

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
171 Worcester Rd
Sterling, MA

Minutes of January 11, 2022

Present: Deane Day, Blaine Bershad, Andrew Parker, Ryan Mouradian, Paul Gerardi, Susan Genereux, Mike Tomaiolo, Geoff Donohue, and David Rembetsy

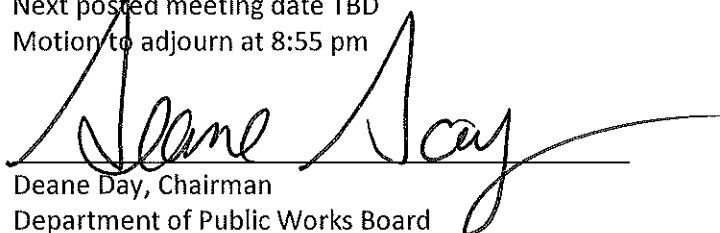
Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm

Deane Day, Blaine Bershad and Andrew Parker present

Public Session: Deane Day commented that the crew was doing a great job treating the roads. Blaine Bershad commented on some sidewalks that were not cleared, this will be looked into.

- The Board liked the format of the FY'23 budget- stating the ease of reading and transparency
- Drinking Water Lead and Copper Rule Violation- The sites tested were built in the 80's and early 90's. The reason for this is that the timeframe is the most common time for the use of lead based solder in plumbing. The levels cannot exceed 0.015 mg/l (part per million) and ours was 0.019 mg/l. If there are concerns, the situation can be remedied by simply running water for 30 seconds at a fixture that has not been in use for a period of time (6 hours or so).
- Redstone Ball Fields Parking- ideas to create parking so we can eliminate the need to park at the cemetery. Mr. Day stated these fields were intended to be temporary when constructed. Mr. Parker stated that temporary or not they need to remain until replacement fields are built. Members wanted more time to visit the site and brainstorm parking solutions.
- Shared Streets and Complete Street Grant – The Town has been awarded two grants for various pedestrian and sidewalk work. The board expressed concerns that drainage issues need to be addressed before improvements can be made. The Select Board –January 15th meeting will be moving forward by selecting a designer for the Main Street Revitalization project, it would make sense for the same designer to be used for the complete streets grant work.
- Casella Refuse and Recycling Contract- continuing to work with Casella and MADEP
- Superintendent's update: Handouts made available to show the progress of past projects for the DPW and Water departments and being proactive to keep roads safe.
- Future agenda items: Cold storage building and Route 12 median maintenance.

Next posted meeting date TBD
Motion to adjourn at 8:55 pm



Deane Day, Chairman
Department of Public Works Board