Minutes of the Public Works Committee on October 28, 2019.

**Present** 

B. Anderson

K. Fortunati

D. German

A. Giannattasio

P. Vetro

**Also Present** 

C. Saley, PW Director

S. Johnson, Asst. Director

L. Streit, Secretary

B. Bevin

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

## **Minutes**

A motion was made by Vetro, seconded by Giannattasio to approve the minutes of 9/23/19 as presented and carried unanimously.

## **Director's Report**

- There was a discussion on the storm that occurred yesterday and the areas that received a lot of water; leaves and debris were an added issue. Chris stated that leaves, grass and catch basins are an issue with flooding and feels there should be an ordinance with warnings and fines with enforcement is needed. Residents throw their lawn debris in areas and clog up the drainage and create flooding issues. It was discussed that there is an existing IDDE Ordinance (Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Ordinance). This discussion was that this is not definitive and has no fine capacity.
- Vetro asked about the issue with disposing of glass and if it has been addressed. Chris stated that it has not. Giannattasio stated that there is a glass company coming to Milford that will recycle glass. Steve stated that the contamination in recycling is people are putting Styrofoam and plastic bags with glass in it into the recycling bins. Chris stated that he was impressed; he saw Bevin out cleaning up debris while walking.
- Paving is going on now; Quarry Road and Pepe's Farm Road will be closed tomorrow. Wheelers Farm Road/High Street areas are being done as well. A sink hole is being fixed.
- Some rooms at Parson's are to be renovated. A discussion followed regarding the Performance Arts Center; they will have to relocate during this and there needs to be a clear plan.
- German asked about the flowers downtown and why they were taken out so early. Chris stated that this is done annually and guys were available to do it. He also asked about the flappers at Point Beach. Chris stated that they are working on lining the pipe on Elaine Road and it is more challenging than anticipated; there are years of barnacle build up. German asked about positions being filled. Chris stated that they just tested for Truck Drivers; there are 6 positions. German asked about the cost so far for 701 North Street. Chris stated that he will get the figures. German asked about lumber being ordered for this. Chris stated that he is not aware of that; they are in the process of going out to bid. German asked about the Dog Park. Chris stated that there have been drainage issues and they are trying to put a rain garden in between the park and West River Street.
- Giannattasio asked about the Bay View Project. Steve stated that they are getting it out to re-bid. They ordered 2 arms to attach the flap gate to the frame. He reviewed the flow; this is a 2 step temporary fix. Giannattasio asked about the retaining wall on Gulf Street/Old Field Lane. Chris stated that they are trying to contact the owner/resident.
- Vetro asked about 15 Crestwood. Chris stated that this has been done. Vetro asked about 35 Point Beach Drive. Chris stated that they are working on this.
- Bevins asked about Welche's Point Road; trees being removed for the road. Chris stated that there are drainage issues and then that to be done by next spring. Bevins asked about East Ave. Chris will follow up with that.

- Anderson asked about Strawberry Hill and Peach Tree; there are horizontal cracks in the roads and they are in significant disrepair. Chris stated that once sidewalk work is complete then that is in the queue. Anderson reported on J. Grant's behalf that the water fountain at Walnut Beach has had great feedback and asked about a water fountain for Doolittle Park.
- Vetro asked about tennis court lights at Eisenhower Park. Chris stated that there is a number of lights out and replaced. They are to go on automatically with a timer; go off at 10:00 p.m. This is to go out to bid for LED lights. Steve stated that they are changing 150 lights to LED in Devon. Vetro stated that the UI Company will give a discount for upgrades.
- Hauling trash from the Transfer Station to Bridgeport went out to bid. A local bidder was the low bidder at \$150,000 \$200,000. A small local company.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. was made by Fortunati and seconded by Vetro.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Streit