

Borough of Hightstown
Complete Streets Committee

1/25/2023 – 2023 Reorganization & Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes

6:30 pm

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CALL TO ORDER

STATEMENT: Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231. Said notice was provided to the *Trenton Times* and the *Windsor-Hights Herald* and is posted in the Borough Clerk's office.

- Roll Call

Member	Attended	Absent
Council Member Joe Cicalese, Chair	X	
Steve Misiura, Vice-Chair	X	
Beverly Asselstine, Secretary, Planning Board representative	X	
Dave Zaiser, Environmental Commission representative	X	
Tim Troxler		X
Henry Wang	X	

Guests: Mayor Susan Bluth, Dimitri Musing, Borough Administrator, Alex Costantino, Michele Demak Epstein, Carmela Roberts, Borough Engineer

- Approval of Agenda **Approved**
- Approval of Minutes **Approved**
- Officer Designation for 2023 – Chair, Vice Chair, Recording Sec'y

The Committee selected Steve Misiura as Chair, Henry Wang as Vice Chair and Bev Asselstine as Recording Secretary

- **Selecting meeting dates for 2023 The Committee designated the 4th Wednesday of the month, except November which will be the 3rd Wednesday.**

DISCUSSION

- **Vision Zero The Committee reviewed material on Vision Zero, discussed the status of adoption by other municipalities in Mercer County and the need to have a Vision Zero Action Plan in place for future Federal grant opportunities. The Committee made the case for scheduling an educational presentation to Council. The Mayor stated she did not want to move forward with that at this time. Discussion continued about the volume of traffic accidents in Hightstown.**
- **Engineering item: Annual Infrastructure Review for 2023 The Committee reviewed a 2020 map of needed street improvements and missing sidewalks and a map of the initial lead line replacement needs in the Borough. Carmela Roberts discussed the funding mechanism for this work, which only covers repairs to the trench in the street. We have 6 to 7 years to address at least 1,000 service lines. As a result, in a few years we will need to dedicate a Municipal Aid application just to milling and paving for the streets where repairs have been completed. The Borough Engineer is not prepared to make any recommendations for the 2023 Municipal Aid application at this time, since she wants to align with new data being collected for the lead remediation.**

Hausser/Bennett/Prospect: Project funded by Municipal Aid and Infrastructure. A new crosswalk will be added at Prospect and Summit with a 3 way stop (to be approved by Council Resolution). Sidewalks will be added on one side of all streets in the area. Only one lead service line to be replaced. Advertising. Construction to start later this year.

Orchard/Meadow/Clover: Neighborhood has copper water lines, but sanitary sewers are “orangeburg” pipe and they are failing. The Borough will replace the laterals in the roadway, but homeowners will need to replace the sewer lines to their homes. Sidewalks will be added to fill gaps on South Main Street, but not on Orchard as originally envisioned. Sidewalks were added recently to Schuyler after water line work, which was intended as a connection to Orchard. Funding from Municipal Aid and Sanitary fund. In Design phase.

Stockton from Oak to the right-of-way for Route 130: Joint project with East Windsor. Curbs and sidewalks will be added. Mercer County will then mill and pave roadway. Under review by Mercer County. Required detour under review by NJDOT. Once approved, the project will be advertised. Construction expected next fall.

Franklin at Broad: RRFB’s at crosswalks. DOT has requested additional street lighting at the intersection as well, including replacing one with LED and installing a second. Expect installation in March.

- **Ward Street & Maxwell Roundabout 2023 Municipal Aid Grant Grant was received and is \$120,000 less than requested. The project will be combined with a water main replacement and lead service line replacements. Council has discussed scaling back the project, including the elimination of the rotary as called for in the Mobility Plan at that intersection. There is concern about taking on more debt, given the expense expected over the next few years for the lead remediation work. Other treatments for the intersection are under consideration, including a narrowing and 3 way stop, and Council will make a decision at their next meeting.**

ADJOURNMENT

2023 Meeting Schedule:

January 25, 2023	February 22, 2023	March 22, 2023	April 26, 2023
May 24, 2023	June 28, 2023	July 26, 2023	August 23, 2023
Sept 27, 2023	Oct 25, 2023	November 15, 2023	December 27, 2023
January 24, 2024			