



Borough of Mount Joy
Public Works Committee
Meeting Minutes April 8, 2024
Meeting time: 6:30 PM

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

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Josh Deering, Raeann Schatz, William Hall

I APPROVAL OF APRIL 8, 2024, PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA - Motion to approve by Ginder, seconded by Haigh - Motion passed.

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

1. William Hall requested that the Committee strike item 1.A.1) Chapter 232 Revisions from the agenda. Hall went on to outline reasons why he does not agree with the changes.
2. Josh Deering commented about numerous utility poles that have been replaced with new poles but the old poles have not been removed.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES from the March 11, 2024 meeting Motion to approve by Greineder, second by Haigh, motion passed

IV. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1. Streets and Alley

A. Borough Code Discussions

- 1) Review Powerpoint for Chapter 232 revisions – The Committee discussed the reasons why this is under review. Nissley responded that it has been an unwritten policy that if concrete is in good condition, the areas that do not meet ADA standards on sidewalks and at driveways were allowed to remain until the time that the concrete is in disrepair with cracks or unevenness. During the Wood St project this policy came into question and Council asked Public Works Committee to come up with ordinance changes or policy to reflect acceptable Borough requirements. Which would be used for inspections prior to street projects. The Committee reviewed proposed changes provided by Councilor Haigh. These proposed changes are more lenient on cross slopes and running slopes than ADA standards. Councilor Greineder asked if we can be more lenient than ADA, and how does this align with what other boroughs are doing? The Committee asked Nissley to add some photos of some steep slopes to the power point. Also add the current wording in the ordinance which says the sidewalks need to have a 5-year life expectancy and meet ADA requirements. A motion by Greineder seconded by Ginder to table forwarding this presentation to Council until such a time as

the Committee can revise the presentation to answer outstanding questions. Motion approved.

- B. Update on resident concern about handicap ramps in Lakes development. - Nothing new to report, Nissley will provide pictures and locations of ramps in question.
- C. Cresco Lab sinkhole Pugliese reported that the contact reassured that things are moving forward, the stormwater basin is being reviewed
- D. 2024 Street Projects
 - 1) Contract 1 - Haigh asked about the estimate of probable cost from Rettew, Haigh asked that a detail be included for bump outs at poles on Pinkerton Rd. Haigh asked about a detail for the concrete at driveways.
- E. Undedicated Alleys - The Committee discussed alleys that may or may not be beneficial for the borough to continue to maintain and compiling a list of those alleys. No decisions were made.

2. Stormwater

- A. Stormwater Report – No report
- B. Old Market Street/Manheim Street Drainage Swale – The Committee discussed a stormwater management agreement verses a formal letter to outline ongoing maintenance responsibilities.
- C. Drainage Easement behind 30 Orchard Rd. – Haigh expressed concerns about stormwater runoff from a swale behind 30 Orchard Rd and asked if there is an agreement of easement.
- D. BMP inspections – Haigh asked about inspections that have been done in the past and the follow-up on them
- E. Stormwater Ordinance revisions – The Solicitor has reviewed some of the proposed changes and commented that many of them are redundant and Pugliese stated that the Committee will need to review the proposed changes. Haigh asked if a definition in the Saldo is applicable.
- F. Florin Hill Phase 3 – Plans are under review by engineers. The agreement is back and forth between attorneys. Haigh commented that the developer is considering on-lot infiltration, and that is not a good option due to testing results.

3. Parks

- A. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
 - 1) Appointment of Alyssa Zevallos to Advisory Board. Motion by Ginder seconded by Haigh to recommend to Council the appointment of Alyssa Zevallos to the Advisory Board. Pugliese also reported that bids have been received for Consultant for the Master Site Development Grant, Rettew has reviewed then and made their recommendation. According to the grant process, the award recommendation to Council needs to come from the Parks Advisory Board.
- B. St Luke’s Episcopal Church request for Memorial Park – Motion By Ginder seconded by Haigh to pass this request to Council. Motion carried
- C. Request for soil sampling at LC Park – Committee recommended to move this request to Council

4. Facilities

- A. Public Works Building Consolidation – Nissley reported that Solicitors are preparing agreements.

5. Equipment

- A. Dump truck quote – Authorization to purchase truck – Committee discussed the overall costs for the truck. Staff should verify costs and present at May Public Works Committee meeting for presentation to Council in June.

6. Public Works Committee meeting dates – Committee discussed changing Public Works meeting to the third Monday. Pugliese and Nissley responded that it wouldn't be beneficial to change the date.
7. Public Works/Parks Hiring – Nissley reported that an offer has been extended to someone to fill the Parks position.
8. Grants update
 - A. DCNR Community Conservation Partnership Program (C2P2) Little Chiques Park Master Site Development Plan (MSDP)
 - B. Streambank Project – bidding documents are being prepared
 - C. Flood Mitigation Grant for Borough basin modifications – Closed, will be removed from this list
 - D. DCED MTF grant for pedestrian safety – Crosswalk painting needs to be completed. Pugliese reported that another MTF grant is opening in June and asked for suggestions for proposed projects.
 - E. DCED Heritage grant
 - 1) Review bids – Engineer recommendation – Bids are in, waiting for award recommendation from Rettew. Staff is considering completing some of the alternate work. Motion by Haigh seconded by Greineder that Council award to the low bidder the base bid along with alternates 1 and 4. motion carried.
 - F. Reserves HOA – Clean Water Implementation, Small Grant – project completed, this item will be removed from the agenda
 - G. Connects 2040 grant – Due to the funding mechanism in the grant, Rettew is evaluating if it is cost effective to use the grant or consider other ways to fund this project.
 - H. DEP 902 Recycling grant – Nissley reported that staff is collaboratively working on this application and will be attending a pre-application meeting.

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

1 Josh Deering inquired about the Public Works concern on the website. He asked if compost site key fobs can be renewed on line. He commented that the sidewalk inspection process can also be complaint driven. Is Clay Alley from S. Angle St to Orange St on the paving schedule. The Ad-Hoc committee meeting is on the third Monday.

2 Bill Hall asked if the Emergency Operations Plan for the Borough could be put on the website.

VI ANY OTHER MATTER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

1 Haigh asked if the Donegal sports school sign at Gateway Park can be moved. Haigh asked if a proclamation is scheduled for May Council meeting regarding Gateway Park.

2 Nissley reported that Amanda Goldsmith from the Chiques Creek Watershed Alliance has asked if the organization can hold a creek stomp at Little Chiques Park in August.

VII ADJOURN Meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM