

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
December 23, 2020**

The meeting of the Public Works Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Barry Christman. Committee members present in addition to Mr. Christman, were Keith Endy, Gene Gabel, and ex-officio member Frank Deery.

Also present were Council members Charles Heller, Lorraine Carnes, and Terry Mest; Marianne Deery, Mayor; Patricia Loder, Borough Manager; Bruce Hansley, Street Supervisor and interested citizens.

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

A motion to approve the minutes of the November 24, 2020 meeting of the committee was made by Mr. Christman, second by Mr. Endy, and approved.

Street Supervisor Report

Mr. Hansley reviewed with the committee a report on the activities of the street department personnel during the month. Mr. Hansley also noted that work to replace the roof on the Spaatz Bandshell is nearly complete.

Unfinished Business

MS4 General Permit – Mrs. Loder advised the committee that a total of seven curb bump outs are proposed for construction in 2021. Mr. Morey advises that a revised Pollution Reduction Plan will need to be submitted to the DEP. Mr. Morey will have the PRP completed by mid-January. A public meeting will be held to receive public input on the PRP. A 30 day public comment period is required prior to submission of the plan to the DEP for their approval. The PRP will be ready for submission to the DEP in March.

Street Reconstruction Project 2021 – The following streets will be advertised for reconstruction in 2021: Rhoads Avenue from Berks to Municipal Line; S Franklin Street from Second Street to Third Street; Third Street from S Reading Avenue to Chestnut Street; Englesville Road from Second Street to Municipal Line; and S Washington Street from Front Street to Municipal Line. Mr. Unger was reminded that the committee wants to bid the project early in 2021.

Curb Replacement College Street – As noted last month, notification to property owners will be done early in 2021.

New Business

There was no new business to conduct.

Public Comments

Mr. Christman called for public comment and recognized Mr. Charles Haddad and Mr. Jim Barton. Mr. Haddad informed the Committee of a newly formed group called ONE BOYERTOWN formed for the purpose of making Boyertown a destination place where people will want to live and be part of the Boyertown Community. Mr. Haddad expressed concern about the exterior appearance of properties in Boyertown and the conversion of single family residences to multiple unit properties. Mr. Haddad encouraged the Committee to make changes to have One Boyertown.

There being no further business to conduct a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. was made by Mr. Christman and seconded by Mr. Gabel. The next meeting of the Public Works Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, January 19th, 2021 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Loder
Borough Manager