

****These minutes were revised on August 13, 2021****
****The items added/changed are highlighted in red****

The regular meeting of the **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE** for August 2021 was held this evening via web-conference, Chairman Mitchell Zygmund-Felt presiding. Members present were Commissioners Areman, Brockington, Holland, Pransky, and Rappoport. Also present was Ex-Officio Member Norris.

Staff present via web-conference were Christopher Clewell, Public Works Superintendent; Michael Fleming, Public Works Coordinator; Henry Sekawungu, Director of Planning and Zoning; Roger Phillips, Interim Township Engineer; Alyson Elliott, Assistant Township Manager; and Robert Zienkowski, Township Manager. Also present via web-conference was Joseph M. Bagley, Esq., Township Solicitor.

Mr. Zygmund-Felt called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES

- A. Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously approved an emergency purchase order for GranTurk Equipment Company, Inc. in the amount of \$10,360.00 to repair the packer blade on Refuse Truck #614.

2. RECEIPT OF MONTHLY REPORTS AND CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

- A. Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously accepted the July 2021 Report of the Highway Department.
- B. Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously accepted the June 2021 Report of the Refuse and Recycling Department.
- C. Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously accepted the July 2021 Report of the Parks Maintenance Department.
- D. Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously accepted the July 2021 Report of the Code Administrator.
- E. Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously accepted the July 2021 Report of the Street & Traffic Light Superintendent.
- F. The Shade Tree Advisory Commission meeting was canceled.
- G. Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously approved the minutes for the July 19, 2021 Environmental Advisory Council Meeting.

Mr. Bagley noted that the Township came to the interim conclusion at a previous Board of Commissioners meeting that we did not have anything that indicated that there was a \$40,000 obligation of the Township to contribute to TTF. Since this discussion, Mr. Bagley was provided a copy of the Township's Corrective Action Plan, a plan between the Township and DEP that obligates us to take certain actions. In the plan it states the obligation to pay \$40,000 as a contribution to TTF as part of the Corrective Action Plan. Because we are still administratively tied to DEP because of the sewer system and we are waiting for them to approve our Act 537 Plan revision, we are still obligated to follow this Corrective Action Plan and therefore, we are required to contribute the \$40,000 to TTF.

Recommendation of the Board of Commissioners: Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously recommended the Board of Commissioners approve the additional payment of municipal membership dues to the Tookany/Tacony-Frankford Watershed Partnership, Inc. (TTF) in the amount of \$20,000 for a total payment of \$40,000 in 2021.

- H. Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously approved the minutes for the July 15, 2021 La Mott Board of Historical & Architectural Review.
- 1) Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously concurred with the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness for application L21-270 of SmartRoof, LLC, contractor and Ms. Yolanda Gaston, property owner, of 7319 Sycamore Avenue, LA Mott, PA 19027 for the replacement of the shingle roof.

- 2) Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously concurred with the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness for application L21-271 of applicant Sylvia Blunt-Handy and Renaire Handy, property owners of 7316 Sycamore Avenue, La Mott, PA 19027 for installation of a four (4) foot high PVC vinyl picket fence in the front and side of the property and the installation of a shed in the rear of the property.
 - I. The Wyncote Board of Historical & Architectural Review was cancelled.
3. REPORT OF THE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER – None.
4. REPORT OF THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER
 - A. Mr. Zienkowski explained the relationship with PECO when it comes to outages throughout the Township during a storm. The coordination and response from PECO has been helpful and has seen a great improvement in communicating with the Township effectively.
5. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. **Recommendation to the Board of Commissioners:** Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously recommended the Board of Commissioners ratify all Township business conducted at Emergency Meeting of the Board held on July 21, 2021.
 - B. Mr. Areman requested an update from DEP on the Glenside Flood Control Project be provided at the September 1, 2021 Public Works Committee Meeting.
6. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. **Recommendation to the Board of Commissioners:** Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously recommended the Board of Commissioners concur with the 2021-2022 Montgomery County Consortium Fuel Contract awarded by the Upper Merion Township Board of Supervisors on Thursday, June 17, 2021 to Colonial Oil Industries, Inc., with a bid amount total of \$3,069,567.92 for the period of September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022. The unit prices bid are as follows:
 - Regular Unleaded Gasoline (87 Octane): \$1,119,775.80
 - Super Unleaded Gasoline (93 Octane): \$743,224.00
 - B2 Diesel: \$1,206,568.12Mr. Zienkowski noted that the Township will be reviewing future Consortium bid documents to include more protection for Cheltenham Township.
 - B. Ms. Rappoport asked how the Township can prevent trash and road salt from Greenleaf Mall from entering Rock Creek. Mr. Zienkowski responded that it is a code violation issue and the property owner and PennDOT will be notified.
 - C. Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously authorized the repair of concrete curbing and the handicap ramp at the Township Administration Building by Ditri Construction, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$4,800.
 - D. Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously approved the repair of Recycling Truck #606 Turbo Charger by Bergey's Truck Center in the amount of \$5,429.00
 - E. **Recommendation to the Board of Commissioners:** Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously recommended the Board of Commissioners approve Stephenson Equipment, Inc. to repair the Composter grinder belt at the Public Works Facility in the amount of \$62,337.97.
 - F. Upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the Committee unanimously approved the purchase of a new set of tires for Front-end Loader Truck #930 from Vecchione Fleet and Tire Service in an amount not to exceed 7,349.60.

7. CITIZENS' FORUM

Theresa Camerota, 1112 Church Road, asked Mr. Brockington if he knew who the contact person would be for the traffic study that will be conducted by PennDOT in the fall. Mr. Brockington said he will reach out to Pennsylvania State Representative Napoleon Nelson's office. Ms. Camerota also mentioned that there have been multiple dump trucks on leaving tire prints Washington Lane and asked what can be done about limiting truck traffic on Washington Lane. Mr. Zienkowski said he will ask the Police to put special attention on this area.

8. There being no further business, upon motion of Mr. Zygmund-Felt, the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.



Robert A. Zienkowski
Township Manager
Submitted by: Ariel Sykes

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