

Present

B. Anderson
D. German
K. Fortunati
P. Vetro

Also Present

C. Saley, Public Works Director
S. Johnson, Asst. Director
L. Streit, Secretary
Joe Gelb, 28 Lawrence Avenue

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

Minutes

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

Old Business

- Pond dredging –the dredging is complete. A city owned site at the end of Plains Road is being used for storage of material; approximately 10,000 cu. yds. A wall is being put around the North Pond; something similar can be done to the pond by City Hall but will cost approximately \$80,000 - \$100,000. Millennium Builders out of Torrington has done the work and has done a nice job.

Director's Report

- Eisenhower Park – the Pickle Ball Courts are moving forward. Fortunati asked if they would be lit. Chris stated that they would be. Fortunati asked about scheduling and how that would work. Chris stated that he is not sure at this point. Currently the handicapped access steps and the foundation for the bathroom is being poured. A meter has been installed and there will be a bathroom open at all times.
- Chris asked for board members to submit any street paving requests. A new process is being tried; micro seal. They are also looking at a chip seal.
- Anderson asked about plantings at Walnut Beach. Steve stated that the sketching is to be finalized in the next few days. The berm needs to be widened. Milone and McBroom are preparing the plans and the goal is to be planted by 5/15/18. Steve is working on the Community Development Block Grant projects.
- 12 – 15 candidates were interviewed for the Solid Waste Foreman position. The Administrative position in the office has been filled.
- Joe Gelb, 28 Lawrence Avenue, stated that Lawrence Avenue needs to be replaced as it is all broken up. The gas pipe is coming in this week. He stated that he put in a work request last year for a tree to be removed and a raised sidewalk. The tree came down but the stump is still there. Chris stated that he will look into this. Also, 300 Welche's Point Road; there are trees across the street and one is a city tree. There is a UI cable across one and the trees are leaning towards houses. Chris stated that they are looking to widen the road in that area and he will have the Tree Warden look at the trees. Anderson thanked Mr. Gelb for coming.
- The steps at Parsons are being worked on and then the bathrooms. New LED lights are being installed around the City. A discussion regarding street lights in Milford followed and if there should be less lighting in Milford. The LED lights are 3,000 kelvin color temperature. Anderson stated that this is not following the City's policy for lighting and feels that some areas should be de-lamped. German stated that there are too many lights downtown with the street lights and the lamps and feels both are not needed. It was discussed that LED gives a brighter light.

Concerns

- Vetro stated that the resident at 39 Lance Lane stated that he has called Public Works numerous times and has called the Mayor's office. There is a large tree with branches falling down and there are UI wires in it. The sidewalk was fixed but not the tree. Vetro stated that he told the resident that he needs to address this with the UI Company as well. Chris stated that he will speak with the Tree Warden and follow up with the resident. Chris stated that they are trying to work in regions unless there is a safety concern. Public Works is down 28 positions and this is a factor. A discussion followed regarding triaging projects.
- Anderson stated that Alderman Veccharelli had a concern with the concession stand at Washington Park. Chris stated that he is looking into this.
- German asked if the employee fitness center was complete. Chris stated that he will check with the Recreation Department. All work has been done in house. German also stated that there is a huge pothole on the Post Road in front of Firestone Tire. Chris stated that he has called about this and will follow up. German stated that there is a beautification project at Lisman Landing on 5/19/18. Chris stated that he will have a dumpster there for the project.
- Anderson stated that there are two projects being done by volunteers at Parsons; plantings at the rain garden and plantings at the Linda Stock bench. Chris stated that there is some work to be done with the parking area by the Board of Education side. Anderson asked if some prep work could be done for Lisman Landing. German asked about plantings. Anderson suggested contacting the Garden Club.
- A discussion followed regarding having a hot spot at Eisenhower Park and cameras.
- A fee schedule for the Transfer Station was discussed. Anderson asked if leaf bags are taken with bulk pick up. Chris will look into this.
- Anderson asked about beach cleaning at Bayview and that there is a fence at Field Court and Oakland that got pushed in by a plow. Chris will look into this. There has been some trash around the Rose's Mill pump station for a while. Anderson would like to schedule a tour of Waste Water and pump stations; West Avenue and Shady Side Lane. 5/17/18 at 5:30 at the Housatonic Treatment Plant; Chris will confirm this time and location.

The next regular meeting will be on May 29, 2018.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Streit