

MINUTES
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 6, 2009

The Penn Township Public Works Committee met in public session on Tuesday, October 6, 2009 at 7:00 PM. Present were Chairman Goldsmith and Commissioners Prieber, Heilman, Rewa and Felix. Also present were Manager Garvick, Administrative Assistant Rodgers, Township Engineer Bortner, Waste Water Plant Superintendent Mahone, and Highway Foreman Mahan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the September 1, 2009 Public Works Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: None.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Engineer Bortner reported that he has plans available for review should the committee wish to view them.

AMERICAN SIGN CO.: The committee received a request dated September 29, 2009 from American Sign Company for 29 pole banners at the South Hanover Shopping center. The banners, measuring 23" X 72", are not allowed by the Township's Sign Ordinance. It was suggested that the twenty-nine banners be reduced in number but they would like to have all of them installed. The committee recommended denying the request.

AMERICAN SIGN CO.: The Committee received another request dated September 29, 2009 from American Sign Company for a waiver to place a temporary banner on the former Giant Food building advertising it for lease or rent. Because the building is located 562' from Baltimore Street they are requesting a temporary sign of 128 square feet, which is 112 square feet more than allowed. There currently is not a sign on the building. The Committee would recommend approving the waiver with the stipulation that the sign be up no more than six months without additional approvals.

MT. OLIVET CEMETERY: The Committee received a request dated September 3, 2009 from Mt. Olivet Cemetery for a waiver of the land development requirements to install a columbarium without a land development plan. The Penn Township Planning Commission made a favorable recommendation at their last meeting on the request. It was suggested that Zoning Officer Menges give a report at the next Board of Commissioners meeting on the impact of the structure.

SOUTH HANOVER PARTNERS: The Committee received a request dated October 2, 2009 from South Hanover Partners for a land development plan modification for the approved South Hanover Shopping Center plan. They are looking to change the radius of some of the lanes to impede speeding vehicles while making it easier for pedestrians to get to the site. They are requesting to submit the revision as an as built to the approved plan.

The Committee recommended approving the request.

2010 BUDGET DISCUSSION: The Committee reviewed the 2010 Public Works budget. Engineer Bornter reported that he is not asking for any new equipment but some of the equipment is getting some age. The department did not experience a lot of equipment repair and upkeep costs so far this year. The Committee recommended reviewing the items in the entire budget to see which are of the highest priority. There was some discussion about looking at other options for salt storage. The Committee reviewed the Highway Aid budget. The state estimate has not been received. The Committee then reviewed the Engineering Department budget.

RECREATION None

CLOVER LANE SIGNAL: Manager Garvick stated he has received a revised intersection design for the Clover Lane signal, which is being reviewed by Hanover Borough, as they are the owners of the access that will be used for placement of the signal equipment.

CITIZENS QUESTIONS TO THE COMMITTEE REGARDING DISCUSSION ITEMS:
None.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

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