

**Board of Alderman
Street Committee Meeting
Tuesday, January 3, 2012 at 6:00 PM in Room 104
Shelton City Hall, 54 Hill Street, Shelton, CT
*MINUTES***

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Alderman McPherson at 6:10 pm.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll call taken.

Committee Members Present:

Alderman Eric McPherson, Chairman
Alderman Stanley Kudej
Alderman Lynne Ferrell (Excused)
Paul DiMauro, Director of Public Works (Excused)

Others Present:

Mayor Mark Lauretti
Chief of Police, Joel Hurliman
Alderman John Anglace

PUBLIC PORTION:

No one from the public was present.

1. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

Alderman Kudej made a motion to waive the reading of the Minutes from the October 4, 2011 Meeting and approve them.
The Motion Carried.

2. NEW BUSINESS

2.1 Blocking of the Intersection

This ordinance needs to be in accordance with the State as it is a State Road. Milford has an Ordinance on the books with blocking an intersection. For Shelton this would be focused in the Downtown area through Center

Street as well as Huntington Center. The Ordinance will use a lot of information from the existing Milford one.

There were several questions regarding this proposal. One was whether or not to name the streets in the Ordinance. The Mayor questioned how the Committee planned to enforce this Ordinance? Alderman McPherson referenced how Milford has done it. The Mayor disagrees that it will improve the flow of traffic. Discussion continued on the logistics of this Ordinance and how to enforce it.

The problem the lights downtown and they are State lights. Alderman Anglace suggested before passing the Ordinance to bring in the State to look at the lights.

Alderman Kudej made a motion to accept the proposed Ordinance on Prohibiting the Blocking of an Intersection and send it to the full board. Alderman McPherson seconded subject to review of counsel. The motion carried.

3. OLD BUSINESS

3.1 Winter Parking Restrictions

Chief Hurliman made some suggestions to the committee about updating the Ordinance on Winter Parking Restrictions. One of which was that parking restrictions should be every other month instead of odd days and even days. This would prevent issues when people may go away for a few days and their parked vehicle is in violation every other day. Also, vehicles towed away shall be stored at authorized towing companies. This makes the towing companies responsible for the vehicles not the City. He also suggested that it be a \$25 fine for the first violation and a \$50 fine for the second.

There is concerns about parking on narrow streets and also how a towing company is chosen when a car needs to be towed. There is a list of authorized dealers and they are called on a rotation schedule.

There needs to be editing done to this Ordinance and revisions. There was discussion on which areas to change. Several sections need to be eliminated because they are repetitive and confusing.

The committee decides it needs more work before it can be sent to the full board.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Kudej makes a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Alderman McPherson so orders.
The meeting adjourns at 6:42 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Allyson Burke
Clerk