



Borough of Lansdale
Public Works Committee Minutes
Meeting of November 3, 2021

Members Present

BJ Breish, Chairman
Leon Angelichio, Councilman
Andrew Carroll, Councilman
Chris Kunkel, Director of Public Works
Greg Rapp, Superintendent WWTP
Jason Van Dame, Director of Community Development
Christopher Fazio, RV Engineers

Members Absent

Attendees: John Ernst, Borough Manager
Ken & Marianne Morgan
Ed & Anne Scheuring
Mark Ladley

Minutes from the October 6, 2021 Public Works Committee Meeting were approved by a vote of 3-0.

o Committee Business Items

1. 2020 Mill & Overlay Program – Punch list items are being completed.
2. Columbia Avenue Roadway Rehabilitation – This project is being prepared for paving with pre-paving punch list items being completed. There are black top supply problems, but every effort is being made to complete this project.
3. Laurel Lane Storm Sewer Project – Paving is complete and punch list items are being addressed.
4. CDBG North Richardson Avenue Rehabilitation Project – This project is in the design phase.
5. ADA & Pedestrian Safety Improvements Project - PennDOT Multimodal Transportation Grant -RVE received clarification from the grant administrators and the Borough can request additional funds for a total amount of \$775,324.00. Borough match would be \$232,598.00. The committee voted to put forth to full council a motion and resolution for the revised grant request. This grant will be beneficial in completing the pavement management program.
6. Public Works Updates – Chris reviewed details of the Borough’s road paving and maintenance program including different maintenance products as well as the challenges created by supply shortages and price increases.
7. WWTP Updates
 - a. Pennbrook PS Generator Project – There is a change order to request an extension of time for completion until December 31, 2021 due to supply issues. The committee voted to put forth a motion to full council for approval.
 - b. Ferric Chloride Contract – Bids were opened on October 20th and the low bidder was Kemira Water Solutions. The committee voted to put forth a motion to full council for award of this contract.
 - c. High Calcium Hydrated Lime Contract – Bids were opened on October 20th and the low bidder was Greer Industries. The Committee voted to put forth a motion to full council for award of this contract.
 - d. UV Disinfection Project - We are in the process of acquiring a proposal that will allow us to purchase the UV disinfection unit through the Costars purchasing program.

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- e. East Main Street Streetscape Project – The exploratory work and drop manhole repair was completed this week.

- o Old Business

- 1. Lateral Backflow Preventer Update – We are currently working with the solicitor to draft an agreement to subsidize the cost in partnership with businesses and residents.
- 2. There is a meeting scheduled with Merck on November 10th to continue discussions on receiving additional flow and the hope of having an agreement in place by the end of the year.

- o Budget – A schedule for maintenance, inspection, and replacement of all assets is underway. This will aid in forecasting budgets much further into the future for the Public Works Department.

- o Public Comment – Mr. Ladley questioned alley maintenance regarding paved alleys versus stone alleys and the fairness to the residents with cost. He also questioned what the main causes of damage to the alleys stating he has three to four trash trucks up and down his alley each week. He also expressed that he would rather see more long-term solutions when doing maintenance on the roadways.

Mrs. Morgan complimented the crews working on E. Main Street to do the exploratory work on how well traffic was kept moving with no interruptions.

Mrs. Scheuring questioned the storing of the Hometown Hero banners once they are removed after Veterans Day.

Meeting adjourned.