

**HULMEVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**January 4, 2016**

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  
Raymond Johnson, Vice President  
Judy Coleman  
Dan Mandolesi  
Mayor Dave Harris  
Dale Walton Jr.  
Nick Lodise  
Debbie Mahon

**Staff in Attendance**

Solicitor Robert DeBias  
Secretary Dorothy Omietanski  
Treasurer Diane McKairnes  
Police Chief Bob Juno  
Water & Sewer Clerk Pat Slater  
HHS President Marce Heald  
Fire Marshal Bill Wheeler

**Councilmember's Absent:** none

**Staff Absent:** Authority Chair Jim Clark

**Guests in Attendance:** Frank Lewis, Nancy Mitchell, Eric Schmid and Michelle Mandolesi

**Call to Order:** Mayor Harris called the organizational meeting to order at 7:40pm; all those present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Swear in Of Elected Councilmembers:** Mayor Harris swore in Debbie Mahon, Raymond Johnson and Daniel Mandolesi as re-elected councilmembers.

**Swear in of Tax Collector:** Mayor Harris swore in Nancy Mitchell as newly elected tax collector.

- **Motion made by Mr. Johnson seconded by Mr. Mandolesi to nominate Mr. Wheeler to position of council president; Motion passed with all in favor 7-0-0.**
- **Motion made by Mr. Lodise seconded by Mr. Walton to nominate Mr. Johnson to position of council vice president; Motion passed with all in favor 7-0-0.**

**Meeting Turned Over to President:**

**Review of Positions and Reappointment:**

The following positions are reappointed:

1. Police Chief – Robert Juno
2. Solicitor – Robert DeBias
3. Secretary – Dorothy Omietanski
4. Treasurer – Diane McKairnes
5. W&S Clerk – Patricia Slater
6. Zoning Officer – Debra Juno
7. Boro Engineer – Pickering Corts
8. Building Inspector – Building Inspector Underwriters
9. Fire Marshall EMC – Bill Wheeler
10. Paper of Record – Bucks County Courier Times
11. W&S Engineer – Glace Associates, Inc

12. President Pro Tem – Debbie Mahon
13. Chairman of Vacancy Board – Doug Harris
14. Meter Reader – Sheri Wheeler

**Motion made by Mr. Lodise seconded by Mr. Walton to accept the slate for 2016; Motion passed with all in favor 7-0-0. Note Mr. Wheeler abstained from voting for meter reader due to his relationship with Ms. Wheeler**

The following committees are reappointed:

1. Zoning Hearing – Doug Harris - 2018

**Motion made by Mr. Johnson seconded by Mr. Lodise to appoint Doug Harris to a 3 year term for Zoning Hearing Board; Motion passed with all in favor 7-0-0.**

2. Planning Commission – John Cost - 2019

**Motion made by Mr. Mandolesi seconded by Ms. Mahon to appoint John Cost to a 4 year term for Planning Commission; Motion passed with all in favor 7-0-0.**

3. HARB – Debbie Williams – 2018
4. HARB – Marcy Heald – 2018

**Motion made by Mr. Lodise seconded by Mr. Walton to appoint Debbie Williams and Marcy Heald to a 3 year term for HARB; Motion passed with all in favor 7-0-0.**

5. Recreation Board – Marcy Heald – 2020

**Motion made by Mr. Lodise seconded by Mr. Johnson to appoint Marcy Heald to a 5 year term for Recreation Board; Motion passed with all in favor 7-0-0.**

6. Storm Water Management – Debbie Mahon – 2016
7. Storm Water Management – Judy Coleman – 2018
8. Storm Water Management – Dale Walton – 2017

**Motion made by Mr. Lodise seconded by Mr. Johnson to appoint Debbie Mahon, Judy Coleman and Dale Walton to a 3 year term for planning commission; Motion passed with all in favor 7-0-0.**

**Minutes: Motion made by Mr. Mandolesi seconded by Mr. Lodise to approve the minutes of December 7 and 15, 2015; Motion passed with all in favor 7-0-0.**

