

MINUTES
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MARCH 5, 2018

The Penn Township Public Works Committee convened on Monday, March 5, 2018 at 7:17 p.m. following the Public Safety Committee meeting. Present were Chairman Klunk and Commissioners Brown, Felix, Heiland, and Van de Castle. Also present were Township Manager Rodgers, Police Chief Laughlin, Police Lieutenant Hettinger, Fire Chief Clouser, Township Engineer Bortner, Zoning Officer Smith, Assistant to the Engineer Garrett, and Township Secretary Hallett. The following items were discussed:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the February 5, 2018 Public Works Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: None.

IMPROVEMENT BONDS: Engineer Bortner reported on two improvement bonds. The bond amount for 1040 Baltimore Street is \$272,966.10. The bond amount for Beechwood Way is \$223,179. The committee recommended setting the bond amounts for both.

YORK COUNTY RAIL TRAIL AUTHORITY LETTER OF SUPPORT: Manager Rodgers reported that the York County Rail Trail Authority has requested a letter of support to be sent to PA Department of Conservation & Natural Resources. They are applying for another grant to extend the Rail Trail. The Committee advised Manager Rodgers to prepare the letter.

2018 PAVING PROJECTS: Engineer Bortner reported on the 2018 paving projects. He sent a letter with a five year paving project list to all known utilities in the Township and asked for their feedback on what streets they will be working on in 2018. He received a response from Columbia Gas and Hanover Borough Water Company. Using this information he narrowed down the list to areas that won't be affected by those utilities or residential development. He provided a list of paving projects to the Committee.

FLICKINGER ROAD CULVERT: Engineer Bortner reported on the Flickinger Road culvert. He met with the property owner and there seems to be an understanding on what the Township needs for permanent easement and temporary construction easement. The property owner is concerned about a culvert pipe near the end of her property and would like the Township to do some ditch work in exchange for the easement. Engineer Bortner said having the water drain properly would be a benefit to the township as well. After discussion the Committee agreed to have the Township do the work on her property in exchange for the easement. The prior offer of two years

taxes in exchange for the easement is revoked because the scope of the project was substantially reduced.

MET-ED STREET LIGHTS: Engineer Bortner reported on a request for additional intersection lights. Met-Ed sent an agreement to install eight new lights and a second agreement for four lights will be ready soon. The Committee recommended approving both agreements with Met-Ed.

MS-4 BUILDERS SHOW: Engineer Bortner reported that he will be attending the Builders show March 8, 9 and 10, 2018 as part of a joint MS4 project with Hanover Environmental Outreach.

STREET LIGHTS ON ARWCO DRIVE: Engineer Bortner reported about street lights on Arwco Drive. About six months ago he started turning off street lights in the area of Arwco Drive, there were three at the intersection of Grandview Road and Arwco Drive and three at the intersection of Northview Drive and Arwco Drive. He turned off four of the six lights. After a resident shared concerns it was decided to turn two additional lights on at the intersection of Grandview Road and Arwco Drive and Met-Ed installed an LED cobrahead light at the intersection. Engineer Bortner had hoped to eliminate a meter because the meter fee is high and the LED lights aren't putting much through it. If the meter remains it may be a good idea to add more lights so the meter is worth having. After discussion the Committee advised Engineer Bortner to have Met-Ed install a longer arm on the cobrahead light at the intersection of Grandview Road and Arwco Drive and to use a higher wattage bulb.

950 BLACK ROCK ROAD: The Committee received a letter dated February 23, 2018 from Case Builders, LLC requesting a variance to the sign ordinance. They are asking to install a nine and a half square foot sign at the entrance of their construction site at 950 Black Rock Road. The sign would be removed once the project is complete, on or before March 1, 2020. The request shows two signs on the property, both exceeding the eight square foot maximum size. Engineer Bortner said he thinks the Township requested them to use a construction entrance sign, but no one else recalled this. The Committee asked Manager Rodgers to confirm whether or not the Building Code Officer asked them to put up a sign. Once there is an answer, the request will be discussed tomorrow evening during the Finance Committee meeting.

SOUTH WESTERN TURF FIELDS: The Committee received a letter dated February 15, 2018 from First Capital Engineering for a waiver of the Feasibility Report on sewer and water facilities and the Environmental Impact Study for the South Western Turf Field. Nate Osborne from South Western School District explained that the turf fields are directly across from the high school, adjacent to the middle school. There are currently three athletic fields on the site and they are proposing to install two turf fields and leave one grass field. There are currently no water runoff issues with the fields and the turf will only serve to better the runoff situation, so they are requesting a waiver to the Feasibility Study. There are no proposed water or sewer enhancements so they are

requesting a waiver of the Feasibility Report on sewer and water facilities. After discussion the Committee recommended approving the request.

1056 AND 1060 BALTIMORE STREET REAR/AERO ENERGY: The Committee received a letter dated February 15, 2018 from First Capital Engineering for a waiver of the landscaping and buffer yards for the 1056 and 1060 Baltimore Street Rear/Aero Energy plan. John Luciani from First Capital Engineering showed the Committee aerial pictures of the property, dating as far back as 1957, illustrating how there was an oil company in this location well before the adjoining residential properties were built. Aero Energy is proposing to install a canopy over their fueling area to prevent rainwater from running into their underground spill tanks. He asked that Aero Energy be allowed to plant two rows of arborvitaes instead of the full fifteen foot bufferyard between the oil facility and the adjoining residential zone. The full required bufferyard would create problems for trucks entering and exiting the facility. He said they are also planning to remove the above ground storage tanks within the next two years and they will place a note to this effect on the plan. The Committee recommended approving the request.

EXTENSION REQUEST: Zoning Officer Smith had no extension requests to report on this month.

RECREATION: Manager Rodgers reported that the plan was filed today to reverse subdivide all the lots at the Community Park. The street address for the Community Park is 4601 Grandview Road, but the tax parcel data shows the address as 4435 Grandview Road. Manager Rodgers asked if anyone was aware of what caused this. No one was aware of a reason for the discrepancy and the Committee instructed Manger Rodgers to have the County change it to 4601 Grandview Road.

OTHER MATTERS: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Hallett
Township Secretary