PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Alderman McPherson on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen Street Committee to order at 6:00 p.m. in Room 104, of Shelton City Hall and led the group in a pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Present
Alderman McPherson, Chairman
Alderman Kudej

Also Present
Brian Roach – Assistant Superintendent Highway & Bridges

PUBLIC PORTION:
Alderman McPherson addressed the audience and let them know that when their item appears on the agenda they will be called to sit at the table to discuss it with the committee.

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

   1.1 STREET COMMITTEE MEETING – March 6, 2017

Alderman Kudej MOVED to waive the reading and approve the Street Committee Meeting Minutes of December 5, 2017.
SECONDED by Alderman McPherson. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.
Full set of minutes can be found at www.cityofshelton.org.

2. NEW BUSINESS

2.1 AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #879 GARBAGE, TRASH AND REFUSE

Discussion:

Alderman McPherson: This is a bone of contention, for lack of a better word. I’ve put a few changes into the ordinance. I’ve had conversations with Paul and we can call him too. Paul and I have discussed this in the past. This is about 6 years old. It goes back to 2012 and I was not with the grandfathering in of certain establishments because you have some of these ginormous businesses that got multiple units, more than 6 units we are providing. My concern is that on Thursdays there’s like 16 containers in the road at a time, blocking traffic. Multiple, multiple units that is just one of those that should not be grandfathered. Now by contrast you have the Bridge Street Commons over there where they have their own services. We should not be grandfathering these and I said this to Paul. These big buildings, these units are a business even though they are residents they are a business and are receiving services. So what I did was I made changes. Brian do you have a copy?

Brian Roach: Yes, I have a copy. That’s on page 5?

Alderman McPherson: Yes, I took out on page 5 the areas that are crossed out are what I’ve added. And to make sure that we didn’t hurt some of the smaller businesses in the downtown area that were grandfathered, like the business, Shelton Pizza, some of those smaller ones that have a container and grandfathered. You have from Howe to Brook to Brook Street; Center Street from Howe Ave. to Bridgeport Ave.; and from Coram Ave. from Kneen Street to Wooster Street a clause so we’re not hurting those areas. I’m also going to add the section underneath to say: Collection will be provided to small commercial establishments in the “grandfathered” downtown areas as follows; Howe Ave., from Route 8 to Brook Street; Center Street from Howe Ave. to Bridgeport Ave.; and from Coram Ave. from Kneen Street to Wooster Street that generate an amount of waste equivalent to an average residential unit. That information will get put in under the changes on page 5 and I also think we need to put in what was left out of the contract and that is to recognize the parts of Shelton that are densely populated with cars manual effort is to be expected. These areas between Brewster and Route 8 where they are working, those two houses have their own dumpster and don’t get city pick up. I know this because we had huge issues with the owner and had accrued fines of $17,000.00 and started foreclosure because he wasn’t paying the dumpster people and they were not picking up, garbage was blowing down onto the main road below on Hull. It was finally resolved and cleaned up. Fence repaired, paving and there hasn’t been a complaint since. The other thing, for those we provide a service to that might have a problem and they could qualify under a hardship clause because there’s no room for some of these units to have their own dumpster. Those would have to qualify under the hardship clause.
With the clause they have up to six months to comply with the provisions. If there’s an issue of hardship then the owner/landlord has 30 days to provide proof of said hardship to the Street Committee in which the committee may review the appeal to make a determination. For that they would be coming to the street committee and show proof of hardship, explain it. The committee would then have to make a decision. That’s what we’re hoping to accomplish. I think taking on some of these big areas and giving them 6 months to comply and we are very clear with the six months and if need be start fining. If they choose not to get their own trash and recycling and we will no longer be providing it to them. They have six months to comply. The attempt in doing all this is because the ordinance is not enforced and it gets frustrating. I mean, how many letters can people get before the fines? I used to get the list of violations and there was a house down here, by the train station. The landlord was an out of town landlord, she lived in Derby. The tenants would move out and dump the stuff there, on the sidewalk. It would sit for days, weeks. I had to stick zoning and housing on them and when I would go to look I would see that they received like ten courtesy letters. That’s a waste and if you’re going to have an ordinance it has to be enforced so that is why I have been battling to have this stuff put. To give you guys the tools you need to do the things you need to do. I also put in a few things with violations, I eliminated the long process, made it simple. First time you get a letter, second time is a $150 fine and then a third, is $250 fine. I also put in something similar to what the tax collector has. I have an interest rate. The fines accrue and the public works director take it, so if you rack up an excess fine, then lien the property and do what we need to do. It needed to have teeth and be enforceable.

