

TEWKSBURY TOWNSHIP
Scenic Roads & Bridges Commission
Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2013 7:30 PM Mountainville

The May 9, 2013 meeting of the Scenic Roads and Bridges Commission was called to order by Chairman Harold Wrede at 7:30 PM. In addition to Chairman Wrede, SRBC members Mary Fazzini and George Cassa were present.

A quorum was declared by Chairman Wrede, who then read the Open Public Meetings statement, and noted that the SRBC had been scheduled to meet on April 29, but when members arrived at the Mountainville meeting hall, the building had no electrical power, so the meeting was rescheduled for May 9.

Approval of Minutes: Approval of the minutes of the December 13, 2012 meeting was deferred until the next meeting.

Public Participation: John and Angela Holt were present to discuss their concerns about the status of post-Sandy maintenance and repair efforts on Fox Hill Road and the status of the screening plantings between their home and the new JCP&L substation. The road was used heavily by contractors delivering storm debris to the temporary storage site on Hollow Brook Road, and some storm-related debris remains to be removed. In addition, the vegetative screen between new JCP&L substation and the Holt's home has been rendered ineffective as a result of storm damage. Chairman Wrede agreed to have a look at the upper section of Fox Hill Road and prepare a summary of all findings in a letter from the SRBC to the Township administrator.

Discussion Items / Old Business:

- Road Improvement Ordinances – Mr. Cassa reported that Township engineer Andrew Holt made the following recommendations to the Twp Committee on Tuesday, March 26:
 1. Local Roads (General) - Reconstruct approximately 50 catch basins on various roads to catch up with deferred maintenance.
 2. McCann's Mill Road - Correct significant erosion damage on McCann's Mill Rd, stabilize and develop 3 cross drains to prevent future problems. Some of these costs will be offset with dedicated monies to be contributed by a developer.
 3. Fox Hill Road (Phase 2) - Repair unsafe, eroded drainage channels, storm damage to road and stone walls, correct unmanaged runoff.
 4. Oldwick sewer system - System has about 40 manholes total. Correct infiltration/inflow problems on 6 or 7 manholes this year by treating them with sealant. Cost to be covered in Oldwick sewer budget.

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Mr. Holt advised that the repair and reconstruction work would replace the tar and chip treatment normally applied to 10 – 15 miles of local roads each year on a rotating schedule. An RFP with plans and specifications for the proposed work will be ready by mid-April, and he will provide a copy for the SRBC for review and comment.

Chairman Wrede confirmed that he has seen the work package for Fox Hill Road Phase 2, and that it applies to work that will be performed south of the Hollow Brook Road intersection.

Discussion Items / New Business:

- New Members for SRBC – Mr. Wrede reported that Wayne Lisa's application for SRBC membership has been received by the Township clerk and is pending approval by the Township Committee.

Adjournment: George Cassa's motion to adjourn was seconded by Mary Fazzini, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

George Cassa