Minutes of the Public Works Committee on January 22, 2018.

Present

- D. German
- P. Vetro
- K. Fortunati
- T. Giannattasio
- J. Golden

Also Present

- C. Saley, PW Director
- S. Johnson, Asst. Director
- L. Streit, Secretary

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

Minutes

A motion was made by Vetro, seconded by Giannattasio to accept the minutes of the 11/27/17 meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Director's Report

Gulf Street Project - a meeting will be scheduled for public input.

Christmas – decorations are being taken down and trees are being collected.

Snow – the extreme cold had an adverse effect; a lot of salt had to be put down during the storm that occurred the first week in January. 15 drivers were brought in in the morning. Golden asked about funding for snow removal. Chris stated that \$65,000.00 has been spent from the snow/salt allowance and Town Aid will be accessed if needed.

Dog Park – improvements need to be made. The right of way is to be cleared out. The parking area is to be redone. The walking area to be cleaned up and new fencing installed. A committee has been formed for this project.

Eisenhower Park – a Pickle Board court and a splash pad are projects that are going out to bid next month.

Employee Gym – plans are being finalized for the employee gym at Parsons. Some remdiation had to be done. This will be on the first floor across from the Engineering Department. This is anticipated to be complete within 3 weeks.

Concerns:

Fortunati – asked about the pond dredging. Chris stated that the containers have been delivered and they anticipate starting; however there have been issues with the weather.

Giannattasio – asked if there were any needs regarding bonding for Public Works projects. Chris stated that \$5,000,000 is needed for paving; West Shore Building and the Margaret Egan Center. The Margaret Egan Center needs building improvements as well as the steam boiler. Giannattasio stated that he would like information from last years request and how funding was spent. Chris reviewed projects that are coming up: Milford Point Road, Beachland Avenue projects are to go out to bid. Pellham Street bluffs stabilization. Crescent, Walnut, Wildemere and Morningside beaches all need work. Groin work at Gulf Beach. The Mayor is to bond for the fuel tanks at Public Works for \$350,000. They are 10,000 gallon tanks that are old and underground; they have to be removed and replaced with above ground tanks. Giannattasio asked about the pump station at Welche's Point Road. Chris stated that is it being upgraded; Kovac's is the Contractor.

A discussion followed regarding daily tasks and problems that occur and derail the daily schedule.

German – asked about Crescent Beach. Steve stated that he met with the Design Engineer in November and it went to the Flood and Erosion Board. The response from the consultant regarding issues came in today. The responses are being finalized and will be submitted to the DEEP by fall of 2018 and then the cost will be looked at. A discussion followed regarding the DEEP process/requirements and that it is a lengthy process. There was a brief discussion on the Police Department building. German asked about the snow on Daniel Street sidewalks and where that could go. Chris stated that this is a constant battle; it is a State road and is plowed by the State. German asked about open positions. Chris stated that there are 3 Custodian positions, a Night Forman position, a Mechanic position and the Waste Water Superintendent position. There are 24 positions open that are to be filled and this is a lengthy process.

The next regular meeting will be on February 26, 2018.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Streit