

**Work Session Meeting Minutes
October 20, 2015**

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, Dan Mandolesi, Dale Walton Jr., Mayor Harris, Debbie Mahon and Judy Coleman

Councilmember's Absent: Nick Lodise

Other's in Attendance: Solicitor Robert DeBias, Secretary Dorothy Omiotanski and Fire Marshal Bill Wheeler

Guests in Attendance: Patrick Mullen, VP, Johnson Kendall and Johnson

Call to Order: Mr. Wheeler called the meeting to order at 7:32 pm; all those present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment: none

Guest Speaker: Mr. Mullen reviewed the borough's coverage with Selective Insurance. He distributed a booklet to each council member and went page by page through all coverage currently offered under our plan. Council reviewed what our current coverage is and confirmed if the coverage was correct. One question that came up that council needs to investigate and get back to Mr. Mullen on is street lights. Mr. Mullen needs to know how many street lights we have in the borough and the value of them so that he can evaluate if we have enough coverage. One area of coverage that needed to be increased was insurance on the police CB radios. It is currently \$3,500 and was recommended to be increased to \$14,000. Mr. Mullen will provide council with the cost for that increased coverage. Council was surprised to find out that both the stone wall in front of borough hall and street lights were both covered. Council was also surprised that law suits were covered since coverage of that was denied in the past. Mr. Mullen said he would investigate and get back to council regarding those issue. Council also requested that Mr. Mullen shop around this upcoming year and compare different insurance companies to make sure that we are still receiving the best value for our money.

Budget:

Judy distributed a final copy of the budget. She asked that council review the budget one more time. During Mr. Mullen's presentation council was made aware that the borough's budget does currently pay for workers compensation for the Water and Sewer department. Next year an adjustment should be made to charge the Water and Sewer department for \$1,038 which is the cost of coverage for their employees.

MS4 Permit:

- Ms. Mahon received updated information from Mario Canales on the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Plan for Hulmeville Borough. The plan is in two parts - the Strategy and the Design Details. Both plans are still in need of information. Current and

new items of consideration to reduce the expected 43,322 yearly reduction of sediment are:

1. Rain Barrel encouragement. Ms. Mahon received prices on barrels from Jones Drums in Camden NJ at \$15.00 per barrel. The borough can also order the rain barrel hook up kit for \$23.00 (\$4.96 savings per kit - plus shipping) and they can be ordered in lots of 20 from Aqua Barrel in Clarksburg MD. Ms. Mahon highly recommended that council have a town meeting for residents, by their address, to get their rain barrel - either free or a reduced rate. The barrels provide a 6% total suspended solid reduction, which would add up to be 2,599 lbs of TMDL reduction. The cost to the borough would be \$800 per year for 20 homes per year.
2. Tree installation program. The Hulmeville Garden Club does not have the member strength to do the installations required. Also with the borough being only 256 acres (6.18 acres of road way) this may not be an option. We would get an 80 lb per acre credit and only if there were 100 trees per acre planted after the July 1, 2013 date. This plan cannot be used.
3. Drain guards. Although the budget covers doing many inlets, Mario suggests that we start with up to 10 of the main inlets to start a record of our own TMDL and see if it would be worth doing all inlets. Based on figures provided by Granite Environmental this could be well over 1,200 lbs of sediment per year (over nine months from March to November for 10 inlets) at a cost of \$1,620.00 per year.
4. Street sweeping. We could get TMDL credit for removing up to 569 lbs of sediment with each sweeping. Ms. Mahon highly recommends that we schedule quarterly sweepings; March, May (a little early for the parade route), September, & December. The total cost of street sweeping would be \$ 3,592.00 per year.
5. Inlet Cleaning. Ms. Omietanski will call BCWSA to get a price to vacuum our inlets/outlets on a scheduled basis. Doing this may reduce our sediment load even greater than street sweeping. Ms. Mahon also requested that Ms. Omietanski find out if BCWSA provides the service of installing and maintaining the drain guards.

- Future considerations: Ms. Mahon suggests we may want individual leaf pickups with the availability of weight tickets being secured. This may also count for TMDL reductions.
- Ms. Mahon sent a follow up text to Ryan Idell, Eagle Scout. He is compiling his questions and will get back to her.

Storm Water: Mario Canales sent the PA Department of Community & Economic Development (DCED) Hulmeville Borough's floodplain ordinance as per their request. This was for updates to the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) panel for Mill Creek No.1, which just happens to have part of Hulmeville Borough on the panel (Panel 444). Mario does not believe that the updates will affect Hulmeville Borough's floodplain.

Solicitor Report:

- RDA Grant – The presentation to the RDA was last week and went well. They met at the Bristol Art Center and were one of the last to present. The presentation lasted 10 minutes. There were no questions with regards to the police car, however there was some confusion

with regards to the firetruck. RDA was confused as to who was going in on the truck with Hulmeville.

- Salt – Mr. Wheeler did speak to Middletown with regards to salt for the winter. Mr. DeBias just wanted to make sure CDU is clear with how salt pick up is going to work.
- Direct TV – An email came in from direct TV. They were making a request to be included as a provider to the residents on the web site. Council was not aware there were any businesses listed on the website. After some discussion an agreement was made to remove all businesses at this time. In the future a heading may be added to the site for “supporters of Hulmeville” which will list companies who have supported the borough. Ms. Omietanski will respond to Direct TV and explain council’s decision with regards to their request.

Streets: Nothing to report

Mayor:

- Mayor was trying to contact someone with regards to the stone wall and has not yet made contact. Mr. Mandolesi has not yet been able to reach his contact either with regards to the wall.
- Mayor looked into the radio request made by the constable last meeting. All the surrounding townships have provided a radio to their constables through the police department. Many of the radios have been paid for through RDA. Tina Davis’s office did research grants to pay for a radio and nothing exists. They are continuing to investigate other avenues.

Old Business:

- Ms. Coleman called the Planning Commission regarding the open space grant for \$215,577. The borough would need to match 25% of the grant money and the grant does expire 12/16. The grant can only be used for land not structures. There is a small group of residents looking into open space funding options that could potentially be used toward purchase of the Black property. The group is in early stages of research.
- Mr. Mandolesi is going to meet with the PECO liaison. Mayor Harris told him to have PECO look at the guide wire on McCarthy by his home as it is in need of repair. Mr. Mandolesi has one in his development as well and will mention both.
- Numerous calls have been made but no progress has been made regarding the missing cement barriers.
- Carol Jansen who is the boroughs contact for the block grant is resigning.
- Emergency Operation Plan - Fire Marshal Wheeler distributed the updated version of the Hulmeville Borough Emergency Management Agency Manual. He requested that everyone review their contact information to make sure it was correct. The updates will be passed by resolution on 12/7/15,

There being no further official business the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 pm; motion made by Mr. Walton seconded by Mr. Mandolesi.

Respectfully Submitted

Dorothy Omiotanski,
Hulmeville Borough Secretary