



Borough of Mount Joy
Public Works Committee
Meeting Minutes April 14, 2025
Meeting time: 6:30 PM

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

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Josh Deering, David Christian, Raeann Schatz, Dominic Castaldi, Karen McCrady, Joanne Pinkerton, Hailee Scheaffer

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF APRIL 14, 2025, PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA – Haigh made a motion to add item 4.B. BMP 125 status. Motion approved, Agenda approved as amended.

II. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD – Comments of Any Borough Resident or Borough Property Owner. Time limit of three minutes per individual.

Dominic Calstaldi commented that the Florin Hill HOA has not been as involved as they would like with the recent stormwater issues and they are forming a small committee to address concerns with Phase 3.

Josh Deering asked if Florin Hill Partners and the engineers feel the phase 3 area is ready for a big rain.

Karen McCrady commented that N. Plum St is really bad. She asked about the process for determining the street schedule. She has done some research on borough streets and offered to share her information with someone at the borough. Haigh suggested that Nissley meet with McCrady to review her information.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of March 10, 2025, meeting – motion by Ginder, seconded by Greineder to approve the minutes as presented. Motion approved.

IV. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

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

2. Parks

A. Eagle Scout Project - Hailee Scheaffer presented her Eagle Scout project to install two Little Free Libraries at Kunkle Field and Westview Park. She presented the estimated costs and time frame to install the libraries. She is planning to install a plaque with the scout troop email and phone number for maintenance or concerns. After completing the approval process with the scouts and filling out the borough permit, she plans to come back to Public Works Committee for final approval.

B. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board – Discussion about the formation of the Board. Resolution 2023-04 to Establish the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. After a brief discussion and review of the Resolution, Haigh made a motion to move this Resolution to Council for discussion, seconded by Greineder. Motion carried.

C. Pickleball court discussion – Review cost opinion for Kunkle Field location – Nissley reviewed the cost opinion that Rettew provided with the costs adjusted if Public Works did some of the work. Pugliese introduced another option that has been suggested which would have the pickleball courts installed on the current basketball court at Borough Park and a new basketball court could then be installed in the area along N Market St where the old tennis courts were. Dave Christian weighed in on some of the pros and cons for this option. Nissley informed the Committee that in the past a group asked to paint pickleball lines on the tennis court at Lakes Park making that court dual purpose. Nissley suggested that the coating on the court needs to be renewed, but for minimal cost of coating the court and buying two portable nets we could have two pickleball courts at the Lakes. The Committee asked that Nissley get together with Christian to come up with a proposal by the May Committee meeting.

D. Recreation Fees – Haigh presented a discussion regarding the amount of the recreation fee that is charged to developers. He suggested that we find out how much other municipalities are collecting for recreation fees.

3. Streets and Alleys

A. Borough Code Discussions – Nothing new to discuss

1) Chapter 232 Revisions

B. 2025 Streets Projects Update – Nissley presented some sketches of what it will look like if the curb radiuses at N. Barbara St and Park Avenue were installed at 24 feet street width. The paved cartway would narrow down to the existing 20 feet wide. Nissley presented a budget sheet showing the estimated costs used for budgeting and the actual bid costs. All of the bids came in under the estimated cost. Nissley stated that there are two alleys along Columbia Ave that the ramps were missed on the bid documents, so there will be a change order for those ramps. Haigh suggested doing some additional seal coating. Pugliese reminded the Committee that we are doing this work with borrowed money. Haigh suggested looking at paving some alleys. Nissley reported that staff would like to work on some of the alleys but the department is down 2 positions. Haigh made a motion to move to Council a recommendation to pave some alleys and do additional seal coating at the Public Works Directors discretion. Seconded by Ginder, motion carried.

C. Street Planning

1) Discussion about realignment of Second Street – Nissley reported that Mike Knouse from Rettew looked at the proposed new intersection of Second Street and Fairview Street and his opinion is that PennDOT probably will not approve the change. Nissley is also attempting to have someone from PennDOT weigh in on the concept.

