

# **PUBLIC WORKS SUBCOMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**September 12 , 2011**

A regular meeting of the Public Works Subcommittee of the Watertown Town Council was conducted on September 13, 2011 at the Heminway Municipal Center Conference Room, 37 Heminway Park Road, Watertown, CT.

**1. Meeting Called to Order at 7:25 P.M.**

**2. Roll Call**

**Present:** Tom Winn, Paul Rinaldi, Elaine Adams

**Absent:** Katherine Duplissie

**3. Minutes**

Elaine Adams made a motion to approve the July 11, 2011 meeting minutes as submitted. Paul Rinaldi seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously by voice vote.

**4. Public Participation**

Candy and Thomas Anderson, 20 Bussemey Avenue

The Andersons expressed concerns about the water flow on lower Turkey Brook that was washing away their property. They submitted photos showing situation.

Mr. Louis Tangney, 51 Skipper Avenue

Mr. Tangeney also expressed concern about damage to his property caused by Turkey Brook.

Mr. George Hinman, 20 Bussemey Avenue

Mr. Hinman also expressed concern about water form lower Turkey Brook damaging his property.

Mr. Jim McGowan, 25 Meadowcrest Lane

Concerned about what he described as inadequate, improper drainage pipe design in area of Meadowcrest Lane and Vaill Road that was causing flooding in area of his house down to Vaill Road.

Mr. Paul Richmond, 79 Vaill Road

Mr. Richmond had concerns about water draining form town drainage system into his drainage system and damaging his property.

## **5. Correspondence**

The attached list of correspondence was reviewed and discussed. Elaine Adams made a motion to accept the correspondence as submitted. Paul Rinaldi seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **Old Business**

#### **6A. Review Engineering Division Status**

Mr. Cavanaugh reviewed attached memo.

#### **6B. Highway Maintenance Program Status**

Mr. Cavanaugh briefed Subcommittee on Highway Division status and projected work schedule.

#### **6C. Solid Waste Division Status**

Mr. Cavanaugh discussed Solid Waste Division Status and handed out notice from DEEP regarding public hearing to add items to the mandatory recycling list.

#### **6D. French Street Pavement Rehabilitation Project**

Mr. Cavanaugh briefed subcommittee on status of French Street Pavement Rehabilitation Project Status. Minor pavement repairs to be done this month to complete project.

#### **6E. Skilton Road Bridge**

Skilton Road Bridge engineering services contract from CT DOT to town was approved and returned to CT DOT. Awaiting DOT consultant to send proposed contract between town and Roald Haestad, Inc.

#### **6F. CRRRA Status**

Mr. Cavanaugh briefed Subcommittee on status of closure of CRRRA Mid Connecticut Project. Status is unchanged.

#### **6G. Shared Services with Watertown Board of Education**

Sidewalk at Trumbe3ll School has been completed. Mr. Cavanaugh handed out a cost estimate of labor and equipment costs incurred by town.

#### **6H. Add Vail Road to 2003 Public Works Bond Project List**

Subcommittee directed Mr. Cavanaugh to provide detailed cost estimate of proposed project and financial update on bond project status prior to making decision on project.

### **New Business**

**7A. Hurricane Irene and FEMA**

Mr. Cavanaugh briefed subcommittee on effects of Hurricane Irene on town and FEMA reimbursement efforts to date.

**7B. Paving North Street Watertown**

Consensus of subcommittee was to recommend that Mr. Cavanaugh add the milling and overlay of North Street in Watertown between Hawley Street and Litchfield Road to 2012 – 2013 Capital Improvement Plan and departmental budget request.

**7C. Site Visits and Special Meeting**

Elaine Adams made a motion to add an item for a site visit to lower Turkey Brook and Vaill Road area and to schedule a special meeting to the agenda. The motion was seconded by Paul Rinaldi and approved unanimously by voice vote. The Subcommittee decided to schedule a site visit to the two areas starting at 5:00 p.m. and to schedule a special meeting to discuss same immediately thereafter on Wednesday, September 21, 2011.

**8. Transfers and Appropriations**

**8A. None**

**9. Adjourn**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:43 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Tom Winn  
Chairperson

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Roy E. Cavanaugh, P.E.  
Secretary