Alderman Kudej: Where do we go from here?

Alderman McPherson: We talk it over with Paul and then it goes to the full board.

Alderman Kudej: Do we go to the public with it then?

Alderman McPherson: Here’s what we do, we talk with Paul.

Alderman Kudej: I don’t think Paul is going to go for it.

Alderman McPherson: And he may not be okay with it because of some of the provisions I put in there. Here’s the thing it goes through the Street Committee, then onto the Full Board, then a public hearing. That’s probably going to happen around May and then a full vote in June. We need five to pass it, and six incase it’s ever vetoed. But one step at a time. It’s not to hurt people, it’s to keep the streets clean. The other thing I go back to is the video when they were buying the trucks. I think it’s great we own the vehicles but when we opened the video for the garbage trucks it showed these beautiful suburb streets with cars in their driveways and the trucks collecting the garbage. I emailed and said this is all nice but realistically what do you do with the cars parked all along the roads? Can you show me how it is with cars lined up along the streets, how it going to work? And it is what it is, but I wanted a realistic picture of how it was going to work. This is the problem between Elm and Shelton Avenue they all have driveways, but park on the street. Do we need to use code red to locate a specific area to tell them not to park along the roads when there’s trash pickup so that the trucks can get in? I don’t know if we should be using code red to keep the cars off the streets. This is another thing that maybe we need to look into
with the ordinance. The congested areas need smaller trucks to go onto these streets to collect because the larger trucks are dangerous in having to backup into traffic.

At this point, Paul DiMauro, Director of Public Works, was put on a conference call to participate in the discussion of item 2.1.

Alderman McPherson: Hi Paul. We are discussing the amendment to ordinance #879. Specifically Sec. 6-2 and Sec. 6-67.

Paul DiMauro: Hello Eric.

Alderman McPherson: We were just going over these changes and some observations we have after going over this ordinance situation. I wanted to make sure in the ordinance that we did not hurt any of these small businesses in the downtown area now that have our blue & brown bins.

Paul DiMauro: As it is right now, they are limited to an amount of waste that is equalivient to an average residential unit.

Alderman McPherson: I also want to take out these larger establishments that have more than six units and in some cases are businesses as well. Take them out and under my provision, give them six months to comply and un-grandfather them and also in where as we may have a hardship, I put in a hardship clause. I did this because over by Route 8 there’s a row of them that have our receptacles they are unable to get a dumpster in but there are a few that have driveways and go back so they can get a dumpster. The other units have a dumpster there and there’s no problem with that. The remainders there might have a hardship and could qualify under the clause because they have no way to get a dumpster there and I would say we can grandfather them.

Paul DiMauro: Well here’s the thing with that, I don’t know if you can treat one thing differently than the other. I mean, you’re calling it a hardship but if you look at the five at whether they can have a dumpster or not isn’t the issue. You see they are using these carts now. They can contract to have these carts picked up on a more frequent basis. They don’t have to have just a weekly pick up.

Alderman McPherson: Oh, okay. I see. I get it.

Paul DiMauro: I don’t think if you are going to try to do it that you’ll be able to grandfather certain ones. I think you are going to have to follow the same rules.

Alderman McPherson: Oh, okay. Yes. I get it.

Paul DiMauro: I think you’ll have to call for everything commercial and not a residential establishment. That’s up to you guys to make that call. The other property near Chiccarellis, there’s a couple there that may be a couple of properties, they have ten about units. He has room for a dumpster there.

