

UPPER MERION TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

July 12, 2017

The members of the Upper Merion Transportation Authority met for their regular meeting on Wednesday, July 12, 2017 in the Township Building, 175 West Valley Forge Road, King of Prussia, PA. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. and commenced with the pledge of allegiance.

ATTENDANCE

Tom Kohler, Chairman
Marvin Meneeley, Treasurer
Carlton Stuart, Secretary
David G. Kraynik, Executive Secretary
Jack Smyth, Jr., P.E., Consulting Engineers, Boles Smyth Associates, Inc., (BSA)
Noah Marlier, Rudolph Clarke, LLC
Nicholas Hiriak, Director of Finance
Rita Ann Pfeiffer, Recording Secretary

ABSENT

Lou Zotti, Vice-Chairman
Ian Kingsley, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer
Greg Philips, Supervisor Liaison
Edward J. O'Brien, Director of Public Works

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS:

Mr. Kohler stated an Executive Session was held prior to this meeting to discuss a legal matter.

MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL:

It was moved by Mr. Meneeley, seconded by Mr. Stuart, all voting "Aye" to approve the meeting minutes of June 14, 2017 as submitted. None opposed. Motion approved 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Time Extension for SR 3051, Section C22, Old Betzwood Bridge Bicycle/Pedestrian Trail Project, Agreement #164046-B (Part III – Construction Phase Services)

Mr. Smyth stated this is to extend the contract duration for the construction phase services to April 30, 2018. The project's physical work has been completed. The extension is to complete the Legal Right of Way abandonment and transfer of ownership process for the Agreement.

Authority Action:

It was moved by Mr. Stuart, seconded by Mr. Meneeley, all voting "Aye" to approve the contract time extension to April 30, 2018 for Agreement No. 164046-B. None opposed. Motion approved 3-0.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Development Plan Updates

Public Hearing June 15, 2017: Doubletree Hotel, 301 W. DeKalb Pike, Rezone 7.74 acres from HR High Rise District to GC General Commercial District – rezoning requested for acreage in front of the property for potential retail. Several supervisors expressed concern about the necessity and appropriateness of impact on open space and trees. Applicant was asked to conduct further analysis and return with additional ideas and a specific plan.

Lilly Pulitzer Development Plan, 800 Third Avenue, Two, two-story office building additions (19,000 square feet) to the existing office and warehouse facility, 10 acres – Board of Supervisors will review at a workshop meeting on July 13th. Applicant plans a new pedestrian connection to the offsite parking on the opposite side of the street as well as new stormwater management. If approved the Authority would realize an Act 209 fee of approximately \$102,000.

Additional Authority Comments:

Mr. Kohler asked if there is any information about what Simon is considering for the JCPenney space at the Mall. Mr. Kraynik responded there is nothing specific to report at this time but Simon intends to make changes for additional potential retail not only for the JCPenney site but also for the portion of the back of the property fronting and adjacent to Mall Boulevard. By late summer or early fall Simon will have more specific information.

Mr. Kohler pointed out unlike some of the other department stores, JCPenney does not own the building and leases from Simon.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Multi-Use Trail Bridge over the Schuylkill River

All physical work has been done and the one year Plant Establishment period has ended. All plantings have been inspected and accepted. There has been continuing coordination with PennDOT, Upper Merion Township, West Norriton Township and the National Park Service regarding preparation of the SR 3051 Legal Right of Way abandonment agreements. BSA is currently assisting Upper Merion Township in drafting a resolution for approval as part of the donation process.

Relocated North Gulph Road

Continued coordination with PennDOT on the consultant technical review process. Status is pending.

Prince Frederick Extension

Obtained the processed AutoCad mapping at Final Design level accuracy from the recent flight. The accurate mapping will allow BSA to design the project and concentrate on the Prince Frederick Extension designs at the Henderson and Saulin Boulevard intersections.

Church Road Bridge over SEPTA Route 100 Line

BSA is completing a Request for Proposal (RFP) from UMTA that will be advertised through the PennDOT ECMS process for construction inspection. A draft is anticipated by July 14th.

