

Town of Milton

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RESOLUTION 2020-018

TO SUPPORT AND APPROVE THE OUTDOOR RECREATION, PARKS AND TRAILS GRANT APPLICATION RELATED TO THE MAGNOLIA STREET DRAINAGE PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Charter of the Town of Milton vests power in the Town Council to provide for and preserve the health, peace, safety, cleanliness, ornament, good order and public welfare of the Town and its inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, historically the Town experiences flooding at the west end of the municipal parking lot, which is located between the Broadkill River, Governors Walk, and Magnolia Street with the Union Street bridge to the east side.

WHEREAS, the municipal parking lot serves as a primary source of parking in the Town and though it does not flood during every rain event, the area is inundated with storm water runoff and standing water each high tide.

WHEREAS, it was upon further exploration into the causes of flooding that the Town and its engineer observed severe bulkhead failure and deterioration. The location of the bulkhead being referred to is adjacent to the Broadkill River and municipal parking lot, and is beneath and supports a portion of the Governors Walk; and

WHEREAS, during two years of preliminary evaluations of the existing infrastructure conditions, findings indicated the following: existing inlets to be insufficient to remove storm water runoff, the area is lacking in capacity to store the storm water, an underground stream prevents efficient drainage, a loss of sheet pile bulkhead sections and holes which appear to be prevalent in the tidally influenced zone, loose soils and voids surrounding the bulkhead, and areas of corrosion in the sheet pile; and

WHEREAS, Milton's Mayor and Town Council considered the documentation of findings presented by Pennoni Associates, and voted to proceed with the project on February 3, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Town is currently completing final design plans and specifications, and applying for the necessary permits to complete the Magnolia Street Drainage Project, which includes the bulkhead repairs. Upon completion of plans and specifications, and receiving permits, the competitive bid process will begin; and

WHEREAS, the Town's overall project cost is estimated at \$838,150. Two sources of

grant funding have been awarded which are from the State of Delaware Bond Bill in the amount of \$300,000, and from DNREC Division of Watershed Stewardship Resource Conservation and Development Funds in the amount of \$135,000.

WHEREAS, the Town of Milton is requesting \$100,000 from the DNREC Outdoor Recreation, Parks and Trails 2020 Grant. This funding will greatly assist the Town in its efforts to fund the described critical bulkhead project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Milton, that the Outdoor Recreation, Parks and Trails grant application for the above matching grant to the Delaware Division of Parks and Recreation is supported and hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Town Council hereby authorize Kristy Rogers, Town Manager, to submit the grant application and, if approved, execute the grant agreement in the above amount and serve as the project manager.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, Secretary of the Town Council of the Town of Milton do hereby certify that the above resolution was passed at the meeting of the Town Council, duly called and convened, held on the 31st day of August 2020, at which a quorum was present and voting throughout and that same is still in full force and effect.

TOWN OF MILTON

BY: James C. Gurd
SECRETARY OF TOWN COUNCIL

DATE: 9/2/20