2) S. Market Ave. planning – Nissley presented and commented on the concept plans. ROW varies; a large portion of the street will have sidewalks outside the ROW. Utility poles should be okay as it is drawn. Stormwater pipe crossings may be in conflict with existing utilities which will need to be potholed to check depths. A stormwater pipe run is required on the unopened Poplar Alley which has not been checked for feasibility. The old trees along the street would most likely be damaged by digging for curb and sidewalk and would require the street be narrowed to 24 feet in that area. Haigh asked to have property names added to the plans. Nissley stated that all the property owners have been notified that a project is in the planning stages for S. Market Ave., and they will need to install or repair sidewalks and when plans are more developed an inspection will be completed and notices sent out. Haigh suggested removing an underground stormwater pipe at Wood Street and installing a trench drain. Haigh was not in favor of requiring the owner at the SW corner of Wood St to install new curb just to provide a bump out. Haigh asked to have the Police Chief comment on the Bump-out. Haigh asked to have profiles and station numbers on the next set of plans.

Haigh asked if there are any delinquent bills for curbs and sidewalks on Pinkerton Rd, Nissley reported that there is at least one that is not paying or responding to the invoices. Haigh would like a report on these for next meeting.

3) 2026 Projects update -

D. Street Trees - Nissley provided information about street tree planting.

E. Handicap Ramps at Wood Street and Market Avenue – Kinsley to do some repairs. Haigh asked about the ramp on the SW corner, does it meet ADA, it is cracked on the flair

F. Cresco Lab Sinkhole – No update

4. Stormwater

A. Stormwater Report – Report was in Council packet

B. BMP 125 status – Haigh asked if Rettew has made any recommendations on repairs to the basin? Pugliese stated that repairs may be in conjunction with BMP 107. Haigh stated that the borough received \$100,000.00 from Florin Hill specifically for BMP 125 and is concerned that if we tie them together it may restrict the use of that money, and they should be worked on independently. Haigh asked to have Rettew have something to the Committee for the next meeting.

5. Facilities

A. Public Works Building Consolidation – The agreement is back with the Authority attorney.

B. EV Charging Stations – Haigh asked if there will be a change order for charging stations. Pugliese said the contractor will need to provide an estimate.

6. Compost Site - Nissley reported that the area for infiltration testing is open and Rettew will be conducting that testing later this week. Haigh asked if the solicitor was consulted on whether we can advertise to allow contractors to come in and haul the dirt away. Haigh suggested checking with Donsco about property along the east side of Jacob Street to fill in where there is a steep slope.

7. Grants Update

A. DCNR Community Conservation Partnership Program (C2P2) Little Chiques Park Master Site Development Plan (MSDP) – Phasing has been suggested, funding will need to be obtained.

B. Streambank Project

1) Lancaster Clean Water Partners CAP funding - \$940,000.00 – Streambank Project is underway

2) DCED application for \$300,000.00 Submitted, awaiting award notice

C. DCED MTF grant for pedestrian safety – Completed except for bus shelters and street markings

E. Connects 2040 grant – for School Lane active transportation

F. Act 101 Section 902 DEP Recycling grant

G. ARLE grant application for crosswalk improvements

V. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD - Comments of **Any Borough Resident or Borough Property Owner**. Time limit of three minutes per individual.

Dave Christian spoke about site issues when pulling out onto N Barbara St from Park Ave. The Borough might consider painting yellow curbs. Haigh directed Nissley to ask Chief Goshen to do a study on this area.

Josh Deering commented on the Fairveiw St / Second Street intersection and felt that it would be an improvement if the intersection was moved. Deering commented on the EV charging stations, he would recommend level 2 charging stations, he agrees that the Library would be a good place for charging stations also. Deering asked about the 772 reroute. Deering asked for clarification on who is responsible for the lights at the train station lot and if the borough is responsible for the area along Henry Street. Deering asked about the commercial space on the ground floor of the senior housing building.

VI. ANY OTHER MATTER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

Haigh commented about the senior housing commercial space and asked if someone from the borough staff can inquire with the owners to find out what their schedule is.
Haigh reported that 4 people were fishing in the wet pond at Florin Hill. The pond appears that it is cleaned up well.

VII. ADJOURN – Motion by Greineder, seconded by Haigh to adjourn, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM