

MINUTES

SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

October 10, 2023

Chairman Anthony Salomone called to order the Regular Meeting of the Susquehanna Township Authority on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at 7:00 PM at the Susquehanna Township Municipal Building, 1900 Linglestown Road, Harrisburg, PA.

AUTHORITY MEMBERS PRESENT

Anthony Salomone
Sean Sanderson
Frank Lynch
Steve Napper
Thomas Ward
Yves Pollart
Garry Brinton

AUTHORITY PERSONNEL PRESENT

David Pribulka, Township Manager
Jill Lovett, Finance Director
Nathan Bragunier, Public Works Director
Stan Laskowski, Caldwell & Kearns
Joel Kostelac, GHD
Josiah Bair, GHD
Elizabeth Logan, Assistant Township Manager
Alycia Knoll, Finance/HR Manager
Kathleen Geigley, Stormwater Coordinator

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Alex Greenly, HRG
Paul Palanzo, 3005 N. Progress Avenue
Barry Mutzabaugh, 540 Mountain Road

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting of September 12, 2023

Motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of September 12, 2023 by Mr. Ward; Second by Mr. Napper. The Motion was approved unanimously.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Mr. Paul Palanzo - 3005 N. Progress Avenue

Mr. Palanzo explained his property has been experiencing an on-lot septic failure for about one year now, and he is requesting the Board grant a waiver for mandatory sewer connection of his property. Mr. Palanzo explained that for him to connect the property

to public sewer, he would have to cut under Progress Avenue, which would involve getting permits from the State, locating other public utilities before digging, and potentially shutting down Progress Avenue. This could become very costly and a burden for him. Mr. Palanzo stated he would like to install a DEP approved system called Ecoflo Polyethylene Biofilter Pack. This system is designed for single residential properties with 1 family. Chairman Mr. Salomone questioned Mr. Josiah Bair, GHD if this was a good system. Mr. Bair said it is a good system and confirmed it would be a burden to connect because of where the main is located across Progress Avenue. Mr. Palanzo stated he had the property perk tested in the spring and it passed and his contractor, Mr. Mutzabaugh confirmed the testing results. Mr. Ward made a motion to grant the waiver in favor of the Ecoflo system with the stipulation that when Public Sewer was attainable, the Ecoflo would be abandoned, and the residence would be connected to Public Sewer. Mr. Pollart Seconded the Motion, and the Motion carried 6 votes to 1 opposing. Mr. Salomone requested GHD to involve the Sewer Enforcement Officer and do a study of the area to see what would be feasible for sewer. Mr. Laskowski stated he would draft a Memorandum of Understanding outlining the waiver and requirement of connection once public sewer is feasible for Mr. Palanzo's property.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion by Mr. Brinton; Second by Mr. Ward to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of September 2023. The Report was approved unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Planning & Construction

No Report

Budget & Finance

No Report

Personnel & Insurance

No Report

Pension

No Report

Rates & Regulations

No Report

Liaison to Board of Commissioners

No Report

Liaison to Planning Commission

No Report

REPORTS OF AUTHORITY STAFF

Manager/Director of Finance

Written report submitted for the month of September 2023 attached.

Ms. Lovett stated her report was attached if the Board had any questions. Mr. Pribulka stated he was trying to schedule the rate consultant, Gary Shambaugh, to attend the November Authority meeting.

Stormwater

Stormwater written report submitted for the month of September 2023 attached.

Mr. Greenly presented the Board with the bids for the North Galen Road Drainage Improvement Project. Mr. Greenly stated HRG is recommending awarding the bid to CPA Construction Services, Inc. in the amount of \$480,953.30. Mr. Greenly explained that the lowest bid submitted was a clerical error and the contractor misunderstood the bid parameters. Mr. Napper made a motion to approve the bid award to CPA Construction Services, Inc. in the amount of \$480,953.30. Mr. Pollart seconded the Motion, and the Motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Greenly presented the Board with Payment Application No. 1, for Construction Master Services, LLC, in the amount of \$14,102.10 for paving work on Maple Shade Drive after Stormwater repairs. Mr. Greenly stated HRG

