

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
171 Worcester Rd
Sterling, MA

Minutes of May 10, 2022

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

Zoom: Bill Caldwell, Matt Sirigu and Matt from Osgood Road

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

Blaine Bershad and Andrew Parker present

Blaine Bershad made a motion to accept the April 26th minutes, Andrew Parker seconded— passed 2-0

Public Session: A resident wanted the DPW Board to be aware of the deteriorating condition of Osgood Road.

- Ryan introduced the new Town Administrator, Bill Caldwell via zoom to the DPW Board.
- Town Council, Matt Sirigu via zoom on hand to discuss Casella Waste Management Contract. The need to change the contract to three years instead of four years was discussed along with tightening up the language regarding quarterly audits. Blaine Bershad questioned if the contract should it be contingent upon receiving the new totes and when the new truck is available.
- Year to date expense reports- Board members thanked Mr. Mouradian for keeping them informed and that they greatly appreciated all his efforts with the budget process.
- Truck 18 Specs- current 2006 F350 8 ft. bed diesel- Cost for replacement passed at Spring Town Meeting. Mr. Mouradian would like to order this truck as soon as possible. Met with the crew and everyone was in agreement with wanting a pickup with extended cab, ¾ ton, tool box, back rack, and plow. Blaine Bershad and Andrew Parker agreed they should order what the crew wanted.
- Equipment trailer specs- 20 foot c channel skid steer. Aluminum trailer vs a steel trailer- The aluminum trailer does not require a CDL class A license because it keeps the weight under 10,000 lbs. Two five foot ramps store inside the trailer.
- Project & Superintendent's Update:
 - Open house- good weather and a lot of work from the DPW to get trucks and buildings ready made for a successful day
 - The street sweeping, which is on-going is widening the roads
 - Two water main breaks- one on April 27th and May 2nd- Redstone area
 - Crack sealing beginning on the May 19th
 - Putting together a bid package for Kendall Hill Road
 - Seasonal workers- 2 right now and 2 more candidates coming
 - Gentleman contacted office, stating he was interested in the Mechanic position
 - DPW crew working to get cemeteries and downtown ready for Memorial Day
 - Water department to continuing hydrant flushing
 - Compliments from residents on the condition of fields

Future Agenda items:

- DPW Board organization
- Johnson Road and Redemption Rock Trail intersection
- Historical Society would like to discuss maintenance for older cemeteries
- Campground water main

Motion to adjourn at 8:43 PM

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Blaine Bershad', written in a cursive style.

Blaine Bershad