Alderman McPherson: He does, he absolutely does.
Paul DiMauro: Some of these other businesses, like Siminoettis, they have wheels on the dumpsters and wheel them out. If you can roll out these containers you can certainly roll out a two yarder. It’s a matter of who’s a hardship and who’s not. We’ve been doing it now over the years that I think now you’re going to cause a bit of a problem with it but, it’s your call. I think there’s going to be a lot of opposition with it.

Alderman McPherson: Okay, okay. I understand

Paul DiMauro: And then doing it to them and not doing it to the others downtown how do you determine?

Alderman McPherson: Well I think to use your description, they don’t generate more trash than the average house. Look at these multi establishments, look at what they are generating.

Paul DiMauro: Yes, I understand that. I think as a fair token you have an ordinance, it’s a grandfather clause. A household there on an average might be smaller and generate less trash than say a house over in white hills. It’s not much difference there Eric. It’s not a matter of the generation but anything that is generating large amounts and need a dumpster would get one. It’s to help the individual owner.

Alderman McPherson: I know we have a clause in some of the other ordinances there for areas in downtown, these areas were grandfathered but we just need to find a way to make this ordinance work.

Paul DiMauro: Is it because we don’t want to see the all these containers out on the curb?

Alderman McPherson: It is that and also that I don’t think we should be providing it for these huge establishments that are essentially a business.

Paul DiMauro: That’s fine, I understand that. They have gotten it all these years and when we started the automated collection what we discovered was we had no way of knowing how many there actually were in these units. We had no way of knowing the amount of units beforehand and then we were finding that these buildings were having tenants in the basements too. There was just no way of knowing.

Alderman McPherson: That’s true. We found all those illegal apartments and had to have it investigated by the housing officers.

Paul DiMauro: You can do what you want but I think there is going to be some issues. If you don’t think we should be providing the service you have to make a cut off. A lot of towns are doing anything over four units. If you want to stick with over six, that’s fine. If you want to leave out that commercial status let me know.

Alderman McPherson: Are you saying we should take out the commercial establishments?

Paul DiMauro: No, I don’t care, you can keep it the way it is. It doesn’t bother me like that.
If they are only generating one then fine. If there's a property owner with more than that then that's the way we do it. If you want me to change it then I can change it, rewrite it. You have to let me know. You saw where I've added and what I wrote.

Alderman McPherson: Yes, I was looking at some of that because that’s where I ran into it, with less than six.

Paul DiMauro: Have you talked with the Mayor’s office? I would recommend that you get feedback from the other offices.

Alderman McPherson: I did, I talked to the president of the board and he understands that we have a real problem. We do agree that we do have to do something. I haven’t brought it to the administration yet because we don’t have everything that we need yet. Once we do then I’ll put it on our Tuesday morning agenda.

Paul DiMauro: We can certainly try to identify them all and see what’s at each property and police that going forward, that’s fine. I do think we need to reword this.

Alderman McPherson: Yes, I will put this on for the next agenda because we do need work on this. Can you work on some of that wording?

Paul DiMauro: Certainly, we can work on a draft and put the six months to comply. I'll work on it.

Alderman McPherson: Okay, great. Thank you Paul. Another thing that I worked on to give this a little more teeth, it is in the violation portion. First time you get a letter, second time is a $150 fine and then a third, is $250 fine. I don’t want to keep sending courtesy letters.

Paul DiMauro: Write it up and I'll work on the draft for changes to the ordinance. For the most part people have cooperated after getting a notice and we try to do it without fining. If it persists then we fine. But for the most part people have been cooperative.

Alderman McPherson: This really affects the downtown area.

Paul DiMauro: Not really. There are other areas that have cars parked up and down along the road and have had violations. It’s all over but we haven’t been pushing on it because people have been cooperative.

Alderman McPherson: For those who don’t, I really think that the hammer needs to come down and come down hard. Especially with the out of town landlords. A majority of the multi homes are out of town owners. We have to have these here as the tools to do what we need to do. I also put in something similar to the tax collector with interest.

