

TOWN OF SOUTHTON
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting Minutes
March 2, 2011

Present: *Members:* Chairman Peter Romano, Chief Jack Daly, Albert Natelli, Christopher Palmieri, John Leary (joined the meeting in progress), Garry Brumback and Thomas West.
Ex-Officio Member: Anthony Tranquillo, Steve Wlodkowski

Chairman Romano called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers, 75 Main Street, Southington, CT.

MINUTES OF February 17, 2011:

Motion to approve made by Chris Palmieri, seconded by Tom West and carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS:

a. Public

Arthur Cyr alerted the committee that there is a depression in the parking lot behind the Masonic Hall that is creating a sizable puddle and safety hazard. Tony Tranquillo will investigate.

b. Reports on Ongoing Operations

Bulky Waste Transfer Station – No update

Leaf Program – Composting piles were turned.

Retention/Detention Pond Maintenance – No update. Sites are inaccessible.

Parks Department – is clearing brush at the parks. They are purchasing bag containers to be placed at the Rails to Trails for dog waste collection. Chris Palmieri requested that they explore the possibility of recycling receptacles at the parks. Steve Wlodkowski will research.

Police Department – Chief Daly thanked Public Works for help with snow removal at headquarters. Chief also reported that he is meeting with Lake Compounds to discuss the temporary closure of a section of Mount Vernon Road during construction activity at the park this year.

Snow Removal – Steve Wlodkowski thanked the Police Department for Parking Ban assistance during the recent storms. Tickets were issued for snow on private property being pushed and/or blown into the streets.

Storm Drainage Maintenance – March 18th the street sweeping bids are due.

Street Lights - There was brief discussion about LED streetlight bulbs that have been installed on (2) poles as a test case.

Water Department – Tom West alerted the committee that they will begin flushing hydrants in mid-April. He also reported that they were able to get some hot bituminous mix to make permanent patches at the West/West Center Street intersection.

c. Members Communications:

Downtown Spring Clean-up – Al Natelli requested that Public Works draft a letter to the downtown business owners and property owners with a date that they will be sweeping downtown. The letter would also request that the owners clean the area in front of their business prior to the sweeping.

Partnering with BOE for Spring Sweeping – John Leary asked if the Town sweeping bids include the school properties. Currently they do not but this will be reviewed as an option for future bids.

NEW BUSINESS: none

OLD BUSINESS: none

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no other business, meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter J. Romano, Jr.
Chairman