

**INFRASTRUCTURE, TECHNOLOGY, TRANSPORTATION,
AND SUSTAINABILITY (ITTS)
COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, June 18, 2024
7:00 PM**

MINUTES

Committee: Chairperson, Mr. Weiss, Ms. Burckley, Mr. Moore, and Mr. Strenfel
Staff: Mr. Krack, Mr. Watson, and Ms. Getzfread

I. Call to Order at 7:01 pm

II. Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items

Sally Doyle representing the Green Team and ReReRe expressed concerns that downtown businesses, especially the restaurants were not complying with the Borough Ordinance on Recycling.

III. Committee Member Updates/Discussions

Mr. Weiss stated that although the Borough put into effect an ordinance regarding plastic bags that the businesses had to take responsibility for complying with the ordinance and suggested the Green Team and ReReRe could work with other groups like the Chamber of Commerce to help encourage businesses and their staffs to comply with the program.

Mr. Krack suggested that Ms. Doyle was referring to the Solid Waste Ordinance which has a requirement for reporting recycling to the Borough on an annual basis. As she acknowledged that was what she referred to, Mr. Krack provided background on the ordinance and recent changes from the state legislature which changed the Borough Code. With those changes, the Borough has begun a rewrite of the Solid Waste Ordinance to enhance the new information and provide better mechanisms for accountability for reporting requirements on solid waste and recycling. He cautioned that these types of rewrites take quite some time and that it would be at least early next year before any significant changes would occur.

IV. New Business

A. MS4 Presentation – Eric Eason, RVE

Staff played a video presentation and will add that to the Borough's website for public accessibility.

B. Bird Town Designation

Mr. Krack provided background on Staff's efforts to apply and obtain the designation. One of the requirements is a Resolution that identifies a Committee to represent the designation. He suggested the ITTS Committee could be that entity and could provide Borough Council with the appropriate Resolution.

Ms. Burckley made a Motion that Borough Council approve a Resolution designating the ITTS Committee and authorizing the application for Bird Town Designation. Seconded by Mr. Strenfel. Motion passed 4-0.

C. Affordable Housing/Borough Properties

Mr. Krack provided background on various affordable housing projects the Borough has partnered with other agencies including Chester County, Petra Housing, and the Hankin Group. With the continued need for more workforce housing, he provided information on several other Borough owned properties that might provide opportunities with Habitat for Humanity and Petra Housing. He stated that he will invite the directors of each entity to the next ITTS Meeting so they may answer questions the committee members may have.

V. Infrastructure

A. Engineering Reports (Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct)

No action to report this month.

B. Stormwater Management

Mr. Krack reported that Staff and Mr. Weiss met with several property owners in the known areas of stormwater related issues. Information was exchanged on various forms of remediation as well as costs associated with those remedies. It was noted that these things do take time and the Borough will continue to seek funding at every opportunity.

Ms. Getzfread noted the Borough recently submitted a grant application for one the projects identified along Third Avenue.

C. The Phoenix Wheel

Mr. Krack provided an updated on the status of the project. Staff will continue to keep the SRHC Board apprised of status.

D. WWTP-WTP Recirculation

No action to report at this time.

VI. Transportation

- A. Bridge and Starr Street
- B. Paradise Street – Phase 2
- C. Hall Street
- D. Mowere Road
- E. French Creek Trail
- F. Pedestrian Bridge
- G. Train Station
- H. Walkability
- I. Parking Study Update
- J. Gay and Washington Traffic Signal

Mr. Krack provided an update on the status of the Mowere Road project and likely start date. He noted there was a proposal in the packet from the Borough Engineer on costs associated with the removal of the Traffic Signals at Gay Street and Washington Avenue.

Mr. Strenfel made a Motion to recommend the Finance Committee authorize funding to proceed with the proposed removal. Seconded by Mr. Moore. Motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Krack stated there were no other updates to reports at this time for the remaining items.

VII. Sustainability

A. PXVNEO

Mr. Krack reported there is a meeting with the consultants on Thursday. He expects them to provide a report on what components are needed to bring the operation up to full speed.

B. Municipal Building Solar Installation

Mr. Krack reported that he expects the installation to be complete within the next couple of weeks. This is dependent on PECO approving the application for using alternative energy within the system.

VIII. Technology Updates

A. Monthly Reports

Mr. Weiss noted the reports were in the packet and asked if there were any questions. There were none.

IX. Public Participation

Mr. Saneck asked about the PXVNEO project and what was being done. He asked what the Bird Town designation was. He asked what the MS4 was.

X. Adjournment at 8:16 pm by Ms. Burckley

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, July 16, 2024 at 7:00 pm.