



Borough of Mount Joy
Public Works Committee
Meeting Minutes
June 8, 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 MEMBES PRESENT: Councilor Deering, Councilor Haigh, Councilor Trave, Mayor Bradley arrived at 9 PM.

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

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF JUNE 8, 2026, PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA - Motion by Haigh seconded by Trave to approve the agenda. Haigh made a motion to add item 3.9) – Florin Hill Phase 3 NOV. seconded by Trave. Motion carried to add item 3.9). Motion carried to approve the amended agenda.

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

Raeann Schatz asked if a meeting is planned with Gus, Pugliese stated he is planning to meet with them next week. Schatz asked about updates on BMP 107 and Amtrak.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of May 11, 2026, meeting. – Motion by Trave, seconded by Haigh to approve the minutes, motion carried.

IV. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

0. Parks Advisory Board Report – Deering asked to add this item to the agenda, Alyssa Zevallos reported that Rettew has started surveying for the C2P2 grant for Little Chiques Park improvements. The Malmedy Memorial at Memorial Park is nearly completed. Chiques Creek Watershed Alliance did a tour of the streambank project. And there is an opportunity for a tree planting grant for the park. Zevallos presented a concept plan of Florin Park showing a futsal court, bocce court, basketball court, and a solar charging station. Deering stated that DYS may be able to get some grant funding for the futsal court. Haigh asked to have the zoning officer check on parking requirements for a park.
1. Review with possible motion any change orders for the Borough Municipal Building Project. – Pugliese reported there are no pending change orders. Haigh suggested that something should be done to minimize the echo in council chambers and commented that the conference room beside council chambers is not soundproof.
2. Streets and Alleys

- 1) 2026 Roadway Projects – Nissley reported that curb and sidewalk is nearly complete on Columbia Ave and N Barbara St. Pre-construction meetings have not been held for Contract 1 & 2, so we do not have a schedule for the work at this time.
- 2) S. Market Ave. project – 2027-2028 Projects – Rettew is working on stormwater design and ROW details.
- 3) Discussion about Chapter 232 Revisions – Committee discussed the section regarding downspouts, Nissley stated that the ordinance is subjective where it refers to “Unacceptable Conditions”. There are times when existing downspouts are disturbed during the work that may not have been anticipated. The Ordinance says the property owner needs to investigate whether they can disconnect and infiltrate on their property. If they determine they cannot infiltrate they need to apply for a waiver from Council to place a pipe in the sidewalk to the street. This is at least a 2-month process, and many times property owners wait till close to the deadline to do their projects even though they were given 2 years notice. Committee asked staff to get input from Rettew on how other municipalities address existing downspouts in the street and how DEP interprets this.
- 4) Discussion about Hometown Hero Banner - Deering commented that he is working on an MOU and should have something to present to Committee in July.
- 5) Discussion regarding Streetlights – Committee discussed streetlight conversion to LED. It was determined that this is not a high priority at this time.
- 6) Streetlights – Ownership and LED Conversion – see item 2.5).

3. Stormwater

- 1) 3- Year Draft Stormwater Plan – Haigh asked to add the culvert pipes at Old Market Street to the stormwater project list. Haigh asked if a letter has been sent to the owner of the stormwater basin at Locust Lane had been contacted to repair the basin. Haigh asked that staff provide costs for the Detwiler Ave pipe replacement.
- 2) Pink Alley SCM Discussion – Rettew needs to do the survey
- 3) Grandview Park Discussion – Haigh commented that the Borough and Rettew have not received an answer to a December letter regarding why K& W did not include off-site runoff in their calculations. Committee asked Pugliese to get another letter out this week and if a response is not received prior to July Council meeting, Council can then determine how to move forward.
- 4) Westview Park Stormwater Storage Discussion – LCCD has inspected Mount Joy Country Homes and have noted some deficiencies. Haigh suggested that we should calculate stormwater detention in Westview Park based on the current discharge from the basin. It is not anticipated that Mount Joy Country Homes will convert the basin from a sediment basin anytime soon.
- 5) Review Locust Lane Stormwater Pipes Inspection Report – Committee discussed the results from recent pipe inspection. Haigh suggested that an analysis be done to determine capacity of the piping from School Lane to Locust Lane basin.
- 6) Locust Lane Stormwater piping network – see 3.5)
- 7) 825 Terrace Avenue Discussion – Rettew needs to provide stormwater analysis of the areas that flow to 825 Terrace Ave. Committee asked Pugliese to check with the Solicitor to see if her opinion has changed regarding doing work on private property.
- 8) Mount Joy Country Homes Discussion – Committee would like the zoning officer to check if they have addressed the items that were on the inspection by LCCD.
- 9) – Florin Hill Phase 3 NOV. – Committee discussed the outs NOV. Motion by Haigh, seconded by Trave that if there is no appeal by the close of business on July 6, Borough should proceed by going to District Magistrate.

4. Parks

- 1) Rotary Park MOU – Nissley reported that the Rotary Park MOU is under review as required every 2 years. Rotary Club has stated that they have been spending more than the \$5000.00 they have agreed to.

2) Baseball fields usage – Nissley reported that DBSA has responsibility for who uses the fields at Rotary Park. It has come to light that DBSA has allowed Elite Baseball a local for profit business, to run tournaments on the fields and charging fees from the participants. The Committee determined that more information is needed and asked staff to meet with DBSA, Elite Baseball and Rotary to get more information prior to bringing this item to Council.

5. Public Works Facility – Nissley reported that a local business has inquired about whether Mount Joy Borough would consider selling the Public Works facility to them. Committee discussed this and determined it is worthy of more discussion with full Council and should be forwarded to Council. Pugliese will check to see what the parameters are for discussing sale of real estate at a public meeting or if it is an executive session item.

6. Grants Update – Grant report in packet

1) DEP 902 grant update – Nissley reported that the NPDES permit is still in progress. The grant list was reviewed, Mayor Bradley asked about timing for walk through meeting for the ARLE grant for RRFB's. Bradley commented on trees and signs that are obstructing the RRFB signs and offered to ride with public works director to point out some areas of concern.

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

VI. ANY OTHER MATTER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

Haigh commented about the Pine Street extension and VistaBlok

Deering commented on grass seeding at 300 Orchard Rd office. Committee discussed the lack of grass seeding and preparation for the 175th celebration.

VII. ADJOURN – Motion by Trave seconded by Haigh to adjourn, motion carried. meeting adjourned at 9:58 PM