

MEMORANDUM

TO: David Kraynik, Township Manager
FROM: Mary R. Stover, P.E.
DATE: March 27, 2026
SUBJECT: Towamencin Township
Public Works Advisory Committee Meeting Summary

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| Attendees: | Dave Kraynik | Colleen Ehrle | Joyce Snyder | Kofi Osei |
| | Mary Stover | Steve McMaster | Chad Dixson | |

The following is a summary of the items discussed during the March 19, 2026 Meeting of the Towamencin Township Public Works Advisory Committee (PWAC):

- Approval Of Minutes
 - Minutes from the February 19, 2026 meeting were approved as presented.
- 2025 Road Paving Program/Concrete Project
 - The punch list from last fall is being updated. Additional paving failure has been noted.
 - It was discussed that an official letter to the contractor will be prepared to be sent with the punch list. Performance Bond will be provided to the Township Solicitor for review.
 - Our staff will schedule an inspection with Steve McMasters to review the roads.
 - The concrete project has a minor punch list items to the addressed this spring.
- 2026 Road Paving
 - Recommendation for Award has been provided for consideration at the 3/25/2026 Board of Supervisors meeting.
 - There are residential curbs that were not completed. A list of properties that still need curb work will be obtained from the Township staff. A letter will be sent to the residents where the curbs were not completed.
 - There has been some plow damage to curbs constructed last year. ARRO and PW will review the damage and determine how to address each location.
- 2026 Concrete Projects
 - Bids are being received on March 31, 2026. The award of the contract can be scheduled for the Board of Supervisors meeting on April 8, 2026.

5. Green Lane Park Soccer Fields – Parking Lot Expansion

- The Open Space and Parks Advisory Committee (OSPAC) had requested that the Township hire a certified arborist to look at the 18 inch and 36 inch trees that may be affected by the parking lot expansion.
- It was discussed that the layout could be modified to try to save the 36 inch tree which would result in 4-5 fewer parking spaces.
- If the layout was changed to try to limit disturbance near the 18 inch tree another 8 parking spaces might be lost.
- It was decided that there was no need to hire an arborist, and ARRO was advised to proceed with the design with the modification to try to save the 36 inch tree.

6. Welsh Road/Orvilla Road Intersection Improvements Update - \$3,000,000 grant

- The Township staff is preparing to send the appraisal packages to the residents affected by the proposed intersection improvements. A summary page will be included for each property owner.

7. Forty Foot Road/Newbury Way/PSDC Traffic Signal

- PennDOT previously approved an extension of the grant for the traffic signal until 11/26/2027. No update.

8. Comprehensive Plan

- Simone Collins is updating the plan based on the comments received at the March 11, 2026 Board of Supervisors discussion.
- The plan will be resubmitted to the Township and then the Board of Supervisors can consider acceptance of the plan.

9. MS4 Update

- The bids for the Grist Mill Basins Modification project are due April 14, 2026. The award can be tentative scheduled for the second meeting in April.
- The next Skippack Alliance meeting will be April 23, 2026.

10. Grist Mill Park Playground

- OSPAC has requested signage for “No dogs permitted” for the playground area. PWAC agreed these signs could be posted.
- The playground is open. The stormwater basin area will be completed in the spring.
- A potential April date for ribbon cutting ceremony was discussed.

11. Restricting Truck Traffic on Bustard Road

- PennDOT provided an informal decision that truck restrictions cannot be approved on Bustard Road since their criteria has not been met.
- Bowman followed up with PennDOT again regarding the status of the formal response to the Township request.

12. Kindle Dr, Amber Ln & Spring Valley Road Storm Sewer Replacement

- The project was awarded at the 3/11/2026 Board of Supervisors meeting to KBC Construction. Contracts have been sent to the contractor for execution.
- It was agreed that letters will be drafted for the property owners that are directly adjacent to the storm sewer installation notifying them of the project. The two properties where one tree will be removed from the existing easement will be offered the option of having a new tree installed elsewhere on their property.

13. Veterans Park Engineering Design

- It was discussed that a preapplication meeting was held for the C2P2 grant application. A draft lease agreement and a letter of commitment from the property owner will be required since the land swap will not be complete.
- The C2P2 grant advisor also said that we will need to include an amenity in the park as part of the application and a mowed trail through the meadow is not acceptable. If we propose a path/trail, it must be a paved ADA accessible trail. The PWAC agreed to include a paved loop trail.
- The Township is setting up a meeting with the County Commissioners or representatives to discuss the potential land swap.

14. Brake Retarder Request – Old Forty Foot Road

- PennDOT provided an informal decision that brake retarder restrictions cannot be approved on Old Forty Foot Road since their criteria has not been met.
- Bowman followed up with PennDOT regarding the status of the formal response to the Township request.

15. Township Pool – 2026 Preparation

- The pool covers were damaged from the snow over the winter. The Township submitted an insurance claim to replace the covers.
- A conference call was held with Standguard this week regarding the upcoming season. The same two pool managers will be returning.
- The contractors that provide the pool maintenance and pool opening services have been scheduled to prepare the pool for the opening on Memorial Day weekend. IT Landis will be at the pool the week of April 27th and Mainline will be at the pool 1 to 2 weeks later.

16. Grants

- Bowman is reviewing the scoping comments for the Green Light Go grant application. The full application will be submitted by Township Staff by the end of March. It was noted that it may take a couple of rounds of applications to be funded.
- There are two proposals to prepare grant applications on the agenda for the 3/25/2026 Board of Supervisors meeting.

17. Green Light Go Project – Sumneytown Pike & Forty Foot Rd/Bustard Rd

- The contract documents have been submitted to the Township.

18. Potential Closing of Mainland Road – Letter to PennDOT

- An email will be sent to the project manager at PennDOT regarding the concerns raised by the resident at Mainland Road and Sumneytown Pike.

19. Land Use Assumption Proposal

- Bowman is reviewing the land use in the Township for a potential update to the Traffic Impact Fee including a Land Use Assumptions Report.
- Bowman will contact Simone Collins for any data they may have compiled for the Comprehensive Plan.

20. Skipack Creek Stream Restoration

- ARRO submitted a proposal for the engineering and permitting associated with the proposed Skipack Creek Stream Restoration project. This project is being proposed as part of the Multi-Municipal Pollution Reduction Plan for the Township's MS4 program.
- We are working with the Growing Green advisor to have the contracts for the grant finalized.

21. New Bridge Weight Limit

- Bowman noted that there is a bridge on Allentown Road between Derstine Road and Wambold Road where PennDOT will be placing a 25 ton weight restriction.
- This bridge has been on PennDOT's 12 year plan but has not yet been addressed.
- If trucks greater than 25 tons need access, they need to apply to PennDOT. It was suggested that a request be made for fire trucks to use the bridge for emergencies.

22. Connector Path from Kriebel Road Trail to Spring Valley Road

- OSPAC budgeted \$5,000 for engineering to layout the alignment and profile for the path so that Public Works can construct it.

23. Excessive Truck Brake Retarder Use on Sumneytown Pike between Wambold Rd and Turnpike

- There was a discussion regarding signage for a brake retarder restriction on Sumneytown Pike between the Turnpike and Wambold Road. A resident is requested larger signage.

Next meeting: April 16, 2026 at 8:00 am.

If you should have any questions concerning the information summarized above, please let me know.

cc: Attendees
Dave Hillmantel
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