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**Minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting 3/20/2017**

Chairman Waddick called the Public Works & Public Safety Committee meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

Present: Romard, Waddick, Fowler, Brasco, Vidal  
Absent: None

Councillor Fowler moved to take the matter regarding the 1-25 petition from Nationalgrid at 66 Fiske Ave off of the table. All were in favor. Councillor Fowler stated he spoke with the Director of DPW and the quote to repave the street Nationalgrid had spoken of is fair and reasonable. Petitioner has agreed to conditions but needs to re-file their application. Councillor Fowler moved to request the petitioner to refile their application and to state within the application they agree to repave the entire street – Fiske Ave end to end and will also replace all cast iron pipes and make sure all residents know this is to happen and to offer new service to anyone that may not already have gas. Request was approved by a voice vote. Councillor Fowler moved to place matter back on table. Matter was tabled by a voice vote.

Councillor Fowler moved approval of the 3/6/2017 minutes. All were in favor. Minutes were approved.

Agenda item: 36 Thornton Road

Councillor Fowler moved to hear from an off committee member. All were in favor. Councillor Giordano, Ward Councillor spoke on the petition. He recommends it be done with the compliance of all the usual conditions the committee offers to petitioners to have done. Attorney Francis spoke on the matter. The next door neighbor had some kind of water emergency and will need to dig as well. Councillor Fowler requested Attorney Francis work with neighbor and the Engineering Dept. to find out if it is an emergency situation or not, when they will need to be coming in for their own 17-25 and if the patch could be combined. Request was approved. Councillor Fowler moved to table the matter. Matter was tabled by a voice vote.

Councillor Fowler moved to take Nationalgrid petition for 66 Fiske Ave. off of the table. All in favor. A Nationalgrid representative was present. Chairman Waddick explained to him what the committee had decided. Councillor Fowler moved to place matter back on file. All in favor.

Agenda item: Gregory Street Resolution

Councillor Fowler moved to hear from off committee members. All in favor. Assistant Solicitor Learned spoke on the matter and explained our ordinances in relationship to private and public ways and betterment issues and state statutes that relate to the issue at hand. There needs to be a new petition issued. The Mayor stated

she will assist Councillor Fowler, the Law Dept. and the Engineer with how and what the petition should state. Councillor Fowler moved to table the matter. Matter was tabled by a voice vote.

Agenda item: Harrington Road Resolution

Councillor Romard spoke on the Resolution. Councillor Romard moved to hear from an off committee member. All in favor. Assistant Solicitor Learned spoke on the Resolution. She noted that she is still waiting for the DPW and the Clerk's Office to locate construction documents and information relating to the original creation of the sidewalk that exists there today. Councillor Romard spoke on the matter. He stated his constituents are interested in knowing what the fairness of other public sidewalks within the city that have been fixed without payment from residents and related to the public way owners paying for the five hundred feet or curb and the entire Pidgeon Hill are benefits of the project at their cost. Councillor Fowler questioned the section of the road. Assistant Solicitor Learned stated the ordinance requires granite curbing at intersections but not the entire length of streets. This is the difference.

Councillors Brasco, Waddick and Darcy, an off committee member spoke on the matter. Councillor Romard moved to table the resolution. Resolution was tabled by a voice vote.

Agenda item: Smith Street & Lincoln Street sidewalk Resolution

Councillor Darcy spoke on the Resolution. There is a 50/50 split for public sidewalks (believes its Ch. 25-sect. 28) Councillor Romard spoke on the matter.

Councillor Fowler moved to table the matter. Matter was tabled by a voice vote.

Agenda item: combined Police & Fire Resolution

Councillor Brasco moved to take the Resolution off of the table. All in favor. Brasco spoke on the matter. He asked the questions to the Mayor who was present for this discussion. Where do we stand in the process? What is the condition of the building?

The Mayor spoke on the matter.

The Mayor handed out a confidential communication. She stated the Wires Dept. Water Dept. and Maintenance were asked to look at the locations she suggested up at Fernald to see what kind of shape they were in and if they could even be considered a feasible alternative for a temporary location. Councillor Brasco mentioned moving the city yard to the Fernald and creating a combined location in one building.

The Mayor suggested a site visit. She stated the police do not want the current location and don't want to move to Fernald temporarily. The Mayor said this was all that has been discussed or done. When more steps have been made with the RFP and other matters she will notify the Council. Brasco made a motion to table the matter. Matter was tabled by a voice vote.

Councillor Fowler moved to take the Main Street Bridge off of the table. All were in favor. Councillor fowler stated since we had heard back from MassDot and the bridge was deemed in good condition he moved to file the Resolution.

Matter was field by a voice vote.

Councillor Brasco moved to adjourn. All were in favor. Chairman Romard adjourned the meeting at 7:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kara Wilson, Executive Assistant to the City Clerk

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