Paul DiMauro: Alright, good enough. We will keep it in the draft stages and continue to work on it.
Alderman McPherson: Another thing I wanted to mention, for the congested roads we can use the Code Red to alert them for no on street parking for trash pickup. Sometimes the cars interfere with pick up.

Paul DiMauro: Ok, we will have to continue the conversation on that. I'll work on it and will talk with you. Take care.

Alderman McPherson: Thanks Paul.

Ordinance # 879 GARBAGE, TRASH AND REFUSE

Sec. 6-2 Definitions.

For the purpose of this article, the following terms, phrases, words and their deviations shall have the following meanings as prescribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Acceptable solid waste (waste) shall mean unwanted or discarded materials, garbage and refuse that the City is permitted by the State to collect and transport from the City to a resource recovery combustion facility, transfer station or landfill that are licensed to accept municipal solid waste but shall not include recyclable materials, bulky waste, or hazardous waste

Bulky solid waste shall mean solid waste comprised of demolition materials of any nature obtained from the destruction or demolition of a building or other structure; or, land clearing debris including natural materials such as stumps, logs, wood, tree limbs, branches, and waste resulting directly from other demolition activities. Also included shall be “white goods” and other unwanted or discarded materials which in the judgment of the City cannot be disposed of or processed by the designated facility.

City shall mean the City of Shelton.

Collection Cart shall mean the wheeled container approved by the City for residential collection of waste and recycling.

Commercial refuse shall include waste from the preparation, cooking, and consumption of food, condemned food products and all refuse from the handling, storage, preparation and sale of produce originating primarily in commercial kitchens, stores, restaurants, food markets and factories, but shall exclude refuse generated by residential dwelling units and bulky solid waste or hazardous waste.

Director shall mean the director of public works of the City of Shelton.

Disposal charge shall be that amount of money to be charged for each ton of processible solid waste delivered to the designated facility and the procedures established by the City.
Dwelling unit (residential unit) shall mean any room or group of rooms located within a dwelling and forming a single habitable unit with facilities which are used, arraigned or designed to be occupied for living, sleeping, cooking and eating.

Facility shall mean a processing facility as designated by the City and permitted to receive acceptable waste and recycling materials for processing.

Hazardous wastes shall mean solid and liquid wastes in the following classifications:

1) Explosives.
2) Pathogenic or medical pathological waste.
3) Radioactive wastes.
4) Cleaning fluids, acids, poisons or other chemical wastes which either create an immediate safety hazard to persons disposing of the waste or which by virtue of their chemistry and/or the method of disposal present a threat to the quality of ground or surface waters.

Hazardous waste shall include but not be limited to pathological, biological, cesspool or other human waste, human and animal remains, radioactive, toxic or other types of waste which according to federal, state or local rules or regulation from time to time in effect require special handling in their collection, treatment or disposal, including those regulated under 42 U.S.C. Sections 6921-6925 and regulations thereunder adopted by the United States Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to the Resources Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, 90 Stat. 2806, 42 U.S.C. Section 6901, such as cleaning fluids, crank-case oils, cutting oils, paints, acids, caustics, poisons, drugs, fine powdery earth used to filter cleaning fluid and refuse of a similar nature.

Health authority shall mean the Valley Health District, the legally designated health authority of the City.

Household garbage shall include waste from preparation, cooking and consumption of products used primarily in private homes.

Industrial refuse shall include putrescible and non-putrescible matter from the manufacturer, fabrication or processing of any product.

Municipal contract shall mean the municipal solid waste management services contract between this municipality and one or more Processing Facilities.

Municipality shall mean the City of Shelton.

Private dwellings shall mean all one-family and multifamily units to a maximum of six (6) units in any building or complex, or multi-family dwelling, which received City collection of residential waste and recyclable materials on or before July 1, 2012, and shall include all residential condominiums as the term is defined by the Condominium Act of the General Statutes, all mobile home parks, and homes on commonly owned roads.
Apartment Building or Complexes larger than six (6) units or Cooperative Housing Ownership(s) shall no longer be grandfathered by this ordinance. They shall provide for their own trash/recycling carts, containers and/or dumpsters and provide for pickup collection of such. They shall have up to but not longer than six (6) months to comply with the provisions of this ordinance. Should an issue of hardship arise the owner/landlord shall have 30 days to provide proof of said hardship to the Street Committee in which the committee may review the appeal to make a determination.

