

MINUTES  
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE  
JANUARY 3, 2022

The Penn Township Public Works Committee convened on Monday, January 3, 2022, following the Public Safety Committee Meeting at 7:29 p.m. Present were Chairman Heiland, Commissioners Berlingo, Brown, Cromer, and Elksnis. Also present were Township Manager Rodgers, Police Chief Hettinger, Fire Chief Clouser, Township Engineer Bortner, Zoning Officer Smith and Township Secretary Sweeney. The following items were discussed:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: There were none.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the December 6, 2021, Public Works Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: There were none.

BONDS: Engineer Bortner suggested reducing the surety bond for High Pointe at ROJEN Farms South – Phase S2 from \$2,753,301.65 to \$1,379,570.20. He suggested setting the bond amount for Above and Beyond Christian Child Care Center, LLC at \$51,346.63, and for Aquaphoenix Scientific at \$535,769.05. He stated a final inspection was completed for Lancaster County Bible Church and reported the bond is no longer needed. The Committee recommended approving the requests.

KAREN LANE BRIDGE SUPERSTRUCTURE: Engineer Bortner reported the final application from Crilon Corporation for payment was approved by C.S. Davidson on December 8, 2021. The project has been completed and inspected.

BECK MILL ROAD CULVERT REPLACEMENT: Engineer Bortner reported the 800 block of Beck Mill Road was closed today. Columbia Gas is removing the gas lines and the new culvert installation is set to begin around January 17, 2022. The goal is to have the road open by the end of January.

PARK HEIGHTS BOULEVARD REALIGNMENT: Engineer Bortner reported C.S. Davidson is currently working on the project. The schedule has DEP submittal and right of way exhibits to be ready for review by the end of the month. Currently they are above budget, but hope to have it even out in the future.

BANKERT ROAD CULVERT REPLACEMENT: Engineer Bortner reported the project is ready to be bid. There are two right of ways involved, one has been received, but the one needed has not been responding to correspondence. Manager Rodgers stated that she will contact the solicitor to make contact.

GUIDE RAIL PROJECT: Engineer Bortner reported in December a contract was awarded for Wilson Avenue and Ridge Avenue. The next contract would be for Blettner

Avenue, Cooper Road, and Industrial Drive. The Township is ready to open bids in February. Manager Rodgers stated that it will have to be authorized by the Commissioners at the next Board of Commissioners meeting. Commissioner Heiland requested it be placed on the agenda.

REVIEW OF CURRENT SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT PLANS: Engineer Bortner gave the committee a review of the current Subdivision and Land Development Plans. Current Plans are:

- SL17-10 – Mustang Pointe
- SL20-09 – Pero Farms Hanover Facility LLC
- SL20-10 – Aquaphoenix Scientific Building Addition
- SL21-01 – Clover Lane Development (Stonewicke V)
- SL21-05 – Elsner Engineering Works
- SL21-09 – Porter and Warehime Property, BPR LLC
- SL21-12 – Above & Beyond Christian Child Care Center

The Committee thanked Engineer Bortner.

WOODHAVEN BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT, INC. WAIVER REQUEST: The Committee received a request dated December 16, 2021 from Woodhaven Building and Development, Inc. for High Pointe at Rojen Farms South-Phase S-2. Mr. Jim Piet, Woodhaven Building and Development, Inc. addressed the Committee. He said that with the current supply chain issues, they have hit a few delays with the construction of the sewage pumping station. He requested the Township to authorized the release of ten building permits enabling housing construction to begin with the condition that no U&O's will be issued until the sewage pumping station is operational. Chairman Heiland stated that under the advisement of our solicitor, the Township cannot legally approve this request.

ABOVE AND BEYOND CHRISTIAN CHILD CARE WAIVER REQUEST: The Committee received a request dated November 30, 2021 from Group Hanover, Inc. on behalf of Above and Beyond Christian Child Care Land Development plan for a waiver of Sections 505.K and 603 of Penn Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance. Mr. Kevin Barnes, GHI, and Rick and Janice Bortner, owners of the property were in attendance. Mr. Barnes said that this request was before the Board before, and Black Rock Road is a state road with no existing curb and sidewalk, they are again requesting a temporary waiver. Chairman Heiland requested this request be placed on the Board of Commissioners meeting agenda.

MS4 UPDATE: Manager Rodgers reported draft for MCM 1 is complete, 2,3 and 6 have been reviewed. There are some questions regarding dry weather testing for 3 and 6. Hopefully they will be ready for review by the February meeting.

EXTENSION REQUESTS: Zoning Officer Smith had no extension request for this month.

UPDATE OF 4 SCOTT STREET: Zoning Officer Smith reported the property is listed for Sheriff's Sale on February 7, 2022. Zoning Officer Smith reported he received notice from a neighbor that he has thrown trash in the neighbor's yard. He has been compliant so far.

RECREATION-CREATIVE PLAYGROUND: Manager Rodgers reported the Township has received a \$285,000 grant to make improvements to the community park, including the creative playground equipment and to make the park more ADA compliant. The creative playground equipment has been ordered. The Township has received a large amount of pavilion reservations, and picket fundraising orders continue to be received.

OTHER MATTERS: There were none.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS REGARDING THE DISCUSSION ITEMS: There were none.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Sweeney,  
Township Secretary