

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Minutes of May 21, 2019

Present: Dick Maki, Lisa DeCiero, Dave Lyons, Deane Day, Arden Sonnenberg, Lynda Kelly, Steve Hughes, Bill Tuttle, Gregg Aubin, L. R. Favreau

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm

Warrants were reviewed and signed for payment.

Minutes of 4/23/2019 meeting were read and accepted.

Reorganization of Board:

Lawrence Favreau	Chairman
Gregg Aubin	Vice Chairman
Deane Day	Clerk

Public Session:

1. Dick Maki expressed his thanks to Bill Tuttle and Lisa DeCiero and the DPW crew for their assistance in the town wide clean up. He expressed his thanks and appreciation for the mowing at the intersection of Bean Road and Rte. 12. He appreciated the detail on the agenda of 5/21/2019.
2. Arden Sonnenberg came to discuss Vegetation Management Plan and offered to have volunteers create documentation for said plan. She inquired if residents have a means to report road conditions. It was suggested to call the DPW office or email with road conditions.
3. Steve Hughes PJ Keating has flexibility with start time of the bid project.

Superintendent's Report:

DPW

1. Redstone Hill Baseball Field parking on cemetery grass causing grass to become muddy and brown. Suggestion made to put up posts and rope in that area as a deterrent and to have signage stating, "Stay off grass".
2. Justice Hill Road drainage update: cleaned everything on the hill, what's in place is not taking the water. Multiple problems in said area not caused by DPW. Pipe needs to be replaced.
3. Lucas Road drainage: DPW met with DCR to gain insight into existing situation. More information will be provided by DPW to the DCR to have a plan for the drainage issue.

4. Justice/Lucas/Holden Road bid was discussed and bid amounts were read. Motion made to accept PJ Keating bid. Motion passed to award PJ Keating the bid. Board voted 3-0.
5. Summer help is at full staff with 6 hires.
6. Stormwater MS4 permit: requirements and process has changed with new permit out this year. Stantec has filed the notice of intent which meets the first threshold. Superintendent will discuss with Town Administrator the unfunded mandate and possible assistance with funding. This topic will be put onto the agenda of a future meeting.

WATER

1. The water guys are working along with the DPW crew in preparation of Memorial Day planting, landscaping and grass cutting.
2. Hydrant flushing is just about complete. Few problems found while flushing specifically on Clinton Road-no flow where there should be. Paul Lyons, Asst. Superintendent, will investigate to localize it.
3. Required Leak Detection Survey is almost complete with results to be forthcoming by company who performed the survey.
4. Public Water System Award was presented to the Sterling Water Dept. for water conservation. The award was presented by Mass DEP at an event of recognition.
5. Water Vehicle purchase: a motion was made to purchase a vehicle for water department use. Motion passed with a vote of 3-0.

Next posted meeting date: June 11, 2019

Motion to adjourn @ 8:36pm



Lawrence Favreau, Chairman
Department of Public Works Board