

Borough of Rosslyn Farms

April 30, 2010

Special Meeting

A Special meeting of Council held was called to order by President Kathleen Green on Friday April 30, 2010 at 8:00 AM in the Rosslyn Farms Community Center with the following members of Council in attendance: R. Bowen, S. Prevoznak, S. George, and P. McNamara. Also present were Mayor Stover and Secretary/Treasurer Maccarone.

President Green recognized Bryan Flaugh of Gateway Engineers to discuss the Terrace and Rosslyn Roads Storm and Sanitary Sewer Project. Bryan addressed the additional items that he proposed in a memo to Council which would require change orders from the original contract bid. Four items were included in the summary as follows:

Change order #2 – Cost \$5,750 for the installation of a gabion wall and stone backfill. This was recommended because of a concern that Terrace Road was built on fill material and required additional support to the roadway. Gateway discussed a solution with the Contractor and decided on placing 5 – 3' X 3' X 9' gabions to be installed with some stone backfill.

Councilperson George asked if this had been approved at the previous meeting of Council? Bryan said that it had been discussed but not approved.

Change order #3 – Cost \$3,500 to furnish and place 100 tons of topsoil and erosion control mats to the site. Gateway recommends placing this topsoil and the contractor will spread and seed to further strengthen and deter surface erosion.

Mayor Stover asked why we were not aware of these problems before the contract was bid? Councilperson Prevoznak commented that Council had discussed the possibility of having a study performed in advance to provide for core drillings to determine the stability of the hillside. The decision at that time was that the cost of contracting this type of a study would probably have added to the overall cost of the project. The decision was made to deal with the issues during the project construction. President Green asked if the new manholes would be exposed? Bryan Flaugh answered that the manholes will be exposed but not to the extent that they are now. He explained that manholes placed in a wooded area need to be exposed so they can be located after the ground cover matures.

Change order #4 – Cost \$4,875 to stack R-4 rip rap over the storm line and place topsoil and seed over the rip rap. Gateway is proposing this due to the lack of good material for backfill on the site. The rip rap would be applied on the section between MH-C and MH-B which is a very steep segment that would not allow for the existing soil on site or 2A stone to stay in place.

Disposition of Temporary Access Road – Gateway asked for direction from Council for the handling of the temporary access road. Council discussed and decided to leave the road and have the Borough Road Dept. come up with a solution to prohibit any use of the road by unauthorized vehicles.

Bryan Flaugh summarized the recommendations that Council was asked to approve at a total cost of \$14,125. Bryan said Gateway's construction specialist reviewed the prices and that they appear to be reasonable. These additions are necessary primarily due to the fact that Terrace was built on fill and due to the existing soil conditions on the hillside. The additional work will require about two weeks to complete the project.

A motion was made and seconded to approve change orders #s 2, 3, & 4, as defined above at a total cost of \$14,125. Prevoznak/Bowen, unanimous.

Bills:

A motion was made and seconded to approve a payment of \$43.23 to Chief Fischio to reimburse him for one additional day of car rental necessary when the police car was in the shop for service.

Old Business:

Steve George addressed Council about an information meeting he attended sponsored by FEMA and PEMA to instruct Municipalities on how to apply for Emergency funds available for the February Snowstorm. It would be necessary for Council to appoint a representative to act on behalf of the Borough in these matters.

A motion was made and seconded to adopt a resolution appointing Steve George as the Representative of the Borough of Rosslyn Farms for FEMA Project FEMA-1898-DR-PA for the purpose of applying for reimbursement of extra costs suffered by the Borough during the February Snow Storm as designated by FEMA. Prevoznak/McNammara, unanimous.

There being no further business. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Secretary/Treasurer Maccarone.


Kathleen Green - Council President


Samuel A. Maccarone - Borough Sec./Treas.