

SPECIAL VIRTUAL
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
STREET COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2021
SHELTON CITY HALL, 54 HILL STREET, SHELTON, CT
MINUTES

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Alderman McPherson called the November 9, 2021 Special Street Committee Meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 5:31 p.m. in the auditorium of Shelton City Hall and led the group in a pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

PRESENT

Alderman McPherson, Chairman- present

Alderman Anglace – present

Alderman Gidwani – present via telephone

Brian Roach, Superintendent of Highways & Bridges - present

1. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

1.1 SPECIAL STREET COMMITTEE MEETING – OCTOBER 5, 2021

Alderman Anglace MOVED to waive the reading and approve the Special Virtual Street Committee Meeting Minutes of October 5, 2021.

Seconded by Chairman Gidwani.

A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

2. NEW BUSINESS

2.1 NO ITEMS

3. OLD BUSINESS – FOLLOW-UP

3.1 CORNER OF HOWARD AVENUE & PERRY HILL ROAD DRAINAGE ISSUE

Brian Roach: We have driven by there a few times since we have met last and I have not seen a problem.

Alderman McPherson: I know when we get the heavier rain the water is just going to overshoot the drain anyhow, would this be more of that type of an issue?

Brian Roach: There used to be a sump pump from that house that was pumping out into the street and it seems to have stopped. I will keep an eye on it.

3.2 CROSSWALK ON MEADOW STREET BETWEEN ROUTE 108 & WHEELER STREET

Alderman McPherson: I met with the traffic division on this, Sgt. Siglinger, and there are various types of signs, solar powered whether they blink or flash or whatever, we may be able to get to improve the safety there. I have also asked about the possibility of painting over those white arrows that are there and moving them back further which would give people more time and give them an alert because I have seen, and it's been reported to me, that people are coming into one half of the crosswalk and the cars are coming right through from the opposite direction. It's quite scary to see that.

Alderman Anglace: In effect, we need to take that crosswalk and liven it up with some sort of solar lighting and get driver's attention. In Cheshire they have a place where people cross the road for their rec path and it's similar but they have more illumination. We will improve it.

Brian Roach: Maybe another option, there are temporary speed bumps. My only caution on that would be ambulance calls and police calls.

Alderman McPherson: I thought we could get something similar to what they have at Staples which is a hump as opposed to the actual speed bumps. The other thing I am looking into as well is the possibility of some sort of rumble strip.

Brian Roach: Yes, what I am talking about is more or less what that is, but it's temporary. It can be removed for the winter.

Alderman McPherson: We will continue to look into those avenues.

3.2 17 SHARON DRIVE DRAINAGE ISSUE

Alderman Anglace: This was the design that was approved by the City Engineer and your department and the individual homeowner and what you are going to do is install another pipe along with the current pipe to take the water down toward Long Hill Avenue.

Brian Roach: They actually just marked it out today for Call Before you Dig, so we are hoping that in the next few weeks we get out there and get it done, weather permitting.

4. REPORT OF CHAIRMAN

Alderman McPherson: Just want to talk about the issue with the brush cutting and I think this was handled already but it is another issue on Rolling Brook regarding brush cutting.

Brian Roach: That was actually taken care of this morning.

Alderman McPherson: How is the brush cutter doing?

Brian Roach: Very well. It's just a matter of getting caught up now. Thankfully the growing season is over, so now it's a one-shot deal.

Alderman McPherson: I think you have a whole list of line-of-sight issues?

Brian Roach: Yes, a massive list.

Alderman McPherson: Can you give us a quick update on where we are with the roads?

Brian Roach: As far as paving, chip sealing, fog sealing, we are done. The only thing we are doing now is small milling and paving. That one on Thompson Street was done last week. We are working our way up and down Soundview and a couple spots in White Hills.

Alderman McPherson: I am not sure if the state is ever going to get to it but there are sections of Shelton Avenue that are horrible, I believe between Willoughby to where the new gas station is now. That section is just horrendous and down near Huntington Center by the light.

Brian Roach: I have reached out to them and you know how that goes.

Alderman Anglace: I just want to take the time to wish Alderman Gidwani well as this is his last meeting for Street Committee. It's been a pleasure serving with you Dave and good luck in the future.

Alderman McPherson: Thank you Dave for your service on this committee and I thank you as well.

Alderman Gidwani: Thank you.

5. STREET COMMITTEE MEMBERS

No items

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Anglace moved to adjourn the Special Meeting of the Street Committee at 5:45 p.m., seconded by Alderman Gidwani.

A voice vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted

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