

**Work Session Meeting Minutes
March 9, 2020**

A work session of the Hulmeville Municipal Water Authority was held on the above date at the Borough Hall, 321 Main Street.

Authority Member's Present

Kurt Ludwig, President
Bert Wolfe
Joe Nocito
Mike Wasson
Patricia Taggart

Staff in Attendance

Dorothy Omietanski, Borough Secretary

Authority Members Absent: none

Staff Absent: Mike Whittaker, Licensed Water Operator, Sheri Wheeler, Water Reader Meter, and Pat Slater, Water and Sewer Clerk

Authority Members Late to Arrive: none

Guests in Attendance: none

Call to Order: Mr. Ludwig called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm; all those present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment: none

Budget:

- Concern – The current budget is running too close verses expenses. The revenue is collected quarterly and the Authority does not have enough revenue at times to cover the expenses. A suggestion was made to bill monthly to help spread the revenue out more which could be done but would require a lot of changes to the current system. The major expense right now is water flow issues and more revenue is needed to make corrections to the system to reduce the flows.
- Current Budget – Water rates quarterly are \$27.60 minimum plus \$5.52 per 1,000 gallons usage. Sewer rates for residential is \$89.45, commercial \$123.85, church \$100.46, restaurants \$181.65, sole proprietor \$145.33 and park \$214.68. The projected water consumption is \$90,274.08, sewer rent 2019 \$165,909.73, water billing for 2019 \$106,414.96 and estimated sewer billing \$108,559.72.
- Suggestions – Tie water usage to sewer charge. Eighty percent of water usage goes down the drain. Monthly bills may also be better to help people stay on target for payments. Meter reading and billing hours would have to increase if doing monthly billing. Once all the meters are converted that will save time for the meter reading. Sewer charge would be a flat rate plus a percentage of water usage. Residential flat rate may be different then businesses rate. Next meeting Mike Whittaker, Sheri Wheeler, and Pat

Slater should be in attendance. Meter replacement needs to be done quicker, so someone from BCWSA needs to attend a meeting to address the meter replacement issues.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm; motion made by Mr. Wasson seconded by Mr. Wolfe; carried 5-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted

Dorothy Omietanski,
Hulmeville Borough Secretary