

**UPPER MERION TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**  
**October 14, 2020**

The members of the Upper Merion Transportation Authority met for their regular meeting on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 via the Township's WEBEX virtual meeting platform and in the Township Building, 175 West Valley Forge Road, King of Prussia, PA. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. and commenced with the pledge of allegiance.

**ATTENDANCE**

Tom Kohler, Chairman  
Andy Bahmueller, Vice-Chairman  
Carlton Stuart, Secretary - excused  
Marvin Meneeley, Treasurer  
Lou Zotti  
Anthony T. Hamaday, Executive Secretary  
Nick Hiriak, Director of Finance  
Geoff Hickman, Director of Public Works  
Jack Smyth, Jr., P.E., Authority Engineer  
Noah Marlier, Authority Solicitor  
Greg Philips, Supervisor Liaison

**CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS**

None

**MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL:**

It was moved by Mr. Meneeley, seconded by Mr. Zotti, all voting "Aye" to approve the meeting minutes of September 9, 2020 as submitted. None opposed. Motion approved 4-0.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Mr. Hamaday informed the Authority that on October 13, 2020, the Township held a Transportation Modeling Meeting with representatives from the Township, Transportation Authority, PennDot, Montgomery County, DVRPC, Greater Valley Forge TMA, SEPTA and the Turnpike Commission to begin a continuous dialogue on the current and future development plans in the Township as well as traffic and transportation challenges the township is facing. There was an opportunity to have all the key transportation stakeholders share their current transportation plans and initiatives as well as an opportunity to discuss challenges here in the Township. All the participants provided their ideas and thoughts for the future growth of the Township and the resulting transportation needs. The meeting was the first in what the Township hopes will be a semi-annual discussion meeting.

## **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Mr. Smyth submitted and reviewed for the Authority members a monthly project status report. (attached to the minutes). He also reviewed the Church Road Bridget Replacement Project bid results through PennDot's ECMS System which indicates that Road-Con, Inc was the apparent low bidder with a contract price of \$5,142,381.20. (attached)

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT** - no report

## **PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR REPORT**

Mr. Hickman provided an update on the Dekalb Street Sidewalk Project which is approximately 90% complete. The contractor has about 1 week of work left. Mr. Hickman indicated that he is still waiting for PennDot to approve the de-scoping of the handicapped access ramp at Saulin Blvd and add the installation of the ramp to the Chester Valley Trail Project.

Mr. Hickman also informed the Authority that the Township's annual Paving Program has been completed and that he is preparing a Professional Services Request for the engineering and administration of the Township's 2021 Paving Program which would be awarded by the Board of Supervisors in November or December.

Mr. Meneely asked if we were still pursuing a partnership with AQUA for repairing roads that they have been working in. Mr. Hickman indicated that we were. Mr. Hamaday indicated that since Aqua is still working on their latest main replacement project, including Prince Frederick Street, it couldn't be included in the 2020 road Program and the Township would let Aqua repave the affected roads.

Mr. Phillips inquired about the status of the S. Gulph Road Widening Project near Valley Forge Memorial Gardens. Mr. Smyth indicated that the project has been carried forward by PennDot on the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) and that PennDot has already acquired a right-of-way from the cemetery. Mr. Smyth also indicated that the County was also moving it forward since it is an important part of the Henderson Road Turnpike Slip Ramp.

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mr. Nick Hiriak, Finance Director, reviewed financial report for September which did not have significant activity. Mr. Hiriak also informed the Authority that he would have a draft 2021 Budget for their review in November.

## **REQUISITIONS – MARCH 2018**

Authority Action:

It was moved by Mr. Bahmueller, seconded by Mr. Zotti, to approve the October 14, 2020 requisitions in the amount of \$30,250.17. Motion approved 4-0.

## **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Authority, the meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

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**ANTHONY T. HAMADAY**  
**EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**

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**THOMAS KOHLER**  
**CHAIRMAN**

Minutes Approved:

Minutes Entered: