

**Work Session Meeting Minutes  
January 19, 2016**

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, Debbie Mahon and Dale Walton Jr.

**Councilmember's Absent:** Mayor Harris, Judy Coleman and Nick Lodise.

**Other's in Attendance:** Solicitor Robert DeBias, and Secretary Dorothy Omietanski

**Guests in Attendance:** none

**Call to Order:** Mr. Wheeler called the meeting to order at 7:41 pm; all those present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Solicitor Report:**

- Intersection Trenton & Main - Mr. Mandolesi went to Tina Davis's office to get the certificates corrected and while he was there Mr. Allen approached him regarding the intersection of Trenton and Main. Ms. Davis's office has received two complaints regarding the intersection. Mr. Mandolesi explained to Mr. Allen that council was discussing the concerns with the intersection in the last meeting. Ms. Davis offered to send a letter to PENDOT to request that they conduct a study of the intersection and asked Mr. Mandolesi to ask council if they would like to offer PENDOT any suggestions on how to make the intersection safer. Council would like to allow PENDOT to do the study and have them make their recommendations. Mr. DeBias will contact Mr. Allen tomorrow and give him the approval to proceed with the request to PENDOT.
- Tax Collector Fees – Approximately 15 years ago the state asked communities to adopt a resolution to allow their tax collectors to collect money for fees they collect for services. Hulmeville never adopted a resolution. In February's meeting council needs to adopt a resolution for the following tax collector fees: tax certification (checking a property to make sure all taxes are paid to date) \$30, duplicate bill \$5 and insufficient funds fee \$10. Mr. DeBias has a copy of Penndel's resolution and will draft one for the next meeting that is similar to theirs.
- Kiss Electric – Kiss Electric will be asking for an extension in February. Council will need to decide if they are going to accept the request.
- Selective Insurance Update – Below is a summary of answers to questions council had regarding our Selective Insurance coverage.
  1. The street lights do have a \$1,000 deductible but note if we have damage to multiple lights at one time we would only have \$1,000 deductible to cover the damages.
  2. The limits for the DB radios were increased to \$14,000 at no extra charge
  3. There is no medical payment coverage on the general liability. Selective does not offer that insurance to municipalities. Council asked that Ms. Omietanski follow up with our rep to see what we could do to get coverage.
  4. Public official's liability does include coverage for employment practices liability at a limit of \$1M per occurrence/ \$2M aggregate with a \$2,500 deductible.
  5. PA public law 477 liability covers the remaining salary that an injured worker doesn't receive from workers' compensation workers' compensation pay 66 2/3%.

Note Chief Juno arrived

- Speed on Trenton Rd – Mr. DeBias seems to remember there being an issue with ticketing cars on Trenton Rd. Chief Juno said coming down Trenton Rd there is an problem with issuing speeding tickets because the speed limit changes from 40 to 35 and you need to allow a certain distance for the driver to adjust the speed of their car. He is not aware of any issue giving tickets coming over the bridge from Bensalem. The only challenge the police have is where to place themselves to monitor the speed of cars. Chief Juno did recommend getting the box from Bristol Township that we used along Main Street and place it along Trenton Rd to record what the traffic is doing. The box will allow council to see what the speeds are along Trenton.

#### **MS4:**

- Ms. Mahon informed council that all the items from the January 4<sup>th</sup> report are still outstanding because the committee meeting was postponed.
- Meet and Greet - The meet and greet is scheduled for Saturday April 9<sup>th</sup> 10am – 2pm at the William Penn Fire Hall. A flyer will be sent out with the Town Crier. Ms. Mahon would like to purchase 4 rain barrels. She would like to raffle one off at the meet and greet at a cost of \$45. The other three will be there on display. She is looking for help getting packets together to hand out to all residents who attend and to help assist her the day of the event.
- Earth Day - Earth Day event is Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup> 10am – 2pm at Core Creek Park. The announcement for this event will also be going out with the Town Crier. Ms. Mahon is also asking for volunteers that day to man the table.
- MS4 - Ms. Mahon has requested a half hour time at the February meeting to update council on MS4.

#### **Floodplain:**

- Ms. Mahon has experienced issues with the link for FEMA/FIRM on the borough web site. She is asking that everyone on council go to the link and see if it works for them and report their finding to her. She did send an email to Bill Wheeler to update the site with the address <http://msc.fema.gov/portal/search>.
- Two Beaver Street sent a privacy release to State Representative of the 8<sup>th</sup> District Michael Fitzpatrick seeking help with their FEMA/FIRM mapping concerns as well as their flood insurance concerns.

#### **Water Authority:**

Ms. Mahon would like to have the insurance program information from BCWSA at the meet and greet. Mr. Wheeler will talk to BCWSA regarding the flyers. It must be very clearly explained to members of the community that the payment for the insurance must go directly to BCWSA and not Hulmeville Authority.

#### **Old Business:**

- 348 Main Street – Mr. Mandolesi noticed that there are skids of paper in the back yard of the establishment. He was wondering if Ms. Mahon should approach them about being in floodplain area they cannot store this material there. Ms. Mahon said she is not set up yet to manage the issue. Mr. Johnson offered to go and talk to the owner regarding the issue of concern.
- Apt B – Two checks have been received and Mr. Mandolesi was provided with a balance due to date.
- 8 Michelle Court – There have been ongoing issues with the property. They have been doing construction on the property without permits. They do the work and then request a permit.
- Community Development Grant – Mr. Johnson is going to try to apply for a grant for rebuilding the wall on the borough property that runs along Main Street.

- Officer Chris Dolan – Mr. Dolan was hired at a reduced pay and council would like to bring his rate up to the regular rate, retroactive to start date.

**A motion was duly made by Mr. Johnson seconded by Mr. Mandolesi to move Officer Chris Dolan to the full pay rate retroactive 1/1/16; motion carries 5-0-0.**

There being no further official business the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm; motion made by Mr. Mandolesi seconded by Mr. Walton.

Respectfully Submitted

Dorothy Omietanski,  
Hulmeville Borough Secretary