Minutes of the Public Works Committee of June 27, 2016.

Present Also Present

J. Golden C. Saley, PW Director B. Bevan L. Streit, Secretary

P. Vetro

Golden called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

## **Minutes**

A motion was made by Vetro, seconded by Bevin to accept the minutes of 04/25/16 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

## **New Business**

- Golden reviewed **Anderson's** concerns: he asked about the routes and coverage given the new contract. Chris stated that he has extremely thin staff now and it is the end of the year when people are taking vacations, time off, etc. Public Works is down 15 positions and are in the process of filling them. As of 7/1/16 new hires will be under a different medical plan. Anderson asked about the new position. Chris stated that the new position is for an Assistant Director; the job description has been updated and been posted. It is anticipated that there will be a large response and this will take time to go through. Anderson asked about the new sanitation truck. Chris is anticipating it by mid July or August. MAC Truck in Pennsylvania makes them. Golden stated that she would like to see the truck when it comes in.
- Golden then reviewed **Smith's** concerns: he stated that the storm drain pipes at the end of Naugatuck Avenue and on 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue both have jagged and dangerous edges. Chris stated that this project is to go out for bid and is part of the Walnut Beach Project. This is a process; however, 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue may have to be looked at as an emergency. 41 Benson Street; tree removal. Chris stated that he thought this was taken down and he will look into this.
- **Bevan** stated that an issue came up at a Public Safety meeting regarding the trees across the street from Parson's and he asked about the timeline for this. Chris stated that this hasn't been done yet. There have been neighbor complaints regarding tree lifts, etc. Bevan stated that there is a sink hole at 31 Castle Lane. Chris will look into this.
- **Golden** stated that she has received questions regarding driveway/apron requirements. Chris stated that that depends on what's in the neighborhood.
- **Vetro** asked about 28 Ashburn Lane. Chris will follow up with this. Vetro stated that at 23 Bird Lane, the sidewalks flood. Chris will look into this. Vetro reported that on 90 Baxter Lane a tree was removed and in this process knocked down the owners bushes. Chris will follow up with this. Also, there are potholes on the edge of the road between 137 and 199 Forest Road. Vetro stated that Edo Construction does a fantastic job and is a great subcontractor. Chris stated that they are a great value to the city.

## **Old Business**

• Bevan questioned the ordinance on City owned garbage cans and if a new can breaks would the city maintain this. Also discussed were the sizes of the garbage cans.

## **Director's Report**

• The parking lot on High Street is paved and complete.

• Colonial Avenue – a tree fell on a house which was an emergency. The UI would not remove it; they deenergized the line. The tree had to be removed before there was structural damage.

• There was a discussion on the beaches; there will now be a \$15.00 fee for non residents.

The next meeting will be on 07/25/16.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Streit