

# BOARD OF ALDERMEN STREET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2020 AT SHELTON CITY HALL, ROOM 104 54 HILL STREET, SHELTON, CT AT 6:00P.M.

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Alderman McPherson on Tuesday, February 4, 2020 called the Street Committee 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

Alderman Gidwani

Brian Roach, Assistant Superintendent of Highways & Bridges

# **PUBLIC PORTION:**

None Present

# **AGENDA ITEMS:**

# 1. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

# 1.1 SPECIAL STREET COMMITTEE MEETING – November 12, 2019

Alderman McPherson MOVED to waive the reading and approve the Special Street Committee Meeting Minutes of November 12, 2019. SECONDED by Alderman Gidwani.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Full set of minutes can be found at www.cityofshelton.org.

# 2. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

## 2.1 6 WAKELEE TERRACE

Alderman McPherson: We had received an email from a resident. Rimas, the City Engineer had looked into it and knows about it. I believe you are aware of this.

Brian Roach: Yes. Rimas and I spoke briefly about it last week.

Alderman McPherson: There's a picture attached here. This is a private driveway and we haven't done anything there as far as I know. Right?

Brian Roach: Right. It's a private driveway and we haven't done anything there.

Alderman McPherson: I'll notify them that we haven't done anything there and it's a private driveway. I will notify them that it's their responsibility.

#### 2.2 GORDON AVENUE ABANDONMENT

Alderman McPherson: We were approached by Luciano Cappiello. He was looking to have this unimproved section of Gordon Avenue listed as abandoned. He was looking to get the city to abandon it so that he could build or do whatever he has planned to do there. It's approximately a 20-foot-strip. The thing is that we can't abandon something without knowing who owns it.

Brian Roach: Rimas has asked me to have this tabled until further investigation is made.

Alderman McPherson: Yes. Initially we were going to refer it to the full board without recommendation but we met this morning and will not be putting it forward. Since it was already on the agenda, I wanted to review it with the committee, but it will not be going to the board or being put back onto the agenda in the foreseeable future, as far as I know.

#### 3. OLD BUSINESS- FOLLOW UP

## 3.1 MONROE STREET DRAINAGE

Alderman McPherson: This is follow-up and these items will be on the agendas for a while. I drove up Monroe St. over the weekend and there's a lot of markings in the road around that corner. There are different colored markings.

Brian Roach: I've seen the markings. Someone is proposing to do something up there.

Alderman McPherson: Could it be something the engineer is starting to work on?

Brian Roach: Not that I am aware of.

Alderman McPherson: It would be nice if we could find out exactly what's going on up there. If there's work that's going to be done there are permits that will need to be taken so we should be able to find out what's going on and by whom. That whole area is a mess. There is erosion and will probably need curbing. I know it's a very big project but it's a disaster. Can we add this to the priority list?

Brian Roach: Yes.

#### 3.2 STORM DRAIN ON CORAM AVENUE-ACROSS FROM ELM STREET

Alderman McPherson: I realize that this is more of a state issue because it's a state road, but the drain is jam packed.

Brian Roach: It is a state road. I will put in a call to the D.O.T.

#### 3.3 KNEEN STREET/FOREST AVENUE INTERSECTION

Alderman McPherson: Mr. Falcioni is here. If you would like to come forward to speak, you are welcome to.

Mr. Falcioni: I know that you have been working on it. I'm here for an update.

Brian Roach: Unfortunately, it has gotten away from us due to the asphalt but we do have plans .I have drawn plans from Rimas on what to do there that I can share if you leave me your email address.

Alderman McPherson: Are those the same plans that I have seen?

Brian Roach: No, there are updates from the last plans.

#### 3.4 JOHN STREET UPDATE

Alderman Kudej: The homeowner is deceased now.

Alderman McPherson: Yes, she has since passed.

Brian Roach: Yes, she did. I have driven past and it's almost a nonissue now. I am keeping an eye on it, especially on the colder days and will continue to monitor it.

#### 3.5 GROVE STREET UPDATE

Alderman McPherson: This area is a disaster and we have drainage issues on it as well.

Brian Roach: Yes. It's on the list for this coming paving season.

# 4. REPORT OF CHAIRMAN

## 5. STREET COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Alderman Gidwani: I have a few things. First, I would like to acknowledge the fantastic job by the DPW with the last storm. They did a fantastic job getting out there and taking care of all the roads in a timely manner. Thank you, I appreciate it. I also have to say that whenever there's a problem I reach out to Brian and he is on top of it. Thank you, Brian. The other item I have is requesting replacement of two stop signs. The police arrested two individuals who were out driving drunk, doing drugs and shooting. They shot two stop signs. These signs have bullet holes and need to be replaced. The signs are on Brook Pine and Independence. We shouldn't have people having to see bullet holes while driving through town. I would like to see those taken care of.

Alderman McPherson: I agree. We can talk to the police about that. Also, as part of the street committee I just want to mention the sidewalk done by In Line plastic, they did a really, really nice job with it. It looks fantastic.

## **REPORTS OF:**

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

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman McPherson made a motion to adjourn the Board of Aldermen Street Committee meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Kudej. 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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Vivian Kudej Street Committee Clerk