

PRESENT Chairman John W. Sheehan, Cheryl Larder, George Peteros, Alan Wilensky,
Ronald Fedor

ABSENT Kenneth Brown, Rosalyn Dupuis

OFFICIALS First Selectman Daniel Steward

RTM Thomas Dembek

STAFF Ruth Beers, Finance Director; Kate Rotella, Purchasing Agent; Yvette M. Pier, Secretary

Chairman Sheehan called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

ITEM 1 Public Comment - none

ITEM 2 Approval and acceptance of minutes of Regular Meeting on August 12, 2009
MOTION To approve minutes of Regular Meeting on August 12, 2009 – Liaison report to read “As liaison to the Engine Company #1 Building Committee, Mr. Peteros reports that while repairing the roof, a pooling water condition was disclosed dealing with the dry system in the attic where pipes come down vertically with pendants (caps) covering where there are no sprinkler heads in place. The concern of the Building Committee is that this pooling water may freeze causing significant problems in the future if it is not corrected at the same time the roof is being repaired. A brief discussion ensued. It was the consensus of the Board that an expenditure of the appropriated funds to correct this condition is in line with the scope of the roof repair project and that appropriated funds for roofing may be used to correct it.”
Wilensky, Larder Unanimous

ITEM 3 Request from First Selectman to appropriate \$1,050,524 from Capital and Non-Recurring Undesignated Fund Balance LI 20500-31520, Lathrop Road/Route 32 Construction, of which \$982,478 will be reimbursable through the AARA and the STP funds. This request is consistent with the Capital Improvement Plan.
MOTION To consider this request.
Fedor, Larder

Director Ronald Cusano was present. Discussion was held including \$35,524 for additional engineering and it was noted that, for the Town to have plans modified by the SEA Consultants, Inc. to have the project qualify for reimbursement through the AARA and the STP funds, and to maintain the timeline required by the State DOT, this expense was paid from Public Works LI 10330-51130.

Mr. Fedor offered a friendly amendment and Ms. Larder offered a friendly second to reduce the amount requested to \$1,015,000 and to approve this amount and recommend to the RTM.

Vote: Unanimous

ITEM 4 Update on Municipal Complex Project
Thomas Burns, Chairman of Municipal Complex Building Committee, was present and introduced Mark Hopper from Schoenhardt Engineering. His presentation included the following goals:

1. To provide a facility that meets the health and safety codes currently in effect.
2. To provide adequate office space for Public Works and the Utility Commission, maximizing the use of common areas.
3. To stay within existing square footage of the building.
4. To creatively utilize outbuildings for additional equipment storage.

Mr. Hopper explained the layout of the building, the equipment storage area, the proposed ability for trucks to drive around the facility and the garage to have a front and rear exit. He also explained expanded overhead garage door openings, additional parking, organized parking for visitors, and the implementation of new technologies for heating. Public Works and the Utility Commission will share common dining and conference areas. A physical fitness area is not included in the plan. The building will be handicap accessible.

ITEM 5 Briefing on Road Reconstruction and Repair Standards

Gordon Daring from VHB/Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. Pavement Engineering Services made a presentation that included the pavement management background, results and analysis, and recommendations. The practice of planning for pavement maintenance and rehabilitation is with the goal of maximizing the value and life of a pavement network. He explained the process and the pavement condition index. Waterford is currently a little above average. Discussion of funding scenarios to maintain the current conditions.

ITEM 6 Information on plans for Single Stream Recycling in Waterford

Mr. Cusano explained that the Town has entered into an agreement with Willimantic Waste Paper Co. Inc. for processing recyclables. This will allow the Town to co-mingle newspapers, bottles, cans. Discussion of cost avoidances as a result of moving to single stream recycling, anticipated income, start up costs and methods to implement single stream recycling in Waterford.

ITEM 7 Presentation by Lt. Mahoney and Ms. Montgomery from Police Department regarding Blackberries

Discussion included enhanced functionality of Blackberry versus cell phone, limitations on usage of the mobile terminals, assignment of the Blackberries and associated costs.

ITEM 8 New Business - none

ITEM 9 Liaison Reports

Mr. Dembek reported that the last tower on Miner Lane will be up by September 16 and ready for testing by October 1, 2009.

Mr. Wilensky reported that Oswegatchie School opened on time and Great Neck School is progressing.

Mr. Fedor reported that the Fire Commission has received four bids for the Cohanzie Rescue Truck.

Mr. Wilensky reported that Recreation and Parks Commission had discussion regarding repair at the gazebo and the letter from Board of Finance Chairman dated August 13 – a reply will be sent to the Board of Finance shortly.

Mr. Steward informed the Board that the Ethics Commission has investigated two cases. It was necessary to hire two attorneys which necessitates additional legal fees. No fault was found on behalf of the Town.

ITEM 10 Correspondence

August 20, 2009 Periodic Financial Statements from Town Accountant

August 27, 2009 Letter from Recreation and Parks Director Flaherty regarding Gazebo repair

September 2, 2009 Letter from CCM in response to the Board's request for information regarding employee retirement provisions.

ITEM 11 Adjournment

MOTION To adjourn at 9:40 pm.

Fedor, Larder

Unanimous

Submitted by,

Prepared by,

Cheryl Larder, Clerk

Yvette M. Pier, Secretary

