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Tantallon Infrastructure & Flood Mitigation Workgroup Meeting Minutes December 1, 2021

Meeting Agenda

- DCAO Floyd Holt: Welcome Remarks & Update
- Update: Phase 1/Phase 2 Tantallon Drainage Projects (DPW&T)
- Update: National Golf Course Drainage Project (DoE)
- Truck Route Signage on MD 210 at Fort Washington Rd.
- Impact of K-8 Site Ponds on Site Boundary
- WSSC Utility Work Notifications
- Q&A
- Next Steps

Attendees

- Floyd E. Holt, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, *Working Group Chair*
- Dana Cooper, Special Assistant to the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
- Anthony Foster, Special Assistant to the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
- Andrea Crooms, Director, Department of the Environment
- Jeffrey DeHan, Associate Director, Department of the Environment
- Frank Galosi, Project Manager, Department of the Environment
- Charlie Griffith, Associate Director, Department of Public Works and Transportation
- Lori Parris, Senior Advisor, Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement
- Jason Washington, Director, Office of Alternative Infrastructure Planning and Development, PGCPD
- Damion Lampley, WSSC, Director of Utility Services
- Jorge Rodriguez, WSSC, Deputy Director of Utility Services
- Ronald Weiss, Board Member of the Tantallon Citizen's Association, *Inc., Working Group Co-Chair*
- Hazel Robinson, President, Tantallon Square Civic Association
- Herbert Jones, President, North Tantallon Civic Association
- Duane Bouie, Chairman, TNACA Infrastructure & Technology Committee
- Tolores Holmes, Impacted Resident
- Zaneta Walthour, Impacted Resident
- Flavia Walton, Impacted Resident

Old Business

- N/A

New Business

- The \$1.2 trillion infrastructure bill was passed, and it included funding for all modes of transportation: water, power, energy, environmental remediation, public land, broadband and resilience. Director Andrea Crooms put a together a preliminary analysis of the bill and we will be putting together a workgroup to ensure that we get our fair share of the funds.
- DPWT Update: Phase one construction has begun, and we anticipate about four months until completion. We hope to wrap up in March 2022. Phase two design is continuing to progress and we hope to begin in late 2022/early 2023. Phase two will have a longer duration for completion; 8 – 10

months.

- Phase one: from Fort Washington Rd to the west, towards the golf course to the pond
- Phase two: storm drains that go north towards Flaim Lane.
- DOE Update: DOE is evaluating a project for a stormwater volume and water quality restoration project in the Tantallon community. This compliments the work that DPWT is completing in Phase One and Two. Anticipated schedule: 12-month design and permitting phase, roughly nine months of construction, followed by one year of maintenance and monitoring, and five years of stream restoration maintenance and monitoring. This will improve drainage conditions throughout the community.
 - Q: If 5 ponds will be reduced to 3, what happens to the other 2?
 - A: It will be based on proper hydraulic and hydrological engineer modeling. Golf courses tend to have water feature ponds which are used for aesthetic or operational purposes. Some golf course ponds are there for the nature of the game for example. Those types of ponds are not made for stormwater management. Our design will be created with the proper size and the capacity for stormwater drainage.
 - Q: With this being contingent on funding, is the funding source within the county? Or are we asking for state or federal funds to get this started?
 - A: We submitted the project as a BRIC Funding Request. The response back is pending. Whether or not we will be approved is uncertain, but we have alternate options in consideration for funding through DNR with the State, and through a request in our CIP FY22 or FY23 budget. Potentially looking at \$7.5 million project. Grant or no grant we will get the project done – it is just a matter of timeline. The grant will allow us to complete the project in the ideal time frame. Without the grant it will take a little longer.
- PGPCS Update: Connected with the State Highway Administration. In the process of applying for a permit to add construction signage on MD 210 to direct trucks to continue down Swan Creek. We have had a problem with those trucks leaving sediment and insufficient cleaning of the sediment on those roads. There will now be a street sweeper going through every hour that work is being performed to avoid buildup. The stormwater retention ponds are in the process of being enlarged and barriers will be added to avoid overflow. We are also adding 4ft high orange snow fencing around the wetlands to reinforce those properties as advised by the Maryland Department by the Environment. On the roadways, sediment traps have been enhanced and upgraded as well to pull off sediment as trucks leave the site. We have stopped the soil stockpile in caution of runoff. We will start widening Swan Creek in the spring.
 - Q: How long is the permitting process with the SHA?
 - A: Timeline unknown but we want to begin as soon as possible.
 - Q: During the holidays, is there going to be a break in construction?
 - A: It will still go on, but we are in discussion about how we can minimize interruption. We are hoping to get the bulk done before Christmas.
- WSSC Update: Spoke with the contractor regarding improper notice and the issue has been resolved. The typical timeline of communication for the process of planned projects was outlined in a presentation as the Design Phase, Community Meeting, Construction/Restoration Phase, and Stay Informed (see the PowerPoint for details in each phase). Some forms of communication under the Stay Informed Section are provided by sign-up only. Those who are signed up for CNS receive notifications for emergency alerts such as line breaks.
 - Q: When street cuts are completed, is WSSC responsible for the total repairing of that or is it

passed off to DPWT after the initial recovery?

- A: It depends on who owns the road, the extent of the cut, and what requirements are in place for the county involved.
- Q: Who does the quality check behind the work? We (the community) have had to call DPWT to repatch places in the street that have sank in after work was done.
 - A: WSSC has several steps. First, a temporary patch is placed. That in turn triggers a ticket for a permanent patch. The permanent patch is to be completed within 30 days. Within that 30-day period, supervisors are required to do a QAQC check onsite to assess for hazards and potential need for adjustments. Then the contractor comes next to do permanent restoration. There is also a final step that verifies that the patch is acceptable, in good condition and meets guidelines.
- Q: Some companies send out additional information such as projects like this with billing statements. Is that something you all do?
 - A: No, billing is separate. We use the same information to get in touch but only send notifications to those who will be impacted by the work.

New Action Items

- Winter Community Partners' Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 9th. This meeting will be led by DPWT, DOE and DPIE. Topics will likely include snow preparation and similar information. We encourage you to attend.
- After the holidays, DCAO Holt and Ron Weiss to work together to create a document to apprise the community of where things stand and the progress that has been made through these meetings.
- Proposed date for the next Tantallon workgroup meeting: January 5, 2022

Parking Lot/Ideas

- Historically, notices for residents who will be impacted by construction receive notice the morning of the start of the project. We are hoping the notices for these efforts will be sent in advance.
 - Response: We will certainly keep the community informed throughout.
- How is communication provided (WSSC)?
 - Response: The communication process typically generates a list of properties around the project area – we reach out to each addressee to inform them of the scope of the project, and then provide an update as we move closer to construction – to include a schedule of work and similar information.
- We (Tantallon) had a communication issue with the school project as well. The homes in the surrounding area were notified but the greater community was not. The community organization should be made aware so that we (Tantallon) can inform the community at large.