

TOWN OF McCANDLESS  
MINUTES – PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING  
MAY 2, 2016 TOWN HALL

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:49 p.m. by Committee Chairman Aufman with the following in attendance: Committee members Zachary, Mertz, Walkauskas, Powers, LeDonne and McKim; Town Attorney Ries, Town Manager Cordek, Police Chief Anderson, Public Works Superintendent Sabina, and Marie Haller, Administrative Assistant.

MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4) PROGRAMING  
PRESENTATION BY GATEWAY ENGINEERS

Ryan R. Berner, GISP, Project Manager of Gateway Engineers shared a presentation regarding the MS4 Program. He discussed the Federal Regulations implemented by the EPA NPDES Phase II Stormwater Program (1999) and State Regulations implemented by the PADEP MS4 Stormwater Permit. He provided information regarding the permit background, overall requirements and the Town's implementation of Minimum Control Measures (MCM), which includes the following six areas of focus: 1)Public Education 2) Public Involvement 3) Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDD&E) 4) Construction Site Runoff Control 5) Post Construction Stormwater Management (PCSM) 6) Pollution Prevention & Good Housekeeping. Details regarding the MCMs were reviewed and are posted on the website and included in Town publications including the Town Crier, McMail eNewsletter and various postings and literature.

Mr. Berner reported this project addresses stormwater that traveling from neighborhoods into area waterways, which is comprised of Pine Creek, Girty's Run, Lowry's Run and Little Pine Creek. Town Manager Cordek reported there have been a variety of Stormwater Ordinances adopted since the onset of stormwater management in McCandless which began in 1978 with the passage of Pennsylvania Stormwater Management (Act 167). McCandless Town Council immediately enacted a local ordinance that applied to new commercial, residential and institutional developments and Town He remarked that the Administrative Staff and Town Council have continued to be on the forefront of adopting ordinances and providing guidance to effectively address the detention of stormwater and water quality in McCandless and regionally.

Town Manager Cordek discussed ongoing education being provided to residents via the Town publications and distributed materials. He mentioned plans to join together with Ross Township to sponsor a kiosk at the Northland Public Library along with reaching out to the schools to offer education. He also discussed local involvement with the Town's raingardens and future educational opportunities that will ensue following the opening of the Town's museum.

Barbara Richards, 305 Manor Court, asked how collection of eWaste has anything to do with the Town's Stormwater. Mr. Berner explained eWaste pertains to pollution and a potential stormwater issue. Ms. Richards noted she received an error when attempting to view the Stormwater Timeline link on Town's website. Town Manager Cordek thanked Ms. Richards for bringing this to the Town's attention and explained the site is currently being restructured and this document will be revised or repaired as needed. Ms. Richards also asked questions pertaining to the permit process. It was

clarified that municipalities are issued permit every 5 years, and the PADEP is in the process of conducting friendly audits to provide guidance and education.

John Harrison, 1473 Hedwig Drive, asked for clarification pertaining to different events provided in the demonstration. Mr. Berner reported the examples illustrated pertained to different area events to provide citizens with multiple opportunities and locations for disposition of e-waste. Mr. Harrison asked about the testing of water outfalls. Mr. Berner reported testing is required at least once every five years during a permit period. Mr. Harrison asked if and how the MS4 program addresses the mosquito population. Town Manager Cordek discussed the operation and maintenance of the Town's stormwater facilities, noting differences between public and private facilities and the ability for the town to implement enforcement on private facilities if problems arise.

Upcoming e-waste programs were discussed include an event sponsored by Goodwill to be held at Town Hall on Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>. It was reported that Goodwill does not accept televisions. Town Manager Cordek reported the new "At-the-Door" Household Hazardous Waste collection program will be begin in October 2016 and will provide residents with convenient disposal of their ewaste, including televisions. Additional information regarding recycling may be found on the Town's website.

#### 2015-16 SNOW AND ICE REPORT

Public Works Superintendent Sabina reported 1.75 inches of snow fell in April, with total of 31.75" recorded. He commented snow accumulation in April is about once in every five years event.

#### 2016 DRAINAGE PROGRAM

Drainage work has continued in April, with work primarily being done in the Wexford area. Mr. Sabina reported crews have worked on 22 inlets and have installed 333 feet of pipe. Next, crews will begin work in the Greybrooke plan, with two more streets requiring work prior to the onset of this year's paving program.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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