MINUTES PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE October 6, 2025

The Penn Township Public Works Committee convened on Monday, October 6, 2025, meeting at 7:36pm, following the Public Safety meeting. Present were Chairman Baile, Commissioners Fanelli, Arnold, Elksnis, and Heiland. Also present were Police Chief Merwede, Fire Chief Clousher, Deputy Fire Chief Wysocki, Township Engineer Bortner, WWTP Superintendent Lank, Manager Sweeney, and Secretary Klinefelter. The following items were discussed:

<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>: There were none.

<u>APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES</u>: The minutes of September 2, 2025, Public Works Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

<u>CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:</u> Bryan Buttry, 542 Black Rock Rd – Mr. Buttry lives next to a utility company who has recently installed an industrial size heater outside. The noise is extremely loud, and the resident is unsure what to do. Assistant Township Manager Klinefelter said that the code enforcement officer is working on it. TC Energy did a decibel test and the Township is waiting on the results.

BOROUGH OF HANOVER'S WATER POLICY AND PROJECT UPDATES: Eric Maines, Engineer for Hanover Borough, presented an update on a water policy. Resolution 1447 was developed to help maintain the growth and new project existing customers. It was asked if projects could potentially be rejected to the water needs. Mr. Maines said yes, there are some projects like a Datacenter that would need to be looked at to see if they could handle it. Chief Clousher asked if the cost of the fire hydrants for the new developments could be moved to the developer. Mr. Maines said he would need to research that. Mr. Maines gave a Borough update and said that the Public Safety building is currently being renovated. The Borough received LSA Funds to create a new meeting room at the Borough office.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

- A. Waiver Request to Section 611 : Improvements (curb and sidewalk) to Wilson Ave Planning Recommends favorable
- B. Waiver Request to Section 509.A: Planning Recommended favorable Waiver of Section 306.b4 not installing a chainlink fence around the stormwater facility was discussed. Kevin Barnes from GHI explained why some places need the

fence (shopping centers, high traffic areas). The Borough and the Township line runs through the middle. Willing to except a condition if the commercial property gets developed.

C. Review of Subdivision and Land Development Plans

<u>DISCUSS SALE OF EXCESS PUBLIC WORKS EQUIPMENT:</u> Resolution to sell a 2006 F350 due to receiving a 2018 RAM. The Resolution will be added to BOC meeting.

<u>2026 PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET:</u> No new updates on the proposed budget. It was suggested to add 25% approximate health insurance increase.

MS4 UPDATE: 2024-2025 Outfall Inspections were submitted to DEP.

EXTENSION REQUESTS: Zoning Officer LeFevre reviewed the following extension request that will be extended until January 19, 2026:

SL25-05 – 816 McAllister Street, HBH Management Inc.

RECREATION:

A. Cardinal Drive Playground: The approximate date for installing the playground equipment is October 20, 2025.

OTHER MATTERS: York St/Grandview Rd/Wilson permit has been submitted and PennDOT is doing a review currently. The Township should receive something back from PennDOT by October 10th.

CITIZEN'S QUESTIONS TO THE COMMITTEE REGARDING DISCUSSION ITEMS: Mr. Holt–Mr. Holt asked if the Township is going to accept such a large increase from the Fire Commission. He also shared concerns about water use in the Borough costing Penn Township citizens money.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Klinefelter
Township Secretary