

HULMEVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
Work Session Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2014

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

Councilmembers Present: Thomas Wheeler, President, Raymond Johnson, Vice-President, Judy Coleman, Dan Mandolesi, Debbie Mahon and Dale Walton, Jr.

Councilmember's Absent: Nick Lodise and Mayor Harris.

Other's in Attendance: Solicitor Robert DeBias, Fire Marshall Bill Wheeler and Secretary Dorothy Omietanski.

Guests in Attendance: none

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

Bridge Project: The bridge work should be completed by the end of April and is coming in slightly under budget. Mr. DeBias noted that both projects need to be audited and he will combine the audit into one to reduce cost.

Mr. Walton voiced his concern regarding the chain link fencing located at the new bridge. If you are standing at Green Street facing Trenton Road the fencing to the right on the side of the antique store is not very sturdy. The fencing on the other side is good.

Borough would like to have a bridge opening ceremony, and to invite the RDA when the weather gets warmer.

Solicitor Report:

- Mr. DeBias announced two upcoming workshops. The first is a storm water workshop held in Valley Forge on May 18th from 9am-12 noon and the other is NPDES held at Montgomery County Community College on May 22nd from 9am – 3pm.
- Mr. DeBias had a discussion with the attorney at the Shore Club. The discussion was regarding charitable organizations tax exemption status. Under the ordinance we cannot charge amusement tax to Shore Club when they are servicing nonprofit groups. In order to insure that the Shore Club is following the rules correctly regarding tax exempt groups he is suggesting we make a few adjustments to the Amusement Tax Exemption Certification. First make it clear that the Shore Club cannot make any profit on a nonprofit tax exempt group. All extra money must go back to the nonprofit group and the Shore Club only keeps an amount to cover all costs. Second the Shore Club must provide a true and current 501C-3 form and a tax exempt certificate for every nonprofit group they service. Third if Hulmeville Boro requires more information about any nonprofit group they service it is the responsibility of the Shore Club to provide this information. If the shore club is found in violation the Shore Club will be responsible to pay any incurred

costs. If an audit is completed and the Shore Club found in violation the Shore Club is responsible to pay all cost involved in the audit. Last the Shore Club must have documentation completed for each and every nonprofit group they service.

Cable: Joseph Coleman and Mr. Wheeler will be attending a meeting held on April 21st to renew the agreement and a new contract should be signed by July.

Rentals: Mr. DeBias drew up a rough draft on the rental ordinance. The council decided that the inspections should be completed every other year and should include commercial dwellings. A registration form and fee schedule will need to be drafted by the building committee. The fee charge was set at \$75 per unit and will cover the initial inspection and one follow up inspection. Any inspections required after the first two will be at a charge of \$20 per visit.

Electric for Boro Hall: Our current bill is showing a rate of .27856. Council unanimously agrees that we need to switch providers as soon as possible. Mr. Wheeler will look into who Middletown Township is using for their electric and notify Ms. Omietanski who will make the call to change providers. **As an emergency measure a vote was taken which will be ratified at next council meeting, motion carries 6-0-0.**

Lawn Care: We received two quotes and will be using the same lawn service as last year at a price of \$190 a cut. Mr. Mandolesi needs to confirm that leaf removal will also be at \$190 a pick up as well.

Old Business: The paperwork will be submitted for the spraying for the west Nile. Regarding EDU Carroll Engineering did not receive information about base flow credit and will get back to us. Regarding the inlet repair report repairs should start in June. Letters need to be sent out to property owners regarding the seepage bed inspection and underground detention basin inspections. April 15th there will be a meeting with BCWS and CSL to explain the increase charge and they should be able to pinpoint the problem area.

There being no further official business the meeting was adjourned at 10:07 pm; motion made by Mrs. Mahon seconded by Mr. Mandolesi.

Respectfully Submitted

Dorothy Omietanski,
Hulmeville Borough Secretary