

Penn Avenue Reconstruction Committee
Thursday August 2, 2018 @ 11:00 a.m.
BGC's Community Activity Center, 113 N. Pacific Ave, 15224
Meeting notes

In attendance: Emily Gaspitch, Ed McCabe, Amber Epps, Nina Gibbs,
(Note full sign in sheet is MIA).

Call to Order—Amber Called to Order at 11:07am

- ***Welcome/Introductions***
- ***Previous meeting minutes***
 - a. ***Motion to approve January 4, 2018 meeting minutes***
Nina motions, Emily Gaspitch approves. Unanimous approval.
- ***Preliminary Engineering Update***

Emily explained that it is 6 weeks before a signed agreement between Transasociates.

 - a. ***Utility Coordination***

Utility coordination begins Mid Oct. Emily is in monthly utility coordination meetings with a utility coordinator. PWSA has new programs in place to help make it easier. There is new technology that the utility companies are using including social media and other construction communications for outreach. The goal is to get utilities to upgrade while the street is open.
 - b. ***Topographical and Boundary Survey/ Environmental Investigation/ Geotechnical Investigation***

This fall into winter equipment, will being to be in the right of way. **ACTION: Emily will send photos of the machines that we can share with the neighbors.** They will be looking for Sub Surface utilities.
 - c. ***Vault Identification***

Vault identification begins after Mid Oct. Will need BGC's help to get a hold of property owners. Will need to enter their vaults. If owners do not respond, the City will get permission from a judge. **ACTION Emily will send spreadsheet and then letters within 4 weeks to the BGC (spreadsheet received, letter has not).** Correspondence will happen in Mid Oct with 30 days to reply. Then the city will figure out who is left to contact. Consultants will go door-to-door and a physical mailing. The BGC will be the second line of defense for contact. **ACTION: The letter from Emily will reference the next Nov 1 PARC Meeting** so that residents know they can come to the meeting to learn more. Once Emily gets survey and vaults done they will give a drawing and general laws that must be met that the community can review
- ***PWSA Coordination***

Lead service line replacement. Lead tests need to be requested online or by phone. Residents have to pay for their side and Hire a private plumber if it needs replaced. The closer to the street a property is the less money it costs. **ACTION: PWSA says they will get comparable prices for replacements so residents have an idea of cost.** PWSA needs to talk to each individual owner case by case to see the price based on commercial or residential and length of the line. PWSA mentioned they have been doing curb checks as part of their Lead Line identification. PWSA will arrange for the curb box checks for Penn Ave. **ACTION SEE ATTACHED CURB BOX SCHEDULE.** This should give notice of possible lead lines without a water test.
- ***Other Issues***

Emily mentioned that the planter beds have been approved for replacement **ACTION: Emily will update us on the amount of funds and schedule.**