

The stated meeting of the Public Work Committee of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington was held on Wednesday, July 5, 2017 at the Township Administration Building, Abington, PA., with Commissioner Hecker presiding.

CALL TO ORDER: 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Commissioners HECKER, MYERS, ROTHMAN
Excused: FARREN, KLINE

Township Manager MANFREDI
Township Solicitor CLARKE
Township Engineer POWERS
Director of Public Works MICCIOLO
Director of W.W.T.P. WRIGLEY

Also Present: Commissioners LUKER, SANCHEZ,
MARKMAN, DiPLACIDO, ZAPPONE, GILLESPIE
SCHREIBER, SPIEGELMAN, KALINOSKI

MINUTES: Commissioner Myers made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Rothman to approve the minutes of the May 31, 2017 Public Works Committee Meeting.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3-0.

Purchasing of Trash Containers

Commissioner Hecker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Rothman to purchase decorative street side trash containers and automated trash containers for use by the Refuse Department from Refuse Fund Balance in the amount of \$40,000.00.

Mr. Micciolo said these containers will replace some of the older decorative trash containers located throughout the Township. He hoped this purchase could be done through the fund procured to purchase the trash trucks, but that was not specified in the paperwork, although there are sufficient funds to make this purchase.

Commissioner Hecker asked for any comments from Commissioners.

Commissioner Myers asked how many will be purchased?

Mr. Micciolo replied 40 of the decorative trash containers; 200 of the 95-gallon trash cans and some blue recyclable containers.

Commissioner Hecker asked for any public comments. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3-0.

Resolution No. 17-021 – PennDOT Agreement and Application Authorization

Commissioner Hecker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Myers to adopt Resolution No. 17-021 authorizing Township Manager to sign agreements and applications sent to PennDOT for Traffic Signal Approvals.

Commissioner Hecker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff. There were none

Commissioner Hecker asked for any public comments.

Lora Lehmann, 1431 Bryant Lane, expressed concern about “signals in Jenkintown being fixed by Abington,” and questioned whether the Manager is authorized to sign PennDOT’s request for traffic signal updates prior to bringing it before the Board.

Commissioner Hecker replied no. PennDOT is requiring this action.

Manager Manfredi added that it has been a practice by the Township to authorize the Manager to execute its resolutions and this motion is a resolution related to traffic signals.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3-0.

Edge Hill Road/Tyson Avenue Flood Control/Street Reconstruction Project Revised Reimbursement Agreement Supplement “E”

Commissioner Hecker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Rothman to approve Pennoni Associates proposal for Reimbursement Agreement Supplement “E” for Edge Hill Road/Tyson Avenue Flood Control/Street Reconstruction Project, in the amount of \$144,905, which included services for MS4 Grant design. 80% of funding will be reimbursed from the State in the amount of \$115,924 and 20% from the MS4 Program in the amount of \$28,981.

Commissioner Hecker asked for any comments from Commissioners or staff.

Commissioner Myers asked for further explanation by Township Engineer, Mike Powers.

Mr. Powers replied final approval of the plans is being done as well as obtaining necessary right-of-ways. This is additional work needed for the Shade Tree Commission and required traffic signal work for PennDOT that is tied to this project as well as helping to keep costs down for the MS4 program.

Commissioner Hecker asked for any public comments. There were none.

MOTION was ADOPTED 3-0.

2016/2017 HUD Program

Commissioner Hecker made a MOTION, seconded by Commissioner Myers to reject all bids received for the 2016/2017 HUD Program. 1000 block Edge Hill Road/2300 block Parkview Avenue Curb and Sidewalk Projects.

Commissioner Hecker asked for more detail on the bidding process.

Mr. Powers replied PennDOT included additional requirements for this project; added detours and specific hours for which the work will be done. We received four bids ranging from \$374,550 to \$459,600 and budget was \$190,000. We are going to take a new look at this project taking out the Parkview Avenue project, and hopefully be ready to go by next spring.

Commissioner Hecker asked Township Manager to speak with reps of PennDOT in regards to being more flexible with their requirements for this project.

Manager Manfredi replied he will reach out to reps of PennDOT.

Commissioner Spiegelman expressed concern specifically about the 1000 block of Edge Hill Road and asked Township Manager to try to get a firmer timeline from PennDOT. Residents including him were hoping for students to be walking on these sidewalks by the first day of school.

Manager Manfredi agreed to meet with reps of PennDOT to discuss these issues and see how we can work together on this project.

Commissioner Hecker asked for any public comments.

Lora Lehmann, 1431 Bryant Lane, suggested a macadam pathway as opposed to sidewalks, and why are the monies coming from HUD instead of a capital fund?

MOTION was ADOPTED 3-0.

Commissioner Hecker asked for any general comments relating to Public Works. There were none.

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ADJOURNMENT: 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard J. Manfredi, Township Manager/Secretary

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