



**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**  
**May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019**  
**7:30 p.m.**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Call to order:** Vice President J. Conners called the meeting to order.

**Attendance:**

- **Committee members present:** Vice President J. Conners, Councilor K. McGlonn, Councilor K. Farrell, Councilor C. Whitney and Councilor C. Soltysiak.
- **Committee members absent:** None at this time.
- **Others present:** Councilor A. Khalil, Borough Manager G. Locke, Mayor A. Dobbs, Engineer K. Hassan, Public Works Foreman K. Riggins, Police Chief A. DiValentino, Fire Marshal K. Lynch, Fire Chief K. Lynch and Fire Chief G. Bachman.

**Public Comment:** None at this time.

**Reports**

- **Public Works:** A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Public Works Foreman K. Riggins highlighted with the Spring weather arriving the Public Works Crew has started landscaping throughout town. This includes the weeding, trimming and mulching Townsquare, Municipal Lot, Horse Troth, Borough Hall and other various properties in Borough. Along with the landscaping, the Public Crew also has restriped Parking Spots in Municipal Lot, Townsquare and Greenwood Avenue. The PW crew has started repainting yellow curbs at various intersection and continue throughout Borough as weather permits.
- **Engineers Report:** A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Engineer K. Hassan noted the bids were opened and bid recommendation was prepared and approved by Council. Contract documents have been provided to the contractor for execution. Additionally, Pennoni recently ran preliminary and rough drainage area calculations for a section of the borough that discharges at Greenwood and Washington. This information was share with the Galman Group's professional for them to determine if this drainage area can be routed thru their system as per an agreement they executed with the Borough.

Borough Manager G. Locke noted that the Borough has received the AQUA detour plans. Any information or input should be sent to the Borough Manager.

## **New Business**

- 1. Aqua Pennsylvania Projects –** Vice President J. Conners noted that Aqua will be installing new watermains on Highland Avenue (West to Hillside), Walnut Street (West to Greenwood). This project is scheduled to begin, June 15th 2019. The Borough has been notified by AQUA that they will also be replacing water mains on Newbold Road (Rydal to Washington), Vernon Road (Rydal to Washington) and Homestead Road (York to Newbold) in September 2019. The design one call was received for the East side work on April 5th. There has been no update on the proposed Washington Lane watermain project.
- 2. 610 Summit Avenue – Demolition –** Vice President J. Conners stated currently, the structural demolition is taking place and is scheduled to be completed in mid-May. The Borough has completed the construction permit reviews and the Borough Engineer and Borough Solicitor are working to finalize the land development agreement with the applicant. The Borough is expecting the building permit to be received by the General Contractor, Tester Construction, within the coming week.
- 3. 2017 - 2040 Implementation Grant -** Vice President J. Conners noted during the April Council meeting, Borough Council voted to award the competitively bid contract to James R. Kenney Excavating, Paving Inc. in the amount of \$104,236.00 contingent on RCO review and waiving the required 30 day review period. The 30 day review period was reduced to 10 days.
- 4. 2016 Green Light Go Grant -** Vice President J. Conners stated during the April Council meeting, Borough Council voted to award the competitively bid contract to Lenni Electric Corporation in the amount of \$65,845.00.
- 5. Galman Group Stormwater Tie In -** Vice President J. Conners stated the Engineer was directed to investigate and provide stormwater information for the possibility for tying into the stormwater piping for the new project on Washington Lane.

Councilor C. Soltysiak would like to put an Ordinance in effect that bans smoking on public parks. Chairperson J. Conners noted he will bring it up during the Public Works Report and Councilor C. Soltysiak can elaborate.

## **Old Business**

- 1. 2019 Paving Project –** Vice President J. Conners stated that the roads included on the paving program include Highland Avenue (West to Hillside), Walnut Street (West to Greenwood) and Cedar Street (Willow to Summit). Project Announcement letters have been sent to these residences. The Borough has marked the deficient and issued letters to the affected properties. Residents have begun requesting meetings to discuss the process. Additionally, the residences that will be affected by the Aqua watermain replacement on the East side of York Road will receive notices once a paving schedule has been determined. It appears as though that paving will take place in 2020/2021 paving projects.

2. **Noble Train Bridge Construction – SEPTA/PennDOT Project** – Vice President J. Conners stated the project still running behind schedule. Project communication has been requested through PennDOT for dissemination to Borough Businesses and Residents. Plans are to bid this project in January 2020 and work will include close two lanes of the four-lane bridge during the project making one lane in both directions. Current detour plan has been provided and does not include detours in Jenkintown Borough.
3. **Verizon Pole Update** - Vice President J. Conners stated the updated list of poles that have not been addressed and the cost tally for emergency repairs being made by PW is included in your packets. This information has been shared with PECO who is assisting the Borough in having Verizon fulfill their responsibility. Verizon has been addressing a few poles a month. Future proposed Verizon projects will include this completion prior to approval.
4. **2018 DCED Grant Cedar to Walnut Street Storm Water Grant** - Vice President J. Conners stated the evaluation of downstream system and discharge being performed by Engineer. Plan for remediation to be covered by grant funding provided (100K) is being determined and specs prepared for construction.

**Adjournment:** On motion of Vice President J. Conners, seconded by Councilor C. Soltysiak, the motion adjourning the meeting passed unanimously.

