

HULMEVILLE MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY
Meeting Minutes
November 27, 2023

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

Authority Member's Present

Mike Wasson
Joe Nocito
Bert Wolfe
Patricia Taggart

Staff in Attendance

William Wheeler, Borough Manager
Dorothy Omietanski, Borough Secretary
Sheri Wheeler, Water Meter Reader
Mike Whittaker, Licensed Water Operator

Authority Members Absent: Kurt Ludwig, President

Staff Absent: Pat Slater, Water & Sewer Clerk

Authority Members Late to Arrive: none

Guests in Attendance: none

Call to Order: Ms. Taggart called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm; all those present joined the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment: none

Minutes:

Motion made by Mr. Wolfe seconded by Mr. Nocito to approve the minutes of September 25, 2023; Motion passed with all in favor 4-0-0.

Motion made by Mr. Wolfe seconded by Mr. Nocito to approve the minutes of October 23, 2023; Motion passed with all in favor 4-0-0.

Water and Sewer Clerk:

- Rio Update – Bill Wheeler received confirmation from the contact at Rio that letters will go out to the residents by 12/11/23. Rio is also going to forward a copy of the letter to Bill Wheeler before it goes out. Bill Wheeler is recommending that if the letter does not go out as promised the Authority should hire a plumber to do the work and if the cost is higher than the agreed amount from Rio that they try to have Rio pay the Authority the extra cost incurred.
- ID Badge – Bill Wheeler looked online for ID badges and found a website that will make them for \$12 each. The Authority could also print their own and laminate them. Ms.

Taggart would like to have an ID when an order is completed. Bill Wheeler will coordinate getting the IDs made.

Water Meter Reader:

- Payment Online – There was an issue with online payments, but it has been corrected.
- Certified Letters – Bill Wheeler checked the tracking of the letter he sent on 9/1/23 and it is still pending. Bill Wheeler updated the letter. He will forward the letter to Mr. Panzer before sending it out again. Ms. Taggart is going to schedule a meeting to discuss delinquent accounts.

Water Operator Report:

- Lateral Identification Paperwork – Mr. Whittaker is in the process of completing the paperwork for lateral identification of lead piping in the borough. The borough's piping was all installed in 1991 after lead pipe was banned, so no lead piping exists in the Borough. He just needs to complete the paperwork before next October.
- Asbestos Testing – Mr. Whittaker completed the asbestos testing, and the levels were very low. The test was submitted.

Bills: Ms. Taggart presented twelve bills to be paid in October and thirteen bills to be paid in November. Bill Wheeler brought to the Authorities' attention that a bill for PVE on the November bills list is the incorrect amount. Ms. McKairnes overpaid them. The company should have been paid \$55 so they will owe the money back to the Authority.

Motion made by Mr. Wolfe and seconded by Mr. Wasson to ratify the action taken to pay the bills dated 10/19/23; motion passed with all in favor 4-0-0.

Motion made by Mr. Nocito and seconded by Mr. Wolfe to pay the bills dated 11/22/23; motion passed with all in favor 4-0-0.

Correspondence: none

Unresolved Business:

- Meter Replacement on Main St – Ms. Wheeler just wanted to remind the Authority members that a new meter was given to a home on Main St with the understanding that they would install heat in the home before cold weather. If they do not install heat and have any issues with the meter, it is the owner's responsibility. Bill Wheeler will not be reinspecting the home it is the owner's responsibility to install the heat before cold weather.

- Blocked Storm Drain – Ms. Wheeler did call BCWSA regarding the blocked storm drain on the 600 block of Main Street. She will follow up with BCWSA to confirm the work was completed.
- Stream Under Ford Ave – There have been no more reports of a milky substance at the stream under Ford Ave.

New Business:

- Hydrant Repair – A hydrant was hit by a truck in the Borough. Bill Wheeler contacted BCWSA regarding the matter. BCWSA came out, removed the hydrant cleaned it up and reinstalled it the next day. BCWSA said it was a very minor repair so they would not charge the Borough.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 pm; motion made by Mr. Wolfe, seconded by Mr. Wasson; carried 4-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted

Dorothy Omietanski
Hulmeville Borough Secretary