

BOROUGH OF SLATINGTON

The Water, Sewer/Solid Waste, and Highway Committee Workshop Meeting were held on January 19, 2015 in Council Room, 125 South Walnut Street, Slatington, PA.

The meeting was called to order by President Neff at 6:30 PM with the following in attendance:

PRESENT

Gwyneth Neff
Bryon Reed
Galen Freed-6:34
Bob Steets

ABSENT

AUTHORITY

OTHERS

Joe Wechsler
Kris Burek
Larry Turoscy

PUBLIC COMMENT-

Kris Burek, 1235 Fourth Street- questioned Councilor Steets regarding grease trap letters that were sent out. She wanted to know what the status is on them. She asked does the Vigilant have one now. Councilor Steets advised her they were all in compliance and that grease is not being poured down the drain. Vigilant Fire Company does not have one but they do have someone coming in and removing the grease. There is nothing in budget as of now for inspector for grease traps.

Ms Burek questioned resolution R-20-14 (wages for non union employees) Missing from that is Sewer director’s salary.

Councilor Steets advised her that he did not have those numbers in front of him; he is receiving same salary as 2014.

Ms Burek was advised to fill out a right to know form if she wished to know salaries from 2013, 2014 and current year.

SEWER/SOLID WASTE

Bob Steets – Chairman; Members: Galen Freed, Bryon Reed

Karl Schreiter Update- Councilor Steets received emails with problems with financials with one they accepted. He advised Karl as long as he agrees with what the borough needs; he has no problem starting the hauling. Councilor Steets will be calling Karl Schreiter inquiring as to where he is getting the plug.

Councilor Steets advised he gave the go ahead to repair the lift gate.

There were no further questions from the committee members, other Council members and so the Sewer/Solid Waste Committee Meeting was adjourned

WATER/SPECIAL SEWER

Bryon Reed – Chairman; Members: Bob Steets, Galen Freed

Councilor Reed stated the roof is done on water shed.

Councilor Reed noted there is a water leak at Washington & 5th. He noted the data loggers were put in to get three nights of readings, he added that the leak will be repaired January 21st.

There were no further questions from the committee members, other Council members and so the Water/Special Sewer Committee Meeting was adjourned

HIGHWAY

Galen Freed– Chairman; Members: Bryon Reed, Bob Steets

1. Liquid Fuels Ordinance- Councilor Reed advised John Bolton met with Penn Dot requiring adding more alleys. He will be following up, with the list of streets, needs to get the total linear feet on those alleys. Could possibly bring extra money from Penn dot. Some Alleys have been paved.
2. Crack sealing program- Councilor Reed advised Chestnut Street to South Street all need sealing. If church does not get sealed will create potholes. Larry Turoscy from Lehigh Engineering suggested using slurry seal its approximate 1/8” thick so curb reveal is not lost. Crack sealing should be done on lower priority roads. Crack sealing & slurry seal should be done on CDBG projects. Unknown person has six listed.
3. 2015 CDBG Project- Multiple job sites were discussed.
 - a. Fifth Street; North end, West Church to Franklin. Curbing & sidewalk

- b. West Church has a lot of alligator cracking. Main to West Church, do this instead of resurfacing
- c. Franklin Street; Between Park & Fairview Streets. May have to do some road excavation and tilt the road to get some type of reveal.
- d. Walnut Street; Washington to the alley. There are 3 or 4 catch basins that need to be fixed stops traffic if another car is coming.
- e. Lehigh Street; Walnut to Cherry Streets. The railroad crossing is a nightmare.

There are cracks toward the river. Although this will not be able to be repaired until pipe is fixed.

Councilor Reed suggested we add to the list

f. South Street; Second Street up to the top of the hill. One side is missing the macadam

g. West Franklin street; Main to West Fifth street, there is a lot of alligator cracking.

h. West Washington Street; 7th street to Hickory alley

Mr. Turoscy will get project values by next council meeting so recommendations can be discussed and approved.

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

Councilor Freed adjourned the meeting at 7:19 P.M.

Karen Gill
Assistant Borough Secretary