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## EXCERPT FROM HAMBURG TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

To the attention of: Patrick J. Hohl, Supervisor  
Hamburg Township Board of Trustees

Re: **Approved Municipal Utilities Committee Minutes**

Please be apprised of this excerpt from the Unapproved Approved Minutes of the Meeting of the Hamburg Township Sewer Committee:

Date of Meeting: March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Sewer Committee Members Present: Hohl, Michniewicz

Sewer Committee Members Absent: Hahn

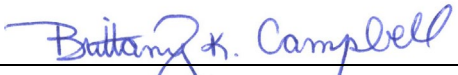
Text of Motion: MOTION BY HOHL, SUPPORTED BY MICHNIEWICZ TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 MUNICIPAL UTILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING AS PRESENTED.

Ayes: Hohl, Michniewicz      Absent: Hahn      Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED.

State of Michigan      }  
County of Livingston }  
Township of Hamburg }

I, BRITTANY K. CAMPBELL, Hamburg Township Utilities Coordinator and recording secretary to the Municipal Utilities Committee, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct excerpt of the Minutes of the aforementioned Regular/~~Special~~ Meeting of the Hamburg Township Municipal Utilities Committee.

 Date: March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
BRITTANY K. CAMPBELL  
HAMBURG TOWNSHIP UTILITIES COORDINATOR

**HAMBURG TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES COMMITTEE**  
**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – 2:30 P.M.**  
**10405 MERRILL ROAD, HAMBURG, MI 48139**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Hohl at 2:33 p.m.

**Roll Call of the Committee:**

**Present:** Hohl, Michniewicz

**Absent:** Hahn

**Also Present:** Brittany Campbell, Tony Randazzo, Ryan Ward, Tim McCotter, Robert Bloomquist, Jr., and Karrie Bloomquist

**2. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Hohl opened the call to the public and seeing no response, closed the call to the public.

**3. CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence to be addressed at this meeting.

**4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

MOTION BY HOHL, SUPPORTED BY MICHNIEWICZ TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

Ayes: Hohl, Michniewicz

Absent: Hahn

Nays: None

Motion passed.

**Unfinished Business:**

- A. PFAS/PFOS Discussion
- B. Manhole Inspection Program
- C. 200 Series Grinder Pump Replacements

**Current Business:**

- A. DPW Monthly Report – December 2022/January 2023 Statistics
- B. Blake Anthony Homes Direct Sewer Agreement – 5681 Warren Woods Ln.
- C. Blake Anthony Homes Direct Sewer Agreement – 5707 Warren Woods Ln.
- D. Blake Anthony Homes Direct Sewer Agreement – 5733 Warren Woods Ln.
- E. Simpson Sewer Connection Cost Review – 9808 Galatian Dr.
- F. Aronson Sewer Connection Cost Review – 6272 Strawberry Lake Rd.
- G. Bloomquist Grinder Pump Relocation Request – 5955 Winans Dr.
- H. Biosolids Contract Renewal

**5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

MOTION BY HOHL, SUPPORTED BY MICHNIEWICZ TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 MUNICIPAL UTILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING AS PRESENTED.

Ayes: Hohl, Michniewicz      Absent: Hahn      Nays: None

Motion passed.

**6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. PFAS/PFOS Discussion.

MOTION BY HOHL, SUPPORTED BY MICHNIEWICZ TO TABLE ALL UNFINISHED BUSINESS UNTIL NEW INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE.

Ayes: Hohl, Michniewicz      Absent: Hahn      Nays: None

Motion passed.

B. Manhole Inspection Program.

MOTION BY HOHL, SUPPORTED BY MICHNIEWICZ TO TABLE ALL UNFINISHED BUSINESS UNTIL NEW INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE.

Ayes: Hohl, Michniewicz      Absent: Hahn      Nays: None

Motion passed.

C. 200 Series Grinder Pump Replacements.

MOTION BY HOHL, SUPPORTED BY MICHNIEWICZ TO TABLE ALL UNFINISHED BUSINESS UNTIL NEW INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE.

Ayes: Hohl, Michniewicz      Absent: Hahn      Nays: None

Motion passed.

