

TOWN OF SOUTHTON
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting Minutes
September 7, 2011

Present: *Members:* Chairman Peter Romano, Chief Jack Daly, Albert Natelli, Christopher Palmieri and Garry Brumback. *Ex-Officio Member:* Steve Wlodkowski
Absent: John Leary, Tom West, Tony Tranquillo

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Romano called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers, 75 Main Street, Southington, CT.

MINUTES: Motion to approve the July 6, 2011 minutes was made by Jack Daly, seconded by Chris Palmieri and carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

a. Reports on Ongoing Operations/Special Notices

- i. Bulky Waste Transfer Station. Scanners were not working last Saturday but they have tested them and now have two that are working. Steve Wlodkowski will check with Leslie Cotton to make sure the data base public works has is the same as the data base in the Town Clerk's office since there are still errors with license plates. Several members of the board congratulated Steve Wlodkowski and his crews for opening up bulky waste after the storm. There was a lot of public support and they appreciated it.
- ii. Leaf Program. Nothing to report except that Vac-All bids and temporary labor bids were going forward.
- iii. Retention/Detention Pond Maintenance. Nothing to report.
- iv. Parks Department. Memorial Pool closed after Labor Day weekend. Recreation Park pool will close next weekend. They are looking at covering the pools in order to reduce the fading and treat some of the stains, and also looking at Memorial Pool because there is a leak in the wading pool.
- v. Police Department. Nothing to report.
- vi. Snow Removal. No report.
- vii. Storm Drainage Maintenance. All the storm drains were cleared prior to Hurricane Irene and that seemed to be beneficial because the only flooding that we experienced in Southington was directly related to areas that always flood, so storm maintenance was successful.
- viii. Street Lights. Two issues. One, there are no streetlights on Mountainview off Meriden Avenue. It is a new development and looking to prioritize getting lights there because of small children playing there. Chris Palmieri reported there are still two lights on Woodruff between Memorial Park and the Armory that stay on all day. Needs to be reported.
- ix. Water Department. Nothing to report.

b. Members Communications

Chris Palmieri talked about the status of the Library parking lot. It is continuing to progress, but the hurricane and serious rain have caused some delays. Additionally, they needed to remove a tree in order to have better access to handicapped parking. It took a while because it was a subcontractor. That is now done and we should be wrapping up the parking lot.

Garry Brumback reported that we have loaned our stage that is normally used for the concerts on the green to Wolcott and Mayor Dunn for September 25. There are no conflicts and it was done in the spirit of promoting our neighbors. Garry also talked about the CIP and said we should be wrapping up the streets for the PWC, hopefully at the next meeting.

Chris Palmieri asked about the status of road maintenance on West Center, and Steve Wlodkowski said they were going to do a complete reconstruction between Raynor and West Street and Raynor to the east toward Summer. They would just put a coat of asphalt to button it up while working on some serious storm drain issues. Drainage repairs should be done prior to winter but will not get the road restored until probably spring.

NEW BUSINESS:

We voted to add the Vac-All bids and temporary labor bids to the agenda. Motion by Garry Brumback, seconded by Chris Palmieri. The only comment was that while we had several Vac-All bids and the range was between \$94/hour and \$120/hour, we still may end up using all of the contractors because our requirement is just that great. We require 10 units and each of the bidders only had one or two. We also approved the temporary labor bid for Hamilton Personnel at \$11.79/hour. The motion for Vac-All was made by Chris Palmieri, seconded by Garry Brumback, and carried unanimously. Motion to award the temporary labor bid was made by Chris Palmieri, seconded by Jack Daly, and carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no other business, motion to adjourn was made by Garry Brumback, seconded by Chris Palmieri and carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter J. Romano, Jr.
Chairman