



**Borough of Mount Joy**  
**Public Works Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes May 11, 2026**  
**Meeting time: 6:30 PM**

The meeting was called to order by Councilor Deering at 6:30 PM

ROLL CALL - Councilors: Deering, Trave, Haigh, Mayor Bradley

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilor Deering, Councilor Haigh, Councilor Trave

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

I APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF MAY 11, 2026, PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA – Motion by Haigh seconded by Trave to approve the agenda. Deering moved to add item 3,8) – 903 Wood Street requesting a street opening permit to convert to gas. Seconded by Trave. Motion approved, Haigh moved to add 3.9) – Coordination with Rettew based on comments by Council President last week. Seconded by Trave. Motion approved. The main motion was approved with the amendments.

II. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD – Comments of Any Borough Resident or Borough Property Owner. Time limit of three minutes per individual – Raeanne Schatz asked 3 questions, Is there anything to report on the DEP permit for the unnamed tributary at BMP 107, Is there anything to report on the BMP 107 sediment cleanup?, is there anything to report on Amtrak work on the end wall?

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of April 13, 2026, meeting. Motion by Haigh seconded by Trave to approve the minutes, motion carried.

IV. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1. Review with possible motion any change orders for the Borough Municipal Building Project. None
2. Report from Parks Advisory Board – Alyssa Zevallos gave an update on recent activities of the PAB. The PAB will be making their recommendation for a new member to the Admin and Finance Committee.
3. Streets and Alleys
  - 1) Discussion about Hometown Hero Banner – Jim Heslop and Ben Green were present to discuss their work on the Hometown Hero Banner project throughout the borough. The VFW took over the banners in 2023 with very little information about the program. Heslop reported that with 26 new banners that were just ordered, they have a list of 247 banners and are working on tracking the location of them. They would like to consolidate the banners to main corridors. Committee determined that a MOU should be developed for the program and Deering said he would write a draft MOU.
  - 2) S. Market Ave. project – Nissley reported that Rettew is working on final stormwater plans and developing a list of properties that will need ROW easements.

- 3) Discussion and motion to advertise Chapter 232 Revisions – The ordinance is still under review by the Solicitor. Committee discussed whether calcium would be allowed for cold weather concrete applications as it is allowed in PennDOT PUB 408. Committee decided not to add this allowance to the ordinance. Committee determined that quick ticket should be added for Article VI Snow and Ice Removal.
- 4) Downtown Street Tree Maintenance Responsibilities – Committee discussed who should be responsible to fix damaged sidewalks caused by trees that are required in the downtown area. Motion by Haigh, seconded by Trave for the Borough to correct the sidewalk issues at 13 W Main Street. Motion passed unanimously.
- 5) 2026 Roadway Projects – Nissley reported that curb and sidewalk repairs are in progress. No pre-construction meetings have been scheduled, so there is no schedule for the work at this time.
- 6) Square Street Stormwater pipe installation and paving – Nissley reported the costs for stormwater pipe and inlet at approximately \$13,000 and asphalt cost at \$12,740 which can be paid from General Funds.
- 7) 111 N Barbara St downspout waiver request – Committee discussed this request; there is minimal side yard which could affect the neighbor and a considerable distance to pipe the rainwater to the back yard. Motion by Haigh seconded by Trave for a discussion and possible motion for the downspout waiver request.
- 8) 903 Wood Street requesting a street opening permit to convert to gas – The homeowner stated his case for why they would like to convert to gas and they moved in the year after the street was paved. Motion by Haigh seconded by Trave to recommend approving the waiver and patch the street the entire lane width for a minimum of 20 feet.
- 9) Coordination with Rettew based on comments by Council President last week – Haigh presented a document and explained his involvement of meeting to discuss 2026 and 2027 projects. Nissley commented that staff and borough engineer have determined that it is more productive to have some on-site meetings with Councilor Haigh to review projects prior to presenting them to Committee.

#### 4. Stormwater

- 1) 3- Year Draft Stormwater Plan – Committee discussed list of areas that need to be on the plan. Haigh suggested that pink Alley needs to be on the list.
- 2) Pink Alley SCM Discussion – Awaiting survey for Pink Alley basin
- 3) Grandview Park Discussion – Haigh suggested enlarging the wetland area near Hill Street to hold more water from flowing to the cross pipe at Church Street. The new basin is still functioning as a sediment basin, and has not been functioning as a detention basin. The walkway over the swale will be addressed by Public Works installing pipes in the swale.
- 4) Westview Park Stormwater Storage Discussion – Rettew needs to provide options for stormwater storage facilities
- 5) Review Locust Lane Stormwater Pipes Inspection Report – Haigh will do more research on the design of the original system.
- 6) Locust Lane SCM Discussion – See item 5
- 7) 825 Terrace Avenue Discussion – Rettew is tasked with doing a stormwater analysis of the area draining to Terrace Ave.
- 8) Mount Joy Country Homes Discussion – Committee discussed maintenance and permit requirements for the basin on Country Homes property

#### 5. Parks

- 1) Little Chiques Park Fishing Piers Discussion – Committee discussed location of the piers.
- 2) Little Chiques Creek Fishing Derby (2027) – Committee felt the park does not need to be closed for a future derby. Signs could be posted for kids fishing only.

3) Request from Faith Outreach Center to hold Music in Memorial Park on August 21, 2026 from 6 to 8 PM. – Motion by Haigh second by Trave to recommend approval of this activity to Council.

6. E. Donegal Street Property discussion regarding ownership related to stormwater easement. – Nissley reported that staff is working with Amtrak to install a new stormwater pipe from E Donegal Street to the railroad. The owner of the property has asked if the borough would have any interest in owning the property. Committee had discussion on possible options for this space.

#### V. Grants Update

B. Streambank Project - Completed

F. Act 101 Section 902 DEP Recycling grant – Awaiting NPDES permit from DEP

G. ARLE grant – Safety Enhancement Project – Meeting planned with Rettew

VI. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD - Comments of **Any Borough Resident or Borough Property Owner**. Time limit of three minutes per individual. - None

#### VII. ANY OTHER MATTER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

Haigh asked Nissley to look at the railroad crossing on W Main Street where the rubber is coming up at the tracks.

Haigh brought up that Rholan Paving has paved some areas that cause some flooding at a Donegal Springs Road property. Pugliese to discuss this with Brett Hamm.

Haigh asked about the letter to Florin Hill regarding violations.

Deering asked about the new drain pipe in the Grandview swale and whether it will have a trash rack.

Deering commented about the color of the lines on the pickleball courts at the Lakes and asked if the color of the lines could be changed on the basketball court. Deering commented about the sign on the courts that say tennis only.

Haigh asked about funding for trails at Little Chiques, how will the police police the trail.

Pugliese reported that he put misquito dunks in the water at the basin at Grandview.

Haigh asked if the wildflowers have been replanted at the wildflower meadow.

Haigh asked how the sidewalks will be addressed at the senior housing

VIII. ADJOURN Motion to adjourn by Haigh seconded by Trave. meeting adjourned at 9:47 PM.