

**UPPER MERION TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
AUGUST 14, 2019**

The members of the Upper Merion Transportation Authority met for their reorganization and regular meeting on Wednesday, August 14, 2019 in the Township Building, 175 West Valley Forge Road, King of Prussia, PA. The meeting was called to order at 7:23 p.m. and commenced with the pledge of allegiance.

ATTENDANCE

Tom Kohler, Chairman
Lou Zotti, Vice-Chairman
Carlton Stuart, Secretary
Marvin Meneeley, Treasurer
Andrew Bahmueller, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer
Anthony Hamaday, Executive Secretary
Greg Philips, BOS Liaison
Nicholas Hiriak, Director of Finance
Missy Morales, Staff Liaison
Geoff Hickman, Director of Public Works
Noah Marlier, Rudolph Clarke, LLC
Jack Smyth, Jr., P.E., Consulting Engineers, Boles Smyth Associates, Inc., (BSA)

MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL:

It was moved by Mr. Meneeley, seconded by Mr. Bahmueller, all voting "Aye" to approve the meeting minutes of July 10, 2019 as submitted. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS:

Chairman Kohler announced that an executive session was held in July after the meeting to discuss potential legal matters and professional services.

NEW BUSINESS

Appoint Anthony Hamaday – Executive Secretary.

Mr. Kohler welcomed Mr. Hamaday to the Authority.

Authority Action:

It was moved by Mr. Meneeley, seconded by Mr. Stuart, all voting "Aye" to appoint Anthony Hamaday as Executive Secretary. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

Resolution 2019-01 Re: Authorizing the Authority Engineer to issue requests for qualifications to transportation engineering firms to perform appropriate actions under Act 209

Authority Action:

It was moved by Mr. Stuart, seconded by Mr. Meneeley, all voting "Aye" to approve Resolution 2019-01. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

Resolution 2019-02 Re: Authorizing the Authority's Director of Finance release the escrowed funds forthwith to Realen or its agent

Authority Action:

It was moved by Mr. Stuart, seconded by Mr. Zotti, all voting "Aye" to approve Resolution 2019-02. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT- None.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

**Relocated North Gulph Road, SR 0023 Section 2NG
(Including Granite Block Restoration at Valley Forge Monument)**

Mr. Smyth stated the roadside maintenance and the landscape unit have been very involved in this because of viewsheds and how visitors into the park are coming into it and what they want to see. Typically, this is not done at this point during design however, the maintenance unit is very happy with this. PennDOT at the request of the Park Service, added a second component to this project only because it is within the same vicinity. There is a section in front of Gulph Road and the area by the arch memorial has granite blocks and that needs to be redone. The area is located in the National Park and so the Programmatic Section 4(f) process was necessary and has been undertaken. It was also noted this project will be fully reimbursed by PennDOT.

SR 0023, Section TCB – PA 23 Trout Creek Bridge

Mr. Smyth stated that the bridge on Mancill Mill Road is the one destined to be replaced. BSA is advancing project design including refinements to the roadway plans, profiles and cross sections. It was noted that the preliminary engineering is being paid for by the Authority and final design onward will be picked up by PennDOT for payment. The project is in the CEE Review phase and is very close to submitting the Safety Review which will be the milestone to complete preliminary engineering.

Church Road Bridge over SEPTA Route 100 Line

Mr. Smyth stated that the project is approaching a point where the Reimbursement Agreement is in the final stage. The draft was reviewed by Mr. Smyth and Mr. Marlier and was sent back to SEPTA to move forward and execute, status is ongoing. BSA has received the outstanding 4181-UC forms from affected utility companies to complete the D-419 Utility Clearance which is PennDOT's mechanism to allow for funding on the project. The revised D-419 will Utility Clearance will be submitted to PennDOT for review when the SEPTA Reimbursement Agreement is executed. Mr. Marlier noted that status is ongoing for the Reimbursement Agreement but he is hopeful that it is completed by mid-September.

Prince Frederick Extension (PFE)

Continued coordination with Montgomery County for Chester Valley Trail Extension Project. Chester Valley Trail is going to construct the first 50 feet of the Prince Frederick Extension in the area of the intersection and then the Glasgow Tract development team will construct from there on. There has been a lot of coordination to make sure the designs work well together. The Prince Frederick Extension itself caused PennDOT to need a Saulin Boulevard left turn lane due to the proposed Prince Frederick left turn lane. Review through PennDOT is ongoing.

Potential New PA Turnpike Interchange at Henderson Road

Montgomery County along with SEPTA requested a meeting because SEPTA is in the process of submitting their 15% design plans on the project. It became apparent that the concept for the interchange was not jiving with the Route 100 project and so there was discussion regarding the interchange ramp revisions to allow for both projects to advance. A conference call was held with DVRCP, Montgomery County and SEPTA regarding the Route 100 Extension's affect on traffic projections. The group decided on a strategy to include the SEPTA Route 100 station in the No Build Scenario. Mr. Smyth raised the question whether or not the Authority would authorize to update the concept design to reflect what was spoken about in that meeting, if so, at the next meeting a sketch concept would be provided. A discussion ensued regarding the parking lot situation and completion timeframe of the interchange.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT- None.

FINANCIAL REPORT- None.

REQUISITIONS – August 14, 2019

Boles, Smyth Assoc., Inc.	\$ 13,116.03	Relocation of North Gulph Road (SR 3039) for work Performed 6-1-19 thru 6-30-19 INVOICE #67
Boles, Smyth Assoc., Inc.	\$ 7,900.86	Trout Creek Bridge Replacement Project for work performed for the Period 6-1-19 thru 6-30-19 INVOICE #40
Upper Merion Township	\$ 3,500.00	Reimbursement for 2018 audit services
Upper Merion Township	\$ 520.56	Reimbursement for 2019 record storage
Rudolph Clarke, LLC	\$ 256.50	Church Rd Bridge INVOICE #72311
Rudolph Clarke, LLC	\$ 1,107.00	Realen INVOICE #72312
Rudolph Clarke, LLC	\$ 661.50	Professional Services General representation INVOICE #72313
TOTAL:	\$27,062.45	

Authority Action:

It was moved by Mr. Stuart, seconded by Mr. Meneeley, all voting "Aye" to approve the August 14, 2019 requisitions in the amount of \$27,062.45. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS - None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Authority, the meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.



THOMAS KOHLER
CHAIRMAN

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Minutes Approved:

Minutes Entered: