



Borough of Mount Joy
Public Works Committee
Meeting Minutes for March 11, 2019
Meeting time: 6:30 PM

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilor Deering and Councilor Millar

STAFF/MAYOR PRESENT: Public Works Director Dennis Nissley, Borough Manager Samuel Sulkosky, Mayor Bradley and Borough Engineer Darrel Becker

OTHERS PRESENT: Bruce Haigh, Gary and Raeann Schatz, Shelley and Larry Derr, Ken Ober, Andy Ober, Bob Ruschle, Beth Brejle, Jennifer Watson, Mike Reese, Jeff Cassel, Tina Feathers, Joyce Stabler, Cindi Jerman, and Bill Gorman

The meeting was called to order by Councilor Deering at 6:30 PM.

I. APPROVAL OF MARCH 11, 2019 PUBLIC WORKS MEETING AGENDA

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

1. Raeann Schatz

- i. Asked if Mr. Becker could gather the impervious and drainage acres for the area of the Borough basin as well as the weighted runoff coefficient for a 100-year storm. Mr. Becker will contact Ms. Schatz with this information.

2. Bruce Haigh representing Schatz's Garage

- i. Mr. Haigh sent a letter to the Borough and ARRO with various information pertaining to the Borough basin and was hoping to discuss this letter at tonight's meeting.

3. Mike Reese

- i. Mr. Reese shared his comments and views on sidewalks through the Borough. Mr. Reese stated that he is opposed that the Borough should pay for sidewalks. Residents that have already paid for sidewalks should not have to pay for sidewalks again.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES from the February 11, 2019 meeting

IV. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1. Storm Water

A. Borough basin

- 1) Mr. Becker discussed details on the detention basin modifications plan with the Committee. Mr. Becker and Mr. Haigh discussed specifics about existing features.

Mr. Becker would need to make some field verifications. The Committee asked various questions to Mr. Becker about the drainage area, elevations of existing and proposed modifications, and temporary fixes. Mr. Haigh presented the Committee with a report from Whittemore & Haigh Engineering. The Committee made a motion for the ARRO to review Whittemore & Haigh Engineering report. Motion passes. Mr. Sulkosky reported that a letter and conference call were made to Gus's Restaurant owner pertaining to curb installation on their parking lot.

2. Parks

A. Borough Park pavilion

- 1) John Gish, President of the Mount Joy Kiwanis Club and the Committee discussed in detail about the proposed Borough Park pavilion. It was decided that it would make sense to install the concrete pad and pavilion at the same time but to install a sign for this year. Mr. Gish will discuss this at the next Kiwanis Club meeting.

B. Music in the Park

- 1) Nissley provided an email to the Committee from the Chamber of Commerce discussing the details about the Music in the Park. The Committee discussed details about this email and forwarded it to Council.

C. American Legion request to use Old Standby Park for chicken BBQ events

- 1) Nissley provided a request for use of Old Standby Park and the Committee recommended this to Council

3. Compost Site

A. 902 Recycling Grant

- 1) Nissley presented a copy of the 902 Recycling grant application to the Committee. Sulkosky also reported that there is a signed intermunicipal agreement from East Donegal Township pertaining to the compost facility

4. Equipment

A. Crack Sealer

- 1) Nissley discussed about changes to the intermunicipal agreement with a crack sealer. Nissley will be meeting with the other municipalities this week to discuss where the crack sealer will be stored.

5. Streets and Alleys

A. Milanof-Schock Library request to close street for 20th Birthday Bash

- 1) Nissley provided a request to close a street for the library's birthday celebration. The Committee has recommended this to Council.

B. Sidewalk Ordinance discussion

- 1) The Committee discussed a recap of what was conversed at the March 4th Council meeting, ordinances in use at other municipalities, the process of writing a new ordinance, listing different criteria options, right of way, and subjective versus objective criteria.
- 2) The Committee agreed to have a public input period limited to three minutes on the topic of sidewalks.
 - a) Beth Brejle-550 N Angle St- Ms. Brejle listed her views on different criteria to the Committee
 - b) Bob Ruschle-550 N Angle St- Mr. Ruschle stated his opinion on objective and subjective material
 - c) Larry Derr-715 Terrace Ave- Mr. Derr expressed his opinions and concerns with sidewalk installations
 - d) Jeff Cassel-230 Park Ave- Mr. Cassel stated that sidewalk installation should not be based on a street being repaved or realigned. Mr. Cassel listed criteria that could be part of a new ordinance.
 - e) Lucinda Jerman- 840 Terrace Ave- Ms. Jerman asked if there were any other objective and subjective criteria. Bradley added addition objective criteria that could have subjective views to the criteria. Ms. Jerman also asked Nissley if he was aware of any houses that were in the right of way on N Angle. Nissley explained building and landscaping within a right of way
 - f) Jennifer Watson- 620 Bernhard Ave- Ms. Watson stated that the driving force against sidewalks is money. Ms. Watson also stated the committee should look at average amount of exceptions
 - g) Bill Gorman- 725 Bruce Ave- Mr. Gorman asked for clarification about criteria with traffic counts. Mr. Gorman asked about waivers.
 - h) Sherry Torres- 404 N Angle St- Ms. Torres asked what the traffic counts was. Ms. Torres commented on stormwater issues with installing sidewalks.
 - i) Joyce Stabler- 720 Terrace Ave- Ms. Stabler commented that the residents are not going anywhere
 - j) Ken Ober- 621 Water St- Mr. Ober asked if there will be an official count

- k) Larry Derr- 715 Terrace Ave- Mr. Derr asked what will be brought to Council. Councilman Deering stated that alleys, cul-de-sacs, dead ends, and traffic counts under 50 cars per day will be brought to Council

C. Alley Paving

- 1) The Committee and staff discussed the motion that was made during the March 4th, 2019 Council meeting. Councilman Millar made a motion and Councilman Deering seconded to rescind the following motion. “A request was made to proceed with the 2019 paving of Cherry Alley with an amendment to waive the installation of sidewalk and curb requirement on Cherry Alley.” Motion passed.

6. Marietta Avenue Paving and Pedestrian Project

- A. Nissley reported that he and Sulkosky attended a meeting for the Marietta Avenue project. Nissley stated that overhead utility work will start in 2019, street closure and road construction will happen between June 15 through October 2020. Nissley informed the Committee that Pinkerton Road closure could conflict with this project.

7. Jacob Street bridge removal

- A. Nissley reported that June 14th is the date that the bridge is supposed to come down

8. Rail Enhancements Project Phase II

1. Nissley reported that updates to the project are on the website. Councilman Deering mentioned construction parking on Market St. The Committee and staff discussed parking issues in areas around the train station construction.

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

VI. ANY OTHER MATTER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

1. Councilman Millar discussed the handicap ramp at 116 New Haven St. The Committee and staff discussed the water issue along the handicap ramp and directed staff to alter the road to allow water to drain freely from the ramp.

VII. ADJOURN at 10:31pm