

Minutes of the Public Works Committee on January 22, 2008.

Present

P. Vetro, Chairman
J. Toohey
B. Bier
B. Nunno

Also Present

B. Kolwicz, PW Director
L. Streit, Recording Secretary

Vetro called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes

A motion was made by Bier, seconded by Vetro to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Committee Members Concerns

- Toohey asked about the parking ban. Bruce reported that the Mayor put the parking ban on and it did not snow. The only problem area was Wildemere Beach: Wildwood, Fairwood, Botsford and Ocean Avenue. Other areas use the parking ban automatically. The parking ban was discussed.
- Nunno stated that a Grant Street resident informed him that the storm drain at the bottom of his street towards the water needs to be flushed out. Also, behind Milford Academy, balls are hitting resident houses. Bruce stated that this was addressed at the last meeting and they are waiting for the weather to break to put up the nets/fencing.
- Vetro asked about the Christmas Tree Recycling. Bruce stated that it did not go well; it was advertised in the newspaper as well as on Channel 12 News and there was only 75 trees this year verses 200/300 in past years. It was discussed that things may change next year; picking up the trees can not be done with the regular garbage pick up and they will not take trees if they are in bags.

Vetro asked about a satellite collection for hazardous waste – a Hazardous Waste Day. (Noting that the Environmental Health Director asked if there could be one in Milford). Bruce stated that he is working on setting one up for a Saturday. One may also be held for electronic goods and both would be announced.

Director's Report

- Bruce noted that people think that leaf collection is still going on when in fact it is over and won't be again until Bulk Pick Up begins.
- Drainage – is completed on West Avenue by the pump station. It has been paved and the water is gone. The east/west interceptor is being worked on.

- The Asphalt Recycler was used yesterday and is going well. Potholes are being filled in. This was purchased three years ago and both Brennan and Burns Construction companies purchased one as well. This piece of equipment is very cost effective. Public Works used to spend \$60,000.00 on cold patch per year. This is hot and works much better.
- There has been no appreciable snow this month.
- Downtown area – has been cleaned up; leaves, sidewalks, sand swept, islands cleaned, etc. and the businesses greatly appreciated this. Nunno asked about the Devon area. Bruce reviewed the areas that have been cleaned; by Aldente's, the bridge, there has also been a lot of paving done in Devon.
- The area of Naugatuck Avenue and West Avenue was discussed. Underground power connections are being installed and the whole area will be paved when the work is complete.
- All machines are being repaired within the next month; lawnmowers, etc. as part of winter maintenance.
- Work has been done on the green; the ground is not frozen so work is able to be done. Some cars destroyed some structures.
- A possible open house at Public Works in the summer was discussed.

The next regular meeting will be on 2/26/08 and will include a tour of Public Works for the new members.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Streit