

**UPPER MERION TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**  
**July 13, 2022 Meeting – 7:00PM**

The members of the Upper Merion Transportation Authority met for their regular meeting on Wednesday, July 13, 2022 at the Upper Merion Township Building. The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM and commenced with the pledge of allegiance.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Andrew Bahmueller, Chair  
Tom Kohler, Vice Chair  
Lou Zotti, Secretary/Treasurer  
Andrew Kang  
Anthony Hamaday, Executive Secretary  
Geoff Hickman, Director of Public Works  
Noah Marlier, Solicitor, Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell, & Lupin, PC  
Jack Smyth, Engineer, Boles, Smyth Associates, Inc.  
Nick Hiriak, Director of Finance  
Greg Phillips, Supervisor Liaison

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There were no comments from the general public.

**MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL:**

It was moved by Mr. Zotti, seconded by Mr. Kang, all voting "Aye" to approve the minutes from the June 8, 2022 Authority meeting. None opposed. Motion approved 4-0.

**AUTHORITY MEMBER COMMENTS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Church Road Bridge Construction Inspection Agreement Supplement #2 – TPD, Inc.

**Mr. Kohler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Zotti, to approve the Supplement #2 to the Church Road Bridge Construction Inspection Agreement with TDP, Inc as requested by TDP due to the possible need to extend the constitution schedule as a result of the foundation design change. All voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0**

B. Authorization to Negotiate with PennDOT for the 100% Reimbursable Supplemental Consultant Agreement for the SR 0023 Section 2 NG (North Gulph Rd Relocation) Project (Agreement No. 164228-A)".

Mr. Smyth indicated that this has been a planned supplement and has been discussed with PennDot over the last 6 months. The current reimbursement agreement could not be extended and the new supplement would cover base mapping, project design, survey and utility coordination. Mr. Smyth also indicated that the gas line relocation in the Park needs federal legislation to permit installation and the park Service has been contacted to start the legislative process.

**Mr. Kohler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Zotti, to authorize Boles Smyth to negotiate with PennDOT for the 100% Reimbursable Supplemental Consultant Agreement for the SR 0023 Section 2NG Project (Agreement No. 164228-A)". All voted Aye. Motion carried 4-0**

**EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

No report

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

Mr. Smyth presented status updates for the following projects: Church Road Bridge over SEPTA Route 100 Line, Prince Frederick Extension, and the Act 209 Update Request for Consultant Qualifications. (cf. attached report). He also noted that PennDot approved the Church Road Bridge foundation redesign.

Mr. Smyth indicated that the caissons for the Church Road bridge foundations are being drilled and should be completed within 2 weeks. The bridge structure should be completed by the end of the year. A new completion schedule will be developed after the caissons are drilled.

Mr. Smyth also updated the Authority on the Chester Valley Trail Extension Bridges on Gulph Road and Henderson Road which should begin installation toward the end of the month or early August.

Supervisor Phillips suggested that the Authority should authorize Mr. Smyth's office to prepare and submit a Multi-modal Grant proposal for the completion of the Prince Frederick Blvd. He also indicated that the Authority should take a look at the Township's Comprehensive Plan with regard to areas of the Township like Swedeland that will need improved access to major roadways as redevelopment occurs.

Mr. Smyth also informed that Authority that Act 209 updated process is nearing the stakeholder selection process.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

No report.

**DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:**

Mr. Hickman informed that Authority that PennDot did not provide the township any notice that they would be paving Crooked lane and as a result the Township received numerous complaints. He also indicated that as a part of the Valley Forge Road paving project, PennDot would be restriping the road between Geerdes and Caley Road. The westbound double lane from Promedica to Geerdes would be eliminated and a bike lane added.

**DIRECTOR OF FINANCE REPORT:**

Mr. Hamaday offered the following financial information for the month of June:

- Revenue- Commonwealth of PA reimbursements for Church Rd-\$19,208.94
- Expenses - Expenses were paid as approved at last month's meeting - \$212,631.34.
- Requisitions: Total amount of TA requisitions = \$41,037.18---\$20,219.94 is related to Church Rd construction

**REQUISITIONS:**

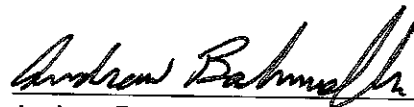
It was moved by Mr. Kohler, seconded by Mr. Kang, all voting "Aye" to approve the July 13, 2022 requisitions in the amount of \$41,037.18. None opposed. Motion approved 4-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Rob Erickson, Hughes Park, addressed that Authority regarding the Crooked Lane paving, inquired about the real completion schedule for the Church Road Bridge and asked that the Authority or Township review the weeds overhanging Yeerkes Rd at the Grinding Acres property.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Authority, on a motion by Mr. Zotti, seconded by Mr. Kohler, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.



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Andrew Bahmueller, Chairman