

**UPPER MERION TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
JANUARY 9, 2013**

The members of the Upper Merion Transportation Authority met for a meeting on Wednesday, January 9, 2013 in the Township Building, 175 West Valley Forge Road, King of Prussia, PA. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and commenced with the pledge of allegiance.

**ATTENDANCE**

Louis Zotti, Vice-Chairman  
Marvin Meneeley, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer  
Tad Hershey, Treasurer  
Carl Pinto, Secretary  
Greg Philips, Supervisor Liaison  
David G. Kraynik, Township Manager  
Edward J. O'Brien, Director of Public Works  
Jack Smyth, Jr., P.E., Consulting Engineers, Boles Smyth Associates, Inc., (BSA)  
Joseph Pizonka, Esq., Solicitor, Pizonka, Reilley, Bello & McGrory, P.C  
Nicholas Hiriak, Director of Finance  
Rita Ann Pfeiffer, Recording Secretary

**ABSENT**

Michael Santillo, Chairman

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Transportation Authority Reorganization**

On a motion by Mr. Meneeley, seconded by Mr. Pinto, all voting "Aye", Mr. Kraynik was elected Temporary Chairman. Motion approved 4-0. The following appointments were made for the year 2013:

On a motion by Mr. Meneeley, seconded by Mr. Hershey, all voting "Aye", Mr. Santillo was nominated as Chairman of the Authority. None opposed. Motion approved 4-0.

On a motion by Mr. Meneeley, seconded by Mr. Hershey the nominations were closed and Mr. Santillo was appointed Chairman of the Authority. None opposed. Motion approved 4-0.

It was moved by Mr. Meneeley, seconded by Mr. Hershey, all voting "Aye", to nominate and approve the following appointments en bloc:

Mr. Zotti was appointed Vice-Chairman of the Authority  
Mr. Pinto was appointed Secretary of the Authority  
Mr. Hershey was appointed Treasurer of the Authority  
Mr. Meneeley was appointed Assistant Treasurer/Assistant Secretary of the Authority

**APPOINTMENTS:**

On a motion by Mr. Hershey, seconded by Mr. Meneeley, all voting "Aye" the following were appointed en bloc by a vote of 4-0:

Mr. Kraynik was appointed Executive Secretary

Mr. Hiriak was appointed Finance Director.

Firm of Boles Smyth Associates, was appointed Consulting Engineer, at the rate listed in their letter of intent dated December 17, 2012.

Firm of Pizonka, Reilley, Bello, & McGrory, P.C. was appointed Solicitor, at the rate listed in their letter of intent dated December 12, 2012.

Firm of Rhodes & Sinon, LLP was appointed as Bond Counsel.

Firm of Maillie, Falconiero & Company, LLP, CPA was appointed as Auditors.

### **ESTABLISHMENT OF MEETING DATE:**

On a motion by Mr. Hershey, seconded by Mr. Pinto, all voting "Aye", the Authority set the second Wednesday of each month, at **7:00 p.m.** as their regular meeting date and time. Meetings will be held in the Board Room of the Township Building, unless otherwise advertised. None opposed. Motion approved 4-0.

### **MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL:**

It was moved by Mr. Hershey, seconded by Mr. Meneeley, all voting "Aye" to approve the meeting minutes of December 12, 2012 as submitted. None opposed. Motion approved 4-0.

### **EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT**

#### **Welcome to Supervisor Greg Philips**

Mr. Kraynik welcomed Supervisor Greg Philips as new liaison from the Board of Supervisors to the Authority.

#### **Henderson Road Widening**

The contractor made much progress before the holiday shutdown and is currently working on Stage 2 elements while the weather allows. Glasgow is awaiting the mast arm deliveries for the Henderson Road & Church Road signal.

#### **Church Road Bridge Over SEPTA Route 100 Line**

Type, Size and Location plans were submitted to Gannett Fleming and PennDOT today for review. Once plans are approved, borings can be done.

#### **Multi-Use Trail Bridge over the Schuylkill River**

Permit needed from DEP and Army Corps of Engineers in order to work in the river.

#### **Norristown High Speed Line Extension Study**

Extension study is moving. SEPTA will be at the Board of Supervisors Workshop on January 17<sup>th</sup> to give the supervisors an update on the study. Public meeting dates have not been announced as yet.

#### **Allendale Road Bridge Maintenance Project**

Currently negotiating two construction easements, and once easements are obtained the project would be let out in the next month or two.

#### **Sidewalk Installation**

Kick-off meeting held yesterday with Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) regarding a sidewalk project along portions of Route 202 and Henderson Road which will be partially

funded by a \$260,000 federal grant. That grant along with a matching amount of money in this year's Capital Budget will allow the installation of about 4,000 linear feet of much-needed sidewalk. T&M Associates are conducting a land survey to determine the final location and placement of sidewalks as well as addressing the environmental issues. DVRPC representative indicated it will probably be a two-year cycle to get all the necessary approvals.

## **Development Projects**

Wawa/Chick-fil-A along Route 202: Site work development continues.

Target across the street: Once Land development agreement is finalized and escrow is established, permits will be issued. Demolition is anticipated to begin sometime in the first quarter of 2013.

Container Store (next to Exxon Station on corner of Allendale and Route 202: Mobilization of equipment and some site work has begun.

