



PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
October 10th, 2019
7:30 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

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

Attendance:

- **Committee members present:** Councilor J. Lugar, Vice President J. Conners, Councilor C. Soltysiak, Councilor M. Marlowe and Councilor K. Farrell.
- **Committee members absent:** Councilor K. McGlonn, and Chairperson C. Whitney.
- **Others present:** Councilor A. Khalil, President D. Pancoe, Borough Manager G. Locke, Engineer M. Bickerton, Public Works Foreman K. Riggins, Police Chief A. DiValentino.

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 the Arts Festival the Public Works Crew has thoroughly cleaned Town Square and Business District. The Crew has powerwashed walls, painted Gazebo and Kiosk in Townsquare. PW Crew also weed wacked all curb and sidewalks in the Center of Town. PW Crew also set up before Arts Festival, assisted with trash/recycling collection and any other concerns during the event. Additionally, Public Works Foreman K. Riggins noted that he and the Borough Engineer have met with Associated Paving to mark out Limit of Disturbance and carefully plan out the milling and paving process around the School. The Contractor cooperated with the Borough and School for safety precautions before and after School Dismissal. The 2019 Paving Project is has been completed and all striping has been completed. Mayor A. Dobbs wanted to thank the Public Works Department and the Police Department for the Arts Fest.
- **Engineers Report:** A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Engineer M. Bickerton noted that PennDOT approved the TE-160 for the Walnut Street & Runnymede Avenue signage. Engineer M. Bickerton will work with Public Works Foreman K. Riggins on the design and installation of the sign.

New Business

1. **610 Summit Avenue – Site work continuing** – Vice President J. Conners stated currently, the footings and walls are currently being completed and the underground plumbing has begun. The elevator shaft and front stair tower have been completed. The Borough along with Cowan

Associates (Third Party Special Inspector) and Penonni Associates are completing the required onsite inspections.

2. **2019 Paving Project** – Vice President J. Conners stated that the project has been completed and the contractor is in the process of completing close out documents with the Borough's Engineer.
3. **Striping at Walnut Street & Hillside Avenue** – Vice President J. Conners stated the Borough has refreshed the stop bars and added the words "STOP" on the pavement for safety. Other measures are being investigated to ensure safety measures at the intersection.
4. **JEAC Role – Cedar Street Moretti Park** – Vice President J. Conners stated Councilor A. Khalil requested that this item be placed on the agenda. Councilor A. Khalil asked what the roles of the EAC are in the construction / demolition of the park. Councilor C.Soltysiak noted that the Borough is spearheading this project and as where the EAC has been a pivotal part in the success to date, the information and decisions are through the Friends Group and Borough Council. Councilor C.Soltysiak highlighted that the friends group will meet after the houses have been demolished and the site has been placed on grade.
5. **EV Charging Stations** - Vice President J. Conners stated the EAC researched the feasibility of participating in the DEP funded EV charging station program. The Borough Planning Commission reviewed possible locations for installations. Of the three possible locations being discussed are the Town Square parking lot, Library lot and street parking on West at the SEPTA train station. This project will be on the agendas of the EAC, A&F, Council and Planning Commission this month so that the grant submittal can be completed and submitted prior to the December deadline.

Old Business

1. **2018 DCED Grant Cedar to Walnut Street Storm Water Grant** – Vice President J. Conners noted that PA One Calls have been completed in order to dig test pits to verify existing conditions. Additional video inspection of the existing storm sewer lines has been completed and evaluated. Additional site investigation has been completed to collect additional information. Plans are being updated based on information collected. Plan for remediation has been completed and will be covered by grant funding provided by the DCED (100K). Borough Manager G. Locke noted that Cedar Street will be closed between Washington Lane and Harper Avenue Monday afternoon from 12PM until 4PM for the digging of three test pits.
2. **Pa DEP 902 Grant – New trash/recycling truck** – Vice President J. Conners noted that there are no new updates. Last month, the Borough was informed that the truck build has been completed and was delivered to Grand Turk who will be installing the truck body. The truck body has been delayed due to steel tariffs.
3. **Aqua Pennsylvania Projects** - Vice President J. Conners noted the PHASE 2 which is working on replacing water mains on Newbold Road (Rydal to Washington), Vernon Road (Rydal to Washington) and Homestead Road (York to Newbold). The project is approximately 80% completed. Currently, the mains have been chlorinated. Once completed, Caddick will return and tie in the existing laterals into the new main. The Borough has been notifying affected residents through social media, email blasts and the Public Works Committee.

4. **DCED Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program (GTRP) and the Community Conservation Partnership Program (C2P2) Grants** – Vice President J. Conners stated the Borough was awarded \$75,000 with the GTRP grant, for the construction of the Cedar Street Moretti Park. Project is set to begin in 2020.
5. **2019 County Transportation Program (CTP) Grant** - Vice President J. Conners stated there are is no new information as grant awards are scheduled to be announced in late 2019. Ongoing: If awarded this funding will cover the cost of paving that is Borough's responsibility during infrastructure upgrade to Eastside of Borough (Newbold, Vernon and Homestead Roads).
6. **2019 Paving Project – Concrete compliance** - Vice President J. Conners stated currently there are two (2) properties that have not complied to date. The Borough has issued final letters noting enforcement should voluntary compliance not be achieved.
7. **2017 - 2040 Implementation Grant** - Vice President J. Conners stated project has been completed except for installation of light fixtures, delivery is expected in Dec. Fixtures will be installed as soon as they are received. A final grant extension will have to be requested from the County to cover this final delay.
8. **Noble Train Bridge Construction – SEPTA/PennDOT Project** - Vice President J. Conners stated there are no new updates. 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.
9. **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. The Borough has been meeting with Verizon and PECO and it finally appears as though the poles are going to be addressed. PECO has implied that they will be taking responsibility for the removal of repairs and restoration costs. Future proposed Verizon projects will include this completion prior to approval.

Borough Manager G. Locke noted that a pre-construction meeting was held today on the 2019 Small Water Grant with National Water Main Cleaning Company. Borough Manager G. Locke highlighted that as where there will be no excavation required with this work, there will be road closures and temporary delays. Borough Manager G. Locke noted that the work is to begin on October 21st and is scheduled to be completed on December 21st.

Borough Manager G. Locke highlighted that the remediation on Cedar Street is scheduled to begin on October 21st. The fencing plan was approved today, October 10th.

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