

MINUTES
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
JUNE 3, 2014

The Penn Township Public Works Committee met in public session on Tuesday, June 3, 2014 at 7:00 PM. Present were Chairman Goldsmith and Commissioners Heilman, Klunk, Prieber and Felix. Also present were Manager Garvick, Township Engineer Bortner, WWTP Superintendent Mahone, Highway Foreman Mahan, and Administrative Assistant Rodgers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the May 6, 2014 public works committee meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: None.

ENGINEERS REPORT: Engineer Bortner provided a list of the anticipated paving projects for 2014. Some of these will be completed from General Fund revenue and some will be completed with Highway Aid revenue. PennDOT has already approved the projects to be completed with the Liquid Fuels funds.

APIO REQUEST: APIO had previously submitted a waiver request for a land development plan but withdrew it because of concerns with the dedication of the sewer right-of-way. APIO has since made dedication to the Township and will again be requesting a waiver of the land development plan at the next Planning Commission meeting. Manager Garvick reported that APIO would be not making any changes to the plan since when it was originally submitted for consideration. There was discussion that they might want to include additional sidewalk and site lighting but that consideration was withdrawn by Apio.

FIRE INSPECTION POLICY: A new fire inspection policy was presented for review and discussion. The fees in the policy are slightly lower than what was in the previous policy and will need to be adopted by resolution.

POTTER'S HOUSE: The committee received a letter dated April 29, 2014 from the Potter's House Christian Fellowship Church requesting use of the community park for a Christian "party" including music, games and food. The committee after some discussion recommended denying the request.

BUILDING SECURITY: The committee reviewed the proposed building security plans. The commissioners added three additional door locks. There was also discussion regarding other vendors for the equipment. The Architect, Jim Baumgardner, is recommending Honeywell as the supplier. Manager Garvick noted that additional doors could be added in the future as it becomes necessary. The electrical outlets for the control panels have been installed. The committee recommended looking at other security features while the system is being designed. The changes will be taken back to the architect along with the concerns about limiting it to one type of system.

JOINT ZONING ORDINANCE: Manager Garvick reported that the Comprehensive Plan is about complete and that the intent is to update the zoning ordinance following the completion. One of the options includes doing a joint zoning ordinance with Hanover Borough. If this were agreeable, the Borough would apply for a grant to help offset some of the costs but would need a resolution of support from the Township. The committee recommended approving the request.

GRANDVIEW CURBING: The committee discussed installing curbing and sidewalk along Grandview Road in front of the Community Park from Tyler Drive to the park entrance as well as curbing from the Community Park property to Grandview Road. There is some concern about the physical limitations to sidewalk being installed on the residential properties so curbing will only be installed at this time. There was some discussion about installing sidewalk and curbing along Tyler Drive adjacent to the Whispering Run subdivision. The committee agreed that curbing and sidewalk should be installed along Grandview Road.

AWARDS: Commissioner Goldsmith noted that Eric Bortner received an award from the South Western School District for the work he did this winter making sure that the roads were plowed during the numerous snow storms.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted
Kristina J. Rodgers, Township Secretary