

## MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2018

The meeting of the Maintenance Committee was called to Order by Chairman Terry Green at 2:00 PM.

The following members were present: Vice President Sean Steeg, Councilman Robert Jackson, Supervisor Travis Gutshall and Borough Manager Daniel Varner.

Richard King took the minutes of the meeting.

The following guest were present: Dean Harris, Jennifer Clark and Kay Rossman.

### **Chairman Terry Green asked for public comments from the Guest present.**

Kay Rossman spoke on the Catherine Street issues and the rain that we have just received. She mentioned that the swales that were put in were working fine and where Mrs. Smith lives this was not completed and the water came down between the Shetrom's property and hers. Dan stated that he had talked to Mrs. Smith and gave her a name to contact. He said that Mrs. Smith just needs to get her sump pump out in front of her house.

Kay Rossman mentioned that the swale across the street on Catherine Street needs to be redefined a little more. There was a discussion on this to bring the water down 27<sup>th</sup> Street. Terry Green mentioned that they are looking at putting 4 inlets and pipe in and that this will help.

Kay Rossman mentioned that Tim Hinkle dug a ditch on his property to Moore Street and the water is running down the side of the road.

Kay Rossman spoke on the College Avenue S turn coming off of Cold Springs Road that the students are parking there and unloading their things to move in. She said that the school buses can't pass and that there needs to be signs placed of No Unloading and that this is dangerous. Terry Green mentioned about sending Juniata College a letter asking them to have Officers there to help with the situation. Dan Varner is to pass this on to Chief Buckley.

Kay Rossman spoke on the Engineering services that we have been receiving and this needs to be addressed. Kay said that at the last meeting there was an increase in the engineering budget and wanted to know what it was used for and that we are using tax payer's money. Sean Steeg said that the budget increase was at the Water and Sewer Committee meeting and this increase was for Pretreatment Industrial Permits and not Stormwater.

### **Travis Gutshall arrived at 2:25 PM.**

Dan Varner stated that he would like to thank the Maintenance Department for a tremendous job they did and he thanked Travis Gutshall for his work.

Jennifer Clark stated that she wanted to thank all the employees during this rain event.

Dean Harris said that he agrees with Kay on the Engineering services. Dan Varner stated that we have not spent much on engineering for the Highlands for Stormwater issues since he has been here.

## **Maintenance Department Report:**

Travis Gutshall asked if there were any questions on his report. There were none.

Dan Varner mentioned that HRI are forming the sidewalks up at the Muddy Run project. He said they will be seeding the area and then will meet with Mr. and Mrs. Raines.

Dan Varner mentioned that 25<sup>th</sup> Street has been added to the paving project and that we need to do base repair to the ditch from our water main extension across 25<sup>th</sup> Street.

Dan Varner mentioned that we have taken the 2004 Mack that we purchased from the auction to Marks Brothers. He said they were going to look at the brakes and run air lines and this will cost a couple thousand dollars to have it inspected. Travis Gutshall said that he told them to go ahead and service it so that they can start using it.

Travis Gutshall stated that Westminster Woods was their top priority and then 25<sup>th</sup> Street to do the water break patches and then they will take the Water line from 8<sup>th</sup> Street to 9<sup>th</sup> Street on Washington Street. David Wessels said that we should know about the grant on September 18, 2018 and Dan Varner said about the possibility of using CDBG money.

Travis Gutshall stated that the Arch was down and they will be cleaning the outbound lane first and then the inbound lane.

Terry Green mentioned about putting inlets on 27<sup>th</sup> Street and wanted to put one above Barnish's to help with that situation.

## **New Business:**

Terry Green mentioned that we need to look at the elevation on Miller Avenue to 27<sup>th</sup> Street and split Miller Avenue down by Richey's.

Terry Green mentioned that we need to cold patch the area between Church Street and Mifflin Street around Ned Crafts property.

Travis Gutshall stated that the Street Sweeper is down due to blown seals on the main lift and that the seals have been ordered.

Dan Varner mentioned that he had received a call from Tony Ricco from the Farmers Market and Tony wanted to know about using Portstown Park this Thursday. Dan recommended that he cancel this Thursday so that the Maintenance Department can clean up the area.

Dan Varner mentioned that the Maintenance Department did a great job on blocking the streets and the Water Department worked around the clock. The plant was shut down till 4:00 AM where they started it back up. He mentioned that the Sewer Department guys left around 9:00 PM and then had an alarm at 2:00 AM. He said that Roger Shaffer walked thru the woods to the sewer plant and took the high lift out to pick up the guys. He said that the plant was working fine and the flood wall worked great. The alarms are back on and in full operation.

Dan Varner wanted to commend the Maintenance Department, Water Treatment Department, Sewer Department, Police Department, Fire and Ambulance Departments for a great job.

It was mentioned about still having the open house at the Water Treatment Plant. Dan Varner called Steve Williams and it was still on.

**Jim Morris arrived at 2:40 PM**

David Wessels stated that he declared a State of Emergency and we will keep track of the time of the employee's worked.

Travis Gutshall stated that he appreciates Dan Varner, Chris Stevens and Chief Buckley for being out there during the night and that this meant a lot to the employees.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 PM.