

**Town Of Southington**  
**Public Works Committee**

Regular Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2015

**Present:** Chairman Paul Champagne, Garry Brumback, Jim Coleman, Tom Lombardi, Ex-Officio member Chief Jack Daly, Keith Hayden, Annette Turnquist

**Absent:** Sandra Feld, Christopher Palmieri Ex-Officio members William Casarella (Water Dept.)

**Call to order:** Chairman Champagne called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. in the former Town Hall Council Chamber, 75 Main Street, Southington, CT.

**Quorum** Established

**Minutes:** Minutes from October 2015 meeting approved

**Communications:**

1) Reports on Ongoing Operations/Special Notices

- a) **Police Department:** – Turi Electric working on parking lot lights. Eagle Rivet roofing working on courtyard area. Town Engineering dept. helping with technical issues. (CJD)
- b) **Hi-Way Department:**
  - i) **Roads** – All paving is completed tying up odds and ends and working on punch list. (AT)
  - ii) Leaf pickup - Starting week of 11/8 on Zone 1. (Original date was pushed back 1 week due to leaves dropping later than expected) this will continue for zones 1-4 (one week each zone) and return for second trip on Zone 1, weather permitting. There will be 14 units assigned to pick-up leaves (AT)
- c) **Parks Department:**
  - i) Prepping parks for winterization. (AT)
  - ii) Getting ready for leaf pickup. (AT)
  - iii) Reported vandalism occur at Panthron park (AT)
- d) **Bulky Waste:** New Stickers are required after April 1<sup>st</sup>. They are available at Town Clerks office or can be done online (go to Southington.org for online procedure). (PC)
  - i) Bulky Waste is currently operating on every week schedule, see Town web site for schedule (AT)
  - ii) Operations running smoothly volume is still strong on mattresses waiting for bigger trailer from vendor, also shipping to new location. (AT)
  - i) Still working on new pamphlet for Bulky Waste. (AT)
- b) **Engineering**
  - i) LED Lights - Contractor back on job and is continuing LED replacement. To date 2824 (77%) of the 3,711 lights the Town is responsible for have been changed out to LED's. This not only reduces the Towns usage and gives us a "greener" solution. Anticipated saving is 188k (this includes maintenance savings) (KH)

- ii) Old Mountain road Bridge replacement – In process, box culvert is in, retaining walls and drainage complete. Aiming for Dec 15, to be open for traffic. (KH)
- iii) West Queen St. Bridge – Deck scheduled to go in Nov 9, work progressing nicely. Aiming for Dec 1<sup>st</sup> opening. (KH)
- iv) West Center St. Bridge – Design completed, reviewing work with contractor. (KH)
  - 1. Still trying to get DOT to fast track. (KH)
  - 2. Work will span over 18 months, traffic pattern will be 1 way alternating vs complete closure of road. (KH)
- (ii) Safe Routes to School (Woodruff to Crest) – Survey done, utility meeting next week. (KH)
- (iii) Town Hall Roof – Flat roof complete, working on peaked roofs (KH)
- (iv) Super Pave – On projects where state money is involved, Super Pave is the required method to pave. Due to lateness in season final paving may be put off until next spring. Keith Hayden is working on issue with State DOT. (KH)
- (v) Generator for Firehouse bid – discussed and sending to Council for approval (PC)
- (vi) Street signs for renaissance area bid - discussed and sending to Council for approval (PC)

**c) Water Department**

- i) Approximately 3000 feet being done on Mulberry Street. (KH)
- ii) Due to longer than expected construction time table, repaving off road will happen next year. (KH)
- iii) Mulberry Street – Working on permanent patch for road, also working to finish up work on laterals, residents lawns and drive ways. Planting will be done in spring 2016. Still working with Town to try to get road in best shape possible for winter season. (WC)
- iv) **Beecher Street** – Is approximately 80% complete working on punch list. This has become a priority to finish before winter (WC)

**Other:**

**Member Communication:** Leaf pickup schedule being finalized and will be posted on Town website and local newspapers. Leaf Zone map to also be placed on town website (AT)

**Public Communications:**

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** Town engineering looking into redesigning intersection on Curtis St. where the Rails to Trails currently ends for safety reasons. (KH)

**Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Paul W. Champagne  
Chairman**