

HULMEVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes
April 7, 2014

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

Councilmember's Present

Thomas Wheeler, President
Judy Coleman
Nick Lodise
Debbie Mahon
Dan Mandolesi
Dale Walton Jr.

Staff in Attendance

Solicitor Robert De Bias
Police Chief Tom Walton
Treasurer Diane McKairnes
HHS President Marce Heald
Secretary Dorothy Omietanski
Water & Sewer Clerk Pat Slater
Authority Chair Jim Clark

Councilmember's & Mayor Absent: Raymond Johnson, Vice President and Mayor Dave Harris

Guests in Attendance: Ron Robins

Call to Order: Mr. Wheeler called the meeting to order at 7:45 pm; all those present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: Motion made by Mr. Mandolesi seconded by Mr. Lodise to approve the minutes of March 3, 2014.

Police Report: Mr. Lodise read the report for the month of March 2014: 10 Incidents, 6 Traffic, 8 Parking, 1 Accidents, 2 Assists, 0 Summary, 1 Criminal, 7 District Court, 0 County Court, 1 EMS for a total hours worked: 194.0, Total Salary \$4,018.00.

- Chief Walton informed the board that they have three applicants for the position of police officer to interview on Monday April 14, 2014. He also has an in-service training scheduled for the end of the month. The Easter egg hunt is April 12, 2014 at 12 noon behind boro hall.

Public Comment:

- Ron Robins informed council that a new gas heater is being installed this month at Neshaminy Methodist Church and wanted to know if they need a permit. He tried contacting Debbie Juno but never received a call back. He went ahead and scheduled the pipe work to be completed on April 21, 2014 and the heater installation for April 24, 2014. The church will need to replace their meter and run piping to convert from oil heat to gas heat. They already have gas going into the building. Mr. Mandolesi said he would follow up with Mr. Robins concerning any permit he might need.
- Ron Robins was concerned about parking this Saturday because Neshaminy Methodists Easter egg hunt will be held the same day as the boro Easter egg hunt.
- Marce Heald informed council that the Hulmeville Soccer Club is requesting to use the fields behind Neshaminy Methodist Church from March 15 to May 31, 2014 Monday through Thursday from 5:30pm until dusk, Saturdays 9am – 3pm and Sundays after 1pm. They are also requesting to use the fields again August 1 to December 13, 2014.

Streets: Mr. Lodise will follow up on the street cleaning and the bumpy road coming down Bellevue Ave. The bridge is open. Ms. McKairnes would like to request that street signs be placed at Main Street and Trenton Ave.

Finance: Ms. Coleman announced that funds are low and we need to watch our spending. She is also concerned about the gas and electric bill for borough hall. The price jumped from .07 cents to .23 cents.

Authority:

- Mr. Clark noted a very large variance this month in the sewage cost. Bucks County Water and Sewer reported a 9 hundred thousand gallon sewage increase for the boro. The cost went from \$8,000 to \$12,000. It was confirmed by Pat Slater that our water usage had no significant increases. Mr. Wheeler said he would look into it and see if there was an error in reporting the usage.
- Mr. Clark discussed where we are in regards to the Neshaminy Intersector Agreement Act 537. The meeting at Bucks County Community College went over the settlement that was reached and what we need to do moving forward. On March 27, 2014 a plan study meeting with DEP took place. A check list was developed for what needs to be prepared. DEP provided sample letter that can be used. A corrective action plan needs to be created noting all known issues. There also needs to be a forecast of future usage on the Black property which he estimates will add 80 to 100 more units. By July 15, 2014 a plan of study needs to be submitted.
- Mr. Clark announced that Mike Whittaker will hold a training session at the water authority meeting on April 28th, 2014.
- A motion was duly made by Mr. Lodise seconded by Mr. Mandolesi to send a letter to DEP.

Zoning: A motion was duly made by Mr. Walton seconded by Mr. Mandolesi to have Mr. DeBias prepare a draft of the property rental inspection ordinance. There was some discussion as to how to inform the renters and landlords of the new policies being put in place. A suggestion was made to have a town hall meeting once the ordinance was completed and voted on and to piggyback it with the storm water issue. Mr DeBias is hoping to have the draft ready by the next meeting April 15, 2014 for council review, then May 5th meeting authorize advertising for adoption and June a council vote.

Personnel:

- Again it was mentioned that there will be three police officers interviewed on April 18, 2014.

