



Construction Information Meeting for Section 1
South of Boyd's Corner Road to South of State Route 1
CIM No. 5 Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2017

Attendees:

Charles Ott	Mr. and Mrs. Al Grimminger
Dan Foltz	Mr. and Mrs. Ron Wood
Karl Baker – The News Journal	Laura Pugh – Dover Post
Ray Conner	David Simpson
Don Bauer	Mr. and Mrs. Robert Derdenter
Will Belmont – Tutor Perini Corp.	Dan Orr – R.E. Pierson
Susan Maldonado – DelDOT	Ken Cimino – DelDOT/GEC
Dewey Jurich – Tutor Perini Corp.	Mark DeSantis – RK&K Engineers
Tom Clements – Century Eng. /GEC	Joni O'Brien – R&KK Engineers
Josh Crane – Diamond Materials, Inc.	Catherine Schwander – DelDOT

The meeting was called to order at 10:00AM by Ken Cimino from DelDOT. Ken welcomed everyone in attendance and thanked them for attending Construction Information No. 5.

Ken advised all in attendance that the Construction Information Meetings will now be held on a quarterly basis at 10:00AM at the Middletown Town Hall.

Ken introduced Will Belmont from the Tutor Perini Corp. as the new Project Manager for the Section 1A contract. Ken asked Will to update the group on the progress that Tutor Perini has made since the August meeting and the work that will be taking place moving forward.

Will Belmont informed the group that the haul and fill operations were 70 percent completed, the bridges at Scott Run were ready for Girders, MSE Walls have been constructed at the U.S. Route 301 Bridge over Boyd's Corner Road and the Jamison Corner Road Bridge was completed. Will also mentioned that the Sanitary Sewer work at Hyett's Corner Road was completed.

Will informed the group that future work included opening Jamison Corner Road prior to April 2016. Once Jamison Corner Road is opened, Hyett's Corner Road would be closed for the remainder of the project to construct the new Hyett's Corner Road Bridge over the new U.S. Route 301.

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Or email us at: DOT_US301@state.de.us*

Ken thanked Will for his presentation and introduced Dewey Jurich from the Tutor Perini Corp. as the new Project Manager for the Section 1B Contract. Ken asked Dewey to update the group on the progress that Tutor Perini has made since the August meeting and the work that will be taking place moving forward.

Dewey Jurich informed the group that Maintenance of Traffic work along SR 1 and U.S. Route 13 has been completed with installation of advanced warning signs. Erosion and Sediment Controls have been installed and construction of bridge foundations for the new U.S. Route 301 Bridge over SR 1 has been started in the median of SR 1.

Dewey informed the group that future work included continuing constructing bridge foundations for the new U.S. Route 301 over SR 1 and continuing haul and fill activities.

Ken thanked Dewey for his presentation and turned the meeting over to Dan Orr from R.E. Pierson Construction to update the group on the progress that R.E. Pierson has made since the August meeting and the work that will be taking place moving forward.

Dan Orr informed the group that embankment and topsoil activities have been 90 percent completed. Drainage work was 95 percent completed and the abutments were completed at the bridge over Drawyer Creek.

Dan informed the group that future work included the delivery and setting of the concrete beams for the bridge over Drawyer Creek in March of 2017. The placement of the Soil Cement Base Course is scheduled to begin in April of 2017 followed by the installation of the Permeable Treated Base in June of 2017.

Ken thanked Dan for his presentation and turned the meeting over to Josh Crane from Diamond Materials, Inc. to update the group on the progress that Diamond has made since the August meeting and the work that will be taking place moving forward.

Josh Crane informed the group that Phase I outside widening of U.S. Route 13 was 90 percent complete. Phase II inside widening has commenced and Phase III construction of the new ramp to northbound SR 1 has also commenced.

Josh informed the group that future work included closing the left turn lane from Port Penn Road to southbound U.S. Route 13 to start on intersection reconstruction at the intersection. Phase II median work as well as construction of the new ramp to SR 1 would continue.

Ken thanked Josh for his presentation and updated the group on public outreach efforts regarding the closure of the left turn lane from Port Penn Road to southbound U.S. Route 13 as well as the potential opening of Jamison Corner Road prior to April 2017.

Ken Cimino opened the floor for discussion.

Mr. Charles Ott from the Airmont Community asked what the DeIDOT's intentions were with respect to Airmont Drive once Hyett's Corner Road is closed.

Ken Cimino from DeIDOT responded that the Department was going to leave Airmont Drive open as requested by Senator Poore and Representative Hensley. Senator Poore and Representative Hensley conducted a survey of the Airmont Community to determine if the community wanted Airmont Drive to remain open or to be closed when DeIDOT closes Hyett's Corner Road for construction. The survey resulted in the majority of the community requesting that Airmont Drive remain open during the Hyett's Corner Road closure.

Someone in attendance wanted to know when Jamison Corner Road was going to be re-opened and why didn't open at the end of December.

Ken Cimino responded that Jamison Corner Road would be re-opened by April. Ken did not want to place an exact date on the re-opening of Jamison Corner Road because factors such as inclement weather could cause the date to move.

Ken further explained that the original completion date of December 2016 for re-opening Jamison Corner Road was based on an early completion date established in the contractor's schedule. The late completion date for this construction activity is April 2017 and the project overall is still on schedule for completion in December 2018.

Someone in attendance asked why DeIDOT installed the new signal Jamison Corner Road and Boyds Corner Road. Is this new signal part of the Cedar Lane realignment?

Ken Cimino responded that the signal was temporary and that it was installed at the request of the St. Georges High School. Administrators from the school were concerned that an increase in traffic at the intersection due to the upcoming closure of Hyett's Corner Road may increase the risk of vehicular collision involving students from the school.

Ken further explained that the signal would be interconnected and coordinated with the existing traffic signal at Boyds Corner Road and Cedar Lane.

Someone in attendance wanted to know when the left turn lane from Port Penn Road onto southbound U.S. Route 13 would be closed.

Josh Crane from Diamond Materials responded that the left turn lane from Port Penn Road to southbound U.S. Route 13 would be closed in March of 2017. Josh further advised that with favorable weather it should be closed for approximately 18 months.

Someone in attendance wanted to know why the left turn was being closed.

Catherine Schwander from DeIDOT explained that DeIDOT Safety requested that the left turn movement be eliminated due to crash history at the intersection.

Someone in attendance asked if the disposal site off of Lorewood Grove Road was an authorized site.

Dan Orr from R.E. Pierson advised that it was an authorized site for this project

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30AM.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 19, 2017 at 10:00AM in the Middletown Town Hall.