

**INFRASTRUCTURE, TECHNOLOGY & TRANSPORTATION
COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, April 17, 2018
7:00 PM**

MINUTES

Committee: Chairman, Mr. Ewald, Ms. Burckley, Mr. Dalton and Mr. Kovaleski
Staff: Mr. Krack, Ms. Getzfread, and Mr. Watson

I. Call to Order at 7:05 with everyone in attendance.

II. Public Participation

Mark Connelly requested the Community Center be included on the Agenda. Mr. Krack advised that this is on the Parks and Recreation Committee Agenda.

III. Committee Member Updates/Discussions

IV. New Business

A. Review proposal from Hankin Group regarding affordable housing

Jim Fuller and Mike Malloy of the Hankin Group made a presentation regarding a proposal to work with the Borough to utilize the former Streets Building and convert the site into affordable housing for seniors.

The Hankin Team will work with Staff to develop more information for the next committee meeting in May.

B. Consider web site/media proposal from CivicPlus.

Ms. Getzfread made a presentation on the CivicPlus platform and outlined the costs for conversion from the existing methods used by the Borough.

Mr. Kovaleski made a Motion to recommend Finance Committee review prior to submission to Borough Council. Seconded by Mr. Dalton. Motion passed 4-0.

C. Review Phoenixville Rail Transportation Proposal

Manny DeMutis and Barry Cassidy provided background on a proposal they want to pursue to seek funding for a train demonstration project which would be paid for by the DeMutis Group.

Mr. Dalton made a Motion to recommend Borough Council support their efforts. Seconded by Mr. Kovaleski. Motion passed 4-0.

V. Current Focus Business

A. Somax Proposal – Update

Dan Spracklin provided an update on the concept plan. The Committee requested he bring a formal proposal to the next Committee meeting so that any next steps could be addressed.

- B. Capital Projects Update:
 - Richards Lane Transformer Replacement – Mr. Watson reported that the project was complete.
 - Streets Building Project – Ribbon Cutting was April 12. Project complete.
 - Main Street Trestle Jacking – CDBG Grant
 - Mr. Krack reported that Staff is preparing a response to the questions from AECOM.
 - Waterline Replacement Project
 - Mr. Krack reported the 2017 project would start with a week. The 2018 project is now being engineered and preparation for the bid documents for the project.
- C. Wayfinding Signage/Welcome to Phoenixville
 - Mr. Krack reported that Staff met with the fabrication firm and was apprised of a change of staff at the firm which was going to cause a delay in the fabrication. Staff was also apprised that since many of the signs would be along State Highway, PennDOT would be required to approve the locations. Staff will coordinate with PennDOT.
- D. Buttonwood and Bank Street
 - Nothing new to report.
- E. Street Light Replacement
 - Mr. Watson reported that he is compiling a list of discrepancies that will be forwarded to JCI for corrective measures.
- F. Solid Waste/ Dumpsters
 - Mr. Watson reported that Staff is reviewing a plan that will be presented at a later meeting.
- G. Streets Building and Affordable Housing.
 - Per the above presentation by the Hankin Group, Staff will coordinate next steps for the May meeting.
- H. Crosswalks.
 - Mr. Krack provided background on the various issues associated with what the law is in relationship to crosswalks.

VI. Transportation Discussion Items

- A. Northern Relief Route
 - Mr. Krack reported that he met with the developer of the Odessa project to look into the design and engineering of the NRR. He also reported that PennDOT had not yet responded to ROW questions that needed to be addressed.
- B. Non LED Traffic Signal Replacement
 - Mr. Watson reported the signals should be installed with the next month.
- C. Discussion regarding traffic signals on Nutt Road (SR-23).
 - Mr. Krack reported that he was waiting for the proposal from the Borough's engineers.

- D. Speed Limit on West Bridge Street
Mr. Krack reported that his initial discussion with PennDOT indicated that their review determined the 35 mph speed limit was correct. However, they may look into authorizing a reduction to 30 mph. Final report has not yet been received.
- E. SEPTA Rail Study
Per the above presentation by Mr. DeMutis, Staff will support their efforts.
- F. Parking/Parking Structure
Nothing new to report.
- G. Streetscapes Master Plan
Nothing new to report.
- H. Consider development of a bid package for Church Avenue.
Mr. Krack stated that it is his recommendation to prepare a formal bid package that would include an alternate to remove the Belgian blocks, store them for future use and pave Church Avenue. It would also include an alternate to remove the Belgian blocks and correctly replace them. This would allow Borough Council to have an apples to apples comparison.

Mr. Dalton made a Motion for Council to consider authorizing Staff to prepare such a bid. Seconded by Ms. Burckley. Motion passed 4-0.

VII. Adjournment at 9.03 by Mr. Dalton

Next Meeting Date: **Wednesday, May 16, 2018 – 7:00 pm due to Election Day**