



Pleasant Plains Community Meeting Minutes September 28, 2022

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Nestor Flores

St. Margarets Rd signal – we attempted to reach out to the SHA. They replied with a general response that it is still moving forward. There will be a large meeting in October to discuss the signal changes that will be attended by Council members as well as Delegates. Nestor will also be in attendance.

Kingsberry Dr Update – asking for community feedback from Kingsberry Dr community. The dynamic sign was installed and we would like to hear your feedback. It has a sensor that detects when a vehicle is attempting to maneuver out of Kingsberry onto Pleasant plains to alert them to slow down and look closely. This is a permanent sign. The style of the sign can be changed (this is a pilot program for the sign) if we feel that it is ineffective. It is important that the lights are seen during the day, not just at night.

Road Ops was out a few weeks ago to trim back the vegetation on the road. They have done some short term patching on the road edges and are now waiting for the resurfacing project to come around to have a new asphalt surface and refreshed pavement markings.

Northern District is now the road operations districts for Pleasant Plains after a reorganization. They can be reached at 410-222-6120.

We would like to offer the community a 5:30pm-6:00pm timeframe for the meeting so that we can hopefully have better attendance.

Debbie Russell

Cherry Rd Ponding – Consultant completed a concept of design options or where to place some of the drainage improvement. It will be underground piping and collection device. These are under review awaiting comments and those will be done in the next few weeks. Once we have an idea of which option is going to work the best, as each has its own pros and cons, we will develop a schedule and a process and move forward. This drainage project will move forward independently from the utilities project. The concept plan will be shared with the community once Engineering decides on the best one.

The time frame for the installation of the drainage will depend on the plan option that is chosen. An update will be given once the plan is decided on.

We are doing our best to have the project completed before the cold weather and freezing occurs. We will not be polling the community for feedback on the plan as this is a known issue and we will move forward with correcting it.

Utility pole project – public meeting was held 07/14/22. We asked the citizens to go online to respond to a poll of the options. The poll results came back and it was 10 for underground and 5 for overhead. The concern is that there were not enough responses to make a definitive decision. At our last meeting, we decided to draft a letter that would go to all of the local communities within the peninsula. The letter was sent to approx. 450 properties today, 09/28/22. The flier once again asked the communities to go online and provide their feedback. The PowerPoint is available online for those who were not able to attend the meeting. The poll will stay open until mid-October.

Community Comments

Please come reevaluate PP in front of the sod farm. The vegetation has grown back since they cut it. We will create a work order for Road Ops to come trim it back again.

Regarding the Kingsberry sign, there is no indication of what the lights and the symbol mean. I have already seen it fail to trigger for a vehicle that was at the stop sign for Kingsberry waiting to turn. I would also like to see a similar sign on Kingsberry at the stop sign that says “vehicle approaching on Pleasant Plains” in the event that they cannot see one coming. We will check the sensor to ensure that it is working correctly. Nestor and Eric will work together to reevaluate the message of the sign. We will consider a dynamic or static sign. We will also investigate the addition of the sign for the Kingsberry stop. We could also switch the diagram of the intersection to say “Vehicle Entering Roadway When Flashing” so that it is clear when this is happening.

The S-curve patching is great and working well although it is still bumpy.