

Public Works and Public Safety Committee
Meeting Minutes
March 21, 2022

The Clerk called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Clerk Kara Wilson called the roll.

Present: Councillors Bradley-MacArthur, Katz and LaFauci.

Absent: Dunn & LeBlanc.

Chris Gamble, 34 Francis Street, Waltham was noted as recording the meeting.

Clerk Wilson opened the floor to nominations for Chair. Councillor Katz nominated Councillor LaFauci as Chair Pro Tem. With no other nominations Clerk Wilsons closed nominations and called the roll for a vote for Chair. Both Councillors Katz and Bradley-MacArthur stated Councillor LaFauci's name and Councillor LaFauci took over as Chair Pro Tem for the meeting. Councillor Bradley-MacArthur moved to take the Upper Moody Street Power Infrastructure Accountability Resolution off of the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was approved. Councillor Bradley-MacArthur moved to hear from off Committee members. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was approved. Councillor Harris, creator of the Resolution, spoke on the Resolution. Councillor Harris spoke on the Resolution and explained since 2016 there have been issues with power on upper Moody Street. Jason Kaminski, representing Eversource spoke on the Resolution. He spoke on the past 28 months. There were outages form a line from Pine Street to Moody Street. A deteriorated line causing broken breakers in the middle of the line were the cause for that instance. In February faulty permanent to ca circuit

Over the past 4 years Eversource has been working on Moody Street and attempting to update old infrastructure we were to believe that the new and improved infrastructure was set in place. In the past few months we had a fire in a manhole due to water/flooding and lost power for two hours last week. Councillor LaFauci made a request that approved by a voice vote to have the Wires Director and a Representative from Eversource come to the next Committee meeting to discuss what is being done on Moody Street and why is this still happening. Councillors LaFauci, Katz and spoke on the matter. Councillor LaFauci moved to place the resolution on the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was approved.

Councillor LaFauci moved to take the Safety Improvements at Beaver Street Crossing Resolution off of the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was approved. Councillor LaFauci spoke on the matter. He stated the culvert is done and the sidewalk doesn't exist. Councillor LaFauci made a request that was approved by voice vote to have Mr. Garvin, Traffic Commission attend the next Committee meeting to update the Committee on the findings and who owns the property, do we need an easement and what the next steps should be. Councillor LaFauci moved to place the matter back on the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the matter was tabled.

With no further matters Councillor LaFauci moved to adjourn.

Chairman LeBlanc declared the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kara Wilson, Assistant City Clerk
March 9, 2022