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BELLE VERNON BOROUGH

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S REPORT

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VETERANS PARK SIGNS & WATER FEATURE (NO UPDATE)

- At the Borough's request, KLH requested a change in project scope for an electronic sign in place of the placards. The Chamber of Commerce approved the requested change. The Borough ordered the electronic sign from Mon Valley Signs for \$17,355.60. That price includes all materials and labor required for the complete installation of the sign. Mon Valley Signs is awaiting electricity hookup by West Penn Power. Installation of the sign is ongoing.

DGLVR GRANT APPLICATION (NO UPDATE)

- KLH held a meeting with representatives of the Fayette County Conservation District and the Belle Vernon Borough Street Department in November 2023 and January 2024 to discuss the Dirt, Gravel and Low-Volume Road (DGLVR) Grant application. The project discussed was for the area at the end of Sampson Street. The project scope involves installing new drainage inlets and piping, a new retaining wall, and rebuilding the roadway. The Grant application was submitted to the Fayette County Conservation District (FCCD). KLH is in the process of adjusting the cost estimate at the request of FCCD.

GTRP Grant Application – Brewer Field Redevelopment Phase I (NO UPDATE)

- An application for the Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program (GTRP) was submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Community Development (DCED) for Brewer Field Development Phase I. Phase I includes site work, site security, walking trail, and restroom renovations. The program limit was \$250,000 and a 15% match is required. The Borough received a Letter of Support from Representative Warner, and that Letter was sent to the DCED to be included with the application. Funding award decisions are anticipated in January 2025.

Fayette County Local Share Account (LSA) – Veterans Park

- An application for the Local Share Account (LSA) Program Grant was submitted to the Redevelopment Authority of Fayette County (RACF) for the Veterans Park Project. The project includes the installation of a map of Fayette County, eight (8) descriptive Belle Vernon history placards, and a water feature in Veterans Park. The project selections were made by County Commissioners and the project was not selected for funding.

Statewide Local Share Account (LSA) (NO UPDATE)

- The Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development (DCED) is accepting applications for the Local Share Account Statewide (LSA) program from September 1st, 2024, through November 30th, 2024. The program limit is \$1,000,000. No match is required. The Borough received a Letter of Support from Representative Warner as well as Senator Stefano, and those letters were included with the application. KLH submitted the application for the Brewer Field Redevelopment project. Funding award decisions are anticipated in late 2025.

First United Methodist Church Sewer Connection Issue (NO UPDATE)

- The Borough was under the assumption that the sanitary sewer lateral for the property owned by the First United Methodist Church located at 205 Market Street was tied to the storm sewer. There was a backup, and the connection to storm was confirmed by dye test. The sanitary sewer will need to be removed from the storm sewer and relocated to the sanitary sewer. KLH is available to assist in determining the location of this new tie in.

Main Street Sanitary Sewer Concern

- The Borough expressed concerns with a portion of the sanitary sewer line along Main Street and would like to perform CIPP lining. KLH recommends that this section of sewer is first cleaned and televised to determine the condition of the sewer. This can likely be accomplished using COSTARS. KLH worked with the Borough to identify other sewers of concern in the Borough system that require cleaning and televising and are working to obtain a quote from Robinson Pipe Cleaning to perform the work.

END OF CONSULTING ENGINEER'S REPORT

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



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