

Borough of Hamburg
Board of Public Works Meeting Minutes
June 12, 2024

Call to Order/Statement of Certification: In accordance with the open Public Meeting Act, with regard to notices, the regularly scheduled meeting of the Hamburg Board of Public Works was hereby called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Garrett invited all those present to participate in the flag salute.

Roll call: Chairman Garrett, Vinnie Busteed, Pat Berado, Paul Marino, John Moeckel. John Haig (arrived at 7:17 p.m.), Regina Flammer, John Perry and Alec Yanish were in attendance. Mayor Krasnomowitz and Alec Yanish were not in attendance.

Minutes: A motion is made by Busteed, second by Marino to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2024 meeting with all others members in favor.

Executive Session: A Motion by Marino, second by Moeckel to approve the May 15, 2024 Executive Session minutes with all others members in favor.

Individual Cases: Flammer updates the Board on the resident on Summit Road who was not in attendance at the May 15, 2024 meeting. Interest was waived. The resident did not pay although she indicated that she dropped off a money order that was lost. The outstanding balance for 10 Meadow Lakes Drive is due by July 1, 2024. Flammer confirms that no money was received. The resident has a delinquency from 2023 totaling \$370.

Old Business/New Business: Yanish and Flammer discuss the invoice submitted by Comet Management. The property owner had a clog in the lateral and contacted a plumber rather than the Borough.

A motion is made by Marino, second by Busteed with all members in favor of not reimbursing Comet Management for the invoice submitted for the plumber.

Brief discussion on the 5 hydrants that are out.

Flammer adds that there are 19 delinquent accounts that will be shut off.

Yanish discusses the need to address the current ordinance with respect to the timeframe for turning the water on after the outstanding balance has been paid. The current ordinance (§209-2(E) (2) states that the water will not be turned on until the next business day following payment of the outstanding balance. Yanish proposes that the timeframe be adjusted to turning the water on the same day the payment is made prior to 2:30 p.m.

A motion is made by Busteed, second by Berado with all eligible Board members in favor of recommending a change to the ordinance section to indicate that after payment of a delinquent bill and charges, the water service will be restored on the same day subject to the availability of the Road Department. Mayor Krasnomowitz abstained.

Yanish updates the Board on the water meter at the Marino residence. Since the meter was moved to an outside wall, it can now be read.

Yanish has four appointments set up on June 25, 2024 for testing.

The Council reviewed the Board's recommendation for the increase charge for non-metered properties to \$200.

At 7:23 p.m., a motion is made by Marino, second by Busted to open to the Water Superintendent with all others in favor.

Engineer/Water Superintendent Report: John Perry updates the Board on Well 1A. The water runs murky initially then clears. Yanish recommends the Board consider bypassing which would involve piping and a monitor and would be less costly than the pumps, pressure reducing valves, flow meter and control panels that would be needed to get the well online. The costs could be reach \$30K to \$50K. Perry adds that the well would need to be monitored daily.

Mayor suggests that rather than incurring the costs to get the well online, that a plan to in place over the next four years to replace the parts in stages. Marino suggests sending a proposal to DEP so that they will be aware of the plan.

Perry discusses the Flow Report. The recent rains have not had lasting impacts.

Discussion continues on determining which residences and business have sump pumps in the Borough and which are going into the sewer system. Haig suggests an inspection be performed prior to the sale of a property. Perry suggests that a fine of \$1,000 be included in the ordinance for property owners with sump pumps draining into the sewer system.

Yanish adds that Limekiln Road is complete.

Yanish indicates that Coppola is waiting for an electric cut card. Chairman Garrett adds that Ruschke will need to inspect. Yanish would prefer a soft start for the booster station rather than the proposed control panel direct drive.

Public Portion: No public in attendance.

At 7:40 p.m., a motion is made by Marino, second by Berado to close to the Water Superintendent with all eligible Board members in favor.

Adjourn: At 7:40 p.m., a motion is made by Marino, second by Moeckel with all others in favor to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by:



Wendy Brick
Secretary to the Land Use Board