



PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
June 13th, 2018
7:30 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

Call to order: Chairperson J. Conners called the meeting to order.

Attendance:

- **Committee members present:** Chairperson J. Conners, Councilor C. Whitney, and Councilor C. Soltysiak.
- **Committee members absent:** Councilor K. Farrell, Councilor K. McGlenn and Councilor M. Ashton Young.
- **Others present:** President D. Pancoe, Vice President R. Bunker, Borough Manager G. Locke, Mayor A. Dobbs, Engineer K. Hassan, Fire Chief G. Bachman, Fire Chief K. Lynch, and Police Chief A. DiValentino.

Public Comment: None at this time.

Reports

- **Public Works:** A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.
- **Engineers Report:** A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Engineer K. Hassan highlighted that the Borough received a total of three bids for the 2018 Paving Project. Engineer K. Hassan noted that General Asphalt appears to be the lowest responsible bidder at \$128,108.75 for the base bid and \$88,645.20 for the alternates.

New Business

1. **2018 Paving Project** – Chairperson J. Conners highlighted that the advertisement for the paving project had been placed, a pre-bid meeting was held May 22nd 11:00 AM, the bid opening was held June 1st and paving will be taking place in August before the start of school. The low bid was less than the Engineered estimate and the bid was by the company who has paved the Borough paving project for the last 3 years.

Chairperson J. Conners made a motion, seconded by Councilor C. Whitney, to move the permission to issue "Intent to Award Letter" to the apparent low bidder General Asphalt, contingent upon the Contractor satisfying the required bonds, insurance and any subcontractors required responsible contractors' certification to full Council. Motion passed unanimously

2. **Rydal Road Paving** – Chairperson J. Conners stated that Rydal Road between York and Newbold Roads has been completed. This paving is in coordination with Abington Township. The Borough portion of the project cost \$40,000. The Borough negotiated with PECO to assist with funding on the project due to the excavations they made last year upgrading gas mains and PECO contributed \$8,000, reducing the Borough's cost share to \$32,000.
3. **2016 CDBG Grant / 2017 CDBG Grant for handicap ramps (16 - 17 \$306K)**– Chairperson J. Conners stated that the County completed the review of the Bid documents, permission to advertise and bid has been granted by Council. Project to take place as soon as the school year ends.
4. **PECO Coordination Meeting** – Chairperson J. Conners stated that a meeting has been set for Monday June 18th at 10:30 to coordinate proposed projects with PECO.
5. **Inlet Relocation at Proposed Handicap Ramps** – Chairperson J. Conners stated that the relocation of inlets is necessary due to the proposed installation of handicap ramps. A meeting was held Friday, June 8th, which the Borough has determined there are five inlets to be relocated. The Public Works Department measured the proposed inlets and ordered new structures and construction began today.
6. **Proposed Roadway Safety Improvements** – Chairperson J. Conners noted that the proposed roadway safety improvements would be discussed at the Public Safety Committee meeting tonight.

Councilor C. Soltysiak asked if the Public Works Department could clean out the trash Tuesday morning in addition to the regular disposals before the Summer Music Series as the trash is overflowing by the end of the series.

Old Business

1. **Runnymede Avenue / Walnut Street Safety** – Chairperson J. Conners highlighted that the Engineer completed their review and centerline striping will be placed at both approaches to Walnut Street, as well as signage positioning will be addressed. This is in response to safety concerns of traffic placement on Runnymede Avenue at Walnut crossing the centerline and creating a dangerous situation. Chairperson J. Conners noted that this was due to the concerns voiced by neighbors in that area.
2. **Handicap curb cut ramps installed on York Road** – Chairperson J. Conners noted that a second letter has been drafted and sent to PennDOT requesting the ramp removals and restoration be expedited due to safety concerns.
3. **Aqua Pennsylvania Projects** – Chairperson J. Conners highlighted that no new plans have been submitted for the Watermain installation project on Washington Lane, however the Borough Engineer is set to coordinate that project with the proposed Borough storm water project to abate the street flooding on Cedar Street.
4. **Montco 2040 Implementation Grant: Long Planters on York Road – submitted** – Chairperson J. Conners noted that the grant has since been denied by Montgomery County for various reasons, including not beginning the implementation of the 2017 Montco 2040 Implementation Grant. Borough Manager G. Locke noted that to begin the 2017 Montco 2040 Implementation Grant the Borough needs to meet with Glanzmann to have them sign off on the easement access. The

Borough intends to meet with the Glanzmann's in the near future, however has held off on scheduling the meeting due to the passing of Ray Glanzmann.

5. **Verizon Pole Update** - Chairperson J. Conners highlighted that a spreadsheet has been placed in packets. PW has been performing temporary repairs within the right of the way to improve pedestrian safety until Verizon makes the final restorations.

Councilor K. Farrell noted that she wanted to begin the discussion of the planting of the tree for the eighth grader that passed away. Councilor K. Farrell noted that she only wanted to begin the discussion of where that tree can be located and would like to work with the Public Works Department as well as the Public Works Committee to locate an area that the tree can be planted. The committee discussed the possibility of placing the tree on the library property as they have just updated their green space sitting area in memory of the librarian who recently passed.

Adjournment: On motion of Chairperson J. Conners, seconded by Vice President R. Bunker, the motion to adjourn the meeting passed unanimously.