

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS  
MEETING MINUTES

July 16, 2018

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Members Present: Thomas Haluch, Bill Rodrigues, Barry Linton, Alex Simao,  
Stephen Santos

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Steven Frederick

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Mr. Haluch called the meeting to order at 06:02 pm. All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter from Joyce Siok & Catherine Costa regarding tree concerns between 89 & 95 Miller Street. Mr. Haluch read letter. Mr. Frederick said Eversource trimmed trees and took down one. Mr. Frederick thinks situation has since been resolved and will call resident to let her know.

Letter from Jeffrey Ackerly regarding mailbox damage due to snow plow operations. Mr. Haluch read letter. Mr. Santos motion to repair up to \$50. Mr. Simao second. All in favor.

DIRECTORS REPORT:

Cady Street sewer. Still waiting for signed contract from accounting department. Labor positions. Interviews start on Thursday. Mr. Haluch asked for BPW to see the applications. Mr. Simao asked who makes final decision. Mr. Frederick will send job description & applications to board for review. Mr. Frederick, Kenny & HR will be conducting the interviews. Mr. Haluch motion to have Mr. Simao represent the board in interviews. All in favor.

Mr. Simao asked about 2 part time positions for the landfill. Mr. Frederick has not heard back from union. Mr. Simao motion for job for 2 part time employees go out to bid. Mr. Linton second. Mr. Santos against. 4-1 vote.

Mr. Frederick to provide board with letter from town lawyer about lunch punch.

Riverside Drive project. Mr. Frederick met with WestMass last week about becoming an approved town road, inspection & administrative stuff. Mr. Linton asked if they were going to sell the buildings to people that are renting them? Mr. Frederick will ask them to attend a meeting so board can ask them some questions.

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Dog park project. Going well. There was donated materials and DPW became part of the donation. There was a donation of sand but there was no \$ to transport it. DPW helped out with the trucking of material. Still being worked on.

Center Street project. Contractor still getting approvals and schedules confirmed. Do not have to have a meeting to have the list of trees taken down. Mr. Simao motion to approve trees to be cut down. Mr. Rodrigues second. All in favor. Mr. Santos add to motion to refer to Part 1, Title XIV, Chapter 87, Section 5. Option to work with UMass where they can use GIS to create tree planting plan for the town. Mr. Simao asked if Kenny is the tree warden. Mr. Haluch said Steve Frederick is. Bylaws say town engineer is the tree warden. He can authorize Kenny to look @ the trees. Mr. Santos asked if Mr. Frederick can designate Kenny assistant tree warden. Mr. Haluch said yes.

Issue with roadside mower. Sweeper is still not out there yet. McKinley & Taft. Nothing back from fabricator in Chicopee. Nothing back about the 6 wheeler. Nothing back for Tower Road borings. Route 21 cemetery is an after hours project. Nothing on HVAC yet.

Mr. Simao motion to accept director's report. Mr. Rodrigues second. All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nothing

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Simao got call over the weekend about 62 Maple Street. Mr. Frederick will take a look @ let resident know. Are we all done with Holyoke Street? Mr. Frederick said no. DPW crews have been doing patching and driveways. We have to go out for bid for line striping. Requested to close Center Street gate @ Island Pond. Goncalves hopes to start digging Wednesday.

Mr. Santos asked for sign stating gate closed, please use Chapin Street entrance. Mr. Santos asked if there is a timeline on Miller Street. Mr. Frederick said No. Mr. Linton motion to go all the way to El Cid. Mr. Rodrigues second. All in favor. Mr. Frederick said it is a temporary patch. Mr. Santos asked about Nick Silva. Will line striping & guardrail be done before football?

Mr. Simao asked about the sidewalk on Howard Street. Mr. Frederick said we had a setback with the drainage.

Michael Hastings step increase. He was up for a step increase while there was no director and paperwork never got processed in 2016 & 2017. Mr. Linton motion for step increase. Mr. Simao second. Mr. Santos asked if it's in the budget to fix it. All in favor.

Mr. Haluch to discuss bid bond. Mr. Frederick sent out specifications. Everyone received correspondence from Doherty, Wallace & Pillsbury. Mr. Santos pointed out there is no estimated quantity on equipment rental. Mr. Santos' bid did not supply bid bond. Mr. Haluch opinion is that his bid should be thrown out. Mr. Simao made motion to deny all the bids for rental equipment. No second. Bid will be rejected. It will go to the next bidder. Mr. Linton motion for bid C143 be awarded to Gomes Construction. C14.4 be awarded to Haluch. The rest to get 3 prices. Mr. Rodrigues second. 3-2 vote, Mr. Simao against and Mr. Santos abstained.

Mr. Haluch asked Mr. Frederick to work on what they discussed with the hours. Mr. Linton asked for clarification of \$9,800 bill from HP Fairfield for a snow plow. Mr. Frederick verified it is the plow that got damaged.

Mr. Rodrigues asked about the sewer manhole on 462 East Street.

At 7:23 Mr. Simao made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Rodrigues second. All in favor.

NOTES ACCEPTED:

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*Mr. Santos*  
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*Mr. Linton*  
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*Amy Kuntz*  
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