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TO: BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FROM: KURT M. FERGUSON, TOWNSHIP MANAGER
RE: MANAGER'S REPORT

Highland Drive Access Drive

I have continued to meet and communicate with residents who are concerned about the access drive from the library. I have asked our arborist to come up with a planting plan in the buffer along the edge of the library property. She has outlined some possibilities for me. I am trying to coordinate a meeting with one of the property owners, Karen Mette who I emailed on Thursday, March 9th, and am awaiting a response.

Craig-Y-Nos

We will have Carroll Engineering presenting next Tuesday. As an FYI, this will end up being a project that we bid when the design is complete. We could use Carroll, who will have done all this preliminary work. I believe that would provide control for us, in managing billable hours when the project reaches that point. I have been speaking with several property owners and will continue to do so.

Police motorcycle

There is a line-item to purchase a used Police Motorcycle from Warrington Township in Bucks County. I am strongly in favor of establishing a motorcycle component to our police department. Please refer to Chief Wheatley's memo. I have provided to the Chief an example of motorcycle use policy, for down the line, but for now the motorcycle would have more limited usage. The cost itself is \$11,000. The Chief can discuss the private donations that could be used to offset about half the cost. The department has some room in its budget that more than covers that \$5,500 difference.

December 25th Sprinkler break

We did have our walk through with the adjuster from the sprinkler break this past week. We had our team, including David Horowitz, and I will keep you all up to date as information becomes available.

Stuart Creek

I did meet with volunteers from Stuart Creek. A \$20,000 grant has been secured to plant trees. I have authorized our public works department help clear the planting area. That clearing will involve, using a bobcat, to push back debris within that 12-15 foot planting zone. While I wouldn't normally agree to doing work on private property, this is an extraordinary circumstance where a public private partnership is not inappropriate.

Township building presentation

Arif will be providing an update on the plans and asking for general approvals of basic provisions of the building layout. Please refer to the agenda. We will continue to have these updates and requests as we move forward.

Public Works Building

We will be out to bid on the public works renovation in April, and anticipate a bid award recommendation to be to the BOC at the June stated meeting.

See you Tuesday night.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
February 2023

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

Attended Public Works Building Phase 1 Coordination meeting with township staff and D'Huy.

Attended meeting with township staff and D'Huy engineering to discuss Public Works Site Grading and NPDES Permit.

Attended Public Works Building Phase 2 Project meeting with township staff, D'Huy Engineering and GKO Architects.

Thursday, February 2, 2023

Attended Progress Meeting #2 for the Fort Washington Cross County Trail & Road Diet – Middle Section project at the Library with township staff, Boles Smyth Associates, MECO Constructors, Carroll Engineering, McTish, Kunkle & Associates, CDR Maguire, Inc., North Wales Water Authority, Bucks County Water & Sewer Authority, and PECO.

Friday, February 3, 2023

Attended the Upper Dublin Citizen Emergency Fund Reorganization meeting.

Met with Zoning Officer, Fairview Avenue residents, and Liz Ferry to discuss a local business and road issues.

Tuesday, February 7, 2023

Conducted Architect interviews with township staff.

Attended EDF / PSWS Committee meetings.

Friday, February 10, 2023

Attended the Municipal Authority meeting.

Attended Land Use meeting with township staff.

Monday, February 13, 2023

Attended a school district and township liaison meeting.

Attended a quarterly pension meeting with township staff.

Attended a Trumark Annual Report Interview.

Tuesday, February 14, 2023

Meeting with Tim Schuck and the Second Alarmers.

Meeting with resident.

Attended the Board of Commissioners' Stated Meeting.

Wednesday, February 15, 2023

Attended a staff meeting.

Attended Public Works Building Phase 1 Coordination meeting with township staff and D'Huy.

Attended Public Works Building Phase 2 Project meeting with township staff, D'Huy Engineering and GKO Architects.

Attended the Public Works Building Reconstruction Project Design Meeting No. 7 with township staff, GKO Architects, D'Huy Engineering, and consultants.

Thursday, February 16, 2023

Attended Progress Meeting #3 for the Fort Washington Cross County Trail & Road Diet – Middle Section project at the Library with township staff, Boles Smyth Associates, MECO Constructors, Carroll Engineering, McTish, Kunkle & Associates, CDR Maguire, Inc., North Wales Water Authority, Bucks County Water & Sewer Authority, and PECO.

Friday, February 17, 2023

Meeting with Code Director, Joe Fielder and BET Investments to discuss tenant fit outs.

Meeting with Kulick & Soffa and Traffic Engineer from Boles Smyth Associates.

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

Attended NIMS Training for Emergency Management.

Attended a Zoom meeting with Chief of Police, Fran Wheatly and Temple Ambler Campus staff to discuss Upper Dublin police at the Ambler campus.

Phone call with D'Huy Engineering to discuss the School District meeting.

Wednesday, February 22, 2023

On-site meeting with township staff and Young Adjustment.

Attended a Pre-School District Zoom discussion with D'Huy Engineering, township staff and Commissioners Ira Tackel & Meredith Ferleger.

Attended a School District Meeting with UDSD, D'Huy Engineering, township staff and Commissioners Ira Tackel & Meredith Ferleger.

Thursday, February 23, 2023

Meeting with Highland Avenue resident.

Attended the New Township & Police Building Design Team Meeting with township staff, D'Huy Engineering, and GKO Architects.

Friday, February 24, 2023

Meeting with Highland Avenue resident.

Attended Land Use meeting with township staff.

Attended the Police Programming Discussion meeting with township staff & police and GKO Architects.

Monday, February 27, 2023

Attended a Montgomery County Planning Commission meeting with MCPC staff, Traffic Engineer Boles Smyth Associates, and township Zoning Officer, Alison Giles.

Met with Trumark to discuss their Annual Report.

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

Attended a Zoom meeting to discuss the 801 Pipe Break Insurance Claim with Young Adjusters, D'Huy Engineering, and township staff.

Respectfully submitted,

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Township Manager