**Public Comment:**

- Eric Schmid has a garage on his property at 337 Main Street that is falling down. He wants to know what needs to be done to remove the current structure and rebuild on the same location. Dan will contact Debra Juno who will come out to examine the structure. She will record that it needs to be condemned and from that date Eric has one year to rebuild on the same footprint.
- Mr. Johnson's neighbor wanted to report a situation he had with men entering his back yard. They said they were doing work for BCWSA but they had no ID. They were rude and did

not provide any explanation of why they were there. His neighbor did call BCWSA and they did confirm that they did have people in the area doing work. Chief Juno will contact BCWSA regarding the matter.

### **Police Report:**

- Mr. Johnson read the report for the month of December 2015: 11 Incidents, 8 Traffic, 2 Parking, 0 Accidents, 2 Assists, 2 Summary, 0 Criminal, 21 District Court, 0 County Court, 0 EMS for a total hours worked: 223.0, Total Salary \$4,581.85.
- Chief Juno informed council that the officers have received 28 hours of training and the traffic volume on Main Street is down.
- The no left turn sign on Main Street has been removed. Chief Juno said he has recorded the same number of accidents with the sign compared to the number of accidents without the sign. Chief Juno cannot access accidents reported from the state police to know if accidents have decreased on their end. If we wanted the sign put back up council would need to notify PENDOT. PENDOT would do a traffic study and determine what should be done to improve safety of the traffic flow. Mr. Walton will contact PENDOT to see how we can move forward regarding the sign and he will also see if PENDOT has any scheduled roadwork planned for the state roads in Hulmeville.
- Ms. Coleman wanted to make Chief Juno aware of some suspicious traffic coming in and out of an empty house across the street from her home on 525 Lincoln Ave. Ms. Coleman will call the police the next time she sees questionable activity. Chief Juno suggested she call 215-945-3100 which is the county dispatcher's number and the phone number anyone should use if it is not a true emergency.

### **Borough Property:**

- Borough Apartment - The hot water heater in Apt B needed to be replaced. The heater was under warranty so the borough only needs to pay for the labor charges.
- Borough Wall - The mason hired to work on the wall is currently working on another project. As soon as he is done his current job he will contact Mr. Mandolesi.

### **Trash:**

- One issue was reported at 310 Reetz and will be resolved.

### **Streets:**

- Mr. Lodise reported two lights that are not working in the borough. Light number 50 is located at Ford and Washington and light number 98 is located at Bellevue and Beaver.
- Mr. Mandolesi made Mr. Lodise aware of two more lights that are out one at Walnut Street and the other at Michelle Court.

**Motion made by Mr. Lodise seconded by Mr. Mandolesi to authorize Armour and Sons Electric to install an arm with an LED light at the corner of Trenton and Main at a cost of \$1318; Motion passed with all in favor 7-0-0.**

**Finance:** no report

### **MS4:**

- Mr. Canales is revising the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) plan for the borough.
- MS4 Meeting - Ms. Mahon would like to request a meeting be held by the storm water management committee. They need to discuss the following issues:
  1. set a date for a community day to distribute pertinent information and organize all needed information, volunteers, etc.
  2. gather addresses of all buildings in floodplain for a mailing of Best Management Practices (BMP) information
  3. review all additional needed information from the October 2015 revision 1
  4. research BMP information for tree planting
  5. verify proposed street sweeping dates for 2016
  6. gather weights of street sweeping weights from May 2014, May 2015 and December 2015
  7. review and determine storm inlet cleaning schedule and prices with BCWSA
  8. verify rain barrel installations on borough properties
  9. discuss the drain guards and how many are to be installed and at what locations
  10. discuss sump pump inspections to include disconnects of downspouts that go directly in impervious surfaces or storm drains
- Ms. Mahon sent a follow up text to Ryan Idell but has not heard back from him yet.

