PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Alderman McPherson on Tuesday, May 1, 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 - present
Alderman Kudej - present
Alderman Gidwani – not present

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 – APRIL 3, 2018

Alderman Kudej MOVED to waive the reading and approve the Street Committee Meeting Minutes of April 3, 2018. SECONDED by Alderman McPherson.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.
2. NEW BUSINESS

2.1 ACCEPTANCE OF MAGGIE LANE (TURKEY HILL ESTATES) AS A CITY STREET

Alderman McPherson: We are not going to take any action on this item at this time.

2.2 SOREL DRIVE

Alderman McPherson: This item came from Alderman McGorty. We have asked Brian to look into Sorel Drive.

Brian Roach: Yes, we did some minor work on it for now but it’s on the list for this year.

Alderman McPherson: Very good. That’s not a very long road is it?

Brian Roach: No, it’s not.

Alderman McPherson: Okay, so that will be done this year.

2.3 SPINNING WHEEL ROAD

Alderman McPherson: So, Sorel Road will be done this year and the same with Spinning Wheel Road? Same situation?

Brian Roach: Yes.

Alderman McPherson: It doesn’t require a lot of work does it?

Brian Roach: No because there are only certain sections and Trumbull did their part last year.

2.4 BLACKS HILL ROAD (#18 & EROSION ACROSS FROM #38)

Alderman McPherson: There was an issue regarding an area near #18.

Brian Roach: Yes I saw it. That is all delaminated there. I will talk to Paul about putting that on the list. It’s only like 100 yards long.

Alderman McPherson: I added to this down across from #38. We have guard rails there at the very end there but it’s on the odd side of the road. There is some real erosion in there, if we could patch that up.
Brian Roach: I will take a look at it.

Alderman McPherson: I believe they are getting some runoff from somewhere. I’m not quite sure where it’s coming from but it’s starting to erode the side of the road there especially in that area so hopefully we can take a look at that.

2.5 FAIRVIEW DRIVE

Alderman McPherson: I got a call from a resident. It was really on a tree matter but going down Fairview Avenue, if you go down River Road, it’s the right before you get to Belmont. It’s a short road but you go up the hill and you take a sharp turn and then it ends a little bit. That road is in some real dire need of repairs, especially the bottom, it’s just all broken up. If we can do some temporary patching this year and deal with it next year, or if we can get it on this year if we have a real good stretch of weather. I don’t think it’s been done in probably 40 plus years and it’s really shot.

Brian Roach: Okay. I will look at it.

Alderman McPherson: There is also a dead tree issue there. That’s for the tree warden. It’s not a large tree but it’s close enough to the wires where we want them to be proactive and just cut it down before it falls down and we have a power problem. It’s ironic because the resident there has been calling U.I. and has gotten no response and this goes back quite a few months.

3. OLD BUSINESS

3.1 AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #879 GARBAGE, TRASH AND REFUSE

Alderman McPherson: Paul DiMauro, John Anglace and I are going to meet over this. Paul spoke with John today and Paul also has some additional ideas that he is going to put forth to try and make this enforceable and workable. We will meet some time toward the end of the month. I won’t take any action on this item until we have that meeting and then we will proceed. One way or another it’s going to get changed.

3.2 JOHN STREET

Alderman McPherson: We have our friends from John Street here. If you would kindly come to the table and bring your information please. Please state your name and address for the record for the clerk.

My name is Josephine Pallacci and this is my sister Debbie Stuart. We are Beverly Pallacci’s daughters. Her address is 28 John Street. We have additional pictures that were taken a couple weeks ago, maybe April 19th or 20th. The water is still running. I wasn’t sure if this picture was better.
Alderman McPherson: I think the photo where it had white caps was better. It really did show the extent of the problem. I know Brian has talked to the City’s Engineer’s office.

Brian Roach: Yes. I have. They are going to put some drainage in there. The road is marked out for it as we speak. It will be taken care of before the winter.

Josephine Pallacci: Will that drainage be all the way down the street too because we noticed some markings down below?

Brian Roach: I noticed that myself. That was not from us. Right now we are considering a dry well type of thing, deep and expanding out from either side to collect all that water. There really is no drain so to speak on that street whatsoever. I marked out the top of the hill there by the wall. So, you are on the list.

Alderman McPherson: When we got the road paved up there they did a beautiful job.

Debbie Stuart: Oh, they sure did.

Alderman McPherson: It was first rate, nicely done. So, we will get this taken care of and when they do it will be quite a difference with what you have now instead of white water rapids going down the street.

Josephine Pallacci: So did the Engineer understand that was what was happening?

Brian Roach: I did not discuss with Rimas the conversation I had with the homeowner but we discussed what to do.

Debbie Stuart: So should we come back or should we contact you?

Brian Roach: Yes, you can contact me.

Alderman McPherson: They are always very responsive at Highways and Bridges. I am sure they will be on top of it and Brian will update us as well. The situation is in very good hands. It will be properly remedied.

Josephine Pallacci: Thank you.

Alderman McPherson: Let us know how you do with the other situation and if we can point you in the right direction on that.

Debbie Stuart: We will. Thank you.

3.3 SUNSET DRIVE GUIDE RAIL REQUEST

Alderman McPherson: Follow up the Sunset guide rail request.
Brian Roach: We got approval from Sgt. Ptak to go ahead with it. The plan is we will bring in a guard rail company to do it. I don’t want to bring him in for just that. It will be done before winter but I am going to compile different spots here and there so when we bring him in we get a full day out of it.

Alderman McPherson: You are right because there is always a need in other parts of the city for guide rails that I am sure we will need. So, you get them all at one time.

Alderman McPherson: I just have one other thing and I think it’s more of a Parks and Recreation issue. I think we touched on it briefly last month. Down where the Riverwalk is.

Brian Roach: I did talk to Dean about it. I will also talk to Ron Herrick about it.

4. REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN- none presented.

5. STREET COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

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