

Present

B. Anderson
B. Bevin
P. Vetro
D. German
J. Golden
F. Smith

Also Present

C. Saley, PW Director
L. Streit, Secretary

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

Minutes

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Golden to accept the minutes of the May meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

- **Dredging** – Chris reported that he met with the company today; \$2,900,000 to do all 4 ponds. North Street, City Hall, Stone Bridge and Eisenhower. This project will begin in the early Fall. Golden asked about the process. Chris stated that first they will de-water, clean out the overflow. There is a process in place to protect the wildlife. They will excavate, stack on location to dry the material and then remove the material. The Beard Property owners are willing to sell this property to the City. This site was reviewed on a topography map. The site would be used for hazardous waste. It is anticipated that there will be 45,000 – 50,000 tons. It will cost \$750,000 to dispose of the material. It would be less expensive to purchase the property. They are willing to sell up to 10 acres. Anderson asked if smell was a concern. Chris stated that he is not sure; it is organic material. 500 yards at a time would be removed. Bevin asked about the cost. Chris stated that the base price is \$2,900,000. There will be disposal fees and if the material is dirty, it will be very costly. 5 acres can be purchased for \$730,000. A Request for Proposal can be done for a company to do the disposal.
- **Welche's Point Road** – the wall is to be faced and have a fence on top. They are working with the neighbors and will probably do what is consistent with the neighborhood which is stone.
- **Roads** – reclaiming will be done on Herbert Street. Chris recommended trying a new product. He is very impressed with it and it lasts 5 – 7 years longer. The cost is \$1.40 now verses \$1.80 per square yard. It doesn't have to be as deep and will be a savings in the long run.
- **Founders Way** – the railing is being worked on and should be complete in 3-4 weeks. Top soil will be done this week.

Director's Report

- **Fireworks** – will be this Saturday with a rain date of 7/8/17.
- **Staff** – Bill Meyers, Assistant Director, will be leaving the City this Friday. He is taking a union position in Torrington. Anderson asked that Chris convey that his time was appreciated. Chris started a new attendance policy. Hopefully, this will make it so that there won't be so many people out at one time.

Concerns:

Golden – 65 Beechwood Avenue; just built a house and needs recycling bins. Chris will follow up with this. Golden asked about the bathrooms at Walnut Beach. Chris stated that the Recreation Department opens them at 11:00 am.

Bevin – asked about the stone work on the new wall on Welche's Point Road. Chris stated that this will probably begin in the fall. Bevin asked if there was any literature on the new paving product to give to neighbors for input. Chris stated that they are going to do 2 parking lots; Foote Field and Eisenhower and see how it works.

Vetro – Sewer covers – he questioned if they were supposed to be raised and then paved; they are becoming potholes. Chris stated that the subcontractors have been given direction.

German – stated that there is a curb issue at 218 West River Street. Chris stated that he is aware of this and it is on the list. German questioned that plants were mowed down on Meadowside Road. Chris stated that he would look into this and follow up. German stated that there is a sewer smell in front of the Village Bistro. Chris asked if the grease pump had been pumped out and asked that they call him. German asked about garbage cans next to the benches downtown. German asked about beach sweeping. Chris stated that it is usually done every day. German stated that Anderson Avenue needs to be swept. German would like the figures for garbage and recycling costs for the last few years. Chris will look into this.

The next regular meeting will be on September 25, 2017.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Streit