

Minutes of the Public Works Committee on November 25, 2013.

Present

B. Anderson
D. German
B. Bier
P. Vetro
F. Smith

Also Present

R. Tomasco, Acting
PW Director
L. Streit, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Anderson thanked the Board of Aldermen for nominating him Chairman of this Committee and noted that all districts in town are represented with this board. R. Tomasco was also thanked for acting as Director.

Minutes

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

Director's Report

- The Ann Street pipe repair has been completed.
- The flappers at Westfield and Deerfield have been replaced and completed in November.
- The end of Trumbull Avenue is being worked on.
- HillTop Circle has been cleaned up and completed.
- Spruce Street – the basin has been cleaned and the line jetted. The swamp has grown up above the pipe and this may have to become a sluiceway out.
- Smith asked about Cedar Beach Streets; Sand, Marsh and Derby. They were to be paved and have not been. Richie stated that 2 or 3 houses on Sand Street are to be raised and through this process the machine would tear up the road. Therefore, paving will be held off until the houses are done.

New Business

- Vetro stated that he put in a request in October regarding no street signs on Terrace Road and Parkland. Richie will follow up with this.
- Anderson asked about the stop sign at Timber Trail and Whitman stating that people are going right through and asked if it could be moved back. Richie stated that this has to go before the Police Department.
 - 32 Cindy Circle residents would like to put a claim in for damage to curbing. Richie advised them to call Public Works to start that process.
 - 70 Ettadore/Buckingham – there is a mature tree that has spurs and they would like it trimmed back. Richie stated that that would require a qualified person and 2 men have left the department. The last tree on Harborview cost \$6,000.00. He will look into this.

- Vetro asked about the lack of street lights on a cul-de-sac off of Anderson Avenue and asked if this was a Police Department or Public Works issue. Richie stated that he was not sure and would look into. Anderson stated that if it is a public thoroughfare, the City buys the poles (through Light the Night) but rents the lights.
- Anderson stated that last October he toured the PW garage, yard and ongoing projects in the city with Bruce and asked if anyone on the board would like a tour. Smith stated that he would be interested in this and possibly the new member Janet Golden.
- Richie reported that 25 new trees have been planted on the south end of the green that will be lit for Christmas. This was a joint venture with Milford Trees. A discussion followed regarding diseased trees to come down.
- The position of the Public Works Director was advertised in the newspaper last week. Anderson noted that this is a very important committee; Public Works touches every resident and the committee is very supportive of the department.
- Vetro asked if Public Works is all set for winter. Richie stated that they are all set with salt and sand and trucks are ready.
- Anderson asked about street sweeping. Richie stated that it is pretty much complete. A discussion followed – Milford Center will be done after Thanksgiving. The new truck has had some problems from the beginning.
- German asked if asphalt was done for the season. Richie stated that it is still being done and will be until mid December.

The next meeting will be on 12/16/13 at 7:00 p.m.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Streit