

**THORNBURY TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR  
WORK SESSION**

**MINUTES – February 5, 2013**

The Thornbury Township Board of Supervisors' Work Session was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Thornbury Township meeting room. In attendance were Supervisors Jim Benoit, Vice Chairman; Mike Gallagher, Mike Gast and Bob Miller. Also in attendance were Brody Bovero, Township Manager; Kathy Labrum, Solicitor; and Teresa DeStefano, Secretary.

**I. DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**1. SCHEDULE FOR SQUIRE CHEYNEY PARK IMPROVEMENTS PHASE 1**

Brody Bovero gave a brief outline of the planned construction of Squire Cheyney Park Improvements – Phase 1.

The schedule is as follows:

Engineering & Permitting

Pre-application meeting with Chesco Conservation District (completed)	Dec 2012
Prepare Existing Features, Base Plan, and Stormwater Management	Jan–Feb 2013
Final Plan Submission to Chesco Conservation District	Mar 2013
Final Approval from Chesco Conservation District	Jul 2013

Bid Process

Bid Package and bidding process	Jul/Aug 2013
Contract Award & Documentation	Aug 2013

Construction

Construction	Sep-Dec 2013
Site stabilization & project closeout	Apr-May 2013

The discussion continued about moving forward with the engineering process.

Mike Gast stated that the Township should now start working on the grant for Phase II.

The discussion followed addressing how and when the planting on the parcel will take place.

**2. 2013 ROAD PAVING PROGRAM**

Brody Bovero went over a few scenarios that could be used to meet the paving needs of the Township through the year 2018. There are basically two ways to fund the repaving of the roads; first borrow money, get the roads done and pay over time, or; pay as you go. Brody noted that there are six (6) roads that need to be done by 2018.

Mike Gast noted that under the Comprehensive Plan the Township plans to pave 1/18 to 1/19 of its roads every year.

Brody Bovero noted that all six (6) of the roads could be done by 2018 using the Chip Sealing or the Borrowing option. The pay as you go option would be more of a risk since other emergency expenditures may come up in the Township.

Brody Bovero then introduced Jordan Martin from Martin Paving to explain the process of Chip Sealing.

Jordan gave a brief review of the process for Chip Sealing and the cost benefits it would provide for our Township. Jordan explained how the asphalt and water bond together, which provides a new flexible wearing surface.

Jordan also suggested the Board check out some roads they have done for other townships in our area.

Mike Gast inquired about the cost comparison of chip sealing to paving.

The discussion continued regarding the advantage of doing chip sealing as an extension to the maintenance to township roads. There are a couple of roads in the Township that are not heavily traveled and could be recommended for chip sealing.

Mike Conrad inquired if chip sealing would qualify as maintenance under Liquid Fuels and also about how this would work with roll curb.

The Board continued reviewing the different options and a timeline for paving all of our roads that need to be complete by 2018.

Bob Miller had a few concerns about chip sealing on roads that have a lower volume of traffic than most of our roads in the township and also the impact it would have with kids playing on those roads.

Brody Bovero noted that he would like to get the bid package ready by April and will work with Mike Conrad on the requirement and specs.

### **3. REVIEW OF LIQUID FUELS AUDIT**

Brody Bovero noted that the Township is audited every three years by PennDOT on how the Township spends our Liquid Fuels Fund monies, and just wants to keep the Board updated.

## **II. OTHER MATTERS:**

Bob Miller stated that as a reminder the Township Audit is scheduled this month.

**III. ADJOURMENT:**

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teresa Destefano, Secretary