

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Minutes of September 24, 2019

Present: L. DeCiero, L.R. Favreau, Deane Day, Lynda Kelly, Gary DeCiero, Beverly Temple, Paul Lyons, David Lyons, Geoff Donohue, Blaine Bershad, Catherine Ryan

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

Minutes of 9/10/19 meeting were read. Motion made by Deane Day to accept the minutes as read, Larry Favreau seconded, all in favor, the minutes were accepted.

Public Session:

Blaine Bershad gave a VMP update. Meeting with other Boards to get signatures. Process plan gone to the state for any changes to be made. Option to do an abbreviated YOP. Cathy Ryan will look into providing a map showing the areas that can and can't be treated.

Lynda Kelly requested an update of Justice Hill project. Delivery of cement planks and concrete railroad ties have taken place. Deane Day suggested it as a temporary fix but looking for a permanent fix to keep water out of yards.

Superintendent Report DPW

Road mowing has been done away from the Justice Hill area focusing on other drainage areas that need attention attention given to tree trimming that was overdue

tree work is ongoing, up to date by the end of next week on the stuff that is two years or older waiting to have been addressed since that time, 3 to 4 more trees to complete, \$45,000 over budget

winter sand is going well, 4,000 yards done, it is working out so far

seven employees will attend a one day Winter Operations training which is paid for by the state

MS4 Storm Water Permit final draft received, the DCR has been very helpful

Line painting scheduled for earlier this week was postponed due to weather conditions and has been rescheduled to a future date

Brush Dump will take place from 8am -12noon Saturdays during the month of October and the first three Saturdays in November, for a total of seven Saturdays

Roadside mower \$90,000 self contained unit with a 25 foot reach, state bid price, local dealer, think about purchasing the item and start working on Capital Budget Plan and the equipment replacement needed

Part Time Seasonal employee hired at \$13.00/hr for fall cleanup and winter plowing

Superintendent Report Water

Kendall Hill water main project has been completed

Lakeshore Drive water line project getting ready to begin, will give a notice to let those effected when the project date will begin

Lead and Copper sampling failed this round, this will quadruple the work load, the DEP will provide procedures on how to proceed

Superintendent Search Update the job description has been posted on the town website, Mass Municipal Association jobs board, Bay State Roads list serve. Three applications received so far. The Selection Committee consists of Selectman John Kilcoyne, Fin Com Joe Sova, Town Administrator Ross Perry, Neighboring Town Holden Superintendent John Woodsmall, one to two residents, five applications received so far (2 will be choosen) and a DPW Board member to be determined.


Larry Favreau suggest the requirement of a Drain Layer license for the town which covers water, sewer, drainage, being bonded and license renewed yearly

Deane Day thanked the Interim Superintendent, Paul Lyons, for getting everything done regarding the requests that have come in over the past few weeks. He wants the gates closed and locked after hours at the DPW site. Deane wants the yard cleaned up and the scrap bin as well as the old paper dumpster removed from the DPW yard. Deane expressed adamantly about cleaning up the DPW yard and it not be a dumping ground. He directed all dumpsters/roll off containers be permanently removed from the DPW yard.

Communication and method thereof was discussed. Any request for goods or services provided by the DPW are to be called into the DPW office for purposes of documentation and handling of such requests as compared to employees being called directly on their cell phone or being text for such requests which was an ongoing occurrence over these past years.

Next posted meeting date October 8, 2019

Motion to adjourn at 8:17pm



Lawrence Favreau, Chairman
Department of Public Works Board