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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  $[\underline{X}]$ Unapproved  $[_]$ Approved Minutes of the Meeting of the Hamburg Township Sewer Committee:

Date of Meeting: August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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 JULY 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 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.

K. Campbell Date: August 14<sup>th</sup>. 2024

BRITTANY K. CAMPBELL HAMBURG TOWNSHIP UTILITIES COORDINATOR

# HAMBURG TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, JULY 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – 2:30 P.M. 10405 MERRILL ROAD, HAMBURG, MI 48139

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Michniewicz at 2:30 p.m.

#### Roll Call of the Committee:

Present:	Hahn, Michniewicz
Absent:	Hohl, Randazzo
Also Present:	Brittany Campbell and Ryan Ward

## 2. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Michniewicz 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 MICHNIEWICZ, SUPPORTED BY HAHN TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

Ayes: Hahn, Michniewicz Absent: Hohl 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 June 2024 Statistics
- B. Valdmanis Direct Sewer Connection Agreement 4101 Cordley Lake Rd.
- C. T.J. Smith Direct Sewer Connection Agreement 9057 Riverside Dr.
- D. McKenna Direct Sewer Connection Agreement 9950 Lime Bay Dr.
- E. Sewer O & M Billing Amendment Request 8999 Hamburg Rd.
- F. 2023/2024 Fiscal Year Sewer REU/Tap Tracker
- G. Road & Waterway Improvement SAD Pay-Off Totals

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#### 5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION BY HAHN, SUPPORTED BY MICHNIEWICZ TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 MUNICIPAL UTILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING AS PRESENTED. Ayes: Hahn, Michniewicz Absent: Hohl Nays: None

Motion passed.

#### 6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. <u>PFAS/PFOS Discussion</u>.

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

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

B. <u>Manhole Inspection Program</u>.

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

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

C. <u>200 Series Grinder Pump Replacements</u>. MOTION BY MICHNIEWICZ, SUPPORTED BY HAHN TO TABLE ALL UNFINISHED BUSINESS UNTIL NEW INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE.

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

## 7. CURRENT BUSINESS

A. <u>DPW Monthly Report – June 2024 Statistics</u>. Ward noted that the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) was in compliance for the entire month of June. Biotech emptied only half of sludge tank #4, which will give the WWTP two to three weeks of room. The vendor plans to return soon to finish the haul once the wheat has been harvested from the field that the sludge will be applied on. Ward explained the one of the part time on-call workers quit so the DPW is once again looking to fill the position. Hahn asked if offering a reasonable guaranteed amount for the on-call worker would help with staff retention. Ward stated the some of the issue is with the daily rate and the other is not offering enough hours to those workers who would like more hours. Hahn suggested adding this topic to the meeting agenda in August.

Ward also noted that the PFAS grant work will start this month now that the contract has been signed with EGLE. The Township received delivery of the grinder pump stations ordered from E-One for a total of 81 simplex and 2 duplex stations in the current inventory. Lastly, Ward reported a service lateral break at 8655 Country Club Drive after a power outage when the check valve broke resulting from a pressure surge once all of the grinder pumps started pumping again into the main sewer line.

MOTION BY HAHN, 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: Hahn, MichniewiczAbsent: HohlNays: NoneMotion passed.

B. <u>Valdmanis Direct Sewer Connection Agreement – 4101 Cordley Lake Rd</u>. MOTION BY MICHNIEWICZ, SUPPORTED BY HAHN TO APPROVE THE VALDMANIS AGREEMENT FOR SEWER CONNECTION AS PRESENTED, AS ALL OF THE ESTIMATED SEWER FEES WERE PAID UP-FRONT IN CASH.

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

C. <u>T.J. Smith Direct Sewer Connection Agreement – 9057 Riverside Dr</u>. MOTION BY MICHNIEWICZ, SUPPORTED BY HAHN TO APPROVE THE T.J. SMITH AGREEMENT FOR SEWER CONNECTION AS PRESENTED, AS ALL OF THE ESTIMATED SEWER FEES WERE PAID UP-FRONT IN CASH.

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

D. <u>McKenna Direct Sewer Connection & Agreement – 9950 Lime Bay Dr</u>. MOTION BY MICHNIEWICZ, SUPPORTED BY HAHN TO APPROVE THE MCKENNA AGREEMENT FOR SEWER CONNECTION AS PRESENTED, AS ALL OF THE ESTIMATED SEWER FEES WERE PAID UP-FRONT IN CASH.

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

E. <u>Sewer O & M Billing Amendment Request – 8999 Hamburg Rd</u>. Campbell explained that Boomer's Party Store was connected to the Hamburg Township Sanitary Sewer System (HTSSS) on December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021. When a property is connected to the sewer system the Utilities Department forwards a sewer O & M billing activation form to the Accounting department with the date to start billing the owner along with the number of REUs to be billed. For whatever reason, the number of REUs was entered as 1.0 REUs instead of the actual 2.30 REUs that the property should have been charged for.

The Utilities Director, Tony Randazzo, discovered this discrepancy on June 12, 2024 and the Accounting department was asked to correct the billing from 1.0 REU to 2.30 REUs starting on the next billing cycle that began on July 1, 2024. In addition, Randazzo feels that the property owner should be back-billed for the correct O & M charges of 2.30 REUs for the past three (3) years. If necessary, the Township can set up a payment plan for the property owner to pay off the additional sewer O & M charges.

MOTION BY HAHN, SUPPORTED BY MICHNIEWICZ TO REQUEST THE ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT TO INVOICE THE PROPERTY OWNER AT THE CORRECT ASSESSMENT OF **2.30** REUS AS OF JULY 1, 2024 AND TO BACK-BILL THE OWNER FOR THE ADDITIONAL SEWER O & M FEES OWED FOR THE PAST 3-YEARS. A PAYMENT PLAN TO ALLOW THE OWNER TO PAY THE ADDITIONAL FEES SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED. Ayes: Hahn, Michniewicz Absent: Hohl Nays: None Motion passed.

F. <u>2023/2024 Fiscal Year Sewer REU/Tap Tracker</u>. Campbell provided the Committee with the sewer REU and tap fee tracking sheet showing that the Township added a total of eighteen (18) new REUs to the sanitary sewer system and collected \$108,000.00 in tap fees for the 2023/2024 fiscal year.

MOTION BY MICHNIEWICZ, SUPPORTED BY HAHN TO NOTE THE UTILITIES COORDINATOR'S 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: Hahn, Michniewicz Absent: Hohl Nays: None Motion passed.

G. <u>Road & Waterway Improvement SAD Pay-Off Totals</u>. Campbell reported that as of Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 she received 132 pay-offs out of the 509 parcels located in the eleven individual districts representing approximately 26% of total SAD properties. The combined pay-offs total \$807,892.83 collected by the Township.

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

# 8. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Seeing no requests to address the Sewer Committee, Michniewicz 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 HAHN TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. Ayes: Hahn, Michniewicz Absent: Hohl Nays: None Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:42 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,

K. Campbell

Brittany K. Campbell Hamburg Township Utilities Coordinator