BOROUGH OF WILMERDING NOTES FROM DECEMBER 3, 2019 WORKSHOP

ENGINEER – A. PRINCE: 413 Welsh Avenue/Orient Avenue slide; PA Soil & Rock completed the soil study and believe a complete fix will cost between \$1.5 and \$2 Million. They say we can slow the movement of the slide by televising the storm sewer to make sure no water is leaking into the surrounding soil and repair if necessary, relocate the overhead electric lines, abandon a section of Orient Avenue, and remove 10-12 feet of soil from the area in front of 403 Orient. The cost of this is estimated at \$200,000 to \$400,000. We have \$300,000 in grant funds available. This will not totally stop the movement of the hillside and will not stop the slum appearing on Welsh Avenue but it is the best we can do with the funds available.

- **K. PETERSON:** that slide is coming from higher up, why is East McKeesport not doing anything to participate in the fix?
- **A. PRINCE:** It's a difficult situation for us because it's on our property.
- **S. SHURGOT:** it appears to just start on Orient. I'm not sure if it goes any higher but it would be a big study to see if that caused any of it.
- **J. THOMAS:** It's the road bed that's moving not the hillside. That is all fill, there is about 40 ft. of fill that is moving and the road bed is pushing down onto Welsh.
- A. PRINCE: whenever you decide what you want to do we can start to move forward.
- L. KIRK: Is there a time limit on the money
- C. LANG: June of 2020 per the conference call with Dave and the Grant administrators.
- **A. PRINCE:** the Ice Plant Hill Drainage project has no change except the Department of Mines has to get involved. I spoke with Bob about putting a meeting together so he is working on that. Herman Avenue Sewer Separation project has been postponed until March of 2020. The DPW Ceiling update according to Dave; due to the cost of the French drain along Commerce Street, he is suggesting that a contractor be hired to dig outside of the building wall at the exact location of the water seepage to see which direction it is coming from.
- **J. THOMAS:** I was under the impression that we have already done that in the past.
- **S. SHURGOT:** We did the test drilling right outside the driveway and they couldn't find any water.
- **G. JAKUB:** This has been going on for about 20 years. We have done the core samples, the test drilling, tested for chlorine and found nothing. They cannot figure out where the water is coming from.
- A. PRINCE: he is not proposing drilling, he wants to excavate a trench out and see if we can locate it.
- **L. KIRK:** are there times that it is wet, like after a heavy rain?
- **J. THOMAS:** I was down there today and asked but didn't see any water dripping.
- S. SHURGOT: I think we will talk about that with the new council.
- **A. PRINCE:** the 2019 Inlet project will be started in late December dependable upon the weather. Last month there was a concern at 215 Bridge Street concerning the Alley and a wall. Dave went out and looked at it and has determined that the wall is beginning to lean toward the rear of the property but there is no indication that the asphalt in the street is moving or sinking so Dave feels that this is a private wall and will be the property owners' responsibility.
- **G. EVASHAVIK:** last week Joyce was here for the Planning Commission regarding a subdivision for RIDC. The general council for RIDC called me and I explained the concerns of the Planning Commission in regards to the

Bridge. He explained that if the transfer is approved that the bridge will be transferred to AWR. I passed my recommendation onto Dave to review as well as Mr. Shurgot. I ask that this be forwarded onto Joyce so they can process this and move it onto council next month. The other issue is with the lease for WCC. We have been making revisions back and forth; the latest is the changing payment schedule on the equipment. I will attach that as an exhibit. The other issue with it was the basis for termination and the WCC doesn't want broad termination for any reason. I will try to draft some language for both sides and change that payment schedule. I will then send that back to council for review before I send that back to the WCC.