

**HAMBURG BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**May 14, 2014**

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 Jerry Truppi at 7:30 PM.

**Roll Call:** Jerry Truppi, Bob Krysiak, Vinnie Busted, Chris Fitzpatrick, Mayor Marino  
**Absent:** Bob Baumgartner, Maria Marino  
**Also Present:** Kathy Garrett, Regina Flammer, Gerald Kastner, Mike Schneider

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Vinnie Busted to approve the minutes of March 12, 2014 Regular Meeting. All in favor.

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Bob Krysiak to approve the minutes of March 12, 2014 Executive Session Meeting. All in favor.

**Individual Cases**

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Vinnie Busted to open the meeting to Individual Cases. All in favor.

Regina Flammer informed the Board that on the delinquent letter that was sent out to residents, they were given until Friday, May 16, to pay. On Monday, May 19, a \$50.00 service fee will be added to all outstanding bills and water turn-offs will begin that day and go on until completed, hopefully ending before Thursday, May 22. Regina again told the Board that she informed residents that extensions for payment had to come before the Board. Chris Fitzpatrick brought up that 15 Holly Drive was vacant, that they walked away from the property. Regina has not received any notification about it yet except to say that, according to Mike Schneider, the curb stop was frozen so that it can't be turned to shut it off.

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

Mike Schneider submitted a memo regarding a water meter at 59 Wishing Well Road. He said that it was cracked on the bottom due to the meter freezing from not having heat. He also stated that this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> meter he has replaced in the past three years due to leaking at this same location. Mr. Schneider, according to the letter submitted by him, feels the homeowner should be charged for the replacement meter at a cost of \$66.75 and one hour time to replace the meter. The ordinance will be checked and Regina Flammer said that it will not be a problem to add the charges to his water bill. (Ordinance #5-2013; Chapter 209-8 Q of Sewers.)

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Vinnie Busted to charge the homeowner at 59 Wishing Well Road \$66.75, the cost of a replacement meter, and one hour time to replace the meter in order to resolve the issue. All in favor.

**Grey Elephant, LLC.**

A letter was submitted to the BPW projecting the proposed development of Block 11, Lots 27, 33, 36, and 34. Mayor Marino stated that Grey Elephant will be going to the Land Use meeting with a conceptual plan for the redevelopment of the property. The letter stated that 75 EDUs are needed for the project but he already has some allocation. Board discusses connection fees, and the fact that no revenue would be coming in if all EDUs were coming from Grey Elephant. Jerry Kastner said the water supply would not be a problem but he would be cautious with the sewer. As Grey Elephant still has to go before the Historic Board (Block 11, Lot 34), and is going before the Planning Board with the conceptual, BPW will discuss this further after the discussions with those boards.

Motion by Vinnie Busted, seconded by Bob Krysiak to close to Individual Cases. All in favor.

**Hatch Mott MacDonald / Water Superintendent  
Sewer Flows- December 2013 – March 2014**

The sewer flows look good, and although a bit scary since the flows are down, it also means water usage is down which also affects revenue coming into the town. But, as always, Mr. Kastner will be monitoring them closely for any signs of infiltration and / or problems.

**Updates on projects**

Jerry Kastner discussed the 5 Year Plan of which we are in the 4<sup>th</sup> Year. The 1<sup>st</sup> Year - the water main was done and has since paid for itself; 2<sup>nd</sup> Year -was the back hoe replacement; 3<sup>rd</sup> Year -Well #3; 4<sup>th</sup> Year- generator at Well #2, which has nothing there now, has failed once in 15 years and will cost approximately \$100,000.00. We are seven months ahead of schedule on the 5 Year Plan.

Mayor Marino discusses the budget, stating there will not be a raise on water / sewer rates as we have had raises for the past 3 years. As the Borough needs to be proactive and do preventive maintenance, we will take money out of the Capital Improvement Fund to complete the 5 Year Plan.

**Tank Cleaning**

Mr. Kastner informed the Board that he needs to do maintenance on the tanks as the algae has returned and that is has been quite a few years since it has been done. This involves inside and outside cleaning. After some discussion, he will get some quotes for the next meeting.

**Field trip**

Vinnie Busted asked if it were possible to visit the pump stations so that he could have a better understanding of what is going on, etc. Jerry Kastner said that was a great idea and would be very willing to do so, possibly scheduling it an hour before the July meeting.

**CCR Report**

The 2014 Consumer Confidence Report was emailed by Jerry Kastner to Kathy who will have it ready to mail out by June 30, 2014 as required by the State.

**Old Business/New Business**

**Water off List as of 4/9/14 and Curb Stops broken and / or cannot be located list**

Updated lists from Regina Flammer that are being worked on for repair by the water dept.

**Resignation of Maria Marino as of May 12, 2014**

Board members are in receipt of the resignation of Maria Marino. Due to a move out of the area, she must resign her seat on the board. She thanked the Mayor for the opportunity and for the experience.

Motion by Vinnie Busted, seconded by Chris Fitzpatrick to accept the resignation of Maria Marino with regrets. All in favor.

**Correspondence**

Physical Connection Permit No.:1283-WPC140001

Physical Connection Permit No.:1706-WPC140001

Mr. Kastner explained that the quarterly inspections for Lorterdan and SCMUA are done and are in compliance. Valves are opened to prevent backflow as these are below grade and should it flood, it would suck in the sewage. These are notifications that the inspections are satisfactory and in compliance.

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Vinnie Busted to close to Mr. Kastner and Mr. Schneider. All in favor.

**Public Portion**

None in attendance

**Adjournment**

Motion by Jerry Truppi, seconded by Chris Fitzpatrick to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM. All in favor.

Date Approved\_\_\_\_\_

Minutes Released\_\_\_\_\_

Kathy Garrett  
Secretary