Redevelopment of Exxon property: Board of Supervisors will consider second review at the January 10th Business Meeting. An AT&T store and Chipotle Restaurant are proposed. Board of Supervisors made it clear, if at all possible, to have pedestrian connectivity between the Exxon and Mall property. Engineers are working on that.

A discussion followed about ways to address the safety issue of drivers turning left onto Allendale Road from the Exxon property. Delineators were suggested similar to the ones on Henderson Road at US 202. At their December meeting the supervisors made it clear this situation has to be addressed with some sort of a barrier.

Shake Shack (behind Mall on Mall Boulevard): Board of Supervisors considering First Review on January 10<sup>th</sup>.

## **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

### **Multi-Use Trail Bridge over the Schuylkill River (SR 3051 Section C22)**

The joint permit from DEP and Army Corps of Engineers covers different elements that need to be addressed such as Erosion and Sediment Control. BSA resubmitted revised E&S plans for review by the Montgomery County Conservation District. There is a Hydraulic and Hydrologic (H&H) report detailing the impact the new bridge will have on the river and the flood plain, which should result in a zero increase to the 100-year flood elevation after construction of the project. The H&H report has been reviewed multiple times by PennDOT and is now being finalized by the end of this week. The bridge designs are included with the permit so that the DEP and Corps of Engineers cumulatively review the existing and proposed impacts in order to grant the permit for our contractor. This is a critical path item. The actual PS&E package, the plans, specifications and estimates, are being finalized for submission to PennDOT over the course of the next six weeks for a plans review. The project team is working to respond to comments on the Constructability Review plans set as part of the PS&E package currently being prepared for the project. A Constructability Review session was also held with the National Park Service and Valley Forge National Historical Park because they are going to be integrally involved during construction.

### **Henderson Road Widening**

Final progress meeting for the season was held on December 20<sup>th</sup>. Progress meetings will resume in the spring. Glasgow is still working and showing a presence. Line painters are going out

tomorrow to set up the winter traffic pattern. Because the wearing course is not down, this will restrict cars from traveling next to the curb lines so inlets are not damaged. There will be a shoulder with two lanes heading north as you pass the turnpike and one lane heading south.

Payment information has been submitted to PennDOT on December 21<sup>st</sup> for the major sinkhole that opened on the Henderson Road shoulder on October 29<sup>th</sup>. Jack will follow up with PennDOT in the next two weeks.

### **Church Road Bridge**

Ang Associates has transmitted the draft Type, Size and Location (TS&L) Plan for the culvert (not for the actual bridge over SEPTA Route 100 line) to BSA for internal review. The bridge has been fully approved. Currently working on getting the culvert to connect with the culvert that comes under Yerkes with the culvert that goes under Church Road. Instead of doing it as a Design Build, PennDOT wanted it fully designed and that has caused a delay. Once the Type, Size and Location is approved, the borings for the culvert and its retaining walls can be done. BSA's subconsultant will then do the foundation report and final structure plans.

### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

#### **Shreiner**

Mr. Pizonka reported on the December meeting he, Jack Smyth Jr. and Mr. Wagenmann had with Mr. Shreiner and his lawyer, Richard Burns. A discussion ensued regarding various options for resolution of the pending matter. Mr. Pizonka will initiate appropriate follow up.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mr. Nick Hiriak, Director of Finance, detailed the budget report balances. Reimbursement requests will be submitted to PennDOT early next week. Working with BSA to reconcile all PIB expenses. Mr. Hiriak reported \$15,000 interest which hit the mark that was budgeted. Casino monies will be forthcoming on their six-month payment plan. Preparation underway for audit to start in April after tax season.

### **REQUISITIONS – January 2013**

Boles, Smyth Assoc., Inc.	\$10,111.25	Henderson Rd. Widening Construction Phase Svcs. 9/1/12 thru 11/30/12, Invoice #1
Boles, Smyth Assoc., Inc.	\$ 5,958.00	Transportation Engineering, Consultant Services, 4/1/12 thru 8/31/12, Invoice #77
Boles, Smyth Assoc., Inc.	\$ 60,097.49	Multi-Use Trail Bridge Over the Schuylkill River SR 3051, Section C22, 11/1/12 thru 11/30/12, Invoice #8
Boles, Smyth Assoc., Inc.	\$ 1,503.47	Multi-Use Trail Bridge Over Schuylkill River, SR 3051, Section C22, 9/1/12 thru 10/19/12, Invoice #25
Metz Engineers	\$ 25,332.00	S. Henderson Rd Widening, 10/29/12 to 12/02/12, Project M7519, Inv. Dated 12/19/12
Glasgow, Inc.	\$ 223,481.27	Henderson Rd Widening SR 3029, Section HRD Inv. #6 for period ending 12/20/12

Pizonka, Reilley	\$ 202.50	Professional Services Invoice #30269 for 12/12/12
R. Pfeiffer	\$ 28.24	PRE-PAID Reimbursement Expenses Incurred in connection with TA Dec Mtg.
	\$	
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$326,714.22</b>	

Authority Action:

It was moved by Mr. Hershey, seconded by Mr. Meneeley, all voting "Aye" to approve the January requisitions in the amount of \$326,714.22. None opposed. Motion approved 4-0.

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Authority, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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DAVID G. KRAYNIK  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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MICHAEL SANTILLO  
CHAIRPERSON

Minutes Approved:  
Minutes Entered:

