

HULMEVILLE MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY
Meeting Minutes
October 22, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Hulmeville Municipal Water Authority meeting was held on the above date at the Borough Hall, 321 Main Street.

Authority Member's Present

Kurt Ludwig, President
Patricia Taggart

Staff in Attendance

Pat Slater, Water and Sewer Clerk
Dorothy Omietanski, Borough Secretary

Authority Members Absent: Bert Wolfe, Joe Nocito and Minnie Nocito

Staff Absent: Mike Whittaker, Licensed Water Operator and Sheri Wheeler, Water Reader Meter

Guests in Attendance: none

Call to Order: Mr. Ludwig could not call the meeting to order due to lack of quorum.

Minutes:

Bills: Carroll Engineering for \$770.24.

Public Comment: none

Water and Sewer Clerk: no report

Water Meter Reader: no report

Licensed Water Operator: no report

Old Business:

- Carroll Engineering Manhole Project – The last three items have been completed on the first phase of the manhole project. Two items needed to be pushed back to phase two – the manhole in the sidewalk along Main Street and the manhole in Main Street that requires road repairs.
- Inspection Letter – Mr. Ludwig is currently reviewing a letter provided to him by Steve Hartman of Carroll Engineering. The letter could be used to send to residents regarding inspections of laterals on their property. The inspections would only take place on the property not inside the residents' homes. Mr. Ludwig will present the letter to council at the next meeting for their approval.
- Issue with Water on Walnut Street – The resident on Walnut Street has been notified that his water issue has to be dealt with through BCWSA not Hulmeville Borough. Mr.

Ludwig did not hear back from the resident so he assumes that BCWSA handled the residents concern.

- Inverse Paradox – Mr. Ludwig met with the owner of Inverse Paradox. In the meeting he explained to Mr. Ludwig that he can set up the Authority to accept online billing and automatic withdraws for payment plan customers. He explained it would take about 5 hours of work plus training of staff. The only cost to the Authority would be a \$50-\$100 annual fee to secure the website. Ms. Slater said she can manage online payments as long as they clearly state who the payment is from. Ms. Slater made it clear that she does not want to manage water shut offs or putting customers on payment plans.
- Water Shut Off Assistance BCWSA – Mr. Ludwig did contact BCWSA to discuss their ability to assist the borough with the water shut off process. He has not heard back from anyone and will reach out to them again.
- Water Treatment Tour – Mr. Ludwig will schedule a date and time to tour the water treatment plant in Chalfont and will forward an email to all staff and council inviting them to attend. The tours are offered Tuesday, Wednesdays and Thursdays in the afternoon and the tours usually take about an hour.
- BCWSA Rate Changes – Mr. Ludwig received three letters from BCWSA regarding rate fees for next year. The first letter stated that there would be no rate changes from BCWSA for 2019. The next two letters dealt with the pending law suit with PWD regarding the proposed rate increases. Until the lawsuit is settled between BCWSA and PWD the fees charged will be held in escrow. The charges will be starting in December of this year.

Respectfully Submitted

Dorothy Omietanski,
Hulmeville Borough Secretary