

BOARD OF ALDERMEN
STREET COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, September 1, 2009
7:00 P.M. IN ROOM 104
SHELTON CITY HALL, 54 HILL STREET, SHELTON, CT
Minutes/Motions

◆ **CALL OF THE MEETING**

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

ROLL CALL **Alderman Ken Olin - present**
 Alderman Stanley Kudej - present
 Alderman Lynn Farrell – present

Also in attendance:

Alderman Jack Finn

Public Portion

Joseph Knapik, 23 Stonewall Lane

As you are well aware, the Aldermen are well aware and I'm sure the Mayors Office is well aware I am here again continuing my pursuit for repairs to Stonewall Lane, that is curbing repairs that were damaged in the winter by the City that are yet to be repaired. That is a missing curb at Stonewall lane and Fieldstone Drive., and the curb that is broken up at the intersection of Sawmill City Road and Stonewall Lane.

I initiated my efforts to accomplish this repair, which as a citizen I shouldn't have to do, because it should be automatic. Number one you shouldn't wantonly break up the neighborhood, Number 2, if you do then you should fix it in a timely manner. It should be routine, you shouldn't have to have a citizen come out to meeting after meeting, I'll do it, to pursue what should be done automatically. It just shows a poor mismanagement of the Street Dept. I think it shows a contempt or arrogance for the citizens of Shelton who live on Stonewall Lane. I started to pursue this in June, I came to the July meeting, the August meeting was abruptly cancelled with very little notice. Here I am again in August to ask you people to effect the repair of those two curbing issues on Stonewall Lane.

Alderman Olin replied that after the first meeting he took a ride down Stonewall Lane and he didn't see anything wrong with the curbing.

Mr. Knapik asked if he had a cell phone, do you know how to use the telephone, my numbers in the phone book. What you need to do is give me a call.

Alderman Olin continued; I shouldn't have to go to you. I personally took a look at it after the meeting where you told us we don't do anything, don't accomplish anything. I personally went down there and didn't see anything. I think you're just blowing smoke here because the only time that you ever come out here is at election time which is in 2 months. Where are you the rest of the time?

Mr. Knapik continued; there were 4 or 5 hits on the road. At 21 Stonewall Lane, the persons lawn was damaged., down Stonewall Lane are the 2 damages that I just spoke about, we had 4 or 5 instances this year. For one item I am not going to arduously persue it. Look at other roads in the area its hard to believe why is it that this one road can suffer so much damage. All you have to do if you want me to point it out to you because it is still there, I'd be happy to do it. Give me a call and we will set up a time..

I have a further suggestion, I know that Mr. Mooney doesn't like when a citizen tells the Street Dept how to plow. But the chopped up storm sewers at Stonewall lane and Sawmill City Road, that damage could simply be averted by simply taking the snow down Stonewall Lane and across the Sawmill City Road and depositing it in the rough that is adjacent to the Hudack dairy farm rather than back the truck up back and forth , piling the snow up on the corners of Stonewall and Sawmill City Road in the process breaking up the storm /sewer culverts that are there.

Again, I offer to you Mr. Olin, we can do it at the end of the meeting, I will meet with you after the meeting. We will set up a time and I will point out the damages to you.

Alderman Olin replied that he and Alderman Kudej would go see the road together.

Alderman Olin stated; I have just one question. Maybe I didn't hear correctly last time. Last time you were here you said something to the effect that, that 90% of the work was done and the curbs were done but the seeding wasn't done.

Mr. Knapik stated; you didn't listen very carefully Mr. Kudej. What I said to today I said last time. Missing curbing at the intersection of Stonewall Lane.... The conversation was unclear due to multiple conversations that began.

Alderman Farrell arrived 7:07 pm

Public portion was closed at 7:08 pm

1. Minutes for Approval

Alderman Kudej moved to waive the reading of and approve the meeting minutes of the Regular Street Committee Meeting of July 7, 2009; seconded by Alderman Farrell. A vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0.

2. NEW BUSINESS

2.1 Little Fawn Drive, Sidewalk Reimbursement Request

Alderman Kudej moved to recommend to the full board, per the recommendation of the City Engineer, to approve the sidewalk reimbursement of \$221.67 to Jean-Paul Garceau of 7 Little Fawn Drive, per Ordinance No. 465 with funding to come from Engineering Account 001-3600-713.80-43; seconded by Alderman Farrell. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed 3-0.

2.2 Streets – Repaving Request

Alderman Olin asked Alderman Finn to speak. Alderman Finn showed the committee pictures of Lane Street – He is looking to have a catch basin put in. There was further discussion regarding the roads listed.

1. Longfellow Drive
2. Dickenson
3. Webster
4. Lane Street – not paving
5. Martinka Drive
6. Lenore Drive
7. School Street

Alderman Finn spoke regarding the roads. Alderman Kudej asked Alderman Finn which road was the worst. He replied LongFellow, then Webster, and Dickenson. Alderman Olin asked Mr. Mooney to review the streets listed and get back to the committee with a report.

Adlerman Olin made a note that Lane Street needed to be forwarded to the City Engineer for review and recommendation as it is a scenic road.

3. Old Business

3.1 Winfield Drive

Mr. Mooney replied that this work was complete. Alderman Olin stated that it looked great.

3.2 32 Stone House Road

Mr. Mooney reported that this work was completed

3.3 43 Walnut Tree Hill Road

No Report from the Tree Warden at this time.

3.4 26 Rolling Ridge Road Curbs

Mr. Mooney reported that the work was completed today.

3.5 66 Birchbank Road

Mr. Mooney reported that this work was complete

3.6 26 Algonquin Road

Mr. Mooney reported that this work was completed

3.7 Cardinal & Meadowlark

Mr. Mooney reported that this work was completed

3.8 Canfield Drive

Mr. Mooney replied that this was not complete. It is a perpetual repair

3.9 Drainage & Repaving on Beardsley Road

Mr. Mooney referred this to the Mayor. Alderman Finn Spoke regarding this road situation. It was stated that because East Village Road is being done., the City is reluctant to do a major job to shut off Beardsley Road.

3.10 Dimon Road – Repaving Request

Mr. Mooney reported that this area to be blasted to be fixed.

Alderman Olin asked if there were any Reports for the Committee

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Kudej MOVED to adjourn the Street Committee Meeting, SECONDED by Alderman Farrell. All were in favor, MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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