**Floodplain:**

- The owners of 216 Main Street were researching flood mapping to see if they're able to add onto an existing garage. After reviewing the current FEMA FIRM maps, the area of property that is proposed for work is not in flood plain.
- The owner of 2 Beaver Street is still working with FIRM/FEMA to prove their property lines do not encompass up to and including "13 Beaver Street" (Neshaminy Shore Picnic Park aka Neshaminy Shore Picnic Park INC). State records show 9 losses (over \$300,000.00 in paid claims) and it is up to the homeowner to prove otherwise. This has been ongoing since June of 2015.

**Zoning:**

- Ms. Juno submitted her report for the month of December. Her report included an email to Mr. Lavin of the Hulmeville Inn for permit requirements regarding property improvements, an email and permit packet for Mr. Lavin, an email response to Ms. Catalanotti regarding questions on the property 227 Main Street, email to Ms. Catalanotti explaining zoning requirements and email monthly report. Her total hours reported were 3.5.

**Fire Marshal:**

- Knox Box – A knox box will be installed at Grace Church.

**Solicitor Report:**

**Motion made by Mr. Lodise seconded by Mr. Mandolesi to authorize the president and secretary to sign the contract for the municipal grant program for \$42,405.00 for a police vehicle; Motion passed with all in favor 7-0-0.**

**Motion made by Mr. Lodise seconded by Mr. Mandolesi to authorize the president and secretary to sign the contract for the municipal grant program on behalf of Penndel Borough**

as sub-recipient for the Pennel Police Department project; Motion passed with all in favor 7-0-0.

Motion made by Mr. Lodise seconded by Mr. Walton to appoint Mr. Mandolesi and Mr. Wheeler as authorized signers for all documentation for RDA; Motion passed with all in favor 7-0-0.

- Mandatory Sump Pump Inspection – BCWSA forwarded information to Mr. DeBias regarding sump pump inspections. The information they provided does not help support making the inspections mandatory. In order to be mandatory there needs to be a penalty involved for those who do not comply. Until an example is provided where penalty is involved the issue remains unresolved.

**Mayor:**

- Attended the Mayors meeting on 12/15/15.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer's Report of January 4, 2016 was made available for inspection:

• <b>General Fund Checking</b> Balance as of December 1, 2015:	\$ 64,587.89
Expenses Totalled:	\$ -28,304.82
Income Totalled:	\$ 5044.81
General Fund Checking Balance as of December 31, 2015:	<b>\$ 41327.88</b>
• <b>Sewer Fund Checking</b> Balance as of December 1, 2015:	\$129,186.13
Expenses Totalled:	\$ -26,641.30
Income Totalled:	\$ 3,799.84
Sewer Fund Checking Balance as of December 31, 2015:	<b>\$ 106,344.67</b>
• <b>Sewer Fund PLGIT</b> Balance as of October 1, 2015:	\$380,715.88
Interest October November	\$ 23.05
Deposit	\$ 0
Expense	\$ -0
Sewer Fund PLGIT Balance as of November 31, 2015:	<b>\$350,803.57</b>
• <b>Highway Aid PLGIT</b> Balance as of October 1, 2015:	\$ 26,045.97
Interest October November	\$ 1.51
Deposit	\$ 0
Expenses	\$ -203.65
Highway Aid PLGIT Balance as of November 31, 2015:	<b>\$ 22,994.21</b>
• <b>General Fund PLGIT</b> Balance as of October 1, 2015:	\$ 18,188.44
Interest October November	\$ 1.37
Deposits	\$ 9,432.02
Expenses Total:	\$ 6,877.22
General Fund PLGIT Balance as of November 31, 2015:	<b>\$ 20,744.61</b>

**Bills:** A copy of the bill list dated January 1, 2015 was provided to Council and offered for review by the public. Note three bills were added at the meeting for Selective Insurance, Dan Mandolesi and Munibilly.

- **General Fund** beginning balance as of January 1, 2016: \$ 40,939.41  
ending balance as of January 4, 2016: \$ 24,553.21

