

**HAMBURG BOROUGH  
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS  
MEETING MINUTES**

**October 13, 2010**

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act with regard to notification of the meeting of the Hamburg Board of Public Works was called to order by Chairman Jerry Truppi at 7:30 PM. The meeting was opened with a flag salute. Certification of proper notification was given by the Chairman.

**Roll Call:** Jerry Truppi, Robert Krysiak, Ron Garrett, Maria Marino, Chris Fitzpatrick, Mayor Marino

**Absent:** Dan Shane, John Ruschke, Councilman Kelly, Attorney Clemack

**Also Present:** Kathy Garrett, Jerry Kastner

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Ron Garrett, seconded by Chris Fitzpatrick to approve the minutes of August 11, 2010 Regular meeting. All in favor. Abstain: Maria Marino

**Hatch Mott MacDonald / Water Superintendent**

Motion by Jerry Truppi, seconded by Ron Garrett to open the meeting to Water Superintendent Jerry Kastner. All in favor.

**Water Meters**

Jerry Kastner informed the Board that he was to get quotes for meters at Heritage Lakes, as the remote readers do not work any longer. At the moment, the resident is being estimated, some for as long as one (1) or more years. Radio readers are needed for the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor units as there are problems with the wires, distributors, etc. For thirty (30) meters, radio reads, laptop with the software, it would be at a cost of approximately \$21,000.00. Ron Garrett asked about how much money the town was losing by estimating these residents than by having an actual reading. Mr. Kastner stated that the residents can not water lawns, wash their cars, fill a pool, etc, and so most get a minimal bill. He did not think that we would be gaining much to equal what we would be spending. Jerry Kastner recommending continuing on as is, with the estimated bills for these units. The meters will be read, when the people actually do close on their units. Board is in agreement.

Jerry stated that to convert the entire town over to radio reads would cost an estimated ¼ - ½ million dollars.

**Generators**

Chris Fitzpatrick steps down from his position on the dais.

Jerry informed the Board about the need for a maintenance agreement for the generators for the town. He stated that the road dept. does the routine oil changes on the equipment. He

presented the Board with a maintenance agreement from Kraft Power Corp., in which the 12 generators of the town would be covered under the service agreement for a cost of \$9980.00. At the present time, the town spends approximately \$6000. 00 plus and does not service all. Major issues on any of the generators would not be covered under this agreement. Kraft Power is the company that had the best agreement, is under the bid threshold, does once a year inspections which is adequate. Each generator is exercised approximately once a month, which is sufficient as the DEP really does not want any more than that.

Motion by Ron Garrett, seconded by Maria Marino to recommend to the Mayor and Council to recommend the proposed agreement with Kraft Power Corp. for the 12 generators for the Borough, re-evaluating the contract in one year. All in favor. Chris Fitzpatrick abstained.

### **Falcon Ridge Pumping Station**

Mayor Marino asked Jerry if he had any action from the DEP about the pumping station at Falcon Ridge since he last spoke with commissioner Mr. Smith and he stated he had not. Mr. Kastner said that a pump just burned out, so we are down to two (2) pumps now. It costs approximately \$5000.00 to rebuild a pump. This is one of the items on the NJEIT grant requests.

### **Notice of Non-Compliance**

Hamburg received this notice due to the issue that Mr. Kastner did not take a water sample to test for certain compounds at the time – it was supposed to have been done in the second quarter and he took it in the third. There were no monetary penalties and Mr. Kastner did speak with the appropriate people. The samples that were submitted from the wells were fine.

Motion by Jerry Truppi, seconded by Chris Fitzpatrick to close to Individual Cases. All in favor.

### **Old Business / New Business**

Motion by Jerry Truppi, seconded by Chris Fitzpatrick to accept with regrets the resignation letter of Christian Reyes as of September 18, 2010 due to a change of his work schedule. All in favor.

### **Draft application for EDUs**

Board discussed an application for EDUs that Mr. Ruschke drafted for an applicant that would be requesting EDUs. This would work in conjunction with the Land Use Board also, as there is information on the application that BPW would not need to be concerned with. The application would “follow” the applicant, but begin at this Board. Mr. Ruschke conveyed to the secretary that the Board grant of the application, giving him and the Board Secretary the latitude to make minor changes administrative wise to the application as deemed necessary. Board thought it was complicated but after learning that the applicant would only fill out certain sections, agreed to approve.

Motion by Ron Garrett, seconded by Jerry Truppi to approve the application for EDUs, giving Mr. Ruschke and Board Secretary the latitude to make minor changes administrative wise to the application as deemed necessary. All in favor.

**Correspondence**

Letter to Ms. Cynthia Collins re: water leak with response

Board asked about this situation and if it were resolved. Secretary responded that our pipe (curb stop pipe) was stronger than the pipe leading into the residence, so the resident's pipe did break due to a car accident on the property. The pipe has been repaired and there is no longer a leak.

Approval of EDUs for Block 14, Lots 9, 10 & 11 from Mayor and Council

Legal Notice – Block 36, Lot 2 Paradise Pools

Public Notice – Block 7, Lots 26 & 27 Gingerbread Castle Road

A company, "Amazing Stoneworks", has applied for a use variance on this property. They will be selling to dealers only, so there will not be a large amount of traffic, trucks, etc. generated from the company.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Jerry Truppi, seconded by Chris Fitzpatrick to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 PM.

All in favor.

Date Approved\_\_\_\_\_

Minutes Released\_\_\_\_\_

Kathy Garrett  
Secretary