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Township of Spring Infrastructure Committee Meeting Minutes – May 21, 2024

Vice-Chairperson Leroy Schannauer called the regularly scheduled public meeting of the Township of Spring Infrastructure Committee to order at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, in the Township of Spring Administration Building, located at 2850 Windmill Road, Spring Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania. The following committee members were present: Leroy Schannauer, Paul Darrah, and Alan Kreider. Sarah Ehrlich and Mike Kocher were absent. Jason Reichert, Mary L Rossi, Jen Bensinger, Dan Becker; Esquire, were also in attendance. Matt Boggs of Entech Engineering arrived at 8:35 a.m.

AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA – None

MINUTES:

Motion to approve the minutes of May 7, 2024 was made by Mr. Darrah and seconded by Mr. Kreider. After roll call, all Committee Members present voted affirmatively. MOTION CARRIED

OPEN TO THE FLOOR: No public comment.

Reading Avenue EWO

Mr. Darrah stated that everyone received a copy of the revised Reading Ave EWO for approval to recommend to the Board. The EWO was revised as the original EWO, which the Committee approved on May 7th, incorrectly included bid tabulations for Wyomissing.

Motion to recommend approval of the revised Reading Avenue Dig & Replace Project-Additional Scope for Entech Engineering, Inc. 4644-EWO-11534-110 was made by Mr. Kreider and seconded by Mr. Darrah. Upon roll call, All Committee members present voted affirmatively. MOTION CARRIED

Streets & Stormwater

Mr. Reichert reviewed the history of a presentation presented by the Metropolitan Group regarding the Reserve at Iroquois for the Township to consider authorizing speed bumps in the area they will be developing. Township staff has met and discussed the request, but the Committee still needs to make a formal recommendation. Mr. Reichert stated that the staff position at this time is that they are not in favor of recommending approval. The fire department reported it would impact their response time, and Mr. Reichert noted the road is meant to be a thoroughfare in the Township. The request was discussed in length, suggesting that staff speak with Scott Anderson, the Township Road Engineer, and discuss other options for traffic calming, such as painting lines on the road, signage, and lights.

Streets & Stormwater (Continued)

Motion to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that Township staff and the IC Committee are not in support of speed bumps and would welcome alternative options for speed control at the location, in the Reserve of Iroquois was made by Mr. Darrah and seconded by Mr. Kreider. Upon roll call, All Committee Members present voted affirmatively. MOTION CARRIED

ENTECH ENGINEERING REPORT:

NPDES Permit Renewal-Mr. Boggs said this permit is renewed every five (5) years.

Motion to recommend approval of the NPDES Permit Renewal for Entech Engineering, Inc. EWO P240472.00 was made by Mr. Darrah and seconded by Mr. Kreider. Upon roll call, All Committee Members present voted affirmatively. MOTION CARRIED

Grinder Pump Specs-Mr. Boggs updated the Committee and said the specs prepared are under review.

Wyomissing Interceptor Project—Mr. Boggs said the project should start after Memorial Day, with the substantial completion date scheduled for early December 2024. This date should work with the grant extension the Township applied for with the County.

Streets & Stormwater (Continued)

Mr. Reichert reported that staff met with Mr. Blew at Merritt Parkway to address his concerns again. He noted that surveying the area may be considered to better understand its elevations.

Mr. Reichert stated that staff is working with Schlouch Incorporated on some minor corrections to stabilize the channel at Werner Farms right below Old Fritztown Road, noting the channel that comes out at Old Fritztown Road is washed out at the bridge crossing for pedestrians.

ACTIVE DEVELOPMENTS

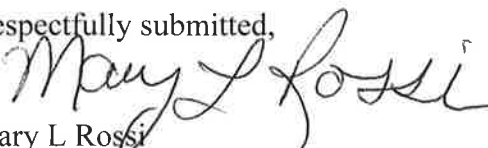
Mr. Reichert updated the Committee on Hofmann Industries and stated that staff had further discussions with the consultant Greg Bogia for Hofmann Industries. Ms. Bensinger found through her research that the office does not connect to the Township sewer; it goes to Sinking Spring. Mr. Reichert stated that the applicant was told to better delineate on their plans what they are showing for sewage.

The Committee discussed sewer capacity, procedure, and agreements needed for 7 Brew. Mr. Reichert will contact Travis Odom of 7 Brew to ensure he is aware of the steps he needs to take, including preparing a Sewer Planning Module.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next meeting is at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 4, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to discuss, Mr. Schannauer adjourned the meeting at 9:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary L Rossi
Township Secretary