Solicitor Report:

- **A motion was duly made by Mr. Lodise seconded by Mr. Mandolesi to apply to RDA for a request for payment of \$44,024.58 to Bright Line Construction. Motion passed with all in favor.**
- **A motion was duly made by Mr. Mandolesi seconded by Mr. Lodise to authorize Resolution for Hulmeville Borough to participate in the Bucks County Planning Commission 2014 hazard mitigation update. Motion passed with all in favor.**

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's Report of April 7, 2014 was made available for inspection:

• General Fund Checking Balance as of March 1, 2014:	\$ 38,929.07
Expenses Totaled:	-\$ 72,587.30
Income Totaled:	\$ 46,043.62
General Fund Checking Balance as of March 31, 2014:	\$ 12,385.39
• Sewer Fund Checking Balance as of March 1, 2014:	\$ 79,755.41
Expenses Totaled:	-\$ 19,054.63
Income Totaled:	\$ 17,503.74
Sewer Fund Checking Balance as of March 31, 2014:	\$ 78,204.52
• Sewer Fund PLGIT Balance as of December 1, 2013:	\$ 360,656.56
Interest/ Dec Jan Feb	\$ 15.27
Deposit	\$ 50,000
Expense	-\$ 60,000
Sewer Fund PLGIT Balance as of February 28, 2014:	\$ 350,371.83
• Highway Aid PLGIT Balance as of December 1, 2013:	\$ 36,052.20
Interest/Dec Jan Feb	\$ 1.34
Expenses Total:	-\$ 16,965.55
Highway Aid PLGIT Balance as of February 28, 2014:	\$ 19,087.99
• General Fund PLGIT Balance as of December 1, 2013:	\$ 10,693.15
Interest/Dec Jan Feb	\$.57
Deposits	\$160,697.31
Expenses Total:	-\$160,503.23
General Fund PLGIT Balance as of February 28, 2014:	\$ 10,887.80

Bills: A copy of the bill list dated April 7, 2014 was provided to Council and offered for review by the public:

• General Fund beginning balance as of April 1, 2014:	\$ 10,684.37
ending balance as of April 7, 2014:	\$ -15,041.89
• Sewer & Water beginning balance as of April 1, 2014:	\$ 77,771.77
ending balance as of April 11, 2014:	\$ 58,469.78
• Highway Aid beginning balance as of April 1, 2014:	\$ 13,962.68
ending balance as of April 3, 2014:	\$ 8,392.68

A motion was duly made by Ms. Mahon seconded by Mr. Lodise and carried unanimously to approve the bill list dated April 7, 2014, motion carries 5-0-0.

Storm Water: Best management practices (MS4 permit) were approved. There is a form that will need to be completed and the boards help is requested. By June the grates need to be fixed and the manhole covers sealed. Bucks County Water and Sewer should be able to complete this work because it is considered maintenance and money has been set aside for the work to be completed.

Also discussed is the possibility to complete an in home sewer inspection. This has been done in other townships on a voluntary basis. Progress is being made on the ordinance with Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination requirements. The paperwork is due May 22nd.

Street Signs: By June 13th there needs to be an inventory and maintenance check on all street signs in the borough. A plan needs to be drafted for how we are going to replace signs that are either wearing out or have been knocked down. A reflective test also needs to be completed by someone who is over the age of 60 and can drive a truck newer than 2000 to complete the test. Mr. Lodise and Mr. Robins have volunteered to complete this test of all street signs.

Traffic Light Annual Report: Mr. Lodise reviewed the traffic light annual report. For the traffic light on 6/13/13 a push button was replaced, 6/28/13 lights out due to power outage, 7/19/13 lights were flashing replaced load switch and 3/11/13 repairs received. As far as street lights on 8/30/13 there was a street light out at 113 Trenton Rd and it was replaced on 9/4/13.

Maintenance on Borough Hall: Mr. Mandolesi informed us that the outside lighting at borough hall has been installed and the electrician did it at cost. A motion detector light will be installed soon. Also a downspout came off the building and needs to be reinstalled on the building. Mr. Lodise has offered to put it back up on the building. Mr. Mandolesi requested three proposals for lawn care service and to date has received one back. He is hoping to secure lawn care to be voted on for the May meeting.

There being no further official business the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 pm; motion made by Mr. Lodise seconded by Ms. Mahon.

Respectfully Submitted

Dorothy Omietanski,
Hulmeville Borough Secretary