



Borough of Lansdale
Public Works Committee Minutes
Meeting of August 7, 2019

Members Present

Leon Angelichio, Chairman
Tom Work, Councilman
BJ Breish, Councilman
Dan Shinskiie, Superintendent WWTP
Christopher Fazio, RV Engineers
John Ernst, Borough Manager
Garry Herbert, Mayor

Members Absent

Rick DeLong, Public Works Supervisor

Attendees

Kent & Marianne Morgan
Susan Sarnocinski
Ed Scheuring
Debra Kline

Minutes of the July 3, 2019 Public Works Committee Meeting were approved by a vote of 3-0.

o Committee Business Items

1. 2017 CDBG E. Third Street – Phase I (Chestnut Street to Ridge Street) - This project is complete and RVE received a change order to balance the contract and a final payment request in the amount of \$44,066.82. The committee recommended putting forth a motion to full council to approve the change order and final payment.
2. Whites Road Rehabilitation – This project is complete and RVE received a final payment request from the contractor in the amount of \$9,249.89. The committee recommended putting for a motion to full council for approval of this payment.
3. N. Line Street Rehabilitation – All infrastructure work is complete on this project and the contractor is working on curb and sidewalk that was not completed by the resident. The borough has been working with DOLI to have the final milling and paving completed for this project. Marino will be doing a scratch coat in the interim to make the roadway more passible until final paving takes place. RVE received a payment request in the amount of \$25,938.64 from the contractor and the committee recommended putting forth a motion to full council for approval.
4. W. Third Street Rehabilitation – All infrastructure and curbing and sidewalk has been completed. Final milling and paving is scheduled to take place in October. SJM Construction is currently working in the Pennbrook section of the Borough installing water main and services for NPWA.
5. East Main Streetscape – This project is still in the design phase.
6. 2019 Mill & Overlay Program – James D. Morrissey has been issued the notice to proceed. There will be some curb and sidewalk work taking place this coming week. SJM is working along Derstine Avenue replacing some sanitary sewer lines. When this work is complete, Morrissey will start the mill and overlay process. No road closures are expected when this work takes place.
7. 2019 N. Cannon Avenue Road Rehabilitation – Curb and sidewalk work is currently taking place. Marino has also started some of their sanitary work. Project is scheduled to be completed in November.
8. 2019 ADA Improvement Project – A preconstruction meeting is scheduled for August 27th with the contractor. Once the notice to proceed is issued, the contractor will begin his work on this project.

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9. Pennbrook Avenue Base Repairs - Base repairs for this project will take place when SJM Construction starts to replace the service lines in this area. A projected start date for this work is September or October.
 10. 2018 CDBG E. Third Street – Phase II (Broad Street to Chestnut Street) – This project is in design phase with a projected advertising for bids in September. This project will be completed this year.
 11. 2018 Liquid Fuels Microsurfacing Program - This project is complete and RVE is waiting for a few minor punch list to be completed.
 12. Whites Road Streambank Stabilization – RVE has submitted the permit package to DEP and we are waiting to hear back from them.
 13. Alley Program – The Borough Manager received a draft resolution from the solicitor for review by staff and council. Public Works staff repaired a couple of the worst alleys near N. Towamencin and Shaw Avenue as “test” alleys to assure all equipment is in good working order.
 14. WWTP Updates
 - a. Ridge Street Pump Station Upgrade – We are working with the contractor to finish some minor punch list items.
 - b. Wissahickon Clean Water Partnership - There was a presentation and discussion of funding formulas for the projects included in the Water Quality Improvement Plan (WQIP). Several documents were placed into Dropbox including the minutes from the July meeting, the WQIP final draft for committee review, and the funding memos created by the Environmental Finance Center (EFC). The plan is to submit a Management Committee endorsed Draft WQIP to EPA by the end of September.
 - d. Installation of Influent Pump & Piping- Borsch Associates received payment request #3 in the amount of \$25,515.00 from Eastern Environmental Contractors for work completed on the installation of the influent pump and piping. The committee recommended putting forth a motion to full council for approval of this payment.
 - e. Fire Alarm & Security System Upgrade - We had some trouble with the existing fire and security system in the past month that may require a modification to the scope of work. We will make these modifications, if necessary before advertising the project.
- o Budget – Both the Public Works and WWTP budget are on track for 2019. Staff is working on the 2020 budget.
 - o New Business – Mr. Shinskie stated he is looking into replacing the switchgear and generator at Pennbrook Pump Station.
 - o Public Comment – A question was raised about the street name signs on N. Line Street have not yet been re-installed after the ADA ramp work, whether contract responsibility or borough.

Question was raised on Derstine Avenue residents being given only 30 days to complete curb and sidewalk work due to change in scope of project and Mr. Ernst assured that Borough staff is working with the residents for a solution. There was much discussion by Mayor Herbert regarding the alley maintenance program running in conjunction with alternatives that were suggested such as re-examining a single trash hauler for the borough. Supporting that suggestion sources were cited indicating that the trash trucks do most of the damage in the alleys. As opinion was brought forth that it will be too costly for the borough to try to keep up maintenance on the alleys with continued trash truck traffic and by maintaining the alleys, we are essentially taking ownership which was not advised by our insurance carrier due to liability issues. It was suggested that the Borough should consider not do any alley maintenance until a contract is in place for a single trash hauler, but safety concerns were also brought up if we continue to not do anything in the alleys. Further dialog was encouraged regarding identifying solutions such as single trash hauler, while we move forward with addressing the immediate public safety hazard with some types of alley maintenance resolution. This draft resolution is circulating with council for review and comments. This will be a continuing discussion.

Meeting adjourned.