**7. CURRENT BUSINESS**

A. DPW Monthly Report – December 2022/January 2023 Statistics. Randazzo noted that the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) was in compliance for December but was out of compliance for six days in January due to high total inorganic nitrogen. Ward explained the problem was with the heat exchanger not keeping up with the flow demands and had to be bypassed a couple of times. Ward noted staff opened the unit and cleaned out rags and debris which allowed the unit to work correctly again. Ward noted that 4 days of noncompliance was due to a failed air line that goes to the SBR. Randazzo explained that these problems are magnified by the cold weather due to the temperature sensitivity of the microbes. Ryan stated that the SBR tanks have been dealing with a filamentous bacterium known as M.Parvacilla that causes bad settling times and a cloudy decant. Randazzo stated that to combat the issue the chemical PAX-14 is used in the winter months to treat the bacteria.

Randazzo noted that C & E Construction has substantially finished the sewer extension from Country Elementary to Pettysville Road. The line was pressure testing in early January and will be ready for service shortly. The last items to be completed are a few tie-in connections on both ends of the 8” sewer line and restoration in the spring.

Randazzo indicated that the Township has sampled monitoring well #12 for PFAS as requested by EGLE. The results should be available in a couple of weeks. Randazzo noted that this is a deep water well. The well at Dairy Queen was tested and is also a deep water well. Their test results came back as “non-detect” for PFAS. Randazzo noted that the Township still needs to complete testing of 4 residential wells on Buck Lake but have not been able to make contact with the property owners. Hohl stated that he would be willing to knock on doors in the evenings if that would help.

Lastly, Randazzo stated that the Township had a virtual meeting with the Michigan PFAS Action Response Team (MPART) yesterday to discuss the next steps regarding PFAS levels at the WWTP. Hamburg Township is now on the EGLE map as a PFAS site.

MOTION BY HOHL, SUPPORTED BY MICHNIEWICZ TO NOTE THE DPW MONTHLY REPORT AS RECEIVED AND TO BE FILED AND TO ALSO FORWARD A COPY TO THE TOWNSHIP BOARD AS AN AGENDA ITEM FOR THEIR REVIEW.

Ayes: Hohl, Michniewicz      Absent: Hahn      Nays: None

Motion passed.

B. Blake Anthony Homes Direct Sewer Connection Agreement – 5681 Warren Woods Ln.

MOTION BY HOHL, SUPPORTED BY MICHNIEWICZ TO APPROVE THE BLAKE ANTHONY HOMES AGREEMENT FOR SEWER CONNECTION AS PRESENTED, AS ALL OF THE ESTIMATED SEWER FEES WERE PAID UP-FRONT IN CASH.

Ayes: Hohl, Michniewicz      Absent: Hahn      Nays: None

Motion passed.

C. Blake Anthony Homes Direct Sewer Connection Agreement – 5707 Warren Woods Ln.

MOTION BY HOHL, SUPPORTED BY MICHNIEWICZ TO APPROVE THE BLAKE ANTHONY HOMES AGREEMENT FOR SEWER CONNECTION AS PRESENTED, AS ALL OF THE ESTIMATED SEWER FEES WERE PAID UP-FRONT IN CASH.

Ayes: Hohl, Michniewicz      Absent: Hahn      Nays: None

Motion passed.

- D. Blake Anthony Homes Direct Sewer Connection Agreement – 5733 Warren Woods Ln.  
MOTION BY HOHL, SUPPORTED BY MICHNIEWICZ TO APPROVE THE BLAKE ANTHONY HOMES AGREEMENT FOR SEWER CONNECTION AS PRESENTED, AS ALL OF THE ESTIMATED SEWER FEES WERE PAID UP-FRONT IN CASH.

Ayes: Hohl, Michniewicz      Absent: Hahn      Nays: None

Motion passed.

- E. Simpson Sewer Connection Cost Review – 9808 Galatian Dr. Campbell explained that the estimated grinder pump installation and sewer hook-up charges were \$9,399.75. The actual construction charges were \$11,053.45, a difference of \$2,276.70. The Contractor had to abandon a pump chamber and smaller septic tank on the side of the house, plus a 1000-gallon plastic septic tank that C & E had to remove because it was in same location where the grinder pump station was installed at the direction of the DPW Foreman. The Contractor only charged for 1 septic tank. They also had to install a 4-foot extension to the grinder station in order for it to work all of which resulted in a balance due of \$2,276.70. As a result, the total shortage of \$2,276.70 should be billed to the property owner.

MOTION BY HOHL, SUPPORTED BY MICHNIEWICZ REQUESTING THE ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT TO INVOICE THE PROPERTY OWNER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,276.70 FOR ADDITIONAL SEWER CONSTRUCTION CHARGES AS OUTLINED IN THE SEWER CONNECTION AGREEMENT.

