

MINUTES
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 5, 2018

The Penn Township Public Works Committee convened on Monday, November 5, 2018 at 8:00 p.m. following the Public Safety Committee meeting. Present were Chairman Klunk and Commissioners Brown, Felix, and Van de Castle. Also present were Township Manager Rodgers, Acting Police Chief Hettinger, Fire Chief Clouser, Engineer Bortner, Zoning Officer Smith, and Administrative Assistant McMaster. Commissioner Heiland was absent with notice. The following items were discussed:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the October 1, 2018 Public Works Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: Gordon Pilgrim, 180 Northview Drive, is still concerned about the street lights and why they are turned off. He wanted to know how many other street lights were turned off. Commissioner Klunk stated that there is quite a few. Mr. Pilgrim said he noticed new ones as well. He also wants to know if there are any residential lights that are not on intersections. Mr. Pilgrim also has a request into Met-Ed to get the light fixed. His last comment is that his neighbor is appreciative of Penn Township changing the light on 179 Northview. He overall is still not happy and would like the light situation to get resolved because it gets really dark at nighttime.

MS4 UPDATE: Engineer Bortner reported that their hope is to get a MS4 PRP Plan submitted to DEP for the permit by the end of the year.

WILLOW COURT DEDICATION: Engineer Bortner reported that Wellspan is trying to dedicate the land adjacent to Willow Court. Manager Rodgers will contact Attorney Hovis for the dedication.

NATURE TRAIL PROPOSALS: Engineer Bortner reported on this project. This project has been talked about for years. Last month he tried to have someone go look at it. When he looked at it he said it seemed high, but it all adds up at the end. He is comfortable if we went ahead and do something with this plan. The Committee considered abandoning the property and will talk to the solicitor. Engineer Bortner is sure that some property owners would be glad to take it.

STREAM IMPROVEMENTS: Engineer Bortner reported on this project. There were stream improvements in 1979 where the township got a community block grant to put baskets in for the stream. The gabion baskets decided now to collapse. Engineer Bortner wants to see how much money it would take to repair and then worry about getting the money for it. The Committee wants to move forward with the plan.

PARK HEIGHTS BLVD BRIDGE INSPECTION: Engineer Bortner reported on this project for the Park Heights Bridge. In 1974, Conewago Construction widen the bridge. The bridge

was struck recently, but he does not believe that is when the damage occurred. The damage is a result of continuous strikes over the last 40 years. He wants to take a look at the bridge because it looks scary to him. The Committee wants to move forward with the plan.

PENNDOT CONNECTS: Engineer Eric Bortner would like to take the next step with the Grandview and Blooming Grove Road signal. Engineer Bortner also discussed about Baltimore Street turning lanes. Overall PennDOT will be making that decision in what needs to be done or what doesn't need to be done. Blooming Grove and Grandview Road signal update, Engineer Bortner is checking with PennDOT Connects.

IMPROVEMENT BONDS: Engineer Bortner requested bond reductions for: a) Above and Beyond Christian Day Care, b) Stonewicke-Phase 1, c) Brookside Heights-Phase 3, d) Beechwood Way. The Committee approved the bond reduction.

MAINTENANCE BOND: The maintenance bond for the Wellspan Sanitary Sewer Dedication is \$9,793.20. The Committee recommended the bond to be approved.

TRENCHLESS PIPE REHABILITATION: Engineer Bortner reported on Koala Drive. The stormwater repair pipeline has two sections that will be replaced rather than the actual pipe itself.

SNOW AND ICE CONTROL PLAN: The snow and ice control plan was talked about in August-September timeframe. All the guys involved in plowing did an I tech training class, and Engineer Bortner and Manager Rodgers attended a conference together as well. Engineer Bortner is comfortable with the plan. The only thing else he mentioned about the plan was that two guys on his team are scheduled for surgery in December.

EXTENSION REQUESTS: Mustang Pointe & Highpointe are the extension requests for this meeting. DEP is looking for comments in regards to brainstorming ideas to connect the neighborhood. The policy was to connect developments together to keep people off main streets and the highway. Manager Rodgers will look at other minutes to see if she can figure something out.

OTHER MATTERS: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Courtney McMaster
Recording Secretary