



Borough of Mount Joy
Public Works Committee
Meeting Minutes October 9, 2023
Meeting time: 6:30 PM

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

STAFF PRESENT: Borough Manager Mark Pugliese, Public Works Director Dennis Nissley Parks Superintendent Barry Geltmacher, Codes and Zoning Officer Duane Brady

OTHERS PRESENT: Josh Deering, Raeann Schatz

I. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 9, 2023, PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA -Item 1.D.
was moved to 1.A. and agenda was approved with this change.

II. HEARING OF ANY CITIZEN CONCERNS – Time limit of three minutes per individual. – Raeann Schatz asked if there was any updates on the Borough and Melhorn basins

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES from the September 18, 2023, meeting – Approved as submitted.

IV. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1. Streets and Alley

- A. Wood Street project update – Mike Knouse from Rettew was present, he gave an update on the status of the project. A lengthy discussion followed. Councilor Haigh and Mayor Bradley expressed concerns about the ADA contract 2.
- B. Discuss goals/make recommendations for possible changes to curb and sidewalk ordinances and policies. – The Committee discussed how to move forward with inspections and requirements for curb and sidewalk replacement and repairs. No recommendations or decisions were made. Pugliese will check with the Solicitor if what we are doing now is legally acceptable.
- C. Discuss downspout ordinance 232.59.E - Staff will look at suggested changes.
- D. Update on resident concern about handicap ramps in Lakes development. - Pugliese reported that the Solicitor has been asked to notify the HOA about their responsibility to upgrade the ramps.
- E. Bradys Alley project – Nothing new to report
- F. 5-year Street and Alley Plan
 - 1) Alternatives for street maintenance plan - Nissley provided a list of streets that could be included in the 2025 plan that would not have curbs or sidewalks. Haigh suggested that ADA ramps be installed in the areas where street work was planned for 2025. Nissley was asked to update the 5-year plan with an average cost per year of \$600,000 for November Council meeting.
- G. Cresco Lab sinkhole – Pugliese reported that we have a new contact person at Cresco and communication has resumed.

- H. Twisted Bine pedestrian accessibility – Brady provided a report of his findings regarding access. The Committee discussed ownership and ROW in this area. The Committee asked staff to do more research into who owns the area where the ship monument is located.

2. Stormwater

- A. Stormwater Report – Brady reviewed the written report and noted that the MS4 annual report was submitted by the end of September.
- B. EPA-PA DEP Settlement Agreement – Brady reviewed this document and reported that EPA will be conducting random inspections in this area.
- C. Old Market Street/Manheim Street Drainage Swale – Staff was tasked with providing a cost estimate for repairs if completed by borough staff.
- D. Florin Hill Stormwater Facilities – Discussion – Pugliese reported that a meeting is scheduled with Florin Hill Partners, their engineer and Rettew to discuss moving forward. Haigh commented that as-built plans are needed and sediment levels in the ponds need to be reviewed and removed if necessary.

3. Parks

- A. Parks Study Group – Pugliese reported that the Group continues to meet, working on a survey. The meeting schedule will move to the third Tuesday of the month.

4. Budget – Pugliese provided draft budget for Public Works and Stormwater.

5. Grants update

- A. DCNR Community Conservation Partnership Program (C2P2) Little Chiques Park Master Site Development Plan (MSDP) – Study Group is meeting, RFP for consultant being prepared
- B. Streambank Project – Awaiting funding announcements from numerous grant/funding requests.
- C. Flood Mitigation Grant for Borough basin modifications - Completed.
- D. DCED MTF grant for pedestrian safety – Awarded, awaiting work schedule.
- E. DCED Heritage grant – Preparing for RFP
- F. Reserves HOA – Clean Water Implementation, Small Grant
- G. ARPA PA Small Water and Sewer Program Grant – awaiting award announcement.
- H. Connects 2040 grant – awaiting award announcement.

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Josh Deering – Is there an update on 772 reroute? Recognized and commented on the good repair on Clay Alley, Asked about the Public Works Concerns website option, is there an update? Hemp and Second Streets reconstruction should consider relocation on the REYS property with new intersection at Fairview St. Twisted Bine area can be awkward for pedestrians to walk through the tables. The Committee agenda should be set by the Chair, is wondering how that is happening for PW Committee. Suggested that the 5-year street plan should be realistic with the amount of funding needed.

VI ANY OTHER MATTER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

On a motion by Haigh seconded by Ruschke to have a discussion at Council about the performance of LB Construction

Haigh made a motion for Council to have a discussion and possible motion to have Rettew do a survey to determine the 100-year flood elevation of Pink Alley basin. Seconded by Ginder. After discussion

that staff is having a meeting with DC Gohn, and Rettew regarding this issue, Ginder withdrew her motion. The motion died for a lack of a second.

VII ADJOURN – 9:38 PM