

## BOROUGH OF SLATINGTON

The **Water, Sewer/Solid Waste, and Highway Committee Workshop Meetings** were held on **January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018**, in Council Room, 125 South Walnut Street, Slatington, PA. The meeting was called to order by President Stevens at 6:30 PM with the following in attendance:

<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>OTHERS</u>	<u>VISITORS</u>
Daniel Stevens Bryon Reed Joseph Wechsler	Jared Kern	Larry Turoscy	Russell Hallman Ed Ziegler

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

### **A. SEWER/SOLID WASTE**

Joseph Wechsler – Chairman; Members: Bryon Reed, Jared Kern

#### 1. Committee Member Discussion:

- a. Discussed ARRO projects- Councilor Wechsler said the check for \$85.00 was sent in with the copies for the DRBC for the completion of that project that was started and they are waiting for part of the docket. This project is taken care of. The match is around \$90,000 for the digester grant. There is some billing affiliated with ARRO - 5 months of billing, which only a couple of bills were paid, the remainder of that is \$21,085.60. This is over and above the grant money. The grant total is \$395,000, but there is approximately \$90,000 that the borough is responsible for. Money is owed for the I&I - \$4,200. The MS4 is not to exceed \$45,000. Councilor Reed informed the committee of a MS4 price sheet that should be disregarded because those prices are for other locations which are much higher. Councilor Reed said that \$43,000 for the design and \$5,000 for the bidding. He said that Attorney Healy could handle the bidding at a lower cost, but most of that part was already done by ARRO.
- b. Discussed budget items
- c. Sludge hauling contract - Councilor Reed will check on how long the sludge hauling contract is for. The current one was made in 2015. Since they will be shutting down the smaller digester and only using the large digester, the sludge hauling cost should be lower.

Being no further questions from the committee members, the Sewer/Solid Waste Committee meeting was adjourned.

### **B. WATER/SPECIAL SEWER**

Bryon Reed – Chairman; Members: Jared Kern, Joseph Wechsler

#### 1. Committee Member Discussion:

- a. W. South Street Water Line Replacement - Councilor Reed stated that this was completed except for the paving.
- b. Discussed 653-655 Main Street (Mama's Pizza) water consumption. The committee agreed that there was nothing that could be done about the usage. It was a leak. The owner is responsible for the bill.

- c. PA Small Water and Sewer grant for Shadow Oaks. Larry Turoscy stated that they have submitted 2 applications, 1 for the small water grant and the other for the DCE multi-modal grant for a total of \$550,000. They must find out what is included in the grant. It must be submitted by February 28th. Councilor Reed said the grant is for up to \$500,000, not less than \$30,000. Larry said the cost could be lowered by going less of the distance up toward the administration building. Larry Turoscy said they plans for Shadow Oaks are already drawn up. Councilor Hallman asked if it would be possible to install curbing on Shadow Oaks. Larry Turoscy said the road is very flat and would need drains for the water run off. Larry Turoscy will obtain costs for the storm sewer, a wider cut and what other road they should look at for the water.
- d. Letter notifying service leaks - The current letter does not have a timeline as to when the leak must be fixed. CodeMaster uses the International Property Code instead of the ordinance. It states that the property owner has 30 days to repair the leak, but you must submit a zoning application permit and receive approval to repair your water service prior to repair. The committee all agreed that it is not necessary for the owner to obtain permits, just repair the leak in 30 days. We could possibly have a person from the road crew inspect the work before the leak was closed up. (this has been done in the past)

Being no further questions from the committee members, the Water/Special Sewer Committee Meeting was adjourned.

### **C. HIGHWAY**

Jared Kern – Chairman; Members: Bryon Reed, Joseph Wechsler

1. Larry Turoscy discussed the importance of having uniform specifications for highway, roadway cuts, water, and sewer. Larry Turoscy will put together a packet for water, sewer, highway cuts, and roadway specifications for review.
2. Larry Turoscy discussed CDBG. Larry Turoscy presented to the committee a list of corridors and projects that he wanted to give the history about. It is called High Traffic Corridor Eligible for CDBG. Walnut Street is considered a high traffic area. Larry suggested doing Second Street to Main Street which would complete the whole corridor. It would be resurfaced, ADA rampant and drainage improvements. Other areas were listed. Council agreed to place 2 projects on the next council agenda for a motion to apply for the grants.
3. Larry Turoscy discussed Walnut Street bridge project. Larry informed the committee that the Walnut and Main Street bridge, the north and south bound approach lanes to do not line up. He feels that the borough should meet with Lehigh County to determine if the intersection could be reconfigured to properly align as part of the reconstruction. He spoke with the county to see if this was possible, but the northern construction ends at the bridge, and so that intersection could not be included in the project. However, the borough could petition the county to extend the limits to include the intersection. The borough would have to meet with the county in order to do this. Larry asked if the borough would be interested in doing this. In order to accomplish this a building at the southeast corner would have to be razed. President Stevens was concerned about whether the building is in the historic district. This bridge to be completely replaced.

There were no further questions from the committee members, and so the Highway Committee Meeting was adjourned.

**COURTESY TO THE FLOOR** - None

Councilor Reed made a motion, duly seconded by Councilor Wechsler to adjourn. Councilor Stevens adjourned the meeting at 8:12 pm.

Colleen Bresnak  
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