

Langhorne Manor Borough Stormwater Commission – Agenda & Minutes
Monday, February 28, 2022 7:30pm – Borough Hall

Attendees: Alicia Gasparovic (chair), Lauren Shuke, Fred Tomlinson, Heather Palladino, Jim Keba, Kevin Oessenich, Dawn Seader (Council President), Jay Ferraro (Borough Manager)

1. Approve November meeting minutes – approved with changes (noted in red on November minutes).

2. Growing Greener (DEP) Grant awarded to LMB for Comly Ave project

- Grant acceptance documents being prepared by RVE – due 2/28
- Award amount (\$230k) vs requested amount (\$385k). How to close the gap.
- Other interesting grant awards – ex: dam sediment removal
- From last meeting – How to inform community of grant award? How about an RVE town hall to explain the Comly project?
- It was asked what easement is referred to in the Comly Ave Growing Greener grant acceptance documents. Borough Manager responded that it is for any part of the stormwater facility to be constructed in the woods off Hulmeville Ave near Comly Ave (Middletown property, also part of the Heritage Conservancy).

3. Other RVE deliverables

- Comly project MS4 credits – calculations to be completed by RVE
- Cairn new stormwater facilities – can anything go towards our requirements?

4. PennDOT Route 1 RC3 project – elimination of Access Roads – MS4 opportunities?

5. Statements of Financial Interest Forms (if served on SWC in 2021) – due to LMB Office by May 1.

6. Matt Marion submitted a letter of resignation from the SWC today, citing a lack of available time. The SWC vacancy will be advertised on the borough website and a replacement will be selected through an interview process at the April council meeting. Dave Bean has expressed interest in the vacancy, and he would be a good fit if selected by Council because he has extensive experience working for the NJ DEP and has been involved in dam removal and other conservation projects.

7. Council President was asked whether the SWC needs to formally recommend the Comly Ave project to Council, since the SWC Resolution establishes that the SWC will recommend projects and suggested funding to Council. Council President responded that the project has been sufficiently recommended via the SWC chair to Council, and no further action is needed from the SWC.

8. RVE will be asked to present the Comly Ave project to Council and the public at a council meeting once the project plans have been firmed up.

9. Borough Manager shared that Liz Colletti achieved her P.E. and is now working for RVE out of their Laurel, Maryland office. Liz may not be as involved in LMB work as previously, and we may be assigned a replacement.

10. The idea of using any “reclaimed” service road from the PennDOT Route 1 RC3 project to earn MS4 credits was briefly discussed, though this project is still a few years out. Whether any land area, currently paved, would be sufficiently turned back into grass to allow stormwater penetration was discussed. Also discussed was whether this would require “parsing this land back into” the watershed area used for calculating LMB’s required load reductions, and whether this would only negate any credits achieved. This is a question for RVE.

11. It was discussed that RVE owes us several deliverables, and the SWC chair was tasked with contacting Isaac Kessler and asking for a timeline for these deliverables.

12. We discussed getting everyone in the SWC onto MS Teams for document sharing. SWC chair to discuss the best way to do this with council member Grace Judge, who was instrumental in setting up Teams for all users.

13. SWC Newsletter – topics and plans to draft the next newsletter were discussed. The newsletter will be posted online again, and a postcard will be sent out alerting the public to the newsletter once it is posted.

- Timeline / logistics / frequency
- Content ideas

14. Next meeting(s): Monday, March 28, 7:30pm at Borough Hall - approved

Minutes prepared by Alicia Gasparovic, Stormwater Commission chairperson