



BOARD OF ALDERMEN

STREET COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, June 5, 2007

Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Alderman Olin called the Street Committee meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
All those present rose and pledged allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL

Alderman Ken Olin, Chairman – present
Alderman Stan Kudej – present
Alderman Randy York – present

Also Present: William Mooney, Director of Highways & Bridges
Alderman Jack Finn
Alderman Chris Panek

PUBLIC PORTION

No one spoke from the public. Alderman Olin closed the public portion at 7:01pm

Note that the tape stuck and most of the minutes are a summation.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

1. Regular Meeting – April 3, 2007

Alderman York moved to recommend to the Full Board to waive the reading and accept the minutes of the April 3, 2007 regular Street Committee Meeting; Seconded by Alderman Kudej. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0.

2. New Business

2.1 Roberts Street

NOTE: items 2.1, 2.2 and 3.3 were held as a combined item discussion.

Alderman Kudej wanted to bring to the committees attention the state of the roads in this area. Mr. Mooney agreed. It was noted that the roads needed work. The crown in the road is too high and that the roads needed to be reconstructed. Alderman Kudej asked if Mr. Mooney had this in his plan. Mr. Mooney replied that the job Plan had not been approved yet for the upcoming year. There was discussion on how old the roads were and how they would need to be reclaimed. Alderman Kudej stated that the Mayor had viewed this area and was aware that work needed to be done. No action was taken.

2.2 West Street

Discussed with item 2.1. No action taken.

2.3 Pine Street

Alderman Finn stated that he had spoken to Mr. Agvant and Mr. Goldspink

Alderman York moved to forward to the City Engineer for review and recommendation the review of the Pine Street drainage issue; seconded by Alderman Kudej. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0.

2.4 12 Byron Street

Alderman Finn explained how he had been to the properties involved to view the situation. The elderly owner was asking for help in clearing the brook, which over the years had filled and become clogged. The Aldermen and Mr. Mooney both replied that the city doesn't go on private property to do work.

Mr. Mooney stated that he was aware of the area. This is a seasonal brook where the pipes that are currently there, are there for channeling the water.

The Aldermen and Mr. Mooney stated that this would have to be handled by the owner. At this time Alderman York stated that many times the Boy Scouts are looking for community service work to do. That this may be eligible. She will get in touch with the Boy Scouts and advise them of this possible service.

No action was taken.

2.5 Woonsocket Avenue

Alderman Kudej explained that this particular section of Woonsocket Ave. needed to be fixed. There is currently no curbing and most of the front yard was washed away. Mr. Mooney replied that the road needed more than curbing.

Alderman Kudej stated that the Mayor was aware of the situation and had a plan. Highways and Bridges did not currently have this on next years job list. No action was taken.

No action taken.

3. OLD BUSINESS

3.1 Birdseye Road Drainage (193 – 195 and (165 – 173)

3.2 Beardsley Road Drainage (229-248 & 268-270

Mr. Mooney explained that this area was by the Hudak farm and Ramia property. If the city were to install drainage pipes it would involve over ½ mile of pipe installation. There would also be the problem of where the drainage would go. Birdseye Road is relatively flat with wetlands and Beardsley Rd problem would be that it would drain into the water property / water supply. The Street Committee and Mr. Mooney agreed that the road should be redone.

Alderman Olin stated that this was discussed previously and that a review and recommendation had previously been requested of the City Engineer. Alderman Olin asked the Clerk to send a memo to the City Engineer requesting an update to the previous motion made by the Street Committee requesting a review and recommendation of the drainage at Beardsley and Birdseye Rd.

3.3 Fort Hill Avenue

This was discussed with item 2.1.

There was discussion on how old the roads were and how they would need to be reclaimed.

Mr. Mooney detailed to the Aldermen the definitions of reclaiming, overlay, pothole repair, reconstruction, and curbing.

3.4 Ten Coat Lane

Alderman Olin asked Mr. Mooney if he knew the story about this drainage problem? Mr. Mooney stated that the gentleman was getting material to clear his backyard and he has done absolutely nothing. The drainage, we brought 120' or so of catch basin up to go by his house, to give him access to a catch basin, so that he could drain his yard. We put a slug in and made it available to him. He has done nothing.

Alderman Olin stated that he had been called by the property owners, and not knowing that Alderman Kudej, the Mayor and Mr. Mooney were involved. I spoke with the Mayor and explained that the water was coming down into the property. The Mayor went back to look at the situation again. He informed me that they had agreed to do some things and never done them, the city could do no more.

Mr. Mooney stated that the City had done more than they had to by making the drainage available to them. All they have to do is use it.

Alderman Kudej stated that when he first became involved the water was flowing through the yard like the Mississippi River. We came to an understanding that he would do everything himself. The city provided the drainage up to his property for him to connect to. He has done nothing.

There was further discussion on where the waters coming from. There was a conclusion that there was no more that the city could do. The owner of the property needed to take action on his own to complete the connection to city drains.

No action taken.

Adjournment

Alderman Kudej moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 pm; seconded by Alderman York. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0.

Respectively submitted,

Brigitte Plucienik

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Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Date Submitted: _____

Date Approved: _____ BY: _____

Mayor Mark A. Lauretti
City of Shelton