

WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 19, 2023
UPPER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The MS4 Workshop Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Scott Sylvainus.

Board members present were Robert Disbrow, Kristin Mullen, Michael Rinker, Brian Sayago, and Scott Sylvainus. Also present were Township Manager, Lisa Klem, Township Solicitor, Gary Asteak, Township Engineers, Sean Dooley and Michael Schallock, Road Superintendent, Shawn Shupe, EAC Chairman, Nathan Pritchard, and Treasurer/ Recording Secretary, Deanne Werkheiser.

Township Engineer Sean Dooley reviewed the items on the agenda for the workshop. It has been abridged due to executive session. PRP project status updates and ordinance updates will be discussed.

PRP projects-

The Farmview Basin project has been completed. The completed project is as it was designed. The Public Works Department did an excellent job. Scott Sylvainus asked if new pipes to the roadway were installed. Sean responded no.

Sean stated they are preparing the permit application for Sycamore Park. Submission is expected for May. Lisa Klem stated that she expects information in July on the grant for this project.

Tewksbury and Fieldview basins have accumulated a lot of sedimentation and brush. Tewksbury basin was installed in 1992. Fieldview basin was installed in 2004. The Public Works Department is working on clearing them out. Work has been challenging due to the conditions. A decision can be made on who will do the work and what maintenance needs to be done once they are cleaned out. Sean stated that ideally one project would be completed by the end of the first quarter of 2024, with Sycamore and the other completed in 2024. Once we hear about the grant we will know how to proceed.

Pathogen testing is on track. A sampling is scheduled for tomorrow.

Sean stated that we are in a good position with the MS4 program projects. Robert Disbrow asked what changes to the flooding issues can we expect on Tatamy Road due to these upgrades? Sean responded not much because of the design. Shawn Shupe stated the issue is due to a pipe being too small further down the road. Robert asked if this will then cause other flooding issues? Sean responded no; this should not cause other flooding but in the future, you may need to have conversations with the school district. A brief discussion ensued on flooding issues on Tatamy Road.

Stormwater ordinance update-

Sean stated that two options were sent to the Board per his April 14, 2023, letter. Sean briefly reviewed the options, as they will be discussed further during the regular meeting. Lisa Klem asked if this should wait until we update SALDO or will we amend SALDO? We need to be consistent in all our ordinances.

Gary Asteak stated this can be a stand-alone ordinance and we can amend the SALDO. Sean stated he should have the draft ordinance to the Board in June for review. Robert Disbrow asked if this includes framework for stormwater tax. Sean responded yes. It would be in reserve to be applied when needed. He stated it would be similar to what Easton has in place.

The Board thanked Sean.

Having no other questions, the workshop ended at 6:20 PM. The Board went into Executive Session.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deanne Werkheiser
Recording Secretary

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