

HAMBURG BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING MINUTES

October 9, 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 Board Member Jerry Truppi at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call: Vinnie Busteed, Jerry Truppi, Bob Krysiak, Chris Fitzpatrick, Mayor Marino
Absent: Chris Kelly, Maria Marino
Also Present: Kathy Garrett, Regina Flammer, Gerald Kastner, Mike Schneider, Councilman Ron Garrett

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Bob Krysiak, seconded by Jerry Truppi to approve the minutes of August 14, 2013 Regular Meeting. All in favor. Vinnie Busteed abstained.

Motion by Bob Krysiak, seconded by Jerry Truppi to approve the minutes of August 14, 2013 Executive Session Meeting. All in favor. Vinnie Busteed abstained.

Individual Cases

None

Hatch Mott MacDonald / Water Superintendent

Motion by Vinnie Busteed, seconded by Bob Krysiak to open the meeting to Jerry Kastner. All in favor.

Well #3

Mr. Kastner informed the Board that, although it was a complex project, it went well and Well #3 is up and running. The samples that he has taken look good and he is pleased with it. There are some minor issues – the removal of the old parts and who is responsible to do so. The road dept. could do it and sell it for scrap but the contract has to be checked first. He was before the Council at the October meeting to discuss finances. Originally this project was going to be done with lighting and ventilation, and then it was decided to hold off making sure there were enough funds to complete the well without any problems. Mr. Kastner stated that he was budgeted an amount of up to \$150,000.00 for the project, used \$121,000.00 so would like to complete interior and exterior lighting upgrades and necessary ventilation, using the remaining balance. This was part of the original bid amount but the Council decided to hold off at that time to see if any emergencies should come up. These upgrades would complete this project in its entirety. Council was very much in favor of doing this.

Motion by Jerry Truppi, seconded by Bob Krysiak to authorize Gerald Kastner to get proposals for the lighting and ventilation for Well #3 and to spend up to \$29,000.00 to complete phase 2 of the project. Roll call vote showed all members present in favor.

Sewer Flows

Gerald Kastner said the sewer flows were very good. He receives daily monitor readings from SCMUA so he would know of a problem immediately and would be able to address it. Members comment about the high readings Hamburg did have at one time before the repairs were made on the system.

Rt. 23 Water Main Project

Mr. Kastner said the project is complete. PM Construction should be coming back this week sometime to take care of the landscaping issues but because of the rainy weather that is coming, that may be delayed until the following week.

Flush Hydrant

The flush hydrant on Orchard Street is done and working properly. It will have to be pumped approximately once a month.

Repairs to curb stops / meters / hydrants

There is a hydrant on Glenside Ave in Penny rock that will be replaced on Tuesday and then one more by the school but that will not be replaced until the spring. There are still some curb stops that that need to be located and the Road Dept. is constantly working on that. Mike Schneider stated that some residents deliberately park their cars in the general vicinity of the curb stop so that should their water need to be turned off, it is not able to be done.

CCR Report

Jerry Truppi asked Mr. Kastner about the CCR Report, if he heard anything further from the State as to if they had received the report. Mr. Kastner said that although he mailed it out certified mail, he had not heard anything.

Versa Probe Extended Warranty

Members have the correspondence received regarding the renewal of the warranty for the Versa Probe wand for reading meters. Mr. Kastner reviewed the contract and recommended renewing the warranty, stating that the cost of \$311.00 was a small amount of insurance to pay for such a delicate instrument.

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Bob Krysiak to renew the warranty on the Versa Probe wand at a cost of \$311.00 for the year. All in favor.

Memo from Water Collector re: Water Shut-offs

Members discussed the memo from Regina Flammer regarding the water shut-offs. She is recommending that the BPW change the meeting from November 13th to November 6th. Our ordinance states that the town cannot turn off the water for non-payment after November 15th. If the meeting date is changed, it would give the Road Dept. 10 days' time to do shut-offs. When asked, Mike Schneider said that, depending on what else was going on in town that should be enough time to do it. Members stated that it would have to be a priority.

Motion by Jerry Truppi, seconded by Vinnie Busted to accept the memo from Regina Flammer and change the meeting date to November 6, 2013. Roll call vote showed all members present in favor.

Mr. Schneider did ask what if he was not able to turn everyone on the list off. It was reiterated that it would have to be a priority.

Motion by Bob Krysiak, seconded by Jerry Truppi to close to Jerry Kastner and to Mike Schneider. All in favor.

Public Portion

None in attendance

Correspondence

From SCMUA – Backflow Preventor Physical Connection Permit No. 1283

Adjournment

Motion by Jerry Truppi, seconded by Vinnie Busted to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM. All in favor.

Date Approved 11/6/13

Minutes Released 11/6/13



Kathy Garrett
Secretary