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Trappe Borough Summary Report of Improvements in Progress

Main Street Traffic Signals

In October of 2017, a Green Light Go grant application was submitted to the state of Pennsylvania for \$316,000 of traffic and pedestrian signal upgrades, and ADA ramps on Main Street at both Route 113 and the Trappe Shopping Center. The requested state contribution was \$252,800, leaving \$63,200 to be funded by Trappe Borough.

The plan includes a radius improvement at the northeast corner of Main Street and Route 113 as well as moving of the traffic signal arms further away from the intersection.

The date of the awards is not known, but last year grants were released in May.

LED Street Lighting

In January of this year, the Borough signed a contract with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Center for a \$73,710 grant to fund 70% of the cost to convert all our current streetlights to electricity saving LEDs.

It is anticipated that the work will be done in 2019, through a joint municipal buying program led by the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission. The multimunicipality effort will provide better quality at lower cost than Trappe could hope to achieve alone.

Additional energy savings will be enjoyed by the Borough via a five-year contract that in 2018 locked in electric rates at .0399 cents per kWh for the entire Borough's electric requirement.

Curb and Sidewalk Contract

In March, the Borough approved a two-year contract with Drumheller Construction Co., Inc. The contract provides fixed prices that any resident can use to have curb and sidewalk work done on their property in Trappe.

Crosswalk Lines on Main Street

The Borough has budgeted for the repainting of crosswalk lines on Main St. The work will be done in coordination with the traffic signal upgrades and the paving of Main St. PennDOT is preparing a five-year paving plan, which we need in order to determine the appropriate time for line painting.

Council and Upper Providence have been supportive of trying to put bike lanes on Main St. the next time it is paved.

Street Repaving

In 2018, the Borough is scheduled to repave Ash St., Bonny Brook Ave., Center Ave., Cherry Ave., Holly Dr., Nicholas Ln. and Oak Rd. In addition, East First Ave. is to be repaved by PECO in 2018 between West Main St. and College Ave., while West First Ave. is scheduled for 2019.

Storm Sewers

In 2018 over \$100,000 is planned for storm sewer maintenance.

Getty Station

Trash was removed from the premises and the stonewall fragments will be removed and returned to their rightful owner when the ground dries in the Historical Society cemetery.

Sidewalks

New sidewalk has been installed from West Main St. to Waterworks Park on the east side of West First Ave. New ADA ramps were previously installed on the west side of West First Ave. In addition, a trail has been installed to link Chestnut St. in Collegeville to Main Street Crossing, which in turn links to West First Avenue. All of these improvements were completed without cost to the Borough and will make it easier to follow the annual Memorial Day parade as it makes its way to Waterworks Park.

The Borough has led the way by replacing its sidewalk at Borough Hall. Many Main St. property owners have followed suit and even more have plans to do so in the future.

This week the Borough completed the extension of a sidewalk on Betcher Rd. at Cornwallis in order to improve pedestrian crossing safety.

Sewer Lines

Collegeville-Trappe Municipal Authority recently approved approximately \$300,000 to video and repair sewer lines in Collegeville and Trappe.

Funding

Note that unlike the federal, state, and some of our neighboring local governments, Trappe Borough was able to do all of this without any borrowing. Trappe Borough remains 100% debt free thereby saving taxpayers from thousands of dollars of annual interest expense.