



Borough of Lansdale
Public Works Committee
Meeting of May 4, 2016

Members Present

Steve Malagari, Chairman
Tom Work, Councilman
Denton Burnell, Councilman
Dan Shinskie, Superintendent WWTP
Rick DeLong, Public Works Supervisor
Christopher Fazio, RVB Engineers

Members Absent

Attendees:

Jake Ziegler, Borough Manager

- Minutes of the April 6, 2016 Public Works Committee Meeting were approved by a vote of 3-0.
- Committee Business Items
 1. 2013 CDBG Project – E. Second Street between Chestnut & Ridge Street – Mr. DeLong reported RVB Engineers ironed out all remaining issues with Gorecon. There is a negative change order and a final request for payment on this project. The committee voted 3-0 to recommend both the change order and payment request be presented to full council for their approval at the May 18th meeting. This payment will close out this project.
 2. Perkiomen Avenue – Cannon to Valley Forge Road – Mr. DeLong reported the residents are continuing their curb and sidewalk work which should be completed by the end of June. It is anticipated the contractor will complete the final paving in July.
 3. 9th Street Station Off-Site Improvements – Mr. DeLong stated there was nothing new to reported and we did not received any payment requests from Marino for this project.
 4. Crestview Road Project – Mr. DeLong reported the design and plans should be received for staff review in the next several days. There were two new items added to the specifications; one for test holes and the other for unclassified material which should decrease the number of change orders.
 5. 2016 CDBG Project – E. Third Street from Broad to Ridge – Mr. DeLong reported he dropped off the application on April 21st to the County and are waiting for their review process.
 6. NPWA Pipe Lining on East Main Street – Mr. DeLong reported NPWA has contracted Ducon to dig several 4'X6' access pits to access their water main for lining on E. Main Street between Line Street and Church Road. This work is scheduled to begin on May 9th and should have very little impact on traffic because there will be two lanes open for traffic during the construction. The contractor will have to follow PennDOT regulations since it is a state highway and will only be allowed to work between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. each day. The metal plates will be recessed into the roadway to reduce a tripping hazard.
 7. WWTP Updates
 - a. Merck Update – Mr. Shinskie reported we received 13.9 million gallons or 448,000 gpd for the month of March.
 - b. WWTP Capacity Upgrade – Mr. Shinskie reported we received a request for payment for restoration and cleanup work and the project was very close to completion. He also mentioned

there may be a change order for the next committee meeting. The committee voted 3-0 to recommend forwarding a recommendation for payment to full council.

c. Replacement of Sludge Truck –Mr. Shinskie addressed the committee on the need to replace the 2002 sludge truck which is costing about \$7,500 per year to maintain. The anticipated cost of replacement is about \$170,000 which is already budgeted and the 2012 sludge truck paid for itself in about 2-1/2 years. The committee voted to recommend approval of the purchase of a new truck with tanker not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$185,000.

- Budget – Mr. DeLong reported that the budget was tracking on schedule and each department was working on current vendor lists to cross reference with other departments. We currently have several contracts that cover multiple departments to save money and working in-house within departments to cut expenses.
- Old Business – Rick DeLong informed the committee that the SEPTA parking garage is going up quickly and there have been no issues to date.

Dan Shinskie gave an update on the paving of the sewer extension for the Andale Green project at Broad Street and Hancock Street. He stated that paving will wait until all the truck traffic from the SEPTA garage construction is finished and Jim Moulton has given the Borough a paving plan. Depending on Mr. Moulton's proposal, the Borough may decide to coordinate with the County's paving of S. Broad Street and do some additional paving. Mr. Shinskie stated Mr. Moulton would be requesting the release of his escrow monies.

Mr. DeLong gave the committee an update on the streets mostly likely to be covered under the patch paving contract which will include Wade Avenue, Spruce Street, Cherry Street, Wissahickon Avenue, Crescent Avenue and a small section of Church Road between Hancock Street and the Upper Gwynedd line.

- New Business – Mr. Shinskie discussed the need for sewer line repair on Derstine Avenue between Towamencin Avenue and Cannon Avenue which was discovered during the installation of a manhole at Perkiomen and Destine during construction under the Perkiomen Avenue Project. It was discovered that about 350' of the line is fractured and caving in several locations. RVB Engineers put together an estimate of the cost for this work and the possibility of bidding this work along with Crestview Road was discussed depending on timing of getting plans together. The committee voted 3-0 to put forth a motion to move forward with plans and specifications for this project.
- Public Comment – N/A

Meeting adjourned.