Also to include: Collection will be provided to small commercial establishments in the “grandfathered” downtown areas as follows; Howe Ave., from Route 8 to Brook Street; Center Street from Howe Ave. to Bridgeport Ave.; and from Coram Ave. from Kneen Street to Wooster Street that generate an amount of waste equaliviant to an average residential unit.

*Processible solid waste* shall mean that refuse acceptable to the facility pursuant to the municipal agreement.

*Refuse* shall mean all putrescible and non-putrescible solid wastes including household garbage, rubbish, ashes, bulky wastes and solid commercial and industrial refuse. It shall not include hazardous wastes.

*Refuse collectors* shall include any person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of collecting and transporting commercial, household or industrial refuse for hire within this municipality.

*Rubbish* shall mean waste materials from normal household or living conditions, other than “household garbage” and includes garden, lawn, tree trimmings and leaves. It shall not include factory wastes or refuse from industrial plants. In general; the kinds of materials classed as “rubbish”, are such as, rags, worn out clothing or furniture, excelsior and the like.

*Transfer station* shall mean that facility located on Route 110, Shelton, Connecticut.

Yard waste shall mean grass clippings, leaves, brush, branches from pruning and other organic material as may be generated through land maintenance activities, but not including tree stumps.

**Sec. 6-67 Penalties**

a) Notwithstanding any other sections of the General Statutes to the contrary the city, acting by the administrator of the recycling program, may impose a penalty not to exceed two hundred and fifty dollars ($250.00) for each violation by a commercial establishment of the requirements of subsection (c) of section 22a-241b of the Connecticut General Statutes as amended by section 1 of Public Act 90-220 as set forth in section 6-64 (b)(1) of this article.
b) The owner or operator of a resources recovery facility or other solid waste facility who fails to notify the city about the delivery of loads of solid waste originating from the city containing significant quantities of items required to be recycled as required by section 4 of the Public Act 90-220 and as set forth in section 6-66 (d) of this article, shall be subject to a warning by the city for a first violation and to a civil penalty of five hundred dollars ($500.00) for any subsequent violation. If the city fails to receive such notification as required, the city may bring an action under section 3 of Public Act 90-249.

c) Any person who violates the provisions of this article shall, in addition to other legal remedies available to the city, be cited or fined not more than two hundred fifty dollars ($250.00) for each offense, and each violation of this article or of regulations and instructions promulgated pursuant to this article, shall be a separate violation. This article and the regulations and instructions promulgated pursuant to this article may be enforced by citations issued by the Director or his designee. Before issuing any citation the Director or his designee shall issue a written warning providing notice of the specific violation in accordance with section 7-148 (c) (10) (A) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

d) Any owner of residential property who violates any provisions of this ordinance shall be cited and fined as follows:

(1) A written warning on the first violation.
(2) A fine of $150 for the second violation. 
(3) A fine of $250 for the third and subsequent violation.

Any unpaid fines shall accrue interest rate of 1.5% per month and up to but not more than 18% in a year.

All fines will be in addition to any cost incurred by the City including costs to correct the violation if required.

Each day such violation is continued, after notice to abate, shall be deemed a separate offense and shall be punishable as such.

All fines and penalties are due and payable within ten (ten days of receipt).

Fines not paid shall result in the City taking any of the following steps to collect fines and legal costs incurred by the City:

Actions may include the City taking violators to court, a collection agency, wage attachments and placing liens on the property or properties of violators.

e) The citation hearing procedure provided in section 7-152c of the Connecticut General Statutes is established as the city’s citation hearing procedure to be followed when citations pursuant to section 6-69 (c) of this article are issued. The chief executive officer of the city is authorized to issue such rules and regulations governing the operation of the
citation hearing procedure so long as such rules and regulations are consistent with section 7-152c of the Connecticut General Statutes.

