



PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
July 10th, 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, and Councilor C. Soltysiak.
- **Committee members absent:** Chairperson C. Whitney, and Councilor K. Farrell.
- **Others present:** Councilor A. Khalil, President D. Pancoe, Borough Manager G. Locke, Engineer K. Hassan, Public Works Foreman K. Riggins, Police Chief A. DiValentino, Fire Chief K. Lynch, and Fire Marshal K. Lynch.

Public Comment: None at this time.

Reports

- **Public Works:** A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Public Works Foreman K. Riggins noted that the Public Works Department attended a Webinar provided by PerkE pave to learn how to install Porous Paving. The Borough will be installing porous paving to address the tripping hazards along York Road. After the webinar the Department will receive a half day training that will then certify the Department as Certified Installers. Additionally, The Summer Music Series is in full swing and the Public Works Department has been assisted with keeping town square clean before and after each event. To help continue to beautify town square, the Department has painted poles and refurbished park benches. Lastly, Public Works Foreman K. Riggins noted that he has also met with Comcast and Consortium to address the problem with emergency communication with traffic box at the intersection of York Road and Washington Lane.
- **Engineers Report:** A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.

New Business

1. **610 Summit Avenue – Demolition –** Vice President J. Conners stated currently, utilities, storm water and basin installation are taking place. Pennoni Associates is performing the site work inspection and that cost is being paid for by the developer. Borough Manager G. Locke noted that the sanitary sewer work will begin tomorrow, July 11th, which will require the 600 block of Summit Avenue to be closed to traffic.

2. **Storm Water Inlet Mather and Wyncote Roads** – Vice President J. Conners stated that an inlet failed, area excavated and inlet rehabilitated. New inlet top installed and temporary paving placed.
3. **2019 Paving Project** – Vice President J. Conners stated that the competitive bids were publicly opened on Wednesday, June 26th. The bids were tabulated and are being reviewed. The Engineer recommends the award to be made to Associated Paving Contractors in the amount of \$89,413.75. Responsible Contractor Ordinance (R.C.O.) is not required (under 100K). Roads included on this paving program include Highland Avenue (West to Hillside), Walnut Street (West to Greenwood) and Cedar Street (Willow to Summit). Additionally, the residences that will be affected by the Aqua watermain replacement on the East side of York Road will receive notices once a schedule is provided by Aqua and funding opportunities are determined. It appears as though that this paving will take place in 2020/2021 paving project. Vice President J. Conners made a motion, seconded by Councilor C. Soltysiak to move the issuance of the “Intent to Award Letter” to the apparent low bidder Associated Paving Inc, in the amount of \$89,413.75, contingent upon the Contractor satisfying the required bonds, and insurance to full Council. Motion passed unanimously.
4. **2019 County Transportation Program (CTP) Grant** - Vice President J. Conners stated specifics are being finalized. Grant application due August 2nd. Application for grant funding to cover cost of portions of roadway paving that is Borough responsibility during infrastructure upgrade to Eastside of Borough (Newbold, Vernon and Homestead Roads.
5. **Business District clean up** - Vice President J. Conners stated the ongoing Public Works department program to beautify the business district. This includes blowing and sweeping the sidewalks on York Road and West Avenue combined with the street sweeping of those areas. The benches are being restored. Trees have been trimmed and maintained on Yorkway Place. The tree surrounds that became tripping hazards have been removed and pervious paving is being installed to make the tree surrounds safe for the public and healthy for the trees. President D. Pancoe thanked the Public Works Department for their assistance and effort to keep the business district clean.

Old Business

1. **Aqua Pennsylvania Projects** – Vice President J. Conners noted that 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 1call was received for the East side work on April 5th. There has been no update on the proposed Washington Lane watermain project.
2. **DCED Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program (GTRP) and the Community Conservation Partnership Program (C2P2) Grants** - Vice President J. Conners noted that these grant applications were submitted requesting funding to finance the construction of the Cedar Street Moretti Park utilizing the Engineered plans produced through the PECO 2017 Green Region Grant. The grant awards are scheduled to be announced in late 2019. If either grant is awarded the

MONTCO 2040 Implantation Grant that has been awarded can be used for the required matching funds.

3. **Pa DEP 902 Grant – New trash/recycling truck** - Vice President J. Conners noted the 902 Grant is for the purchase of a new “trash” leaf/yard waste collection truck. The entire requested amount of \$170,100 was awarded, this grant has a 10% match of \$17,000. The match will be partially offset by the sale of the existing vehicle. The Borough ordered the chassis from Mack late last year. It currently appears as though the complete truck should be received in the Fall of 2019
4. **2019 Paving Project – Concrete compliance** – Vice President J. Conners stated the roads included on the paving program include Highland Avenue (West to Hillside), Walnut Street (West to Greenwood) and Cedar Street (Willow to Summit). The Borough continues to communicate with the property owners whose properties require attention to gain code compliance.
5. **2017 - 2040 Implementation Grant** - Vice President J. Conners stated the notice to proceed was issued on Monday, June 17th to James R. Kenney Excavating, Paving Inc. The Borough has ordered the materials it is responsible for on this project at Washington Lane and York Road.
6. **Noble Train Bridge Construction – SEPTA/PennDOT Project** - Vice President J. Conners stated the project communication has been requested through PennDOT for dissemination to Borough Businesses and Residents. Plans are to bid this project in 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 detours are shown in Abington Township.
7. **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. President D. Pancoe asked that this list be shared with the Planning Commission. Borough Manager G. Locke noted that he would do so.
8. **2018 DCED Grant Cedar to Walnut Street Storm Water Grant** - Vice President J. Conners stated the evaluation of downstream system and discharge has been completed by PW and the Borough Engineer. Plan for remediation has been completed and will be covered by grant funding provided by the DCED (100K). Construction and bid specs are being prepared for advertisement.

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