

Allegheny County Council

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Meeting Minutes - Approved

Wednesday, February 26, 2014

5:15 PM

Conference Room 1

Committee on Public Works

Bob Macey, Chair

Members: Barbara Daly Danko, Jim Ellenbogen

Michael Finnerty

Nick Futules

Heather Heidelbaugh

Ed Kress

William Russell Robinson

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:21.

Invited Guests: William D. McKain, CPA-County Manager, or Designee

Steve Johnson-Director, Public Works

II. Roll Call

Council Members Present: 6 - Macey, Daly Danko, Finnerty, Futules, Heidelbaugh and Kress

Council Members Absent: 2 - Ellenbogen and Russell Robinson

Council Members Non-Members: 2 - Palmiere and Means

III. Approval of Minutes

[8099-14](#)

Motion to Approve the minutes of the Public Works Committee of Allegheny County Council held on January 23rd, 2014.

Passed

IV. Agenda Items

Ordinances

[8088-14](#)

An Ordinance authorizing the County of Allegheny to acquire by condemnation a certain 0.195 acre of required right of way area, 0.098 acre of required aerial easement and 0.035 acre of required drainage easement, of A.W. and Ester F. Levine; Allan M. and Deanne L. Hirshberg; Deanne L. Hirshberg as Custodian for Lawrence M. Hirshberg; Deanne L. Hirshberg as Custodian for Sally R. Hirshberg; Deanne L. Hirshberg as Custodian for Ellen I. Hirshberg; Lawrence Levine; Lawrence Levine as Custodian for Richard Benjamin Levine; Lawrence Levine as Custodian for Harry Edward Levine; Lawrence Levine as Custodian for Barbara Ruth Levine; Stanley Levine; Stanley Levine as Custodian for David Robert Levine; Stanley Levine as Custodian for Howard Edward Levine; Stanley Levine as Custodian for Betsy Ruth Levine and Stanley Levine as Custodian for Susan Harriet Levine, required for reconstructing Thompson Run Bridge No. 5, also known as Homeville Viaduct (TS05-0510) carrying Homeville Road (5149-02) over Thompson Run, Grant Avenue Extension and tracks of Union Railroad Company in West Mifflin Borough, and to take such further action as may be necessary under applicable law, including the Eminent Domain Code.

Sponsors: Chief Executive

The Chair called Mr. Wright to the table, and he provided a summary of the project to be undertaken and the need for right of way acquisition. Mr. Wright noted that the situation involves a small amount of property, but that a large number of heirs own fractional

shares of that property and difficulty in locating all of those heirs may require a taking.

In response to a question from Ms. Heidelbaugh, Mr. Wright noted that those heirs that have been reached would be willing to sell the property to the County, but that not all can be reached.

In response to a question from Ms. Means, Mr. Wright indicated that he would obtain information delineating which of the heirs have been contacted and which are unavailable.

Affirmatively Recommended

V. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:28.