PUBLIC WORKS SUBCOMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

May 9, 2011

A regular meeting of the Public Works Subcommittee of the Watertown Town Council was conducted on May 9, 2011 at the Town Hall Annex Conference Room, 424 Main Street, Watertown, CT.

1. Meeting Called to Order at 7:15 P.M.

2. Roll Call

Present: Tom Winn, Katherine Duplissie, Paul Rinaldi, Elaine Adams,
Absent: None

3. Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2011 Regular Meeting was made by Katherine Duplissie and seconded by Elaine Adams. By voice vote, the motion was passed unanimously.

4. Public Participation

Mr. Francis Kaminski, 15 Otis Drive

Mr. Kaminski asked Subcommittee to consider removing all of the trees in front of the commercial buildings on Main Street in Oakville instead of trimming two and removing one. After considerable discussion, it was agreed that the property owners would pay for the installation of three new trees if the town would pay for the removal of the old trees.

Mr. Steve Eazarsky, 101 Greenwood Street

Mr. Tom Olson, 279 Tarbell Avenue and Mr. Harry Olson, 23 Clyde Street

The Olsons asked for a status update of the Clyde Street Drainage Extension. Mr. Cavanaugh informed them that the Army Corps of Engineer shad granted preliminary approval of the project. Work is tentatively anticipated to be done later this year.

Roberto Pavanel, 134 Bunker Hill Road

Mr. Pavanel presented photos documenting a break in the sanitary sewer lateral between his house and the main in the street. He claimed it was a result of road lowering performed 20 years ago by Chilson Excavating as part of the road reconstruction. He wants town to replace it at town’s expense.

5. Correspondence
The attached list of correspondence was reviewed and a motion was made by Katherine Duplissie and seconded by Elaine Adams to accept the correspondence. By voice vote, the motion was passed unanimously.

Old Business

6A. Review Engineering Division Status

Mr. Cavanaugh reviewed attached memo.

6B. Highway Maintenance Program Status

Mr. Cavanaugh briefed Subcommittee on Highway Division status and projected work schedule.

6C. Solid Waste Division Status

Mr. Cavanaugh discussed Solid Waste Division Status.

6D. French Street Pavement Rehabilitation Project

Mr. Cavanaugh briefed subcommittee on status of French Street Pavement Rehabilitation Project Status.

6E. Skilton Road Bridge

Mr. Cavanaugh briefed Subcommittee on recent events at Skilton Road Bridge related to abutment failure and Local Bridge Program. The town was authorized on May 6, 2011 to negotiate a scope of work hours schedule with the consultant engineering firm, Haestad Engineering. Traffic speed and count study has been completed by town.

6F. CRRA Status

Mr. Cavanaugh briefed Subcommittee on status of closure of CRRA Mid Connecticut Project. Status is unchanged.

6G. Shared Services with Watertown Board of Education

Subcommittee discussed sending a proposed agreement for site work maintenance projects to Board of Education.

6H. Steele Brook Sewer Crossing Removal – Siemon Company

Subcommittee discussed proposed sanitary sewer project involving the removal of the above grade pipe through Steele Brook at the Siemon Company facility on Echo Lake Road.

New Business

7A. Budget Status
Subcommittee was briefed on impact of latest potential budget reductions proposed by Town Manager as directed by Town Council. Mr. Cavanaugh distributed handout highlighting proposed reductions.

8. Transfers and Appropriations

8A. Request for Appropriation for Steele Brook Sewer Crossing Removal – Siemon Company

This item was tabled again from February 15, 2011 meeting for consideration at a future meeting.

9. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Katherine Duplissie and seconded by Paul Rinaldi. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 8:39 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Tom Winn
Chairperson

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Roy E. Cavanaugh, P.E.
Secretary