

TOWN OF SOUTHTON
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting Minutes
July 1, 2010

Present: *Members:* Chairman Peter Romano, Chief Jack Daly, John Leary, Albert Natelli, Christopher Palmieri, and John Weichsel; *Ex-Officio Members:* Anthony Tranquillo and Steve Wlodkowski

Absent: Thomas West

Chairman Romano called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers, 75 Main Street, Southington, CT.

Minutes of June 3, 2010: Minutes were approved as submitted.

Public Communications:

Art Cyr suggested contacting Cheshire concerning our upcoming repaving of Upson Place. Superintendent Wlodkowski indicated he would do that.

Reports on Ongoing Operations/Special Notices:

Bulky Waste Transfer Station: Tony Tranquillo indicated that there are continuing problems with the scanners. Seems difficult to cure. Part of the problem is the vendors have not been fully paid. The committee developed a compromise position of how much to pay.

There were no other reports on ongoing operations.

Superintendent Wlodkowski discussed the Parks Department activities which underwent a change as of this very day.

At the request of Town Manager John Weichsel, the committee went into Executive Session at 4:40 p.m. They returned to Open Session at 4:50 p.m.

Chairman Romano read a notice from the government indicating that the ARRA funds could now be committed to Quality Associates as designated by the Town Council for the portions of South End Road and Mt. Vernon Road that had been applied for.

New Business:

Renaissance Sidewalk Ordinance: The Plantsville Beautification project was discussed and the question of proposing an ordinance similar to what covers Southington Center was tabled.

DeFashion Street Bridge: The status of the DeFashion Street bridge and surrounding roads was discussed. The Conservation Commission's review of the DeFashion Street bridge was to take place that very evening.

Old Business:

Prequalification Ordinance: After discussion of pre- and post- qualifications of bidders, the committee agreed that post-qualification for the three lowest bidders was simpler than pre-qualification of all prospective bidders. Dr. Natelli moved, seconded by Chris Palmieri, to send such an ordinance to the Council for its consideration.

Downtown Sweeping: There was some discussion of the proposed letter to the downtown merchants. It was agreed the letter would be revised to be more business friendly.

Prioritization Matrix: Mr. Leary is still working on the matrix.

Adjournment:

There being no other business, meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Romano
Chairman