

**HAMBURG BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
MEETING**

January 10, 2018

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 7:10 pm, January 10, 2018.

Roll Call

Present: Vinnie Busteded, Bob Baumgartner, Pat Berado, Bob Krysiak, Mayor Marino
Also Present: Kathy Garrett, Regina Flammer, Mike Schneider, John Ruschke, Jerry Kastner, Councilman Garrett

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Bob Krysiak, seconded by Vinnie Busteded, to approve the December 13, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes. All in favor.

Motion by Bob Krysiak, seconded by Vinnie Busteded to approve the December 13, 2017 Executive Session Minutes. All in favor.

Individual Cases

Motion by Vinnie Busteded, seconded by Bob Krysiak to enter into Executive Session. All in favor.

Discussion re: 31 Heritage Lane; 10 Lakeview Dr.; 12 Heritage Lane.

Motion by Bob Krysiak, seconded by Vinnie Busteded to return to the Regular Meeting. All in favor.

31 Heritage Lane

After discussion in Executive Session, motion by Pat Berado, seconded by Vinnie Busteded to give a credit of \$454.97.00 on the 2017 bill which will be reflected on the 1st quarter bill of 2018. The previous credit of \$84.00 will be voided. All in favor.

10 Lakeview Dr.

No action taken.

12 Heritage Lane

Motion by Bob Krysiak, seconded by Pat Berado that the bill for 12 Heritage Lane will stand as is and continue to be estimated until the resident either reads the meter or has the Road Dept. read the meter. All in favor.

Old Business/New Business

Mott MacDonald / Water Superintendent

Motion by Pat Berado, seconded by Bob Krysiak to open the meeting to John Ruschke, Jerry Kastner, and Mike Schneider. All in favor.

13 & 15 Ames Blvd.

Borough Engineer John Ruschke reviewed the correspondence that was sent regarding 13 & 15 Ames Blvd. He said they are proposing a change in use to offices which is permitted in that zone and each home has one (1) EDU. He said that EDU allocation for office space is based on employees: 1 EDU per 10 employees per shift is necessary. The attorney submitted correspondence that 13 Ames will have 9 offices with 9 employees and 15 Ames will have 5 offices with 5 employees. Based on what was submitted, the allocation is sufficient. Mr. Ruschke also stated that he represents the Borough for Land Use so he will hear all the testimony that is given. As long as the site plan is consistent with the given testimony, everything will be fine. If something is mentioned that is not consistent, then he will have them return to BPW. Mr. Ruschke ended by advising that no action by this Board is necessary at this time.

Sewer Flows from SCMUA – December 2017

Mr. Kastner stated that December was a dry month so the flows are low and so are the reservoirs – most only at 50%. Hamburg received a small credit from SCMUA (\$2,181.00) for this past year but he was not sure about what next year will bring. If we do have a surcharge from SCMUA next year, it would be because we were estimated low due to the drought situations now; the water tables are low. Unfortunately we just have to wait and see what the weather brings.

Stormwater Discharge General Permit Authorization Renewal

This Stormwater Discharge permit is a 5 Year permit and modified to our benefit. This permit authorizes discharges for outside water usages i.e.: washing fire trucks, DPW trucks, discharging sump pumps, and draining pools. It does not authorize industrial discharge – cleaning – businesses.

5 Year Plan

Both John Ruschke and Jerry Kastner discuss the new plan on projects for the Borough. Mr. Kastner stated that about two months ago there was a failure of the booster pump which he rebuilt and then about two weeks ago, the other booster pump failed and took out a transmission line. These have been operating for over 20 years and need to be replaced. This update will need to be a priority at a cost of approximately \$60-70,000.00. Mr. Ruschke will also have to draw plans up for the booster station.

Jerry Kastner also discussed getting the water tanks inspected also, costing approximately \$20,000.00. These two projects would be done in the first year, totaling approximately \$100,000.00.

The SKADA system, which is “the brains of the system” – maintains the elevations in the tank for the wells and this is what runs the tanks. A certain level needs to be maintained in the tank so that it maintains the pressure of the distribution system and then when there is a higher demand and the tank level goes down, the pumps react to raise the water. Mr. Ruschke reiterated the SKADA system is a system that monitors the tank levels, the pumps running- the brains of the system – to maintain the water levels in the tanks. Right now there are a lot of manual transfers and responses to alarms since the system is 20 years old and runs day and night.

Councilman Garrett asked if the water system needed to be re- camera'd and John Ruschke replied that the I&I was in good shape and this was not needed unless spikes in the system were noticed. The unaccounted for water – the number that we are reading meters at vs the amount that we are pumping out of our wells - is an not unreasonable number at 15%. Hamburg is very proactive compared to other towns being reactive.

Councilman Garrett asked Mr. Ruschke about the road paving for the grant that we received and he replied that Tilcon did not get to Hamburg before the weather change. He said that Hamburg may want to schedule the paving for July when we would not have to work around the buses.

Employment Contracts

Jerry Kastner presented the employment contracts for himself and Mike Schneider for the upcoming 2018 year, stating that the amounts will be filled in by the CFO at a later time.

Motion by Pat Berado, seconded by Vinnie Busted to approve the contract for Gerald Kastner as Water Superintendent for the Borough of Hamburg for 2018. All in favor.

Motion by Pat Berado, seconded by Vinnie Busted to approve the contract for Gerald Kastner as Collection System Licensed Operator for the Borough of Hamburg for 2018. All in favor.

Motion by Pat Berado, seconded by Bob Krysiak to approve the contract for Michael Schneider as Assistant Chief Transmission System Operator and Plant Attendant for the Borough of Hamburg for 2018. All in favor.

Public Portion

No public in attendance.

Motion by Bob Krysiak, seconded by Pat Berado to close to John Ruschke, Jerry Kastner, and Mike Schneider. All in favor.

Correspondence

Bill list

Adjournment

Motion by Chris Fitzpatrick, seconded by Bob Krysiak to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 PM. All in favor.

Date Approved 2/14/18

Minutes Released 2/14/18



Kathy Garrett
BPW Secretary