# HAMBURG BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING

## **April 8, 2015**

### Open Meeting / Flag Salute / Certification

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, with regards to notices, the regularly scheduled meeting of the Hamburg Board of Public Works is called to order at 7:30 p.m., April 8, 2015.

#### Roll Call

Present:

Jerry Truppi, Bob Krysiak, Vinnie Busteed, Bob Baumgartner, Mayor Marino

Absent:

Chris Fitzpatrick

Also Present: Kathy Garrett, Jerry Kastner, Councilman Garrett

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Jerry Truppi, seconded by Bob Krysiak to approve the March 11, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Jerry Truppi, seconded by Bob Krysiak to approve the March 11, 2015 Executive Session Minutes. All in favor.

#### Individual Cases

Motion by Jerry Truppi, seconded by Bob Baumgartner to open the meeting to Individual Cases. All in favor.

Mike Mangine – 35 Hamilton Street – attended the meeting regarding a new meter that was put in his home. When Mr. Mangine first discovered the meter was leaking, he called the Road Dept.; it was thought that the meter had a bad gasket. The gasket was replaced but the meter continued to leak and the meter was replaced. The weather was bad; it was cold and in the basement where it was not heated. Mr. Mangine said that he was charged \$200.00 for the meter. He understands that if the meter is damaged due to his neglect, he should be responsible for replacement. But Mr. Mangine stated that the two techs that came to replace the meter said that the meters were going to be replaced anyway. Mr. Mangine asked why, if the meters were going to be replaced, he should have to pay the \$200.00 charge and he was asking for some kind of consideration as this will cause some hardship on him, especially if the meters were going to be replaced. Mayor Marino asked how the Road Dept. personnel came up with the fact that the meter was faulty - that it just went bad or that it was frozen? Councilman Garrett asked if they changed the whole meter or just the gasket. Mr. Mangine believed that they did change the gasket first and then when the meter continued to leak, the entire meter was replaced and the comment was made about the meters being old and being replaced. No one from the Road Dept. was present to verify statements. Jerry Kastner stated that he agreed with all that was being said but would be hesitant to put a new meter in the same location. Mr. Mangine stated that he has since taken steps to have heat in the location of the meter. Bob Krysiak asked what if this had happened a month earlier. The Board felt that given the circumstances, the \$200.00 charge should be removed from the bill.

Motion by Jerry Truppi, seconded by Bob Krysiak to close to Individual Cases. All in favor.

Motion by Vinnie Busteed, seconded by Jerry Truppi to waive the \$200.00 charge on the Water / Sewer bill of Mike Mangine, 35 Hamilton Street, for the replacement water meter. All in favor.

# Hatch Mott MacDonald / Water Superintendent

#### Sewer Flows-February 2015

Mr. Kastner stated that the sewer flows are still steady, but the water consumption is low also, which greatly affects them. He will continue to keep a close eye on them.

#### Updates on Projects Water Main Break

Councilman Garrett asked Jerry Kastner about the road opening permit for Rt. 94 and if he knew the status of it. He replied that Mike Schneider was handling that and he did not know the answer to that. Councilman Garrett added that although the cost for PM Construction was \$27,000.00 for the water main break, the entire cost was closer to \$33,000.00 with added costs and the overtime of Police and Road Dept. personnel.

Service Renewal Agreement on Badger Meter Reader

Board members are in receipt of the renewal service agreement from Badger Meter for the Tremble Reader and software in the total amount of \$1545.00 for one year, effective 4/24/2015 - 4/23/2016. Motion by Vinnie Busteed, seconded by Bob Baumgartner to approve said service agreement with Badger Meters for the Tremble Reader and Software in the amount of \$1545.00. All in favor.

**Booster Pump at Heritage Lakes** 

Jerry Kastner informed the Board that there was a leak from the booster pump at Heritage Lakes that had to be taken care of. Rapid Pump had to rebuild the pump at a cost of \$3200.00. This is the only place where Mr. Kastner keeps spares —because should one of these pumps go out, Heritage Lakes and surrounding areas will not have any water.

#### **Old Business/New Business**

#### **Generator Well #2**

The generator is being built, with the shop drawings on site. The pad next to the well house is going to be done so everything is on schedule. By the April meeting Mr. Kastner will have more to report on.

#### Generators

Mr. Kastner informed the Board the Kraft Generator contract is up for renewal in April and would like to solicit quotes for this. He has done price comparison on other items and Kraft is higher so is confident can get a better deal on the generator contract also. Mr. Kastner said that we will not be breaking the current contract and the generators not be unprotected. He will bring in the quotes for the next meeting.

Discussion on water meters (ordinance included)

Board discussed the replacement of water meters. A list will be generated from the water department to be addressed to be repaired.

Motion by Vinnie Busteed, seconded by Jerry Truppi to close to Jerry Kastner. All in favor.

#### **Public Portion**

None in attendance.

Correspondence

From DEP: FFY2015 Drinking Water Priority System, Intended Use Plans

Adjournment

Motion by Bob Baumgartner, seconded by Jerry Truppi to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 PM. All in favor.

Date Approved 5/13/15

Minutes Released 5/13/15

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Kathy Garrett BPW Secretary