

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN**  
**STREET COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, March 2, 2010**  
**7:00 P.M. IN ROOM 104**  
**SHELTON CITY HALL, 54 HILL STREET, SHELTON, CT**  
*Minutes*

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◆ **CALL OF THE MEETING**

Alderman McPherson called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 pm in room 104 at Shelton City Hall. All in attendance recited the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL      Alderman McPherson – present  
                     Alderman Kudej – present  
                     Alderman Farrell – present

Also in attendance: Paul DiMauro, Director of Public Works

Mr. DiMauro noted that Mr. Mooney would not be attending. He was very sick and he had sent him home from work today so he could get better.

● **PUBLIC PORTION**

Alderman Finn, Princess Wehnonah Dr.

First I would like to thank Alderman McPherson an update on Longfellow and as well as Dickerson. He also placed a new item on the agenda for Ridgefield Terrace. As you can see from the photos that I sent to the city, Longfellow is nothing but one big pothole starting at East Village Rd. all the way to about 87 Longfellow dr. The city truck was up there today patching the holes but he left about 40 more to fill. It has to be reconstructed, there is no question about it. In front of 148 Dickerson, that whole road, is nothing but potholes. None of the potholes on Dickerson were addressed today. What came as a surprise was Ridgefield Terrace, all the way from the intersection of Webster past Bryant Lane is completely gone. It has to be rebuilt, there is no question about it.

Alderman Farrell asked when the roads were built. Alderman Finn replied that they were built in the 1970's.

Mr. DiMauro stated that the specification were much different than they are today.

Alderman Finn continued; last year I did place both Dickerson, Webster and Longfellow on the list. I requested they be put on the list for rehabilitation. I also requested Lenore Drive on the list.

There is one other thing. The curb in front of Hewitt Memorial Hospital. Two years ago I reported that, the cut out for the handicapped. You can't even get a wheelchair down the handicap cut. Since the city put the cut in I believe that they are responsible for taking care...

Mr. DiMauro stated; not necessarily. You are aware that there is an ordinance that says we share in the cost with the property owner. He recommended that it be submitted to the City Engineer for review and recommendation. If the property owner is responsible for it that we notify them that they should proceed with the repairs and the City would contribute their portion per city ordinance.

Mr. DiMauro commented that the repair of the streets would best be handled through a large referendum. He further explained what that would include.

There was much discussion on the conditions that the roads are in here in Shelton.

Alderman McPherson asked that a letter from Alderman Simonetti be read into the minutes.

*Letter from Alderman Simonetti dated March 2, 2010*

*Please be aware I have had multiple complaints, received information on traffic accidents caused by work being done to re-route East Village Drive and from the existing potholes.*

*Our City pothole filler vehicle was onsite Monday, March 1<sup>st</sup> but was only able to get some of the potholes.*

*I am requesting the City pothole truck be dispatched to East Village for extended time each day to address these problems.*

*Someone has resorted to placing cones in the larger potholes to assist drivers to navigate around them. Whomever decided to do so I commend. People are at great peril as the potholes are extremely big.*

*I will pursue the CT DOT and request they put effort, manpower and materials into the work they are doing.*

*You and your committee are requested to contact me personally if you have any questions in this regard*

*I will survey the street this evening and photograph the worst areas for your records.*

*Thank you for your time and effort in this matter  
Alderman Simonetti; First Ward*

Alderman Kudej moved to add on the following items:

NEW BUSINESS

2.1 RIDGEFIELD DRIVE

OLD BUSINESS

3.6 DICKENSON DRIVE

3.7 LONGFELLOW ROAD

Seconded by Alderman Farrell and the motion passed 3-0.

◆ **AGENDA ITEMS**

1. **MINUTES FOR APPROVAL**

1.1 **REGULAR MEETING – December, 2009**

The minutes were not included in the packet...no action was taken.

2. **NEW BUSINESS**

2.1 Ridgefield Drive

**Mr. DiMauro will place this road on the repair list**

3. **OLD BUSINESS**

3.1 **14 Williams Street**

Mr. DiMauro replied that he would go out personally and look at the site and talk to Mrs.. Grace Monahan. He will report back to the committee. Clerk to provide contact information to Mr. DiMauro.

3.2 **West Street Update**

Alderman Kudej reported that weeds are growing in the street. Mr. DiMauro replied that it will be placed on the maintain list for review.

3.3 **Birdseye Road – Guard rails**

3.4 **Guard Rail at Bpt Ave and Tisi Drive**

Alderman McPherson reported that the City Engineer had responded regarding the guard rails.

Bpt Ave & Tisi Dr.: The old guard rails are obsolete. Should be replaced with metal beam. It will be approximately 45 feet needed.

Mr. DiMauro stated that he would authorize both of these to be placed out for bid. Wants to go out for one bid for the City.

Alderman McPherson asked if Mr. DiMauro to add a guard rail for Blacks Hill road. Mr. DiMauro replied that will review it and add to the bid if necessary.

### **3.5 Center Street Sidewalk Repair Update**

Mr. DiMauro recommended to have the recommend and determine the scope that is the responsibility of the City of Shelton.

#### **Conversation:**

Alderman Kudej mentioned Tulip Drive for repairs.

Als Coram Ave - gully washing out from the rain. This would be from Kneen St. up. Mr. DiMauro replied that he would go look at that section of the road.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Alderman Farrell moved to adjourn the Street Committee meeting at 7:30 pm.; seconded by Alderman Kudej. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0.**

**Respectfully Submitted by:**

**Brigitte Plucienik**