

**BOROUGH OF SLATINGTON**

The **Water, Sewer/Solid Waste, and Highway Committee Workshop Meetings** were held on **June 28, 2021**, in Municipal Building, 125 South Walnut Street, Slatington, PA.

The meeting was called to order by President Reed at 6:32 PM with the following in attendance:

<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>OTHERS</u>	<u>VISITORS</u>
Bryon Reed		Daniel Stevens	
Joseph Wechsler		Justin Gross	
Dave Schnaars			
Ronald Kratz			

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

**A. HIGHWAY**

David Schnaars – Members: Joseph Wechsler, Ronald Kratz

1. Committee Member Discussion:

- a. The committee reviewed the proposed traffic signal maintenance agreement. Councilor Schnaars pointed out at the top of page 2 of the agreement it stated the municipal is required to enter in an agreement with PennDOT to properly maintain timed traffic signals for critical corners pursuant to, etc. Councilor Schnaars stated that the Borough doesn't have any choice about entering into this agreement. Councilor would like this placed on the next regular council meeting.
- b. The committee reviewed Resolution R-04-21; a resolution authorizing submission of the attached traffic signal maintenance agreement and any future modifications to the same. Councilor Schnaars would like this placed on the next regular council meeting for a motion to approve.
- c. The committee reviewed the quote from Nicholson Security for \$2,785.89 for security system at the maintenance building. A deposit of \$1,392.94 is due upon ordering, then the balance is paid after installment. The committee discussed camera locations for the installation of the security system. Councilor Schnaars would like this placed on the next regular council agenda for approval.
- d. Councilor Schnaars stated that the original plan for the 1997 small dump truck was to have it up at the water plant for them to use when they needed plowing or hauling things. Manager Stevens informed the committee that it won't pass inspection and is in falling into disrepair. It is being stored outside. Councilor Schnaars suggested to place it on Municibid for \$3,500.00 reserve, and if it doesn't sell then make the repairs and get inspection to sell it. Councilor Schnaars would like this placed on the next regular council agenda to approve the sale.

- e. The committee reviewed the submission of a letter to PennDOT concerning changing the speed limit at entrance to town. The committee reviewed where the speed signs are at this time. One suggestion is to place a 20 MPH limit for trucks over 20,000 lbs. continue through the Borough. Councilor Schnaars would like this placed on the next regular council agenda to approve sending the letter
- f. Justin Gross stated that is no update on 2021 Church Street traffic signal improvement. Justin stated that the CDBG bid opening is next Friday.
- g. Justin Gross stated it was the Shadow Oaks stormwater which the Borough applied for last year. This new round doesn't open until September. CFA/Multimodal Stormwater submission update.
- h. Manager Stevens stated they have put cold patch repairs in the large ditch on Chestnut Street. Manager Stevens informed the committee that today was the pre-bid for the CDBG and since the contractors were here, Manager Stevens asked them if they would be interested in quoting on Chestnut Street and the Slate Heritage Trail. He met with 3 of the contractors at each location.
- i. Manager Stevens informed the committee that he and President Reed had contacted and met with Dalton Lorah 1 ½ months ago to obtain a quote on the drainage at 100 Steps. Manager Stevens has called several times since then and still not received a quote. Becky from LVPC said that maybe a grant could be used for the 100 steps or the amphitheater area for pedestrian and bicycles. The committee agreed to apply for a grant for the 100 steps. Manager Stevens stated that COVID19 monies can be used for stormwater issues. Councilor Schnaars would like this placed on the next regular council agenda to authorize Manager Stevens to apply for the grant. Councilor Schnaars suggested getting in touch with Lehigh Engineering for a dollar amount to apply for the grant.

Manager Stevens informed the committee that he spoke with Laurie Moyer about the CDBG they applied for next year and E. South Street is out because the area does not have enough residents. They will recommend E. Franklin Street, but this is not official until the commissioners vote on it.

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

## **B. SEWER**

Joseph Wechsler – Chairman; Members: David Schnaars, Ronald Kratz

### 1. Committee Member Discussion:

- a. Councilor Wechsler would like to hire a summer employee to paint and clean the trickling filters, etc., under the supervision of Duane Szczesny. The committee discussed what the salary would be. The committee agreed to \$15.00/hr. Councilor Wechsler would like this placed on the next regular council agenda.

Councilor Wechsler mentioned the parking on Main Street and how limited it is. Councilor Wechsler suggested expanding the parking lot located on Main Street. Councilor Wechsler feels that the monies that are being offered, the Borough could use it towards this. Councilor Schnaars suggested to place this on the multi-municipal the plan to help with obtaining grants.

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

### **C. WATER/SPECIAL SEWER COMMITTEE**

Ronald Kratz – Chairman; Members: Joseph Wechsler, David Schnaars

#### **1. Committee Member Discussion:**

- a. The committee reviewed the Senate Bill 597 – additional regulations to water and waste water systems. The bill lists regulations such as: replacement of lead service lines, removal and replacement plan, replacement of customer owner water system, and meters. These regulations would be the responsibility of the Borough. Councilor Schnaars suggested the Borough send a letter to Senator Browne’s office opposing this bill. Councilor Kratz would like this placed on the next regular council agenda for motion to send letter to Senator Browne’s office.

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

**COURTESY TO THE FLOOR: None**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: None**

Councilor Schnaars made a motion, duly seconded by Councilor Kratz, to adjourn. All in favor. President Reed adjourned the meeting at 7:43 PM.

Daniel L. Stevens  
Borough Secretary