

**CUMRU TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
WORKSHOP MEETING                      AUGUST 29, 2017**

The Workshop Meeting of the Cumru Township Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Ruth O'Leary at 7:00 p.m. Other Commissioners in attendance were Vice President Edward L. Gottschall, and Sheri Hoover. Tony J. Sacco and Lorri K. Swan were absent with prior notification to the Board. Also attending were Superintendent of Public Works Robert McNichols, Jr., Assistant Superintendent of Public Works Michael L. Yost, Business/Personnel Administrator Peggy A. Carpenter, Manager Jeanne E. Johnston, Secretary Latoya Procopio, and Joe Rogosky of Great Valley Consultants.

Pledge to the Flag.

**PUBLIC**

A) Cheryl Thomas of 505 Harding Avenue re: storm water

Ms. Thomas expressed to the Board that she was concerned about damage that was occurring at her property due to the recent storms. Ms. Thomas informed the Board that she has video and photographs of the damage. She stated that the water seems to be coming from the Rite Aid property.

Ms. Johnston informed the Board that Rite Aid repaved their parking lot some time over the past couple of years, which could be contributing to the storm water onto Ms. Thomas's property. The Thomas property is adjacent to the Rite Aid property. The Board requested that Great Valley Consultants look into the matter.

**DEPARTMENTS**

Fire Department

A) Recent CTFD activity

Ms. Johnston informed the Board that a fire recently occurred at the Green Hills Corporate Center in a storage closet. A fire also occurred at the Mohn scrap yard on Mt. View Rd., with one minor injury. Rescue Engine 42 was out of service for repairs.

Public Works

A) Angelica Sanitary Sewer Interceptor

Mr. McNichols informed the Board that a field visit took place with engineers from both the Borough and the Township. The engineers agreed that 5 meters were needed. The study proposal was updated to reflect the increase in the number of meters. He reminded the Board that it might take more than 3 months to detect the conditions that result in an SSO.

**ON MOTION OF MR. GOTTSCHALL, SECOND OF MRS. HOOVER, A UNANIMOUS VOTE TO AUTHORIZE THE ANGELICA INTERCEPTOR FLOW STUDY, CONTINGENT UPON KENHORST BOROUGH'S APPROVAL OF THE STUDY AND 50% SHARE OF THE COST, WITH CUMRU TOWNSHIP'S PORTION NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000.00.**

B) Pipeline Construction

Ms. Johnston reported that the Township was working with the pipeline, PennDOT, and the school district with regard to road closures on Vermont Rd. and Yorkshire Rd. that will be required for construction.

Administration

A) Southern Berks Regional EMS

1) Request for letter re: loan

The Board requested the Solicitor inform SBREMS that the requested letter should be obtained from another municipality in the SBREMS service area.

B) Mosquito Spraying 08/30/2017

Ms. Johnston informed the Board that Berks County Conservation District would be performing mosquito spraying tomorrow. An announcement was placed on the Township's website

Engineer

A) Poplar Neck Bridge

1) Change order no. 2 proposed by contractor

Ms. Johnston informed the Board that none of the required documentation has been received from the contractor, including a signed contract. The first change order had been required by PennDOT and conditionally approved. The second change order was proposed by the contractor and could cost up to \$26,000. Mr. Rogosky also noted that the scuppers would take a minimum of 8 weeks to be delivered, which would take the project into winter.

**ON MOTION OF MR. GOTTSCHALL, SECOND OF MRS. HOOVER, A UNANIMOUS VOTE AUTHORIZING TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS TO WITHDRAW THE NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD TO LOBAR SITE DEVELOPMENT, BASED ON THE CONTRACTOR'S FAILURE TO FULFILL CONDITIONS.**

Solicitor

**COMMISSIONERS**

A) Executive Session

8:20 p.m.- The Board of Commissioners went into executive session to discuss 1 real estate issue, 1 potential litigation issue, and 1 personnel matter.

8:34 p.m.- The meeting reconvened. Mr. Setley stated that the Board of Commissioners had discussed 1 real estate issue and 1 personal matter, both of which were referred to Administration. The potential litigation issue was resolved.

Mrs. O'Leary reassigned the liaison position for Southern Berks Regional EMS; Sheri Hoover was assigned to the SBREMS liaison position.

**ADJOURNMENT**  
**ON MOTION OF MRS. HOOVER, SECOND OF MR. GOTTSCHALL, A UNANIMOUS**  
**VOTE ADJOURNING THE MEETING AT 8:15 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Latoya Procopio', written in a cursive style.

Latoya Procopio  
Secretary