



Borough of Mount Joy
Public Works Committee
Meeting Minutes February 13, 2023
Meeting time: 6:30 PM

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilor Ginder, Councilor Haigh, Councilor Ruschke,

STAFF PRESENT: Public Works Director Dennis Nissley, Borough Manager Mark Pugliese, Parks Superintendent Barry Geltmacher, Public Works Crew Leader Jake Houck

OTHERS PRESENT: Josh Deering, Dominic Castaldi, Allory Melhorn, Dave Ream, Raeann Schatz, Sheri Bare, Ed VanArsdale

I APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 13, 2023 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA –
Approved, motion by Ruschke, second by Haigh

II HEARING OF ANY CITIZEN CONCERNS – Time limit of three minutes per individual. - None

III APPROVAL OF MINUTES from the January 16, 2022, meeting – Approved, motion by Ruschke, second by Haigh

IV. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1. Streets and Alley

A. Pinkerton Rd project

- 1) Change Orders review – Dave Ream from Construction Masters Services was present to answer questions related to various change orders. Haigh expressed concern about some of the items that were billed at different rates than the contract amounts. Ream agreed to review all of the change orders and prices.
- 2) ROW acquisition – Nissley reported that one property owner has been contacted and plans to meet with others
- 3) Bituminous sidewalks – Nissley reviewed ordinance 232-60D which allows for bituminous sidewalks. Nissley also provided the definition for Block from Chapter 240. The Committee discussed whether bituminous sidewalks can be allowed on opposite side of the street from concrete sidewalks and determined that this was acceptable.
- 4) Driveway restoration – After discussion, The Committee approved a motion by Haigh and seconded by Ruschke to recommend to Council for the Borough to assume the cost of driveway restoration on Pinkerton Road and N. Angle Street

B. Wood Street Project – Nissley reported that ARRO has done minimal work on Wood Street, and staff will have Rettew proceed with this project.

C. Bradys Alley project – Rettew will be working on this project for any future engineering

D. Downtown street tree replacement – Nothing new to report, staff will look into other options to get the trees planted

- E. Cresco Lab sinkhole and stormwater basin – Nissley/Pugliese reported that there has been no response from Cresco to repair the sinkhole. Haigh reported that he issued a RTKL with the Conservation District to get plans for the basin.

2. Stormwater

- A. Old Market Street/Manheim Street Drainage Swale – Staff is waiting for information from the Solicitor on how to proceed with enforcement. The Committee agreed to hold off on any surveying until a plan is established to repair the swale.
- B. 307 Locust Lane Stormwater Basin – The Committee reviewed the request from the owner to transfer ownership to the Borough and expressed that there is no interest in acquiring ownership of the basin at this time.

3. Parks

- A. Hiring for open position – Nissley reported that no one is being considered for the job at this time.
- B. Parks Advisory Board – The Committee asked that notice of board openings be placed on the website, and some people that expressed interest will be asked to submit a letter of interest.
- C. Chamber Music in the Park – The Committee approved a motion by Haigh and seconded by Ruschke to recommend to Council the proposed Music in the Park events.
- D. Voyage Mount Joy Event Request - The Committee approved a motion by Haigh and seconded by Ruschke to recommend to Council the proposed Voyage Mount Joy, Fete en Independence event.

- 4. Borough Engineer Update – Pugliese reported that staff met with ARRO and discussed which projects they would complete and which projects would be turned over to Rettew.

5. Grants update

- A. DCNR Community Conservation Partnership Program (C2P2) Little Chiques Park Master Site Development Plan (MSDP)
- B. Streambank Project
- C. Flood Mitigation Grant for Borough basin modifications
- D. DEP 902 grant for compost equipment
- E. DCED MTF grant for pedestrian safety
- F. DCED Heritage grant
- G. Reserves HOA – Clean Water Implementation, Small Grant
- H. ARPA PA Small Water and Sewer Program Grant Application

V HEARING OF ANY CITIZEN CONCERNS – Time limit of three minutes per individual.

- 1. Josh Deering commented on the following items:

- A. He is asking the Committee to appoint a member of Public Works to participate in the Splash Pad steering committee.
- B. Because it is taxpayer dollars, at what point should change orders on projects go back to Committee for approval?
- C. Be careful about doing too much on private property, related to driveway restoration, do as much in house as possible.
- D. Deering stated his understanding of a block is street to street on either side as it relates to asphalt sidewalks.
- E. The option of asphalt vs. concrete sidewalks, saves taxpayers money and it is okay if there are different types of sidewalks on a street.

VI ANY OTHER MATTER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

1. Haigh provided information on a flagging device that he saw utilized by a UGI contractor.
2. Haigh commented on a concern regarding the Borough NPDES permit as it relates to areas of Pinkerton Rd that have not been seeded.
3. Haigh asked about whether there was resolution on the ADA ramps and if they are compliant. Staff reported that this was forwarded to ARRO.
4. Haigh asked about the H/C ramps at School Lane and how the curbs will tie into School Lane. Nissley responded that the location of where the curb ends should allow for some options of location of curb on the 224 Pinkerton Rd property.

VII ADJOURN – meeting adjourned at 8:20PM