



Borough of Mount Joy
Public Works Committee
Meeting Minutes for December 13, 2021
Meeting time: 6:30 PM

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

STAFF PRESENT: Public Works Director Dennis Nissley, Assistant Borough Manager Jill Frey, Parks Superintendent Barry Geltmacher, PW Crew Leader Jake Houck,

OTHERS PRESENT: Raeann Schatz, Bruce Haigh

I. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 13, 2021 PUBLIC WORKS MEETING AGENDA – Approved

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

1. Bruce Haigh raised some questions about the Melhorn basin and commented on the borough basin as-built survey.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES from the November 8, 2021, meeting - Approved

III. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1. Parks

A. Play Set location at Borough Park

- 1) Nissley showed the Committee on a diagram the proposed future location of the play set that was removed from Rotary Park to be reinstalled at Borough Park to the south of the Kiwanis pavilion. The Committee was in favor of this location.

B. Rotary Park MOU review update

- 1) The Committee agreed to forward the MOU to Council for approval

2. Stormwater

A. DEP audit report

- 1) Nissley reported that the audit is available for review

3. Streets and Alley.

A. Pinkerton Rd and N. Angle St projects proposed bidding schedule and update

- 1) Nissley reported that staff would like to schedule a meeting of all the property owners on Pinkerton Rd to discuss the curb installation process and how that relates to the street construction.

B. Pinkerton Rd curb RFP

- 1) Nissley reported that RFP's were sent to 3 contractors for pricing estimates to review curb installation costs on Pinkerton Rd.

C. NO TRUCKS on Apple Alley south of W. Main St.

- 1) Nissley reported that there have been some incidents of trucks turning on Apple Alley to access Fox Chapel Publishing on Square Street. Staff has installed a NO TRUCKS sign at W. Main St and suggested that this be proposed to Council for adding to the sign ordinance so it is enforceable.

4. Bradys Alley update

- 1) Nissley reported that the survey will be conducted in the near future.

5. Grants update

- A. DCNR Community Conservation Partnership Program (C2P2) Little Chiques Park Master Site Development Plan (MSDP)
 - 1) Nissley explained a memorandum from Rettew that for a cost of \$5000.00, Rettew Assoc. will assist in preparing the C2P2 grant application for the Little Chiques Site Development Plan,(MSDP).
- B. Lancaster Bicycle Club grant
 - 1) Nissley informed the Committee about the grant and that staff and MSMJ are looking at places to put bike racks in the borough.
- C. NFWF Streambank Planning grant – nothing new to report
- D. DEP Growing Greener grant for streambank restoration implementation – Nothing new to report
- E. ARLE grant for pedestrian signal improvements- Nissley reported the advertising and bidding schedule
- F. Flood Mitigation Grant for Borough basin modifications
 - 1) Nissley reported that preliminary as-builts have been received and need to be reviewed by ARRO to determine if it is built per the plan and that it is still an unfinished basin.
- G. DEP 902 grant for compost equipment – Nissley reported that we are awaiting news of award.
- H. DCED Heritage grant – Committee reviewed the items listed for the grant. Deering suggested an electronic scoreboard at Rotary Park baseball field

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

1. Bruce Haigh commented on the borough basin and his thought on what needs to be done.

V. ANY OTHER MATTER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

1. Josh Deering brought up the following items:
 - i. Route 772 re-route status.
 - ii. Thoughts on making Marietta Ave one way from Sassafra to E. Main St.
 - iii. Update on Capital Spending Grant
 - iv. Splash Pad update and asked that it be kept on the agenda
 - v. Skate Park should be kept on agenda – this was a suggestion from a local teen.
 - vi. How is staffing, and is the wage sufficient? Nissley reported that hiring for an open parks position will resume in the spring. Nissley reported that he felt the Assistant Public Works Director position got shortchanged because suggested wage increases were set up based on the new base pay and the discussion at budget meeting started with Public Works Director and worked backwards to the starting pay range.
 - vii. Keep speed humps and traffic calming on the agenda

- viii. Has the Locust Lane basin been addressed? Nissley reported that since it is private property, nothing has been done recently to fix the sink holes. Deering suggested that the borough should take ownership of the basin and do something with it.
 - ix. The Road Maintenance plan is a good resource and should be updated. Nissley responded that updates are in progress, and will be used to inform Council about the need to continue to fund street maintenance via Capital budgeting, and the need for an increase may be necessary.
 - x. Deering suggested that to fund stormwater infrastructure needs, the borough should consider a fee which would need to be implemented by an authority.
 - xi. Deering commented on Liquid Fuels funding and that more vehicles will be utilizing electric and the borough should be considering installing charging stations
 - xii. Deering expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to serve on Council for the past 8 years. Ginder and Ruschke each thanked Deering for his time of service.
2. Ginder commented that the new leaf collection equipment is pretty amazing and on the good job done with leaf pick up this year. Nissley responded that efficiency has increased with the new equipment and staff is able to continue to pick up leaves later into the season with the dedicated leaf truck.

VI. ADJOURN – meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM