



Borough of Mount Joy
Public Works Committee
Meeting Minutes October 13, 2025
Meeting time: 6:30 PM

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilor Ginder, Councilor Haigh

STAFF PRESENT: Borough Manager Mark Pugliese via Zoom, Public Works Director Dennis Nissley, Parks Superintendent Barry Geltmacher

OTHERS PRESENT: Josh Deering, Raeann Schatz, Hailee Scheaffer

Councilor Ginder asked Councilor Haigh to chair the meeting. Haigh called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF OCTOBER 13, 2025, PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING
AGENDA- Haigh made a motion to add: Item 2.C. Free Libraries, Item 2.C. Lakes Walking Trail. Motion seconded by Ginder, motion carried.

II. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD – Comments of **Any Borough Resident or Borough Property Owner**. Time limit of three minutes per individual.- Josh Deering commented that the bad streets have been repaired and Council should consider changing the road plan.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of September 15, 2025, meeting. Motion to approve by Haigh, seconded by Ginder, motion carried.

IV. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1. Review with possible motion any change orders for the Borough Municipal Building Project.- None

2. Streets and Alleys

A. Street Planning

- 1) S. Market Ave. project – Nissley gave an update, staff is hydro-excavating at water and gas services to determine where adjustments need to be made for curb and stormwater installation
- 2) Discussion to provide guidance to staff for future street budgeting – Committee discussed 2028 and 2029 road maintenance schedule and determined that it should be left as is until after the budgeting process for 2026.

B. Revisions to Chapter 232 – Haigh reviewed some suggested revisions to 232.51 Policy and asked that staff review this for consideration at the November Public Works Committee meeting.

C. Free Libraries – Hailee Scheaffer presented her request as an Eagle Scout project to install 2 Free Libraries, one at Borough Park and one at FDMJ. On a motion by Haigh, seconded by Ginder, to forward this request to Council to approve the location at Borough Park near Kids Joyland.

D. Lakes Walking Trail – Haigh presented a request from a resident to require the Lakes HOA to meet ADA compliance at the trail crossing at Farmington Way. Haigh asked that staff check the trail for compliance to Forest Service trail regulations.

3. Parks

- A. Review placement of boulders at Little Chiques Park to alleviate sediment – Nissley and Geltmacher explained the proposed placement of boulders to catch sediment where the berm was removed along Little Chiques Creek in the park. Haigh asked to have the engineer review this to be sure the boulders are staggered to achieve the desired results.
- B. Consider a request to install a batting cage at Lakes Park – Geltmacher explained this request. Motion by Haigh seconded by Ginder to move this request to Council providing that DBSA is responsible to provide, install and maintain the batting cage. And list this batting cage on the MOU with DBSA.

4. Stormwater

- A. Discussion and recommendation about repairs to the swale along Church Street at Grandview Park. Pipes were washed out in July storm. – Committee discussed ongoing work by K&W and Rettew to determine the flow of this swale as it affects the stormwater facilities at the new municipal complex. Committee recommended to smooth the sides, leave the rip rap in place and seed/stabilize the soil until after these other issues are resolved.
- B. Pink Alley Basin as-built survey – Haigh commented on the updated proposal that was presented and said it was supposed to be expanded out to 100 feet and asked staff to obtain this information for the November Public Works Committee meeting.
- C. Discussion and motion to purchase weather stations. – Nissley presented information about remote weather stations that have been recommended by the EMA Coordinator. Approximate cost is \$700 per unit. On a motion by Haigh, seconded by Ginder to move forward with the purchase of two units in 2025 with available funds and to budget for a third unit in 2026. Motion carried.
- D. Flooding Hot Spots Prioritization – Haigh reviewed a grouping list of areas to prioritize action moving forward. On a motion by Haigh, seconded by Ginder, to move this grouping list to Council for information. Motion carried.
- E. Florin Hill Violations letter – Pugliese will check on the status of this letter. Haigh commented that DEP did not take any enforcement action so any enforcement action would need to be taken by Council for violation to Chapter 226.
- F. Florin Hill Sediment basin 1A – Haigh discussed a technical deficiency letter from DEP to Florin Hill. Haigh suggested that the comment period should be extended to allow Rettew time to comment. Pugliese stated he would like to check with Rettew about whether they have done the review and there is a need for an extension. The DEP letter will be on the Admin and Finance agenda for October 23.

5. Equipment

- A. Motion to apply for Hako Citymaster unit to be purchased with Local Share Grant. Nissley explained that this equipment is multi-functional, it could be used for street sweeping, vacuuming, snow plowing, and general public works and parks uses. There is no match for this grant only a \$100.00 application fee. On a motion by Haigh seconded by Ginder to move this request to Council to apply for the grant. Motion carried.

6. Budget

- A. Review Draft Budget – Haigh presented a document with suggested budget amount for several categories. This included a detailed list of Engineering projects. Staff will review this and present to Rettew for their input.

7. Grants Update – Pugliese gave a brief update on these grants

- A. DCNR Community Conservation Partnership Program (C2P2) Little Chiques Park Master Site Development Plan (MSDP)
- B. Streambank Project

- 1) Lancaster Clean Water Partners CAP funding
- 2) DCED application for \$300,000.00 Submitted, awaiting award notice
- C. DCED MTF grant for pedestrian safety – Completed
- F. Act 101 Section 902 DEP Recycling grant

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Josh Deering commented on the following items:

Asked about MOU for the batting cage at Lakes. Grandview swale and reported on leaves on the grates on Hill Street. Suggested that a foot bridge should be put back at the Grandview swale. Asked about an update from K&W regarding the stormwater at the municipal building. Asked when a letter will be sent about BMP 107, Is there an update on the website? Asked about pipe installation at North Alley and N Barbara Street. Asked about standing water at Old Market Street and Rotary swale. Commented that the stormwater hotspot list seems expensive and hopes Committee and staff is looking at this along with street projects. He mentioned the Rotary Park swale along Fairview where the LCCTC project enters, and if something needs done that somebody other than the borough should be paying for it. Asked about Local Share Grant funds for the municipal complex. Agreed that we do need other avenues of funding and suggested the Pilot Program. Stated that when we talk about hiring, the wages certainly are low, but you need to take into account the benefit package.

VI. ANY OTHER MATTER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE - None

VII. ADJOURN – Motion to adjourn by Haigh seconded by Ginder, Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.