

MINUTES
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 4, 2019

The Penn Township Public Works Committee convened on Monday, November 4, 2019, following the Public Safety Committee Meeting at 7:10 p.m. Present were Vice Chairman Heiland and Commissioners Cromer, Brown, Felix, and Van de Castle. Also present were Township Manager Rodgers, Police Chief Hettinger, Fire Chief Clouser, Township Engineer Bortner, Zoning Officer Smith, MS4 Coordinator Hirt and Township Secretary Sweeney. The following items were discussed:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the October 7, 2019 Public Works Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: None.

KAREN LANE BRIDGE: Engineer Bortner reported that he contacted HRG to question if the weight restrictions are really needed and HRG stated there is additional cracking of the bridge structure and asked if there are plans for structural replacement. Engineer Bortner stated that he is unsure of plans for structural replacement at this time. The Committee agreed Manager Rodgers should prepare an ordinance for the weight restrictions for the bridge.

BLOOMING GROVE RD/GRANDVIEW RD MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION GRANT: Engineer Bortner reported at the last YAMPO meeting it was suggested that Penn Township try to submit an application for the Multimodal Transportation Grant for this project. Engineer Bortner and Manager Rodgers met with Pennoni to gather the information to submit for the deadline of Friday, however there is not enough time to have a resolution approved to state that the Township will put half a million dollars toward the 1.7 million dollar project. Manager Rodgers stated that they did not receive the cost estimate until this past Friday. They will hold off on submitting for the grant this fall and plan to submit for the grant in the spring. Engineer Bortner stated he has a presentation planned for the YAMPO Technical Committee on Thursday; he will see what they suggest. He added there is a 2021 Transportation Improvement Plan project for Blooming Grove Road, and is hoping Penn Dot will be willing to include the intersection with the Transportation Improvement Plan Project.

MS4 UPDATE: MS4 Coordinator Hirt updated the committee that she is working on the MS4 permit, making headway on the illicit discharge and inspection program, and taking inventory of the storm water facilities within the township. Commissioner Heiland welcomed Coordinator Hirt aboard and looks forward to hearing her progress at future meetings.

EXTENSION REQUESTS: Zoning Officer Smith submitted extension requests for SL19-13-Brookside Heights-Phase IV, SL19-07-Markets at Hanover, and SL17-10-Mustang Pointe. The committee recommended approving the requests.

RECREATION: Manager Rodgers reported the committee met last week and voted to move forward with something similar to what we have now, by either Leathers or Play by Design. Manager Rodgers will contact each company to see the cost difference to be completed by a contractor. People are not able to make the time commitment to do a community build as in the past. The committee meets again on November 25, and will make a decision on which company, with the hope to start construction in the spring of 2021.

OTHER MATTERS: None.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Sweeney
Township Secretary