

MANAGER'S REPORT

June 5, 2017

Announcements:

- On May 11, 2017, I participated in Workshop #2 of the Phoenixville Region Multi - Modal Transportation Plan. A public meeting was held on May 25, 2017 to gain input regarding the plan at the Colonial Theater in Phoenixville.
- West Vincent Community Day took place on May 20, 2017. Despite somewhat chilly weather, we had great attendance. Many thanks to all of the volunteers, staff, and sponsors for their efforts that made the event possible.
- On May 25, 2017 Township staff participated in a Conflict Resolution & Effective Communications training provided by Francis Hall Insurance.
- The Phoenixville Regional Planning Committee met on May 31, 2017 to conduct Workshop #5 of the Comprehensive Plan project. A Community Workshop will take place on June 22, 2017 at Kimberton Fire Company at 7:00 p.m. Input is being solicited through a Community Values Survey. The survey has been shared on our website and through various social media channels.
- The Township is continuing to partner with the Natural Lands Trust in preserving Bryn Coed Farms. The Township is in discussions with the Trust in obtaining 72 acres for the purpose of preserving open space and creating a Township park. The Township is actively seeking input from the public on the future development of the park in discussing what amenities can and should be available at this location. The survey is available on our website and has been distributed to residents using social media and other outlets.
- A special meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held on June 6, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at the Fox Hollow subdivision to allow the Board an opportunity to walk Fox Hollow Trail in an effort to plan for the installation of the trail.
- Please be reminded you may view the Township's monthly Treasurer's report providing a status of the budget on the Township website. I will provide a mid-year report regarding 2017 budget performance next month.
- The Parks & Recreation Commission will be hosting their first Picnic in the Park event on Thursday, July 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at Evans Park near the gazebo. Music will be provided by the American singer songwriter duo, Danielle & Jennifer.

French Creek Road Arch Replacement:

- Staff are seeking authorization from the Board of Supervisors on June 5 to bid the project.

Hollow Road Bridge:

- Project specifications have been evaluated and will be modified by our Township Engineer to be re-bid later this month.

Township Paving:

- A pre - construction meeting with the contractor will be scheduled in the near future to determine the construction schedule for the paving of Horseshoe Trail and Nantmeal Roads.

Buttonwood Lane Bridge:

- Upon additional observation of our structural engineer staff are reviewing the prospect of making a repair to the eastern side of the bridge due to severe deterioration - including the replacement of curb and guard posts this year. A similar project was undertaken on the western, downstream side of the bridge in 2013. Due to the hazardous nature of the current condition of the guide posts and rail, jersey barriers have been placed along the eastern side of the bridge. Township staff are evaluating next steps involved in planning for a permanent bridge replacement.

Fellowship Trail:

- Staff are seeking authorization of the Board of Supervisors to bid Phase I, Fellowship Trail Weatherstone Connection on June 5, 2017.
- Regarding Phase II, the Fellowship Trail St. Matthew's Church connection, the Township and St. Matthews Church have agreed to terms of the access agreement needed for survey. Survey slated to be completed later this month.

Road Report:

- In the month of May, the Road Department performed vehicle and equipment maintenance, assisted with PA one calls, mowed right of ways, cleaned out various pipes and inlets due to rain events, graded St. Andrews Lane, Beaver Hill Road, Dewees Lane, Bertolet School Road, French Creek Road, Jaine Lane, St. Matthews Road, Red Bone Road, and Bartlett Roads, filled in holes on Jaine Lane, ditched Art School Road, and hauled additional stone to French Creek Road.
- The Township is awaiting approval from the US Fish and Wildlife Service prior to implementing our Dirt & Gravel road projects.
- Asphalt Industries will begin the double chip seal project on Township roads including St. Andrews Lane, Clarkson Road, Pine Drive, Barrington Lane, St. Anthony Lane, Art School Road, Dewees Lane, and Adelpia Lane during the week of June 12, 2017. The project will be completed in three days.
- Per PennDOT, Flowing Springs Road between Birchrun Road Bridge and St. Matthews Road will be resurfaced this summer. The contractor, Allen Meyers, will notify the Township when they expect to begin this project.

Respectfully, *Erica L. Batdorf*