

Minutes of the Public Works Committee on June 29, 2009.

### **Present**

P. Vetro, Chairman  
N. Veccharelli, Jr.  
B. Bier  
J. Toohey

### **Also Present**

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

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

### **Minutes**

A motion was made by Toohey, seconded by Veccharelli to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as presented and carried unanimously.

### **Concerns**

Veccharelli reported that he received a complaint of sidewalk damage on Rogers Avenue but that he looked at the site and saw no damage.

Toohey reported that the port-o-let at Walnut Beach was moved and it is no longer handicapped accessible. Bruce will look into this, he thinks it was moved for an event and may already be moved back.

Bier reported that he went to a Harbor Commission meeting last week and at the Town Dock at the end of High Street the garbage cans are overfilled. Bruce will look into this. He reported that trash is picked up here three times per week on Mon., Wed. and Fri.

Vetro reported that the flood gates were put back on the Melba Street Bridge. Bruce stated that it is not a bridge but a boxed culvert. The tide gates were incorrectly installed originally and someone jammed it and stripped the screws. This was cleaned out five years ago and the DEP fined the City and it had to remove 32 yards of material and have it tested. A discussion followed regarding flooding in the area.

Vetro asked about limbs/tree removal at Buckingham Ave and Mills Ave area. Bruce stated that this was done because the area is going to be paved. Vetro reported that at 177 Merwin Avenue there is a tree with a lot of ants and bugs in it. Bruce stated that he would look into this. Also, a 442 Woodruff Road a tree job was not done well. Bruce will also look into this. Vetro asked about Wilkinson Road off of Pond Point. Bruce reported that this is a private road and not city.

### **Director's Report**

Anderson Avenue guardrails – Mr. Chileno, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Prisco, Bruce and Senator Slossberg went out to the site. Bruce has been out to this site several times and Mr. Chileno's

property may be able to have resolution. A higher pipe will be attempted to be installed based on estimates received.

Beaches – they have been being cleaned regularly since Memorial Day. The garbage situation at Gulf Beach has been being managed. There has been a lot of rain recently and this has been tough on the fields and mowing.

Drainage has ended; some of the smaller jobs have been finished up.

The Railroad Crossing at Baldwin Station – the rail line will be closed for one month and there will be busses for commuters. Bruce will be attending a meeting regarding this tomorrow.

Hand dryers in the public rest rooms are working out well. They are being left unlocked often and this is being looked into (who has keys and why this is happening). There have been no complaints with cleaning. Hand dryers will begin to be installed in other buildings as well.

The graffiti at Dunkin Donuts on the corner of West Main Street – the graffiti ordinance passed and they were sent a letter. They will have a certain time to comply and if they do not then Public Works will clean it and bill Dunkin Donuts for the work and if it is not paid then a lien will be put on the business.

Devon – some light posts have been knocked down and the cost to replace them is \$5,000.00 each. The ones by the bridge have been fixed. The bus shelter; a car wiped out one lamp post and a sign. Devon Revitalization was discussed.

The next regular meeting will be on 7/27/09.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Streit