

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
171 Worcester Rd
Sterling, MA

Minutes of October 27, 2020

Present: Gregg Aubin, Blaine Bershad, Deane Day, Paul Lyons, Paul Gerardi, Lisa DeCiero and Arden Sonnenberg (zoom)

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

Gregg Aubin, Deane Day, Blaine Bershad present

Minutes of October 13, 2020 were read. Deane Day made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Blaine Bershad seconded the motion. All in favor 3-0.

Superintendent Report Water

- Two warrant articles have been sent to the interim Town Administrator for the Dec. 7th Special Town Meeting warrant
- Flow testing for the Master Plan Hydraulic Study was performed today, last time this test was performed was in 2006
- Underground irrigation moratorium continuing discussion occurred with an emphasis on planning for the future and educating the public
- The paperwork was sent to the engineering firm for the next step in going forward with the DEP for the two test wells
- Waiting for the results of the PFA testing

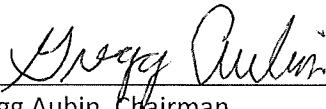
Superintendent Report DPW

- Letters have been sent to two Justice Hill Rd new construction sites regarding driveway culverts; building department agreed to work with the DPW on the final inspection and issuing the occupancy permit
- Twine Road culvert replacement is completed; area has not been paved yet
- Truck repairs that were pushed off have been done
- Basin repairs at Jill Lane, James Rd, Fox Run Rd, and Pinewoods Lane have been rebuilt and paved; they were worse than what was originally thought
- Repaired sanders on truck 7 and truck 16
- The window at Hillside Cemetery has been replaced as well as repairs to the door at said building
- Waushacum Village Association has been sent a letter, without a response, regarding snow events
- Three snowplow sub drivers have been lost for different reasons; working on filling those truck routes
- Dick Maki helping with communicating with the state in reclassifying Redemption Rock Trail in order to give back state control for maintenance of plowing and sanding of said road. The road will need reclamation and culverts someday.
- Met with library regarding downtown parking of fifteen spaces which will yield good parking; they like the idea
- Discussed with the Building Inspector the idea of a part time person already working for the town to take on the responsibility for the MS4 Permit.
- Rte 62 and Chocksett Road degrading faster than expected, something is heaving up; Gregg Aubin suggested holding off at this point in time *OUT OF CONTEXT NOT MUCH MONEY LEFT IN BUDGET*
- Roadside mower and the idea of a flailhead was discussed; it would give 360 degree rotation; currently only have a backhoe for digging

- Casella proposal was less for trash and disposal as compared to Waste Management who was less on the recycle with the single stream system. Casella is cheaper on main part but on recycle is more expensive. Waste Management cost \$698K plus \$100K and a monthly truck rental cost; the first year we would be in the hole. Casella's cost this current year is \$620K next year the cost will be \$709K. The Board will review the proposals of each company.
- Gregg Aubin stated that he is on the Board of Health agenda for 6:30pm on Nov. 12th; Blaine Bershand will attend also.
- Gregg Aubin expressed his concern regarding the F550 truck with wing and the monster sander on it. He suggested that it be put onto a scale with plow and sander to see what it weighs and that we are not overloading it.

Next posted meeting date TBD

Motion to adjourn at 8:41 PM

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Gregg Aubin", is positioned above a horizontal line.

Gregg Aubin, Chairman
Department of Public Works Board