

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
171 Worcester Rd  
Sterling, MA

April 11, 2023

Present: Deane Day, Blaine Bershad, Andrew Parker, Ryan Mouradian, Paul Gerardi, Michael Tomaiolo, Susan Genereux and Tony Zahariadis

Zoom: No One

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM

Deane Day, Blaine Bershad and Andrew Parker present

Public Session: No one spoke

#### 261 Leominster Road – Water Issue

- 2 test pits in triangle at Legate Hill Intersection- first- bottom corner – rock four feet down. Second pit hit rock immediately.  
The Board was in agreement that an engineer may be needed needed to provide viable options. Requested a test pit across the street as well.

#### Dana Hill & 140 Traffic Light Study

- Report recommended to leave morning timing alone and small adjustment in the afternoon. (2 seconds to 4 seconds)
- Mr. Parker made a motion to leave it as it currently stands  
Mr. Bershad seconded  
Motion passed 3-0

#### Water Rate Discussion

- Last increase in water rates was in 2018
- Need to raise rates to fund various water projects
- After much discussion of minimum usage for size of meters to block rates and an entire rate change, more information was requested

#### Trash & Recycling Implementation

- March bill has not been received
- The Board would like Mr. Mouradian to reach out to Casella to schedule an audit
- Just a reminder if anyone has a question on what is recyclable please visit [www.recyclesmartma.org](http://www.recyclesmartma.org) for more information. Carts will still need to be placed at curbside by 7AM each morning.

#### Project Updates and Superintendent's Update:

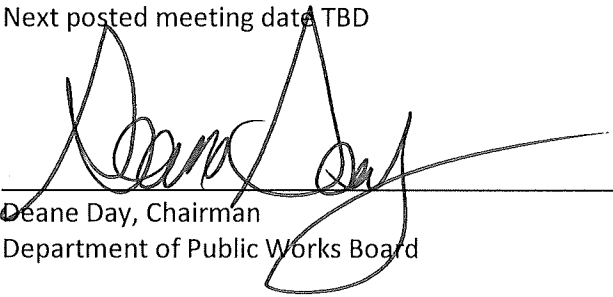
- Route 62 and Route 140 is scheduled to be complete by June 30th
- 68 letters sent out to schedule meter replacements
- Truck #6 will be dropped off 2<sup>nd</sup> week in May and need it back by September
- Street sweeping has begun. Starting with west to east across Town
- Street by street brush cleaning continuing
- New batting cage for Griffin Road being installed
- Monte Tech – new Memorial bench being constructed at Pegs Pond
- Sign board up this week, Route 140- 2 Police details edging and cutting trees back
- Brush and Leaf open 8 AM to Noon Saturdays at sand pit off George Peeso
- Reminder Town Clean-Up April 22<sup>nd</sup>
- May 6<sup>th</sup> DPW Open House

Future Agenda items:

- Campground project
- Water Rates
- Next round of pavement management plan

Motion to adjourn at 8:44 PM

Next posted meeting date TBD



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Deane Day, Chairman  
Department of Public Works Board