

UPPER MERION GENERAL AUTHORITY
March 11, 2015

The members of the Upper Merion General Authority met for their regular meeting on Wednesday, March 11, 2015 in the Township Building, 175 West Valley Forge Road, King of Prussia, PA. The meeting was called to order at 8:32 p.m. and commenced with the pledge of allegiance.

ATTENDANCE

Marvin Meneeley, Chairman
Tom Kohler, Vice-Chairman
Louis Zotti, Treasurer
Carlton Stuart, Secretary
Michael Santillo, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer
Greg Philips, Supervisor Liaison
Ed O'Brien, Director of Public Works
Joseph Pizonka, Esq., Pizonka, Pizonka, Reilley, Bello & McGrory, P.C
Nicholas Hiriak, Director of Finance
Rita Ann Pfeiffer, Recording Secretary

ABSENT

Dave Kraynik, Township Manager

MEETING MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Santillo, seconded by Mr. Stuart, all voting "Aye" to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2015 meeting as submitted. None opposed. Motion approved 5-0.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Requests for Service

During the month of February there were 14 requests for services and 74 room setups that were completed.

Electric Car Charging Stations

There were 21 charging sessions equaling approximately 30.1 gallons of gasoline saved. Mr. Zotti asked if these figures included the township car. Mr. O'Brien responded for the month of February there were three dates that included another vehicle, but the remaining charging sessions were for the public works car.

In view of the winter weather we experienced, Mr. Meneeley asked how costs for snow prep and removal compared with what was budgeted. Mr. O'Brien responded all the costs are not in yet. He noted there was enough salt and still salt remaining for another storm or two if needed. Equipment held up fairly well.

Mr. Meneeley commented other than potholes, the roads are in pretty decent shape. Mr. O'Brien said township roads are doing better than state roads and the township is preparing for the annual resurfacing program.

Bridge Bundling Program

Mr. O'Brien reported PennDOT has selected the Keebler Road Bridge to be considered for participation in the Bridge Bundling Program. If selected for this program, PennDOT will perform repairs of the bridge at no cost.

Mr. Zotti asked if this is a one-time arrangement. Mr. O'Brien responded in the affirmative.

Mr. Kohler explained there is one company that will be awarded the design for 600 bridges in the state. These will all be bridges of similar design at each location with different lengths.

Mr. O'Brien stated there are some restrictions such as ample right of way is needed. The design is on a tight schedule and everything has to flow.

Mr. Kohler asked if it is confirmed that PennDOT is doing the bridge or if it is on a short list of possible bridges. Mr. O'Brien responded PennDOT will be doing the bridge.

Mr. Kohler asked if there is a proposed timetable because his concern is that it would be best if this could be done when the school is not in session. Mr. O'Brien responded this has already been discussed with PennDOT and it was suggested they do a presentation before the Board of Supervisors at one of their televised business meetings and also reach out to the school district since this bridge is right outside their school.

Mr. Kohler said he would imagine there would be a detour. Mr. O'Brien responded in the affirmative and said PennDOT discussed some detour routes and this would be coordinated through the police department. He noted it will be necessary for the township to become a PennDOT business partner since there are some administrative details PennDOT will require. Mr. Hiriak pointed out the Transportation Authority is already a business partner with PennDOT.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

None.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

None.

FINANCIAL REPORT

None.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Authority, the meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

DAVID G. KRAYNIK
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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