# **Borough of Mount Joy**

# Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes for June 8, 2015

Meeting time: 6:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilor Mowrer; Councilor Seidel Chairman Bower arrived at 6:50 PM

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM.

OTHERS PRESENT: Dennis Nissley, Public Works Director, Scott Hershey, Borough Manager, Councilor Deering, David Bowne

#### 1) HEARING OF ANY CITIZEN CONCERNS

- A. David Bowne from Elizabethtown College was present to gather information about the Borough's stream testing. Councilor Seidel had extended and invitation to Elizabethtown College to ask if they would have interest in helping with the stream testing in the Borough. Mr Bowne suggested that a colleague in the Physics and Engineering Department may be interested in being involved. Councilor Seidel will follow up with Mr Bowne.
- 2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES from the May 8, 2015. Approved as presented.

#### 3) ITEMS OF BUSINES

- 1. Storm Water
  - A. Results from monthly stream testing.
    - 1) The committee briefly reviewed the results.
  - B. Agreement for the Borough Public Works Facility Stormwater Detention Basin as it relates to Florin Hill
    - The committee reviewed the agreement that has been signed by Charter Homes. The agreement will be presented at the July Borough Council meeting.
  - C. Rain Barrel Workshop
    - Nissley reported that the workshop is being advertised and promoted throughout the area via flyers and newspaper articles. Rapho Township is also promoting the workshop.
- 2. Parks

#### A. Tennis Courts at Borough Park

- 1. Nissley reported that MJAA has suggested that the area of the old tennis courts be converted to grass and a pavilion.
- 2. Nissley reported that another suggestion was for back-in angled parking along North Barbara Street. The committee was not in favor of back-in parking.
- 3. The Committee asked that staff provide cost estimates for demolition of the courts and the cost of a new pavilion.

#### B. Kids Joy Land update

- Nissley reported that Organizational Day is scheduled for July 21 with Leathers and others that will be involved with the build. Nissley is working on scheduling the grading and site preparations.
- 2) Josh Deering reported that the security cameras at the Kids Joy Land have been installed and the PD has been instructed on how they operate. Nissley inquired about who will be responsible for maintaining the equipment. Josh Deering reported that PD would be responsible for maintaining the cameras.
- 3) Josh Deering reported that the Steering Committee would like if the site grading could be done before the July 21 meeting. Nissley said he will check to see if the contractor that offered the dirt and trucking could do it by then. Nissley expressed concern about disturbing the soil and the need to monitor erosion and sediment controls and also maintaining the temporary fence for an extra month. Josh Bower expressed concern about disturbing the soil and the possibility of opening up sink holes.

#### C. Parking on Park Alley

1) Nissley reported that the No Parking signs have been installed on Park Alley.

## 3. Budget

- A. Nissley reported that preliminary work will begin on planning for 2016 budget.
- B. The Committee asked about projected costs for Jacob Street Bridge removal and how much should be budgeted for the Borough's portion of the project if we are successful getting a TIP grant.
- C. The Committee discussed future hiring, because of the possibility of a staff member retiring in December 2016. The committee recommended hiring one new full time position in July 2016. This would allow for overlap for a new person to acquire training and certificates that may be necessary for the position. Depending on the amount of training needed, the Committee may ask that the applicant agree to stay at the Borough for a certain number of years or reimburse the Borough for the costs of training.

- 4. Equipment/Facilities
- 5. Streets and Alleys
  - A. Construction Escrow for Florin Hill
    - 1) Nissley reported that there is a letter of credit for Phase 1 for \$156,817.40
    - 2) A bond for Phase 2A for \$118,483.76
    - 3) A letter of credit for Phase 2B for \$224,156.70
  - B. Bridge Blvd. Survey
    - The Committee approved the ROW survey of Bridge Blvd. by Weber Surveyors for \$2700.00 to be paid out of Highway Aid Fund.
  - C. Old Market Street
    - 1) Nissley reported that Mount Joy Township is planning to go forward with repaving their portion of Old Market St. Mount Joy Township is offering to manage the project with the Borough's close involvement, and pay the bills. The Township's in-house engineer would do the design, prepare bid documents, review bid documents, and manage the contractor. The Borough would reimburse the Township on a pro-rated basis for the Borough's portion of the road.
    - 2) The Committee asked for estimated costs for budgeting purposes.
- 6. Compost Site
- 7. Union School Rd./Crossroads Church Project
  - A. Nissley reported that the storm water piping has beeb installed on Union School Road, temporary paving is in place and curb and sidewalk work will begin the week of June 8. The contractor is working on storm water piping on the Crossroads Church property and will then conclude with final paving restoration and backfilling.
- 8. Marietta Avenue Paving and Pedestrian Connection
  - A. Staff is working on acquiring the necessary ROW and temporary construction easements from property owners.
  - *B.* With Borough Council's authorization on June 1, 2015, staff will be applying for Smart Growth Transportation Funding.
- 9. Marietta Ave. Bridge Replacement
  - A. Nothing new to report
- 10. Jacob Street bridge removal

- A. Nissley attended a meeting with Amtrak and HNTB, primarily about the disconnection of the catenary wires on the bridge. There was some discussion about the placement of a crane for removal of the bridge structure.
- B. Nissley also raised the question to the engineers about the possibility of removing the raised approach on Appletree alley when the bridge is removed.
- C. Manager Hershey reported that Anthony Schimaneck from the Borough Solicitor's office, contacted Adam Young at the PA PUC to inquire about the Borough's application for an Extension of Time. He was instructed to check the docket and found out that the last activity was the filing for the extension in November, 2014.

#### 11. Manufactured Gas Plant Environmental Remediation

## A. Concept plan

 The Borough Planning Commission advised that if the goal is to utilize the parking, then traffic should enter the Hopewell Street extension from Main Street. The PC also suggested that landscaping and other amenities should be created and installed so they can be easily maintained.

#### 12. Rail Enhancement Phase 2

#### 4). HEARING OF ANY CONCERNED CITIZENS

- A. Councilor Deering inquired about when the Manufactured Gas Plant Remediation would be completed. Nissley reported that it is planned for September and October.
- B. Councilor Deering inquired if all of Hopewell Street will be repaved.
- C. Councilor Deering asked if Public Works is planning to make a formal request of Kiwanis Club to maintain the new park at 223-225 West Main St. The Committee suggested that the Kiwanis Club could offer the services that they intend to provide. It was also suggested by the Committee that a plaque could be erected to give recognition to Kiwanis Club for caring for the Park.
- D. Councilor Deering asked if the shed that was installed at Grandview Park at the new softball field was intended for the Mount Joy Cyclones football team to share with MJAA. The Cyclones understood from previous discussions that a shed could be placed at the Park for use by both organizations. Councilor Deering also stated that the Cyclones had not had any communication with MJAA about a shared shed. Nissley advised that he would check Public Works meeting minutes for any recorded discussions or decisions concerning a shared shed.
- E. Councilor Deering inquired whether the time limit signs for parking on Main Street have all been changed according to the latest parking ordinance. Nissley responded that they have

been changed and that they are spaced at a reasonable distance to be seen from anywhere on the block.

## 5). ANY OTHER MATTER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

## 6). EXEXUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LITIGATION

- A. The Committee went into Executive session to discuss litigation at 9:00 PM and came out of Executive session at 9:10 PM. No decisions followed the Executive session.
- 7). ADJOURN There was no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM.