelly, Jerry Truppi, Bob Krysiak, Chris Fitzpatrick, Mayor Marino

Absent: Maria Marino, Vinnie Busted, John Ruschke

Also Present: Kathy Garrett, Regina Flammer, Gerald Kastner, Mike Schneider, Councilman Ron Garrett

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Jerry Truppi, seconded by Chris Fitzpatrick to approve the minutes of May 8, 2013 Regular Meeting. All in favor.

Executive Session

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Jerry Truppi to enter into Executive Session. All in favor.

Individual Cases

27 Holly Drive – extension of payment

36 Bank Street – extension of payment

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Jerry Truppi to return to the regular meeting. All in favor.

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Jerry Truppi to accept the extension of payment for 27 Holly Street and 36 Bank Street as discussed in Executive Session. All in favor.

The Board also discussed Regina Flammer setting up payment plans with residents for their water bills. They were in full agreement for her to set up the resident on a payment schedule that would be in the best interest of the resident to keep them from being on the disconnect list.

The forms that Regina Flammer made up for an extension of payment for residents to adhere to were also approved by the Board members. The resident would sign the form after it is filled out with exact amounts and dates so there is no room for doubt.

The Governor Haines strip mall has been sold and paid. New owners will be taking over shortly.

Motion by Chris Kelly, seconded by Jerry Truppi to open to the Professionals. All in favor.

Sewer Flows

Gerald Kastner said the sewer flows have been holding steady and that he is emailed daily and would know of a problem immediately should there be one. He stated that April and May were dry months but June was very wet, 12% over on the flows, but not a concern at this time. It would be a concern if flow rates were showing 300 – 350,000 gallons daily.

Rt. 23 Water Main Project

Mr. Kastner said the project is 90% complete. The contractor has minor restoration work to complete in the fall when he is able to plant.

Well #3

The starter is being put together and then it will be put into the ground. The old one is still on site and will remain there until the new one is functional. Then the old pump will be scrap as it is old and worn out.

62 Orchard Street

Mr. Kastner discussed with the Board members the need to install a flush hydrant at this property location. There is a history of the homeowner's PRV clogging and one reason can be due to it being a dead zone - at the end of the water line and debris collecting in the pipes. It is not just one resident being affected. Mr. Kastner is recommending the installation of a flush hydrant to keep this section of the pipe clear and insure the residents clean water. The Road Dept. will do the work. It will cost approximately \$1500.00 in labor, \$700.00 in parts, with \$200.00 for the leak detection company. He feels this will be a wise expenditure and a positive statement to the residents that we are proactive with our town. It will be flushed approximately once a month to keep the system clear.

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Jerry Truppi to install the flush hydrant in the area of 62 Orchard Street and to approve the necessary expenditures to do so. All in favor.

Hardyston Meeting

Councilman Garrett asked Mr. Kastner if he has heard anything from Hardyston about the inter local connection with water and he replied he has not heard any feedback.

Well #2

Mr. Kastner stated that the operation of Well #2 has been great and the usage good. Well #2 and Well #3 cannot run simultaneously so he may think about running them quarterly, thinking about the best usage for the wells.

Notice of Non-Compliance – Submittal of a Consumer Confidence Report

Jerry Kastner informed the Board that he received a non-compliance letter from the NJDEP stating that he did not mail the CCR report, or at least they did not receive one. He said he mailed it to them personally and will resubmit it again. He has also tried to contact them but has not been successful. He did state he was confident that there this would not go any further.

Repairs to curb stops / meters

Mr. Schneider said there are only 5 problems with the curb stops. He also said that the Zoning Officer is now returning calls and working with him.

Motion by Chris Kelly, seconded by Jerry Truppi to close to the Professionals and to Mike Schneider. All in favor.

Public Portion

None

Correspondence

None

Adjournment

Motion by Chris Kelly, seconded by Jerry Truppi to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 PM. All in favor.

Date Approved 10/9/13

Minutes Released 10/9/13

Kathy Garrett
Secretary