

**HAMBURG BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
MEETING MINUTES**

June 8, 2022

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 was called to order at 7:00 p.m., June 8, 2022 with a flag salute.

Roll Call

Present: Ron Garrett, Bob Baumgartner, Pat Berado, Vinnie Busted, Bob Krysiak, George Endres, Mayor Marino

Also Present: Kathy Garrett, John Ruschke, John Perry, Mike Schneider, Regina Flammer

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Bob Baumgartner, seconded by Vinnie Busted to approve the March 9, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes. All members present in favor.

Old Business/New Business

Motion by Bob Baumgartner, seconded by George Endres to open the meeting to Regina Flammer. All members present in favor.

Payment Plan / Update Low Income Household Water Assistance Program

Regina advised that two residents that were on a payment plan set up in March already did not stay on track with their payments so their plan is now null and void. In April, three more did not pay. She will be notified by the State by June 15th if a resident has been accepted on the water assistance program and then receive payment by September 15th. Those that have not been accepted will have to be offered another payment plan option with interest from 3/2020 – 3/2022. If Regina receives no response from the resident, that resident can get turned off.

Installation of water meters update

Motion by Bob Baumgartner, seconded by Pat Berado to open the meeting to Mike Schneider. All members present in favor.

A list of meters to be installed was given to members. Regina stated that these residents received a \$100.00 charge on their water bill for not having their new meter installed or scheduled by the cut off date of May 31st. Some accounts were unable to have meters installed due to special circumstances as listed. Members noticed the Borough meters still have not updated to new meters. The meters are read manually and recorded, are large meters, and it is not cost effective to replace them.

Individual Cases

Resignation of Bob Baumgartner

Motion by Vinnie Busted, seconded by George Endres to accept the resignation of Bob Baumgartner with regrets effective June 8, 2022 due to a move out of the area. All members present in favor.

13 Amherst Court – Meter Repair

BPW Supervisor Mike Schneider presented pictures of the meter at 13 Amherst Court. When the Road Dept. was sent to repair a faulty water meter, they found the wires of the meter were cut so it could not measure the water output. The homeowner stated the previous tenant had cut the wires. Pictures were also presented. Mike Schneider feels the homeowner should be charged the \$246.37 for the cost of the meter plus man hours to install.

Board advised Mr. Schneider to follow up with a Police Report as they can ticket the homeowner.

Letter to James Vallila

A letter was sent to James Vallila of 130 Route 23 South advising him that the additional EDU that was granted to him back in 2019 had been rescinded as he did not continue to pursue the guidelines of the resolution. He was also advised in the letter that he could reappear before the board should he decide to further pursue the development of his property at 130 Route 23 South.

Motion by Bob Baumgartner, seconded by Pat Berado to send out said correspondence to Mr. James Vallila. All members present in favor.

Motion by Vinnie Busted, seconded by George Endres to open the meeting to the professionals. All members present in favor.

Engineer / Water Superintendent Report

In attendance are John Ruschke and John Perry

Sewer flows – February – April 2022

John Perry discussed the sewer flows, stating when the snow started to thaw, it impacted our flows a bit, but have returned to normal for the most part. He will keep an eye on it in case the matter needs to be looked into further.

Limekiln Generator

The generator is being fabricated.

Well #1A

Well 1A when it was ran in April, murky, sandy water came out but in about 3 ½ hours it was clear. Samples were taken and came back ok. It would be possible to use if needed. But even before that, recycling pumps are needed to be installed. If that is the case, a change order would be needed.

SCADA System

John Perry has not heard from them lately and will check into it.

Quarry Pump Station- repair to guide rails for lift station

The project has gone out to bid for the end of the month.

Limekiln Road Lift Station – grate deck

This project has been completed.

Heritage Lakes Rails

The rails project has been completed and paid.

Fire Pumps

The fire pumps will be placed on hold until additional funds are received from the Municipal Aid Grant.

Well #2

Well #2 would not start so Mike Schneider contacted Dan Hayenhelm to look at the well, which he bypassed the starter to get it going. Dan can take care of the issue.

Motion by Bob Baumgartner, seconded by Pat Berado to have Dan Hayenhelm to fix the starter at Well #2 for a total cost of \$6433.00. All members present in favor.

Mike Schneider will contact Dan Hayenhelm.

Retaining Wall by Tanks

The wall behind the tanks on Banks Street slopes and keeps caving in. A large block modular wall needs to be erected to stabilize the earth behind it. John Ruschke will check further into this.

Public Portion

No public in attendance

Correspondence

Borough Resolution #2022-43 for Sewer Pump Station Improvement Project

John Ruschke stated this is a complete rehabilitation with spare pumps for all stations.

Motion by Vinnie Busted, seconded by Bob Krysiak to close to the professionals. All members present in favor.

Adjournment

Motion by George Endres, seconded by Pat Berado to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 pm. All members present in favor.

Date approved 7/13/2022

Date released 7/13/2022



Kathy Garrett
BPW Secretary