

**TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MERION**

***Public Works Committee***

**Issue Briefing**

**Topic:** Construction Reimbursement Agreement/Pennswood Road Bridge

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**I. Action To Be Considered By The Board:**

Approve a reimbursement agreement for the reconstruction of the Pennswood Road Bridge.

**II. Why This Issue Requires Board Consideration:**

Funding for the bridge reconstruction is through PennDOT's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). PennDOT requires the Township to enter into the reimbursement agreement which will fund the project 80% Federal, 15% State, and 5% Local (Township).

**III. Current Policy Or Practice (If Applicable):**

The agreement designates the Township match funding and requires Board approval.

**IV. Other Relevant Background Information:**

This bridge is an orphan bridge and must be reconstructed due to its age and deterioration.

**V. Impact On Township Finances:**

This project is funded through the Capital Improvement Program. Once rebuilt, the Township will retain ownership and maintenance responsibilities for the bridge. The Township's 5% match portion of the cost is \$245,900.

**VI. Staff Recommendation:**

Staff recommends authorizing execution of the Reimbursement Agreement.