

**Borough of Hamburg  
Board of Public Works Meeting Minutes  
October 9, 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, Pat Berado, Paul Marino, John Moeckel, John Haig, Mayor Krasnomowitz, John Perry, John Ruschke and Alec Yanish were in attendance. Vinnie Busted, John Haig and Regina Flammer were not in attendance.

**Minutes:** A motion is made by Moeckel, second by Marino to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2024 meeting with all others members in favor.

At 7:02 p.m., a motion is made by Marino, second by Moeckel to open to the Board professionals with all others in favor.

**Old Business/New Business:**

The property owner for 176 Route 23 will need to appear at the Board's next hearing to request to the removal of one EDU.

Ordinance Amending Chapter 164 requiring sump pump inspections and certificates was passed.

**Engineer/Water Superintendent Report:**

Brief discussion on the hydrant replacement. Ruschke indicates the hydrant needs to be removed.

Perry reviews the Sussex County Flows Report. Perry informs the Board that the September 2024 monthly well reports and the Disinfectant Residuals Report were submitted to the DEP. PACE labs will run our water samples.

He discusses the proposals submitted by Hungeford & Terry, Inc. for the control panel replacement totaling \$60,000 and the service of the service technician. The recommendation is to have a technician inspect the control panel to determine whether a replacement is recommended or whether repairs can be made. Installation would be a separate cost if it is determined that the control panel needs to be replaced. Ruschke agrees that the first step should be an assessment to diagnose the issues.

Perry reviews the Consumer Confidence Report. He confirms that the inventory of the lead and copper lines is complete. Ruschke discusses the \$500,000 federal grant received. The Borough could consider utilizing one contractor to replace the pipes in the right of way and offer financial assistance to the affected residents for the contractor's costs for the replacement on their properties. Mayor Krasnomowitz would like to assume the costs using

the grant money, if possible. Perry indicates that there are 35 known residents with galvanized lines. Ruschke indicates that the lead lines cannot be abandoned in place. They would need to be removed. He would prefer that the galvanized lines be removed as well. A notice should be sent out to only those property owners affected or those who have not yet responded informing them of the availability of the grant funds to offset costs. Mayor Krasnomowitz questions whether commercial property owners can be included. The funds could be offered to commercial property owners as well. Yanish questions whether grant funds can be used to repair areas including decks, patios and any other areas that could be impacted by the line replacement. Discussion continues on allocating funds in those instances on a case-by-case basis.

Perry confirms that Yanish has registered for the certification courses approved by the Board.

Yanish indicates that the water meter issues are being resolved through replacements.

A motion is made at 7:30 p.m. by Moeckel, second by Berado to close the meeting the professionals with all members in favor.

There are no comments on the correspondence.

**Public Portion:** No public in attendance.

Discussion on the tree removal at 175 Route 23. The Zoning Officer has spoken with the property owner. There are no plans currently for that property.

Moeckel expresses his appreciation to Yanish and the DPW for the recent work they performed at his residence.

**Adjourn:** At 7:32 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 Board of Public Works