



Consulting Engineers & Land Surveyors  
520 West MacDade Boulevard  
Millmont Park, PA 19033-3311  
Phone: 610-532-2884  
Fax: 610-532-2923  
Email: [office10@cataniaengineering.com](mailto:office10@cataniaengineering.com)

## **REPORT OF THE ENGINEER October 2020**

### **To the Council of the Borough of Folcroft:**

The following work completed for the month since the last meeting:

**Brahin Properties** – The Developer will be required to provide a maintenance bond once all work has been found to be in order. Consultant has provided remedial plans and we have reviewed. The Borough has received notification of the application completeness approval. Awaiting DEP technical review.

**Lot 2 Development** – Met with representatives from Brahin Properties to discuss construction of a Popeye's drive thru and the current Agreements in place. Information concerning the Developer's Agreements and requirements for phase 2 will be vetted through the Solicitor.

**SAFStor** – FINAL Land Development package. FEMA approval for work is pending. Demolition permit has been issued and commenced. A preconstruction meeting was held for the project. DCCD placed restriction on earth moving until such time as all docs are in place.

**Formcraft** – Conditional Final approval was given for land development. Received and reviewed revised plans which are now acceptable. Once Agreements are signed, plans may be signed and recorded.

**CDBG 2019 – Folcroft Avenue Turnaround** –Notice to Proceed has been received. OHCD has been notified this project will not take place until the bridge is removed. Design will be completed at that point due to the lack of information with regard to the final restoration by PADOT. Bridge project has been re-scheduled for a spring let.

**PA Small Water and Sewer Program** - Grant for work to upgrade Montgomery Pump Station was awarded in the amount of \$34,000 for the project. Project bids were rejected and project will be delayed until fall 2020. I would ask for authorization to re-bid.

**Road Program 2020** –PADOT Form 329 was submitted and approved. AF Damon has advised the work is scheduled October 12, weather permitting. Work will take approximately 3 days.

**Primos Avenue walkway** – Replacement of sidewalk blocks at abutment. Ernel has scheduled work for week of October 19<sup>th</sup>.

**PECO Bare Steel Project** - PECO has advised the project will be complete by end of the month. They have offered a fee in lieu option to complete curb to curb for the extents of the project. Council will need to complete a reimbursement request for the project. I have attached a copy of the cost estimate for discussion purposes

**MS4 Program** – The Pollution Reduction Plan is available for review at the Borough office and submitted to DEP for review. A 30 day comment period has been advertised.

**PECO Green Region** – Grant of up to \$10,000 .for projects such as:

- Developing or updating open space plans.
- Improving municipal, organizational or authority-owned open spaces, including planning costs. Funds may be used for habitat improvements such as installing or improving meadows, woodlands and riparian buffers. The plans also may include the installation of capital improvements for passive recreation such as trails, boardwalks, kiosks and observation platforms, but not parking lots.
- Acquisition (by purchase or donation) of parcels of land to be used for open space.
- Acquisition (by purchase or donation) of conservation easements (also known as “development rights”).

A resolution will be necessary at the Regular Council Meeting

**Delaware County Planning Department** – The Transportation section of the DCPD has requested listing of any transportation related projects the Borough would like to consider for future grants. For example – Delmar Drive Corridor improvements – Signal upgrades, walkability, bike lanes, parking study,etc. Projects can be uploaded on the DCPD website map.

**Folcroft Library** – Working with Librarian for flooring alternatives and costs. Looking at Keystone Grant for funding.

### **Inactive Projects:**

**LWCF Sites** – Provided information to Jean Lynch of DCNR. Although I have made contact through email, we are attempting to schedule a conference call with Allyssa Lynd of the Harrisburg office. Allyssa has advised newly purchased land to offset that portion of the property that has been developed/sold will be necessary. DCNR advised application for funding will not be considered until this is resolved.

**Folcroft Bridge update** – Bridge demolition is currently scheduled for a spring 2020 let and is shown in the State 12 year Transportation Plan. An inspection report indicating the superstructure requires replacement has been forwarded to our office from Sharon Hill. No action is required.

**DELCORA Evaluation** – DELCORA has provided video inspections of the work currently completed. Extensive grease and root balls have been discovered and some parts of the Village were not completed due to complaints from residents of backups. Evaluation of the video inspections is underway and is approximately 95% completed. Additional video inspection by DELCORA has been submitted and review completed. A report will be generated and presented.

**DELCO GreenWays Grant** – Delaware County Council has announced an inaugural round of funding for open space and recreation. The addition of the amphitheater next to the new playground as shown on the master plan was awarded. Awaiting contracts from the County Solicitor.