

Borough of Mount Joy
Public Works Committee
Meeting Minutes for March 9, 2015
Meeting time: 6:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilor Mowrer; Councilor Seidel
Councilor Bower was not able to attend

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

OTHERS PRESENT: Dennis Nissley, Public Works Director, Scott Hershey, Borough Manager, Councilor Glessner, Brian Brubaker, Parks Superintendent, Diane McComsey, Kim Brewer, Wyatt Hall

1) HEARING OF ANY CITIZEN CONCERNS

A. Brian Brubaker asked if the Borough must take responsibility for maintaining the property at 225 W. Main St. after the Manufactured Gas Plant has been cleaned up by PPL and UGI.

1) Manager Hershey responded that the Borough will only assume responsibility to maintain the property if it is beneficial to the Borough.

1) Hershey also reported that the Borough has contacted Donegal School District about possibly allowing a LERTA initiative for that area.

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES from the February 9, 2015. Approved as presented.

3) ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1. Storm Water

A. Storm Water Management Budget/ Fee

- 1) Public Works Director Nissley presented a fee schedule from AMS for set up and billing for an annual stormwater fee billing. There would be a one time set up fee of \$1250 and annual fees of \$2285.
- 2) Nissley also presented a list of pros and cons for comparison of a separate budget verses general fund funding for stormwater program.
- 3) The committee recommended that the Borough continue to fund the stormwater program through the General Fund.

- 4) The committee also expressed concern about keeping the public informed about the requirements and costs to adequately fund the stormwater program.
- 5) Nissley presented the committee with an article that will be included in the spring newsletter.

B. Results from monthly stream testing.

- 1) The committee briefly discussed the results and would like to see what the units of measurements are for the testing. This will be added to the spread sheet

2. Parks

A. Kid's Joy Land update

- 1) Nissley reported that Rotary Club has not responded to the Borough about the Memo of Understanding that was presented to them.
- 2) Hershey reported that the first payment to Leathers was dispersed from the Kid's Joy Land account

B. Pole Replacement at Kunkle Field

- 1) Nissley reported that the MJAA will be paying for the replacement of the poles at Kunkle field and that work will begin soon.

C. Grandview Field

- 1) As soon as weather permits and the ground dries out, Public Works will cut the sod out and remove the tree for the softball field.

3. Budget

- A. Nissley reported that to date approximately \$22,600 has been spent for salt this year.
- B. Nissley reported that line item 433.370 will show a negative because of the traffic signal poles that were budgeted for in 2014 and paid in 2015.
- C. Line item 430.326 will show a negative also because of the radio purchase of \$31,261.86, also budgeted in 2014 and paid in 2015.

4. Equipment/Facilities

A. Oil separator tank at PW shop

- 1) Nissley reported that the tank will be installed this week.

B. Florin Station

- 1) Nissley reported that staff is in the process of getting quotes for possible renovations
- 2) Hershey reported that he discussed changes to the lease with the church that is renting the facility, and they are evaluating their building needs. Also if there are changes to the lease it needs to be opened up for public bid.

C. Banner Poles

- 1) Nissley reported that he is working with Baker Engineering and a local fabricator to design and make a new mounting bracket for the winches on the poles.

5. Streets and Alleys

A. West Henry Street

- 1) Nissley reported that ARRO is working on engineering for re-grading the street.

6. Compost Site

- A. Nissley reported that grinding was completed on February 27 and March 2.

7. Union School Rd./Crossroads Church Project

- A. The contract with Farhat Excavating is ready to be signed by the Borough.
- B. A pre-construction meeting will be scheduled and the project should begin in April.
- C. Staff is continuing to work at finalizing the easement agreement with Crossroads Church.

8. Marietta Avenue Paving and Pedestrian Connection

- A. Hershey reported that he had contact with Representative Hickernel's office about assisting with resurrecting the funding for the project.
- B. Staff supplied a spread sheet that shows the cost of approximately \$306,000 to the Borough if the project was completed without the SGT funding and the property owners paying for the sidewalks.
- C. The committee determined that the Borough Council needs to be involved in determining the next steps for the project.
- D. Councilor Seidel asked for a list of all of the property owners that would need to replace or add sidewalks to complete the project.

9. Marietta Ave. Bridge Replacement

- A. Nissley reported that the Amtrak construction crew is expected to begin work at Mount Joy at the end of March.

10. Jacob Street bridge removal

- A. PennDOT will be funding the design for the removal of the bridge.
- B. The design work has begun
- C. A revised cost estimate for the removal of the bridge is \$800,000.
- D. Hershey reported that he discussed getting the project on the TIP with Dave Royer the County Transportation Planning Director.

11. Manufactured Gas Plant Environmental Remediation

- A. The committee discussed adopting an ordinance to restrict water wells in the Borough. The committee recommends that a motion to authorize the solicitor to draft and advertise an

ordinance to limit water wells in the Borough should be introduced at the April 6, Borough Council meeting.

- B. Hershey reported that the Borough Planning Commission will be discussing the property and looking at possible future uses.

4) HEARING OF ANY CITIZEN CONCERNS

- A. Councilor Glessner asked if parking at Grandview Field will be expanded. The committee responded that the plan was to wait till the new field is in use and then determine if there is a problem with parking.
- B. Councilor Glessner asked how much the cost is to redo the swale at Rotary Park. Why is the Borough paying to repair a swale that the Borough doesn't own? Hershey responded that it is in the Rotary Park agreement that the Borough is responsible to maintain the swale.
- C. Kim Brewer expressed concern about a couple of areas where there was snow piled that caused sight problems and drainage problems.
- D. Wyatt Hall inquired about a possible alternative construction entrance into Florin Hill phase 3 so that phase 1 could be paved. Or the possibility of paving phase 1 streets, all but the Melhorn Drive. There was a considerable amount of discussion about the dedication of streets in Florin Hill. Hershey reported that the streets in a sub-division are generally not considered for dedication until at least 90% or 95% of the sub-division has been built out. This has been the policy of the Borough to limit the amount of exposure to the Borough so that the streets do not get damaged by heavy construction equipment.

5) ANY OTHER MATTER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

- 6) ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.