A significant milestone has been reached. The PennDOT Bridge Engineer signed the Final Structure Plan for the Bridge over the SEPTA rail line. BSA has revised and transmitted the Temporary Utility Pipe Support Plans and design calculations to Gannett Fleming for PennDOT review. These plans are for the temporary relocation of the 4" PECO gas main and the 12" Aqua PA water main around the culvert and SEPTA bridge.

BSA met with Contech to discuss the installation requirements for the prefabricated culvert. BSA received Final Culvert Plans from Contech for the prefabricated culvert to finalize overall construction staging. The main issue is the utility lines in that area, especially going across the bridge. Phase 1 of this project is installation of a temporary utility structure. Phase 2 would be culvert installation. Contractor said between three and four months from Notice to Proceed for delivery of the prefabricated structures. Phase 3 of the project will construct the bridge over the Route 100 trolley tracks. Phase 4 would be the final roadway work on either side. Staging from an excavation perspective, including excavation limits, is being finalized. These limits and the associated staged contours are the basis for the Erosion and Sediment Pollution Control for submission to the Montgomery County Conservation District.

PA 23 Trout Creek Bridge

Minor comments in Archaeology Report are being addressed. This is needed for the Scoping Field View document for this project.

Station Lane Connector Driveway – Conceptual Design Services

Final Cooperative Management Agreement (CMA) was forwarded to UMTA for signature on July 10th and the NPS returned the fully executed agreement to UMTA on July 11th. The Notice to Proceed has started.

Potential New PA Turnpike Interchange at Henderson Road

The aerial mapping was done but is not being processed into AutoCad base mapping at this time. Processing of the mapping will occur upon further authorization.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor provided update to Authority members during Executive Session and there was no further public report.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JUNE 2017

Mr. Nick Hiriak, Finance Director, reviewed the financial report for June 2017. He said June requisitions cover two months since there was no meeting in May. It was noted interest earnings are up. Mr. Hiriak provided Authority members with copies of both audit reports and reported everything is "clean and crisp."

Mr. Kohler asked about the status of the infrastructure bank loan. Mr. Hiriak reported everything is fine and a payment will be made in August.

Mr. Kohler asked for clarification if some of the requisitions for the existing projects could come out of the Act 209. Mr. Smyth responded many of the requisitions are reimbursable. Mr. Hiriak noted the Multi-Use Trail, Church Road Bridge over SEPTA and Relocated North Gulph Road are all reimbursable and the Trout Creek Bridge is utilizing Authority dollars.

REQUISITIONS – JULY 2017

Boles, Smyth Assoc., Inc.	\$ 822.99	Trout Creek Bridge Replacement Project for work performed for the Period 5-1-17 thru 5-31-17 INVOICE #15
Boles, Smyth Assoc., Inc.	\$ 2,918.58	Construction Phase Services for Multi-Use Trail Bridge over Schuylkill River project for work performed 5-1-17 thru 5-31-17 INVOICE #39
Boles, Smyth Assoc., Inc.	\$ 456.19	East Church Road Bridge Replacement over SEPTA for work performed 5-1-17 thru 5-31-17 INVOICE #40
Boles, Smyth Assoc.	\$ 837.39	Relocation of North Gulph Road (SR 3039) for work performed 5-1-17 thru 5-31-17 INVOICE #42
Rudolph Clarke, LLC Suite 200 Seven Neshaminy Interplex Trevose, PA19053	\$ 13.50	Professional Services General Representation 5-9-17 INVOICE #62975
TOTAL:	\$5,048.65	

Authority Action:

It was moved by Mr. Meneeley, seconded by Mr. Stuart, all voting “Aye” to approve the July 2017 requisitions in the amount of \$5,048.65. None opposed. Motion approved 3-0.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Authority, the meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

DAVID G. KRAYNIK
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

THOMAS KOHLER
CHAIRMAN

Minutes Approved:
Minutes Entered: