

Aston Township Public Works Committee Meeting

5021 Pennell Rd.

Aston, PA 19014

Monday, June 11, 2012

6:35pm

Present:

Chairman: Commissioner Gary Robinson

Committee Members: V. Michael Fulginiti, Michael Higgins

Commissioner: Carol Graham

Aston Township Administration: George L. Needles III

Aston Township Public Works: Russ Palmore

Aston Township Engineer: Eileen Nelson

Resident: Michael Fusco

1. Call the Meeting to Order

Chairman Robinson called the meeting to order.

2. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes from May 8, 2012

Chairman Robinson made a motion to approve the minutes and all committee members were in favor.

3. Road Foreman's Activity Report

Road Foreman Palmore reported on the activities of the Public Works Committee.

Commissioner Graham presented Road Foreman Palmore with a verbal list of issues from the 2nd Ward she would like to have his staff look into.

4. Aqua Water Source on Township Property at New Road

Administrator Needles notified the committee that the process has been started to shut off water to the location 30A New Road Aston, PA 19014. This is a township owned parcel that has an underutilized water source.

5. Discuss Extension of Rock Salt Contract Until September 30, 2013

Administrator Needles asked the committee to table this item until the July meeting.

6. Discuss Policy to Update Crosswalks Annually

Township Engineer Nelson brought forth information in regards to the best practice of developing a plan to address changes in ADA compliance at crosswalks within a multiyear plan. Chairman Robinson commented that the start of this process should be in identifying the crosswalks that are in compliance and ones that would be high on the priority list for conversion.

7. Drainage List

Township Engineer Nelson presented an updated drainage list to the committee which included two areas that will be addressed with the proposals brought forth by A.F.

Damon under our annual drainage repair agreement with the company.

8. LED Street Light Program

Administrator Needles presented the committee with a proposal from COSTAR member Stouch Lighting to supply and install 19 LED light fixtures in the 4th Ward. The committee agreed to make a recommendation for the project to the Board of Commissioners.

9. Legion Road Deterioration

This was addressed in the Road Foreman's report. The side of the road has been patched by the Highway Department.

10. Rails to Trails Storage Request

Resident Michael Fusco came to request that three items be presented to the board for consideration for the Rails for Trails program. The three items are storage of rails, consideration of maintaining line painting for the portion of the trail located in Aston Township, and a letter of recommendation from the township. Chairman Robinson asked for the request in writing and let Mr. Fusco know it would be presented to the Board of Commissioners for review.

11. Recycling Program

Chairman Robinson mentioned to the committee that the recent efforts of the Sanitation Crews have been working and the township is seeing an increase in the recycling efforts. Administrator Needles mentioned that he will be working with Public Works and Commissioner Higgins to help move the recycling program forward. Over the next few months they will be developing and executing a plan to increase recycling in the township.

12. Sewer Hookups

The Committee discussed the ordinance on Sewer Hookups and will be contacting the authority to find out more information in regards to capacity at the local facility.

13. Traffic Calming Measures

Commissioner Higgins brought forward to the committee that he had been working with Road Forman Palmore and Police Chief Ruggeri to obtain pricing for signs to be used as a traffic calming measure. Administrator Needles mentioned that the Police Committee will not be recommending these measures at this point.

14. Other Business

Various items in regards to drainage were brought up by each committee member for discussion with Township Engineer Nelson.

15. Adjournment

Chairman Robinson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. All Committee members were in favor.