

Borough of Hamburg
Board of Public Works Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2026

Call to Order/ Flag Salute / 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.

Board Secretary Brick administers Oath of Allegiance to Russell Law.

Roll call: Chairman Ronald Garrett, Pat Berado, John Haig, Russell Law, Vice Chair Paul Marino, John Moeckel, Mayor Richard Krasnomowitz, John Perry, Paul Ferriero, PE and Alec Yanish were in attendance.

Motion for Board Secretary: A motion was made by Marino, second by Moeckel to appoint Jennifer Valerius as Board Secretary with all others in favor.

Minutes: A motion is made by Marino, second by Moeckel to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2026 meeting with all other members in favor.

A motion is made at 7:04 p.m. by Marino, second by Berado with all others in favor to open to Alec Yanish.

Chairman Garrett asks for more communication with DPW needs. Garrett asks Alec Yanish about salt availability, manpower and any equipment needs. Alec Yanish reports plenty of salt and no issues.

A motion is made at 7:05 p.m. by Law, second by Berado with all others in favor to close to Alec Yanish.

Old Business/New Business:

Jennifer Valerius and Alec Yanish inform the Board of the issue that occurred with the meter reading and subsequent billing.

The Board discussed the billing issue which resulted in an overpayment by the resident of 65 Orchard Street.

A motion was made by Marino, second by Moeckel with all eligible Board members in favor of recommending that a credit be applied to this account for the upcoming quarterly billing and any remaining balance will be paid by the property owner at 65 Orchard Street. Valerius discusses the estimated billing on several properties in the borough, including a multifamily dwelling on King Cole Road.

Yanish discusses how updating the meters that are being estimated will result in accurate reads.

A motion is made at 7:17 p.m. by Marino, second by Moeckel with all others in favor to open to Joseph Brezina.

Joseph Brezina, CFO discussed the Borough's water and sewer rates which have not been raised in five years. The current rates are insufficient to cover the costs moving forward. He proposes a 10% increase.

A motion was made by Moeckel, second by Berado with all eligible Board members in favor of recommending that the water and sewer charges be increased by 10%.

A motion is made at 7:45 p.m. by Berado, second by Moeckel with all others in favor to close to Joe Brezina.

A motion is made at 7:50 p.m. by Garrett, second by Berado with all others in favor to open the meeting to the Board professionals.

Engineer/Water Superintendent Report:

Perry discusses flow reports with details on Well 2. Perry speaks about how much water is being used and there is a difference in what we use and bill. Perry speaks about the bid inspection report for the lead water lines and that they have 13 to replace to start. Paul Ferriero clarifies he needs the date to start.

Yanish speaks about the recent water main break in Heritage Lakes. He recommends removing the strainer within that area to stop restricting flow. Yanish states he is awaiting approval on 6 new fire hydrants.

A motion is made at 7:59 p.m. by Marino, second by Law with all others in favor to close the meeting to the Board professionals.

Public Portion: No public in attendance.

Adjourn: At 8:02 p.m., a motion is made to adjourn by Moeckel, second by Berado with all others in favor.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jennifer Valerius
Secretary to the Board of Public Works