

Board of Public Works
Meeting Minutes
April 9, 2019

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Members Present: Thomas Haluch, Barry Linton, Guilherme Rodrigues, John Davis

Members Absent: Alex Simao

Also: Ken Batista

At 6:00 PM Mr. Haluch called the meeting to order.

All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing to consider the removal of a Town Shade Tree at 167 Chapin Street. Mr. Linton made a motion to take down the Town shade tree at 167 Chapin Street. Mr. Rodrigues seconded the motion. All In Favor: 4/0.

Correspondence:

947. Letter from Jim & Linda Quenneville requesting attention at the end of Letendre Avenue. The tree is consistently losing branches every time there is extreme weather storms.

Photographs of damage provided and photographs of the white pine tree.

Mr. Linton made a motion to remove the white pine tree at the end of Letendre Ave. Mr. Davis seconded the motion. All In Favor: 4/0.

948. Letter from Gina Glenn regarding vehicle damage due to a pothole on Chapin Street at Edison Street. Work order from Rick's Auto Body, 375 Pasco Rd, Springfield, MA and other supporting documents provided. The Springfield Water Department filled in a trench they dug which was the cause of the damage. Mr. Linton made a motion to forward the bills to the Springfield Water Department. Mr. Davis seconded.

949. Letter from ATC Environmental requesting access to a portion of West Avenue for the purpose of completing site closure activities for O'Connell Oil Associates. Copies of the site access agreement provided. Mr. Linton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rodrigues to allow ATC Environmental access to the site complete site closure. All In Favor: 4/0.

950. Letter from David & Catherine Brown of 33 Jestina Circle requesting road repair on Jestina Circle. Photographs were provided by the homeowners.

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951. Letter from Paul Chartier regarding vehicle damage due to a pothole in front of 147 Stivens Terrace near Stivens Drive. Invoice from Town Fair Tire, 1736 Boston Rd, Springfield as well as photographs of damage and potholes in road provided.

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Mr. Linton made a motion to send to insurer. Mr. Davis seconded. All In Favor: 4/0.

952. Letter from Philip Brodeur regarding a sewer blockage at 25 Chapin Street. Invoice from Serv/Pro, 100 Peters Rd, Enfield, CT submitted. Amount is \$3,899.95.

Mr. Linton made a motion to send to insurer. Mr. Davis Seconded. All in Favor: 4/0.

Interim Directors Report:

A. Pereira Construction has completed the installation of the four sewer laterals on Rood Street. The Conservation Commission was notified. The preliminary cost estimate for the reconstruction of Rood Street is \$204,000.00.

Western and Sampson scheduled to clean the wet well on Chapin Street pump station on April 15, 2019 which is a holiday. Two DPW employees are scheduled to be on site.

Fertilizer quotes are due Friday, April 19, 2019. Applications at the Island Pond Cemetery should also be considered. In 2018 it was an additional \$17,000.00 to apply fertilizer at Island Pond Cemetery.

The DPW met with Columbia Gas on Monday, April 8, 2019. Updated construction lists for streets requested from them. Also discussion of gas main and lateral installation in subdivisions. Columbia Gas does not provide live laterals to empty lots which is a liability issue. Building also dictates lateral locations. Having developers install sleeves under the road, one on left and the other on right side of the lot. Planning may have to tighten language in subdivision regulations.

Sewer repair at 703 East Street—the sewer issue appeared to be 20 feet behind the sidewalk. The homeowner hired A Martins Construction to do the repair for the homeowner as the pipe was exposed. Repairs were discovered under the sidewalk back to a point where Bisco installed a new 16 inch water main at the point of an old repair to the main. The pipe was pitched backward. The old 4 inch AC pipe. 25 feet of AC pipe was replaced with new SDR 35 pipe.

Whitney Park soccer goals need replacing. They are approximately \$3,000.00 each. Also the Field Goal on South side of the football field need replacing due to damage sustained through the years. The cost is approximately \$4,000.00 each. A motion was made to provide two soccer goals and one football field goal was made by Mr. Linton and seconded by Mr. Rodrigues. All In Favor: 4/0.

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Construction in a Public Way- If laterals are at property line and no excavation is needed are permits required? A sewer connection permit and trench permit are required. Mr. Linton made a motion that a trench permit and sewer permit be required when not in a public way (\$550.00 or for a new house \$1,050.00). Mr. Davis seconded the motion. All In Favor: 4/0.

City of Chicopee is having Tighe and Bond looking into possible gravity main for Bluebird Acres versus a force main sewer system. They are seeking the BPW's input on this matter.

Howard Street Guard Rail- People going around the guard rail and over the abutting home-owners lawn to get to Center Street. There are tire tracks on the home-owners lawn. Could a two foot rock be placed so that this will not occur again? Other alternatives discussed.

Mr. Linton made a motion to accept Mr. Batista's report. Mr. Rodrigues seconded. All In Favor: 4/0.

Old Business:

Cemetery Report- Income for month is \$5,525.00.

Correspondence from Town Accountant looking for a designated member of the board to approve department payrolls and accounts payable. It recommends it be done with a full board. Mr. Linton made a motion to sign the payrolls as interim until meeting with a full board. The motions was seconded by Mr. Rodrigues. All In Favor: 4/0.

Correspondence from Arlene Miller regarding the HHW disposition option with NEDT. Amy to contact Arlene Miller to come in to the next meeting on April 23, 2019 to discuss the matter further.

Director/Town Engineer Position- A temporary position (six month period) was posted (to run two weeks).

Special Municipal Employee Status-Will be on agenda for the meeting on the 23rd when a full board is expected to be on hand.

The BPW minutes for February 26, 2019 were reviewed and signed.

Sewer Abatements were signed.

The next BPW meeting is April 23, 2019.

At 7:12 PM Mr. Linton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rodrigues to adjourn. The Board voted All in Favor.

NOTES ACCEPTED:

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Bill Rodrigues

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