At this point, Paul DiMauro, Director of Public Works, was put on a conference call to participate in the discussion of item 2.1.

### 2.2 JOHN STREET

Discussion:

Alderman McPherson asked the family to come to the table and state their names and address for the record. Alderman McPherson introduced the family to Brian Roach.

Josephine Pelaggi, Debbie Stewart and Joseph Pelaggi introduced themselves. They stated they were there on behalf of their mother, Beverly Pelaggi of 26/28 John Street who was unable to attend due to health issues.

Alderman Kudej welcomed the family and thanked them for attending the meeting to discuss their issues with the committee in person.

Alderman McPherson: This is on John Street. I understand there is some issue with drainage. If you could just explain it we can discuss it.

Josephine Pelaggi: Yes. There is a water problem that begins on Howard Avenue and runs down John Street. The home where the water comes from is on 54 Perry Hill. The home is on the corner of Perry and Howard and has had multiple owners and been a water problem for years. The house is about 100 years old.

Alderman McPherson: Wow, that's a lot of ice. Brian do you need these pictures?

Josephine Pelaggi: I've provided the committee and Brian with pictures that we took of the ice along with map views and pictures from Google maps.

Brian Roach: No, I have copies and have been out there as well and also have pictures.

Josephine Pelaggi: You can see the ice and how it runs down the street. In the winter the top half of John Street is ice and goes into the middle of the street and into my mother's upper and lower driveways. It's here in the photos. You can see the ice is affecting the use of the driveway and stairs in front of my mother's home and she and her tenants don't have use of the driveway because of the ice buildup. The pictures don't show how bad the ice usually is. There gets to be a huge buildup of ice.

Alderman McPherson: Is this water just when it rains?
Joseph Pelaggi: No, this is continual water. It is all year round. Back in 1980 my father passed away but he had talked with the street department in the 70's and they were going to put in a storm drain but it never happened. I’ve been in the basement of the house and the water is from some type of a well or spring of some sort. Some other type of pipe which is getting through the stone wall on Howard venue. I don’t know if it’s the home owner’s responsibility to fix it or what but there’s a storm drain on Perry Hill that maybe they can put a pipe in.

Josephine Pelaggi: My mother was able to avoid the use of her driveway and park on Congress Avenue but now because of her health issues she can no longer park there and walk up the flights of stairs to get to her house. The stairs that go down Congress are about 5 stairs down and then turns up for 4 more stairs and turns again onto the street. Neighbors also park in front of the stairs blocking them.

Debbie Stewart: I don’t know if your familiar but it’s a pretty steep hill. We are concerned that if we needed to get an ambulance for our mother that they would have difficulty getting her because of the water and ice. Mom has respiratory issues so the easiest way is coming out the driveway but the ice is an issue.

Alderman Kudej: Has the City had a chance to look at this?

Brian Roach: I have been out there when it was like this. I have contacted Rimas about it but haven’t heard back on it yet. I believe that it is going to be the home owner’s responsibility because it’s coming out of their basement and it’ll need to be tied into the basin. I will discuss it with Rimas again.

Alderman McPherson: That’s a lot of water to be coming from someone’s basement. So this is not a seasonal thing?

Joseph Pelaggi: No, this is all the time. The water is continual and sometimes it’s worse than that.

Alderman McPherson: Oh wow. So it really flows. That can be a serious problem with erosion of the road if it continues and that road was paved two years ago, and done very nicely I might add. Now Brian, if it is a home owner responsibility how do we get them to take care of this?

Brian Roach: We had a similar situation on Sharon Court I believe, before where Rimas and myself went and notified the homeowner with a certified letter that gives them a certain number of days to correct it before we begin fining them.

Alderman McPherson: Okay. That can be a costly expense.

Brian Roach: Yes, it can be depending on the height of the catch basin. I’ll contact Rimas in engineering to review it.

Alderman Kudej: So we will have to contact the homeowner where the water originates?

Alderman McPherson: Engineering will have to get involved and handle it.
Alderman Kudej: Okay, then the city will investigate and then go from there.

