

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**BOARD OF ALDERMEN**  
**PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE**  
**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2014**  
to immediately follow the Special Meeting set  
for 6:45 p.m. in ROOM 104  
**SHELTON CITY HALL, 54 HILL STREET, SHELTON, CT**  
**MINUTES**

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◆ **CALL OF THE MEETING/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Alderman Papa called the meeting to order at 7:12pm. The Pledge of Allegiance had just been said at the previous meeting so it was dispensed with for this meeting.

**Roll Call:**

Alderman John "Jack" Finn – present

Alderman Noreen McGorty – present

Alderman John P. Papa – present

◆ **PUBLIC PORTION**

Bob Gesullo  
23 Wicklow Lane  
Shelton, Ct. 06484

Susan Vallillo  
19 Wicklow Lane  
Shelton, Ct. 06484

Deborah Bailey  
39 Cherry Blossom Lane  
Shelton, Ct. 06484

Sharon Nachasic  
25 Waterford Lane  
Shelton, Ct. 06484

◆ **AGENDA ITEMS**

◆ **CORRESPONDENCE**

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1.1 REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 4, 2014**

Alderman Finn made the following motion:

Move to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Public Health & Safety Meeting of June 4, 2014.

The motion was seconded by Alderman McGorty. All were in favor.

## **2. NEW BUSINESS**

### **2.1 STREETLIGHT REQUEST FOR LAKE AVENUE UTILITY POLE NUMBER 8962**

- Deborah Bailey spoke in reference to pole #8296. She had sent a letter about this issue.
- Alderman Finn asked Chief Hurliman to check the pole numbers to verify that we were talking about the right pole.
- Deborah Bailey stated that it was very dark there and she felt that something needed to be done to increase the lighting.
- Comments were made that the area is dark and that maybe we can look into the possibility of increasing the lumens on the existing light or maybe adding a light.
- Chief Hurliman was asked to look into this issue.
- This issue was tabled.

### **2.2 REQUEST FOR GEESE/DUCK CROSSING SIGN ON HUNTINGTON STREET NEAR RESERVOIR**

Alderman Finn moved to install already purchased geese/ duck crossing signs on Bridgeport Avenue and Huntington Street pending the approval of the DOT.

#### **Discussion:**

- Alderman Anglace asked if there would also be crosswalks.
- Alderman Papa wanted to know who requested the sign.
- Alderman Anglace commented that Shelton is not looking to add unnecessary signs in the city.
- Alderman Papa informed everyone that the signs had been up before and were knocked down. They are being replaced.
- Susan Vallillo wanted to know what drivers do when they see the sign. She was told that it was just to make people aware that there could possibly be ducks and geese on the road.

Alderman McGorty seconded the motion. All were in favor.

### **2.3 SIGHT LINE ISSUE AT INTERSECTION OF MURPHY LANE AND WARWICK ROAD**

- Bob Gesullo brought charts and satellite images of the area in question.
- He informed the Board that both directions have blind spots. There is a problem but he is not exactly sure how to fix it.
- Alderman Anglace commented that the guiderail is too high and it blocks the line of sight.

- Bob Gesullo suggested a warning sign for people coming up Murphy's Lane.
- Mr. Gesullo commented that there was a yield sign that had been put up about a year ago that really did help.
- Alderman Anglace stated that there really is a problem both ways. He asked if Chief Hurliman could look into this. Originally when this area was designed we wanted to give people on Murphy's Lane the right of way.
- Bob Gesullo suggested that maybe a sign saying, "Bling intersection", on Murphy's Lane might help.
- Alderman Anglace asked Chief Hurliman to take the City Engineer with him when he goes and looks at the intersection.
- Sharon Nachasic commented that she was a lot shorter than Bob Gesullo and she can't see a car coming up Murphy's Lane until she's in the intersection.
- Alderman Papa wanted to know if there have been any accidents at the intersection.
- Bob Gesullo stated that there have been close calls and one accident.
- Susan Vallillo stated that her family had been involved in the accident. You can't see either way until you're in the intersection. Lowering the guardrail could help. Mirrors could help. A stop sign could help. At night it's better because we can see the headlights. The arrow sign indicates that there's nothing on the right. It just shows the road.
- Bob Gesullo thanked the Board for taking the time to listen to this issue.

### **3. OLD BUSINESS – STATUS UPDATE**

#### **3.1 10 POCHONG TRAIL – REQUEST FOR GUIDE RAIL**

Alderman Finn moved, per the recommendation of the Chief of Police and the City Engineer, to deny the request to install a guide rail at 10 Pochong Trail. Alderman McGorty seconded the motion.

#### **Discussion:**

Chief Hurliman told the Board that there have been three accidents at this location. One accident was due to bad weather. One person got their foot caught in the accelerator and one accident was occurred when a parent allowed their 14 year old son to take the vehicle. He went on to state that the area doesn't warrant a guide rail.

All were in favor.

#### **3.2 4 EAST VILLAGE ROAD UPDATE**

A motion was made by Alderman Finn to approve a guiderail to be installed at East Village Road in the vicinity of #8 and #4. Alderman McGorty seconded the motion.

#### **Discussion:**

- Chief Hurliman stated that the one guiderail keeps people from hitting the utility pole.
- Alderman Simonetti noted that the spread of the guiderails seems to be an issue. Since the road has been redesigned the road level is above the property and vehicles go into the property owner's yard. At least something needs to be done to give the homeowners and vehicles some safety.
- Alderman Finn commented that there is a three-way stop here and people don't always stop.
- Alderman Simonetti commented that we should approve some safety barrier.
- Alderman Finn: Can't put a guardrail down a private driveway.
- Alderman Anglace noted that, "Prevalent in Police Department report and Committee discussion we don't put in guardrails, we put in guiderails."
- Alderman Papa thought that putting reflectors on the mailbox might help.
- Chief Hurliman told the Board that the police department recommended that the mailbox be moved to where the pole is.
- Alderman Papa suggested that we have the City Engineer and Chief Hurliman look at this again.

All were in favor.

#### **4. REPORTS OF THE EMERGENCY SERVICES**

##### **A. EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

Alderman McGorty, referencing the EMS Commission Report, noted that Echo Hose had an excellent percentage of calls answered, that CMED is closing so they are looking for a replacement, and that Valley Emergency Medical Services moved to a new location at 764 Derby Ave, Seymour, CT 06483

##### **B. POLICE SERVICES**

Chief Hurliman informed the Board that officer initiated stops now require people to be given information on how to proceed after the stop if they feel that they have been stopped unfairly.

##### **C. FIRE SERVICES**

The Fire Department reported that training, recruiting, and retention are good. All the new vehicles are in but #51 was involved in an accident. It will take 4-5 weeks to

repair. KME is responsible. The department intends to ask for an extended warranty when they get the truck back.

**D. OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

**E. FIRE MARSHAL**

Alderman Papa commented that the report was a “nice report”. He wanted to know why it took two people to inspect a daycare center. Hotels are inspected every October. What does it cost the hotels to have the inspection done? (The cost varies.)

Alderman Finn wanted to know what the inspector looks for when doing a multifamily inspection. (Permission is needed from the owner to perform the inspection.) He further commented that he was glad that the schools were being inspected but wanted to know why it took one inspector one hour and another inspector no hours. (It could be because the inspector stopped for something other than an inspection such as an alarm call.)

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Alderman Finn made a motion to adjourn at 8:00PM. Alderman McGorty seconded the motion. All were in favor.**

*Respectfully submitted by K. Anglace, clerk*