

**PUBLIC WORKS SUBCOMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

August 10, 2009

A regular meeting of the Public Works Subcommittee was conducted on August 10, 2009 at the Town Hall Annex.

1. Meeting Called to Order at 7:05 P.M.

2. Roll Call

Present: Ray Primini, Paul Rinaldi, Tom Winn

Absent: None

3. Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2009 Regular Meeting was made by Paul Rinaldi and seconded by Tom Winn. By voice vote, the motion was passed unanimously.

4. Public Participation

Mr. Joe Bemonte, 212 Tucker Avenue, Avenue

Mr. Bemonte requested streetlight be installed in his neighborhood for the benefit of a special needs person who walks on the road. Subcommittee members will visit site prior to next meeting.

5. Correspondence

A motion to accept the attached correspondence was made by Paul Rinaldi and seconded by Ray Primini. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

6. Old Business

6A. Review Engineering Division Status

Mr. Cavanaugh reviewed attached memo. Mr. Cavanaugh discussed request from Mr. Minnich, Planning & Zoning Commission Chairman that the Engineering Division create a zoning overlay map on Taft School property. Mr. Primini to discuss with Town Manager. Mr. Chuck Berger, Town Engineer, will be presenting Department business at next Town Council meeting.

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 and memo (attached). Mr. Cavanaugh distributed an e-mail from Jeff Cormier, Central Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments regarding a potential regional shredding event. Subcommittee tentatively endorsed concept, if no cost to residents. Subcommittee wants to investigate finding a corporate sponsor for event. Subcommittee directed Mr. Cavanaugh to discuss issue with Joe Seacrist to see if Economic Development Commission would want to participate.

6D. Streetlight Program

Mr. Cavanaugh discussed Streetlight Program and attached Watertown Police Department correspondence regarding crime statistics on streets with protested light removals. In accordance with Deputy Chief Desena's recommendation, Lilac Avenue and Frances Ann Drive were removed from consideration for streetlight removal. Determination to be made on Westview Drive and Phillips Drive next month.

6E. 1024 Main Street

Mr. Cavanaugh briefed subcommittee on status of FEMA Grant for 1024 Main Street. No change since last meeting.

6F. Budget Update and Shovel Ready Project

Mr. Cavanaugh briefed subcommittee on status of 2009-2010 Budget Proposal and Shovel Ready Project Status. Mr. Cavanaugh reported on meeting with CT DOT on Wednesday, July 15, 2009 to go over French Street mill and overlay project. CT DOT is requesting a resolution supporting project from Town Council. Work is tentatively scheduled to be performed in 2010.

6G. Skilton Road Bridge

Mr. Cavanaugh briefed Subcommittee on recent events at Skilton Road Bridge related to abutment failure. Emergency stabilization bid was discussed. Mr. Cavanaugh informed Subcommittee that town will be retaining Haestad Engineers to evaluate repairs and estimated costs.

6H. Echo Lake Sidewalk

Mr. Cavanaugh briefed Subcommittee on project and discussed funding requirements. Town meeting to be held prior to next Town Council meeting.

7. New Business

A. Paving Program

Mr. Cavanaugh presented proposed 2009 paving program, which is dependent upon both the town and the state adopting budgets.

B. West Road Guide rail

Mr. Cavanaugh briefed Subcommittee on proposed public private partnership with Watertown Country Club for installation of guide rail at the intersection of Guernseytown Road and West Road. Mr. Primini to discuss with Town Manager.

8. Transfers and Appropriations

None

9. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Tom Winn and seconded by Paul Rinaldi. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Primini
Chairperson

Roy E. Cavanaugh, P.E.
Secretary