Alderman McPherson: Yes, we will keep it on the agenda for follow up to make sure that it gets taken care of. Your welcome to come back next meeting to see where we are at and hopefully we can get it resolved. It will be on the agenda as old business so we can get an update.

Alderman Kudej: Water can be a serious problem.

Josephine Pelaggi: It’s not right that another house can have water draining from their property and have it running down the road making ice and slippery buildup.

Alderman Kudej: It’s against our laws to have water discharging onto the streets. We now have the complaint on file and can get it looked into. Brian and the engineering can look at it to investigate and we’ll do our part.

Josephine Pelaggi: Thank you. I also want to say that Nancy was very nice and helpful when we called the office.

Brian Roach: Thank you, I will let her know.

3. OLD BUSINESS
3.1 ASPHALT ISLANDS AT KNEEN & HOWE; HOWE AVENUE AT EXIT 14; POST OFFICE PARKING LOT; BOTTOM OF BROOKE & HOWE

Discussion:

Alderman McPherson: Old business. I’m going to try to sum this all up. I met with the traffic division on these islands. They gave some recommendations and I agree with them. The back part that is broken up will be cut off and they are going to reline it. So we are good there. The one at the bottom of Brook Street, it’s just dirt so it will be covered and you’ll keep the little sidewalk so I was happy with that. It’s going to work out good.

Brian Roach: Ok.

3.2 SUNSET DRIVE GUARD RAIL REQUEST

Discussion:

Alderman McPherson: On Sunset. They are not in agreement about that guardrail. Stan and I feel that we still need to go forward and do it. Sgt. Ptak did say that if we do that they recommend the metal rail not the smaller wooden fence. I don’t think we need anything large. I think a ten foot rail in the right positioning can be fine. That immediate section should be enough. Stan and I can meet you out there to pin point it.
Alderman Kudej: I think we might have a surplus of the chain link fence laying around.

Brian Roach: I don’t think a chain link is what you would want to put there.

Alderman Kudej: Then what kind would you put there?

Alderman McPherson: The metal guardrails. If you use a chain link fence when a car slides into there they will take it out.

Alderman Kudej: Oh, okay then.

Alderman McPherson: Originally I thought that we could install those small wooden fencing. Like the ones down at the Riverwalk. I thought that that could be an alternative but Ptak said that if we were going to install it that it should be a metal one. If it’s installed in the proper area it will work.

3.3 CORAM AVENUS SIDEWALK PARKING
3.4 RIVERVIEW AVENUE (DEAD END)

Discussion:

Alderman McPherson: We will not be discussing these because I will be calling our State Representative regarding the sidewalk since the state did the paving here and it is because of the state that the curbing was altered and we have to wait on Riverview. If the State can take care of raising the curb that would be great. We’ll also have a no parking sign posted.

Brian Roach: Yes, I agree.

4. REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN- none presented.

5. STREET COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Alderman McPherson: Does anyone have anything they would like to add?

Brian Roach: Yes, I have a hand out that you requested at the last meeting with the financial breakdown. You have the roads that were repaired and our recommendations that we have for this year on the second page.

Alderman McPherson: Oh, okay. Thank you. I’m glad to see these. I can’t tell you how aggravating these two were. Cliff Street and Oak. Those at the time would make my blood boil.
The only thing I haven’t see on here, that I might have overlooked is down over by the Boys and Girls club.

Brian Roach: Maple.

Alderman McPherson: Yes, Maple. It’s crazy that we have three streets named Maple. But the reason I bring it up is because it by the Boys & Girls Club and it has a lot of traffic of parents picking up and dropping off kids. It’s really bad and I think there's some dumping going on down there too. It’s kind of shot and broken up. This is great, you’re getting it done.

REPORTS:
A. DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
B. SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS & BRIDGES
C. CITY ENGINEER
D. STREET COMMITTEE MEMBERS

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Kudej made a motion to adjourn the Board of Aldermen Street Committee meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman McPherson. A voice vote was taken; all were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Vivian Kudej

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