

MINUTES
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

The Penn Township Public Works Committee convened on Tuesday, September 7, 2021, following Public Safety Committee Meeting at 7:38 p.m. Present were Chairman Black, Commissioners Brown, Elksnis and Heiland. Also present were Township Manager Rodgers, Police Chief Hettinger, Fire Chief Clouser, Township Engineer Bortner, WWTP Superintendent Mahone and Township Secretary Sweeney. Commissioner Cromer and Zoning Officer Smith were absent with notice. The following items were discussed:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: There were none.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the August 2, 2021 Public Works Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: There were none.

BONDS: Engineer Bortner made the following suggestions on Subdivision and Land Development Improvement Bond amounts. Brookside Heights – Phase 4 be reduced from \$580,286.41 to \$125,228.70; High Pointe South Phase S-1 be reduced from \$1,531,583.52 to \$455,724.72; Lancaster County Bible Church Site be reduced from \$73,829.80 to \$3,401.48; and upon final inspection of Pinebrook – Phase II, be reduced from \$22,920.30 to \$0, which will expire September 20, 2021. The committee recommended approving the amounts.

PARK HEIGHTS BOULEVARD REALIGNMENT: Engineer Bortner reported the project is currently stalled with the engineering phase with Group Hanover, Inc. Proposals have been received from CS Davidson; Phase one to replace culvert, and get the bridge open to all traffic and lift the weight restriction. Phase two is for the realignment of the road. Commission Brown asked how long would it take to complete phase one, Engineer Bortner stated that with engineering and construction it should be next year, and phase two, maybe as early as 2023. The committee recommend moving forward with the project.

TRONE FAMILY TRUST BUFFER YARDS: Engineer Bortner reported there is an issue with the Subdivision and Land Development Plan for 1020 Baltimore Street, mini storage units. Kris Raubenstine from Hanover Land Services was present to request a modification to the buffer yards for this plan. He reported that a waiver was received last year to install white vinyl fencing on the south side of the property along the residential area. The original plan was to utilize an existing tree line as a buffer along the rear property line along Hanover Borough property. Through the course of construction, the crew saw poison ivy, and brush, and removed the entire tree line. Mr. Raubenstein said they will replace the tree line in the front of the property, but is requesting to extend the vinyl fencing along the rear of the property line in lieu of the trees. Commissioner Black

expressed his concern that the engineer of the project removed trees that were part of the approved buffer a year ago, and the Committee is just now hearing about it. The Committee recommended to replant the trees as what was approved on the original plan, and Mr. Raubenstine is to coordinate with Township Engineer Bortner.

SOUTH HIGH STREET-COLUMBIA GAS PROJECT: Engineer Bortner reported that he received an email from Columbia Gas that Hanover Borough has requested for them to hold off on the final paving of High Street upon completion of replacement of the gas lines. This is due to Hanover Borough's project to replace their sewer lines in 2022, and their water lines in 2023. The Committee agreed that Ordinance no. 842 needs to be followed and Columbia Gas will be required to do the final paving upon completion of the gas line replacement.

BREEZEWOOD DRIVE/TIMBER LANE: Engineer Bortner reported that on the Hall Estate II Plans from 1993, there is a temporary road connection of Breezewood Drive and Hall Drive. The Township does maintain the connection as a road, and there is no curb, and no sidewalk. He asked the committee if it is legal to remain as a temporary road connection, and how long can it remain at its current status. He added there are a number of temporary cul-de-sacs within the Township, but his suggestion is to obtain the right of way for this road connection. Commissioner Heiland stated he would like to see a better alignment of the connection.

SHED ON TOWNSHIP PROPERTY: Engineer Bortner reported that upon receiving the deeds of dedication for the tract of recreational land behind Moore Drive, and after completing an inspection of the site, there appears to be a shed within the Township's property line. Manager Rodgers stated that this is not the first time this has happened in the Township, and in the past the resident was sent a letter for the shed to be moved. The Committee had concerns of liability and would like the resident to be notified to move the shed.

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
- SL21-06 – High Pointe LLC
- SL21-07 – Stonewicke – Phase III
- SL21-08 – Campbell Snacks Hanover Plant- Locker Room Expansion

The Committee thanked Engineer Bortner and requested this be added as a regular agenda item.

HIGH POINTE @ ROJEN FARMS SOUTH WAIVER REQUEST: The Committee received a request dated August 12, 2021 from Sharrah Design Group, Inc., for a

waiver of Section 306.B.4 of the Township's Stormwater Ordinance for High Pointe at Rojen Farms. This is the fence requirement around the retention ponds that are located in the front yards along Beck Mill Road. Commissioner Elksnis reported that at the Planning Commissioner Meeting Mr. Sharrah had presented the Commission with an alternative plan of a split rail fence with wire backing. Commissioner Elksnis suggested in lieu of a chain link fence or a split rail fence, to use black aluminum pool-type fence because the location of this being in the front yards of an upper scale neighborhood for safety and it is more esthetically appealing. The committee recommended approving the request with the condition of black aluminum fence be used.

MS4 UPDATE: Manager Rodgers reported that she along with Engineer Bortner and Secretary Sweeney attended a meeting with Hanover Land Services and are at the point that the MCMs can be presented to the Committee in October or November for approval before the end of the year. She reported that Melanie and Ormond from Hanover Land Services will accompany our Stormwater Inspector a couple more times to conduct inspections of the Township's outfalls.

EXTENSION REQUESTS: Manager Rodgers submitted extension requests for SL20-09-Pero Farms Hanover Facility LLC; SL20-10-Aquaphoenix Scientific Building Addition; SL21-07-Stonewicke-Phase III; and SL21-08-Campbell's Snacks Hanover Plant Employee Entrance and Locker Room Expansion. The Committee recommended approving the requests.

UPDATE OF 4 SCOTT STREET: Manager Rodgers reported that the resident moved back into the home as of August 17, 2021. The solicitor's report has been received and at the Board meeting there will need to be discussion with the solicitor on how the Township will be reimbursed for the expenses for the cleanup.

Kara Stultz, 6 Scott Street, reported that the resident has been unloading items from his car at night, and there are now cases of drinks, watermelons in the carport, and you can see items stacking up in the house through the window. Manager Rodgers stated that she will have property maintenance check out the property and to issue code violations. Ms. Stultz stated that she noticed that the rear deck has not been closed off and/or repaired. Manager Rodgers stated the resident was to receive a notice of a code violation.

RECREATION: Manager Rodgers reported that there have been some issues with interpretations of the rules and regulations for the Township's recreational parks, as to when people can be in certain areas. Specifically, the wording "attendance in lighted areas", when there is no lighting at the parks. Commissioner Elksnis would like to eliminate item B, and have it stated from dawn to dusk. Manager Rodgers will present an ordinance for the October meeting.

Manager Rodgers also reported the Township received a request from Go York 2022, about a joint program with WellSpan Health and the York County Library System. They are requesting to secure a post to a tree using steel banding that wraps around the tree.

This enables the participant to place their rubbing sheet over the plate and transfer an image as proof of participation in the activity. The committee had no issues with this request.

Commissioner Elksnis thanked Engineer Bortner and the Public Works department for their work on keeping the parks clean and vegetation trimmed.

Commissioner Heiland reported that he and Manager Rodgers had a conference call with JMT to review the survey of Kids Kingdom and the ADA compliance plans, a few adjustments will be made. The Township will be soon receiving designs from several companies.

OTHER MATTERS: There were none.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: There were none.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Sweeney,
Township Secretary