is recommending approval of the payment to Construction Master Services, LLC. Mr. Brinton made a motion to approve Payment Application 1 in the amount of \$14,102.10 to Construction Master Services, LLC. Mr. Ward seconded the Motion, and the Motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Pribulka presented the Board with Resolution No. 2023-05, Corrective Deed of Dedication for Paxton Church Road. Mr. Pribulka explained that PPL installed a utility pole outside the original conveyed right-of-way dedicated in 2022. The placement of the pole is optimal for PPL because of the geometry and location of lines, so the corrected deed allows for the Authority to expand the right-of-way granted to the Township in the original deed. Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-05, Corrective Deed of Dedication for Paxton Church Road. Mr. Pollart seconded the Motion, and the Motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Pribulka presented the Board with Payment Application No. 3 from JVI Group, Inc. in the amount of \$634,445.25 for the Paxton Church Road Stabilization Project. Mr. Pribulka recommended approval for this payment application. Mr. Sanderson made a motion to approve payment in the amount of \$634,445.25 to JVI Group, Inc. for the Paxton Church Road Stabilization Project. Mr. Ward seconded the Motion, and the Motion was approved unanimously.

Solicitor

No Report.

Engineer

Written report submitted for the month of September 2023 copy attached.

Paxton Creek – North Branch and Woodridge –

Mr. Bair presented the Board with the Application for Payment No. 4 from Anrich in the amount of \$668,753.85 which GHD is recommending for Board approval. Mr. Brinton motioned to approve payment to Anrich in the amount of \$668,753.85 for Application of Payment No. 4. Mr. Sanderson seconded the Motion, and the Motion was approved unanimously.

Paxton Creek – Mini Basin 32A/Fox Run Trunk -

Mr. Bair stated Doli has completed the mainline replacement work and crews are progressing with lateral/building sewer replacements. The mainline/lateral and manhole lining sub-contractors will be on-site in the next weeks to prepare. Mr. Bair presented the Board with the Application for Payment No. 1 from Doli in the amount of \$939,790.17, which GHD is recommending for approval. Mr. Ward motioned to approve payment to Doli in the amount of \$939,790.17 for Application for Payment No 1. Mr. Sanderson seconded the Motion, and the Motion was approved unanimously.

Asylum Run Drainage Basin – Mini Basin 23B/C -

Mr. Bair stated GHD, Township staff, and Joao & Bradley met with Dauphin County Conservation District (DCCD) on Tuesday September 19th for the pre-construction Erosion & Sediment control meeting. The NPDES co-permittee form was signed by the Township and Contractor and submitted to DCCD. Mr. Bair stated the demolition of Wedgewood Pool was completed as part of the contract on September 25th and 26th.

Mr. Pribulka presented GHD's proposal for construction phase services for Asylum Run 23B/23C in the amount of \$307,600 for Board approval. Mr. Pribulka explained the services provided would include pre-construction meetings, review of work, change orders, requests for information, reviewing and calculating payment applications, and on-site inspections and management. Mr. Salomone questioned what the largest portion of this cost was. Mr. Pribulka explained it was most likely the full-time on-site inspector. Mr. Kostelac explained this proposal was in line with previous proposals for construction phase services. Mr. Pollart questioned if the Authority could use their own inspectors rather than inspectors from GHD. Mr. Kostelac stated the Authority could use their own inspectors and only request GHD staff inspectors should they need them. Mr. Kostelac stated the price would change with the use of the GHD inspectors and the amount of inspection time. Mr. Brinton made a motion to approve the proposal for

construction phase services from GHD in the amount of \$307,600. Mr. Pollart seconded the Motion, and the Motion was approved unanimously.

Public Works Director

Written report submitted for the month of September 2023 copy attached. Mr. Bragunier stated the Maple Shade paving project has been completed and Rogele will be working on Maple Lane the week of October 23rd. Mr. Bragunier stated staff marked lines for a One Call at 2412 Paxton Church Road but were called out for emergency repairs due to PPL Electric drilling through the PVC. Mr. Bragunier stated the Authority would be billing PPL for the costs of the emergency repairs. Mr. Bragunier stated that staff have been televising lines in various mini basins throughout the Township. This footage is uploaded to the Township GIS system to show locations and potentially help identify on-lot systems which the Authority may not know about.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Sanderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 P.M. Mr. Ward seconded the Motion. The Motion was approved unanimously.

Signed: 
Yves Pollart P.E., Secretary