

BOROUGH OF WILMERDING
NOTES FROM THE MARCH 2, 2021 WORKSHOP

S. SHURGOT: We had another meeting with Allegheny County, and we gave them an update on where we are. We asked if they would be willing to extend 1 year, they said they would get back to us. We have sent letters to the surrounding communities and have a tentative meeting set up with Pitcairn. We have also heard from the State Police in regard to their staffing if we would need to go that route. Also, I would like to discuss the fire department and I am offended by their reports. They put in there for January and February that they were unable to do work details, this is not true. We did not want people assembling in the building, but they were permitted to do necessary maintenance on the trucks or have a work detail.

L. KIRK: I talked to Tom about that, and he swears that's what they were told.

S. SHURGOT: Everything we told to them was in writing.

L. KIRK: I was concerned about the reports and I went to him, I also told him that I spoke to Emmily about being aloud in the building to do reports and that it was only their meeting and gatherings that were being eliminated. He responded stating they were told under no circumstances were they permitted in the building.

S. SHURGOT: If they were concerned all they had to do was make a phone call. Mr. Hussey can you add to your report every month how much money you brough in from code violations and how many citations you issued.

L. HEMPHILL: We are still working with the County on the Orient slide. We requested the soils study reimbursement and will wait for the okay to place the project for bid. Herman Avenue sewer project, we informed the contractor of the cracks and demanded repair, this will be done when the weather breaks. Westinghouse Avenue sewer repair will begin the first week of March. CD 47, we received \$28,018.00 for the Station Street Sidewalk project. I examined the two blocks and determined that the portion between Short and Herman is the worst, this portion is estimated at \$14,500. The block between Herman and Spruce is not as bad but has numerous bad joints so I am recommending it be replaced as well, the cost for this would be \$15,000. The total for both would be \$29,500, when TCVCOG gets the grant agreement we can proceed with bidding. The CITF grant application was submitted for replacement of the handicap access ramp at the entrance to the municipal building. We should hear between May and July if this will be awarded. The Commonwealth will be meeting on March 23rd so we should hear something after that on the blight remediation grant that was applied for and the Annual Wasteload Management report was filed.

C. LANG: The Blight Remediation grant was the demolition grant for 10 homes that was applied for in July of 2020. When Joe had sent the information on the new grant, I had asked Dave for an update.

J. HARTZELL: just to elaborate on what Caroline said, they will be starting that demolition program the middle of March and will be awarding by May.

G. EVASHAVIK: I sent a memo regarding the PDD law. There is a new state law in effect to allow them in municipalities. We can prohibit them if we determine them to be a hazard, so if we receive notice from PENNDOT we have 30 days to determine what we want to do. I reviewed the ALCOSAN transfer agreements and legally everything is okay as this was previously negotiated by the solicitor's group that is included in this project. I also revied the updated PENNDOT contract for snow removal.