Ayes: Hohl, Michniewicz      Absent: Hahn      Nays: None

Motion passed.

- F. Aronson Sewer Connection Cost Review – 6272 Strawberry Lake Rd. Campbell explained that the estimated construction charges under the blanket pricing contract were \$12,819.85. The actual construction charges were \$12,976.70, a difference of \$156.85. The total footage for the sewer service lateral was 260 feet leading to the installation of 25 feet more than the estimated footage of 235 feet resulting in a balance due of \$459.25. The 4" building sewer connection cost was \$1,638.00 coming in under budget in the amount of \$302.40. The additional charges for the sewer lateral were offset by the overage left over from the building sewer connection, resulting in a balance due of \$156.85. As a result, the total shortage of \$156.85 should be billed to the property owner.

MOTION BY HOHL, SUPPORTED BY MICHNIEWICZ REQUESTING THE ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT TO INVOICE THE PROPERTY OWNER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$156.85 FOR ADDITIONAL SEWER CONSTRUCTION CHARGES AS OUTLINED IN THE SEWER CONNECTION AGREEMENT.

Ayes: Hohl, Michniewicz      Absent: Hahn      Nays: None

Motion passed.

G. Bloomquist Grinder Pump Relocation Request – 5955 Winans Dr. Hohl stated that the Committee had received and reviewed the request from the property owners to allow for the relocation of their grinder pump station to the east side of their parcel as part of a plan to demo the old house and build a new, larger home on the lot and for the sewer service lateral to run along the east property line leaving an approximate space of 10 feet between the lot line and their new home. At this time the home at 5955 Winans Drive and the home at 5961 Winans Drive share one sewer service lateral. Hohl stated that the Township would like to see one line installed for the new home at 5955 Winans Drive and a separate line to be installed for the neighbor running parallel along the east property line. Hohl explained that a Hold Harmless Agreement would be required due to the limited area available where the new grinder pump and sewer service laterals will be installed. Campbell provided the property owners with the Agreement forms for their review and signature.

Bloomquist asked how the new service laterals would be installed. Randazzo noted that they would be installed using directional boring versus open trenching. Randazzo explained that the Township would like to replace the old 200 series grinder pump stations during the building project and will donate the new grinder pump stations at a cost of \$5,140.00 apiece for both properties. In an effort to keep costs down Randazzo stated that both new sewer service laterals could be pulled at the same time as they will be installed in the same area. The DPW Foreman, Ryan Ward, will meet with the property owner on-site to take the measurements necessary to the Utilities Coordinator to prepare an estimate of cost for the grinder pump and sewer service lateral relocation.

Once the measurements for the new grinder pump locations have been taken, the Utilities Coordinator will prepare an estimate of project cost for the property owners using the current Blanket Contract pricing worksheet. All sewer construction charges must be paid up-front in full prior to the issuance of the Land Use Permit to construct a new home on the lot.

H. Biosolids Contract Renewal. Randazzo noted that the current contract with BioTech Agronomics expired at the end of 2022. Randazzo stated that the number of companies who perform biosolids handling has dwindled and there is not a viable alternative. The Utilities Director therefore recommends approval of a new three-year contract with BioTech Agronomics.

MOTION BY HOHL, SUPPORTED BY MICHNIEWICZ TO FORWARD TO THE BOARD WITH THE RECOMMENDATION THAT THE NEW 3-YEAR CONTRACT WITH BIOTECH AGRONOMICS BE ACCEPTED BY THE BOARD.

Ayes: Hohl, Michniewicz      Absent: Hahn      Nays: None  
Motion passed.

**8. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Seeing no requests to address the Sewer Committee, Hohl closed the call to the public.

**9. INFORMATIONAL/EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL**

There was no information and/or educational material available for this meeting.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION BY MICHNIEWICZ, SUPPORTED BY HOHL TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

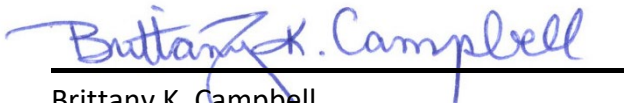
Ayes: Hohl, Michniewicz      Absent: Hahn      Nays: None

Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:22 p.m.

The foregoing is considered to be a true and accurate record of all items discussed. If any discrepancies or inconsistencies are noted, please contact the writer immediately.

Respectfully submitted,



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Brittany K. Campbell  
Hamburg Township Utilities Coordinator