

MINUTES
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 2, 2012

The Penn Township Public Works Committee met in public session on Tuesday, October 2, 2012 at 7:03 p.m. following a special meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Present were Chairman Goldsmith and Commissioners Prieber, Klunk, Heilman, and Felix. Also present were Manager Garvick, Township Engineer Bortner, Highway Foreman Mahan, WWTP Supt. Mahone, and Administrative Assistant Rodgers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the September 4, 2012 Public Works Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: None.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Engineer Bortner reported that brush and limb collection will begin next week.

BROOKSIDE HEIGHTS STREET LIGHT: Manager Garvick reported that a resolution has been prepared for street lights at the intersections of Charles Avenue and South Center Street and Charles Avenue at Brookside. The resolution will be adopted at the next board of commissioners meeting.

VERIZON WIRELESS: The Committee received a request dated September 26, 2012 from Verizon Wireless for the installation of a monopole and shelter on Township property on Wilson Avenue in the vicinity of Old Ridge Road. Verizon is requesting a lease of twenty-five years and is offering to pay \$12,000 a year with an escalator clause. The Committee recommended inviting Verizon to the next Committee meeting to make a presentation about what they want.

HALL ESTATES RECREATION AREA: Manager Garvick reported that in 1988 the Hall Estates subdivision plan was approved by the Township with a note that two lots were to be dedicated to Penn Township for recreational purposes. The development was constructed but the land was never deeded to the Township. Within the past 60 days, Mr. Myers has recorded the transfer of the property to the Township. Manager Garvick informed the committee that this is somewhat irregular since the deed should not have been recorded until the Board adopts an Ordinance accepting the recreation areas. The Committee recommended accepting the land, as it was agreed to on the original plan, but also suggested looking into other options for the land including the possibility of selling the land to the adjacent property owners. An ordinance will be prepared accepting the land at some future meeting.

GATEWAY HANOVER STREET DEDICATION: Manager Garvick reported that he has received the deed of dedication for Wilson Avenue in the Gateway Shopping Center. Hanover Borough has already adopted their portion of the street. Manager Garvick reported that the signal at the intersection of Carlisle and Wilson Avenue is not functioning properly. The Committee recommended holding off on accepting the streets until the signals are working as designed. It was noted that there had been discussion with Hanover Borough about them plowing the snow and the Township reimbursing them. Manager Garvick will check with the Borough on this issue. The Committee will not make a recommendation on adopting until the street until the

outstanding issues are resolved.

JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: Manager Garvick reported that the consensus of the Township's Joint Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee is that Gannett Fleming should be the consultant. It is our understanding that Hanover's Steering Committee has also recommended Gannett Fleming as well. The next step is to negotiate a price with Gannett Fleming. If the negotiations are successful the Steering Committee will then come back to the Board of Commissioners with a recommendation to appoint Gannett Fleming as the Joint Comp Plan Consultant.

DETENTION PONDS: Commissioner Goldsmith stated that he is pleased with how the public works department is taking care of the stormwater management ponds and that they are working as they were intended.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS FOR THE COMMITTEE : None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted
Kristina J. Rodgers, Township Secretary