

Borough of Mount Joy

Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes July 21, 2025 Meeting time: 6:30 PM

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilor Haigh, Councilor Greineder, Mayor Bradley via Zoom

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Josh Deering, Raeann Schatz, Nick Castaldi, Harold Buller

I APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF JULY 21, 2025, PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING - Motion by Haigh to add 2.C. Music in the Park, and 4.E. Stormwater After Action. Motion seconded by Greineder, Agenda was approved as amended.

Councilor Haigh announced that he had submitted a Conflict of Interest Abstention Memorandum to the Manager and he would not be commenting on any discussions relating to BMP's 107 & 125.

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

Harold Buller 458 Church Street commented about the depth of the water during the storm on July 14, his calls to the borough office to ask to have Church Street closed to traffic and stated the storm grates were clogged at the basin.

Josh Deering 33 Frank Street speaking for the building Ad-Hoc committee chair expressed concerns that the basin at the new municipal building overflowed.

Reanne Schatz read a letter regarding damage to their garage, asking Committee to forward concerns to full Council to address BMP's 125, 107, Gus's added parking spaces, runoff from Gus's, Florin Hill and Amtrak. Nick Castaldi Raised questions about how phase 3 of Florin Hill development might affect earlier phases. Castaldi also commented that water from Haley Alley did enter his garage.

Josh Deering asked why it is taking so long to get something done regarding BMP 107. He also stated that he thinks the Borough has the ability to take back the parking spaces at Gus's that were allowed to be built into the basin area.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of June 9, 2025, meeting – Motion by Greineder seconded by Haigh, Minutes approved.

IV. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

- 1. Review with possible motion any change orders for the Borough Municipal Building Project. None
- 2. Parks
- A. Kunkle Field MOU Nissley reported that a meeting was held with DBSA, Chief Goshen, Barry Geltmacher and Nissley to discuss the MOU. The following items were added
 - DBSA will ensure that players and teams associated with activities at Kunkle Field will not practice, play, warm-up, leave trash or baseballs, or congregate on private property adjoining to the Park.

- No new inning of play shall begin after 10:00 PM.
- Field lighting shall not be on after 11:00 PM on any occasion.

It was suggested that since the LNP tournament games need to be played to completion that DBSA could ask for exception to the time constraints for 2 weeks in July. Nissley reported that DBSA agreed to these additions to the MOU for regular season play but asked that they be allowed to petition Council for a waiver for LNP tournament games to extend past 11:00 PM. After discussion, On a motion by Greineder seconded by Haigh, Move the MOU to Council with added language to limit LNP games to ending by midnight upon approval of a request to Council.

- B. Parks Advisory Board report Motion by Haigh seconded by Greineder to move the Little Chiques Park Master plan to Council
- C. Music in the Park Nissley reported that due to the requested date being after the August 1 Council meeting, the requestor did ask to move the event date to September 19th. Motion by Greineder second by Haigh, motion passed to move the request to Council.

