

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
October 26, 2016**

The meeting of the Public Works Committee was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by Chairman Barry Christman. Committee members present in addition to Mr. Christman were Gene Gabel, Keith Endy, and Frank Deery, ex-officio member.

Also present were Council members Lori Carnes, Charles Heller and Terry Mest; Patricia Loder, Borough Manager; Bruce Hansley, Street Supervisor, Kent Morey, and a concerned citizen.

Mr. Christman called for public comment on the agenda; no comments were forthcoming.

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2016 meeting of the committee was made by Mr. Christman, second by Mr. Gabel, and approved.

Street Supervisor Report

Mr. Hansley reviewed with the members a report on the activities of the street department staff during the month of October. Mr. Hansley noted that delivery of the new leaf machine is expected on Wednesday, November 2nd. Leaf collection will begin Monday, November 7th.

Unfinished Business

Second Street Bridge – Mrs. Loder stated that TPD, Inc. is currently completing an application to be filed with the railroad for access to the railroad right-of-way. Mrs. Loder advised the members that TPD, Inc. has advised that there is a \$1,200 application fee and a minimum charge for flaggers of \$950. The turn-around time for review of the application is thirty days; however, the railroad has indicated they will expedite the review.

New Business

MS4 Permit Renewal – Kent Morey, SSM Group, Inc. – Mr. Morey reviewed with the members the renewal of the MS4 Permit, which will expire March 15, 2018. Mr. Morey noted that the permit application must be submitted to the DEP by September 16, 2017. Mr. Morey also reviewed with the members the requirement for a Pollution Reduction Plan to reduce sediment loading by ten percent. The PRP must identify how the Borough will reduce the sediment loading by the end of the permit term, which is March 15, 2018 – March 14, 2023. Mr. Morey noted that this renewal will require extensive engineering work with an estimated cost of \$35,000.

Following Mr. Morey's presentation and brief discussion by the committee, Mr. Morey agreed to submit a cost proposal for approval by Council at the November 7th meeting.

Comments on the Agenda

Mr. Christman called for public comments and recognized Mr. Clayton Leister who addressed the committee on various subjects including leachate originating from garbage trucks on Poplar Alley, the need for recycling, and his opposition to the Boyertown Area School District Monroe Street Driveway Extension being designated as a private driveway.

There being no further business to conduct a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. was made by Mr. Christman and seconded by Mr. Endy. The next meeting of the Public Works Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, November 22nd, 2016 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Loder
Borough Manager