3. Streets and Alleys

A. Street Planning

- 1) S. Market Ave. planning Mike Knouse, Rettew reviewed the updated plans showing curbs on both sides and sidewalks only on the west side in the existing location. Removal of noncompliant sidewalks on the east side. After discussion, a motion was made by Haigh to recommend to Council that sidewalks be required on the west side of South Market Avenue and on the east side from Donegal Springs Road to the entrance to Donegal Business Center. Property owners on the east side of South Market Avenue shall either remove sidewalks and landscape the area or maintain existing sidewalks consistent with borough code standards. Motion was seconded by Greineder.
- 2) Update 2025 Street and Alley Program Nissley reported that the pipe installation at Walnut Street is complete. A pre-construction meeting is scheduled in August for the Walnut Street project. Staff will be replacing one more pipe on Columbia Ave. outside of the project area.
- B. Handicap Ramps at Wood Street and Market Avenue- Nissley provided photos from a recent rainstorm and reported that there is minimal ponding of water
- C. Cresco Lab Sinkhole nothing new to report
- D. Borough Code Discussions Chapter 232 Revisions Nothing new to report
- E. S Market Ave between Wood St and the RR tracks Pugliese reported that he had a brief discussion with Wenger Feeds about abandoning S Market Ave from Wood St to the RR tracks and they are open to discuss this. Wenger currently maintains this area. The Committee discussed whether this should be done in conjunction with reviewing other unopened or rarely used alleys. Motion by Haigh to recommend to Council to enter negotiations with Wenger Feeds on abandoning the portion of South Market Avenue between Wood Street and the railroad tracks. Seconded by Greineder, the motion passed unanimously.
- F. Winter Maintenance Agreement Motion by Haigh seconded by Greineder to move to Council, motion passed unanimously.
- G. Liquid Fuels Unlisted streets Committee agreed to have the borough engineer provide the needed information to prepare to complete the dedication process
- H. Update Seal Coat Issue- Nissley reported on some issues that were caused by extremely hot weather immediately following the application of the fog seal. Staff met with Martin Paving and Martin will repair damaged areas where the seal coat has pulled up.

4. Stormwater

A. Stormwater Report – no report for this meeting

- B. BMP's 107 & 125 status Greineder suggested that Schatz's concerns from public comment be added to Admin and Finance agenda. Greineder asked that Council be given some options for what to consider to take the issues forward and solve them.
- C. Cresco Labs stormwater detention basin no action
- D. Grandview culvert pipes at walkway, washed out from storm.- Committee agreed to remove the plastic pipes and continue to evaluate whether they are necessary or installing elliptical concrete pipe or a pedestrian bridge if it seems necessary.
- E. Stormwater After Action- Haigh suggested that areas that have experienced stormwater issues from recent storms be listed. These should then be looked at to determine what can be done to alleviate these issues. Haigh asked Nissley to list any Public Works shortfalls.
- 5. Compost Site Nothing new to report
- 6. MTF Grant Prioritize RRFB locations Pugliese reported that the estimates for the proposed areas fall within the grant amount that has been applied for, so at this time we do not need to prioritize the list. Haigh asked staff to look at grant funding to address the steep slope on the sidewalk at N Market Street and Manheim St. Haigh asked that the intersection of Henry and Marietta be considered for RRFB crossing signals. Mayor Bradley asked about final determinations on some locations and suggested that if locations need to be specified that Public Safety should be asked to weigh into that from a safety perspective.
- 7. Update Florin Hill Phase 1,2, and 3 Pugliese reported that Charter has been given conditional approval to resume earth moving activities. Haigh reported that Charter was operating on Sunday morning, not complying with noise ordinance.
- 8. Grants Update
 - A. DCNR Community Conservation Partnership Program (C2P2) Little Chiques Park Master Site Development Plan (MSDP)
 - B. Streambank Project Pugliese reported the project is under review related to storm damage.
 - 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 This grant will be removed from the list
 - F. Act 101 Section 902 DEP Recycling grant in progress
 - G. ARLE grant application for crosswalk improvements Rettew working on bid documents.

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Reanne Schatz asked if Tom Jones contacted Pugliese. Schatz commented on water that appears to be flowing from Florin Hill. Referencing muddy water that came from BMP 107.

Josh Deering commented on Little Chiques flooding. Bus shelters on MTF grant. Lights at the train station. 772 re-route. Lemon Street pedestrian crossing should allow for widening of Lemon Street.

VI. ANY OTHER MATTER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

Mayor Bradley asked that Public Works committee to look at the Locust Lane basin. To take it from a blighted area to an area that is beneficial for stormwater management. Is there a plan to have Brightspeed do proper repairs to areas where they have cut into the streets other than holding future permits?

VII. ADJOURN - Motion by Greineder, seconded by Haigh to adjourn at 9:23 PM