

MINUTES
Seymour Public Works Department
Monday, September 14, 2015 @ 7:00 p.m. Public Works Garage

Members Present: Sean Walsh, Wayne Finkle, Yashu Putorti (7:05), Annmarie Drugonis, Phil Wilhelmy

Others Present: Dennis Rozum, Craig Stevens, Fred Wilkins, Kevin Brown, Peter Satkowski, Robert Koskelowski, Jr., Andy Gazi, Charles Christensen

ITEM #1: Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM #2: Public Comment

Dennis Rozum, Director of Public Works, due to a number of issues that have been going on and based on where he is in his life right now, and where he plans to go in the future, submitted his resignation for early retirement. He thanked the board for the support he received and for moving forward with some of the equipment that is being received now and will be received in the future. His resignation letter has been submitted to the First Selectman's Office and will be acted on the following day.

ITEM #3: Financial Update

Mr. Rozum indicated there was nothing out of the ordinary at this point and time.

The funds for the recent oil containment came out of repairs and maintenance.

A new line item was added for Trucks in the amount of \$90,000.00, which will now be a recurring every year for the purchase of a new small dump truck.

Mr. Wilhelmy asked at what point would the town have enough small dump trucks. Mr. Walsh explained the idea is to buy trucks with a five-year warranty and then at the end of the five years a new truck is purchased to maintain five full fleet vehicles.

ITEM #4: Budget Discussion (Take Action)

No budget discussion was had.

ITEM#5: Vehicle Update

The new truck was going to Crowley to get dealer prepped and would be available that week. Mr. Rozum stated that when he was up at Crowley last week they told him the truck was at the RV Park, not at Crowley in Bristol.

Regarding the other two trucks, the last conversation Sean Walsh had with Mr. Rapp was that the Dodges were not going to be available until January. Mr. Rapp told Sean Walsh he could get a Ford in 4-6 weeks. Sean asked him for pricing on that and has yet to hear back from him.

Mr. Rozum suggested Virginia Forestry who has an inventory of vehicles. Mr. Rapp was going to get a price from Altec dealer in Milford.

Mr. Wilhelmy requested that committee do a full inspection on all equipment by next month's meeting so that a baseline can be drawn on what is needed and what is in stock to be ready for winter.

Mr. Wilhelmy made a motion to do an inspection and inventory of all equipment at public works for the October 19 meeting to ensure that they are physically ready for the 2015/2016 season to ensure there are no potential issues going forward.

Motion: Phil Wilhelmy, Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Vote: 5: Yes 0: No

Mr. Wilhelmy suggested having a special meeting before the October 19th meeting to do the walk around. Sean suggested September 28 Special Meeting to review snow removal equipment.

Mr. Finkle requested that one of the mechanics be present at the special meeting and be paid for their time.

Mr. Finkle asked about truck #34, which was up at Clarks. Mr. Rozum stated it needs to be picked up and brought back. It has not been decided what will be done with that truck yet. Mr. Rozum stated he would get Clarks numbers updated and submit that at the same special meeting. Mr. Putorti told Mr. Rozum to make sure it was on the agenda for the special meeting.

ITEM#6: Transfer Station Update

Mr. Rozum stated that the 10-foot gate for the overflow container was being installed today.

The plate was put in at the hopper in front of the compactor. The I-Beam in the back is in place, bolted and welded. The sheet metal has been reattached.

Mr. Rozum stated they were waiting on a couple more parts for the tub grinder. As soon as they arrive they will put it together and send it back up.

Mr. Wilhelmy asked how many hours the tub grinder has been down in correlation with how much money that has been put into the tub grinder versus what a new tub grinder costs. Mr. Rozum and Sean Walsh stated that in the past few years approximately \$15,000.00 and a new tub grinder is about a half million dollars.

Craig Stevens stated that he received a quote to grind the pile on site for \$18,000.00.

Mr. Wilhelmy asked to make a motion to accept the bid and let the bid go to town. Sean Walsh asked if it would be a violation of the union if that work were outsourced. Mr. Wilhelmy said to let that grievance come up against the \$18,000.00 and against the cost of a new tub grinder. Wayne Finkle asked Craig Stevens if the \$18,000 included removal and Craig Stevens wasn't sure.

Sean Walsh asked if it were physically possible to cut the pile into smaller pieces and work it down. Craig Stevens feels it would take about a year to do. Sean Walsh explained that the fire marshal and DEEP wants to see some facet of progress, which that would at least be.

Yashu Putorti asked how long before the tub grinder would be fixed. Mr. Rozum stated it would be fixed as soon as the parts were in.

Annmarie Drugonis asked what happened to the tub grinder since the last meeting, when the tub grinder was fixed and working. At the last meeting it was stated that before the tub grinder was put in place, employees that would operate it would be trained on it. Craig Stevens stated that when they started the tub grinder the brand new clutch would not engage due to a faulty bearing in the clutch. If the bearing were to come from North Dakota, it would have taken 205 days. Craig Stevens said it is being machined locally. Mr. Rozum stated they've already received one of the parts already and are waiting for one last part, which is on its way and should be in within a day or two. Mr. Rozum expects that once the part is received and the machine is back together and operating, it could be chipping in two weeks. Annmarie suggested saying three weeks in case of lag time.

Annmarie explained that worst case, the state comes in and the town would be fined or issued an NOV and would be instructed to have it removed with a certain amount of days. Sean Walsh explained that DEEP is involved because part of the money the town received was for the landfill capping to get rid of it, and the town has not gotten rid of it yet.

Sean Walsh stated he will find out about the union ramifications, get the attorney to make a judgment and when the committee meets again on September 28th, a decision will be made on whether to make a motion to sub it out, based on what the attorney determines. Mr. Rozum stated that by then they could be chipping.

ITEM#7:Update on facility upgrades

Annmarie Drugonis stated the analysis came back from Clean Harbors for the soil over by the diesel tank. The soil around the diesel tank is 1,100 ppm. DEEP and EPA standards are 1,000 ppm for contamination. Since it is over the allowed amount, remediation will need to take place. They will take more soil out and do another sample. The remediation will start within the next two weeks.

Mr. Rozum stated the rest of the tanks have been inspected. The man from the inspection company is going to order new gauge caps because he felt the tanks were sound with no leaks. Mr. Rozum has called him three times looking for the report and he has not received it. The inspector's name was Dwayne from a company called ATI. Annmarie Drugonis will try to get in touch with him too.

Mr. Rozum stated that the SBCC plant is being put together right now. A representative from Nafis & Young is reviewing all the tanks on site and putting together a plan.

Annmarie Drugonis asked if all the empty drums were removed offsite and if the waste oil collection was labeled waste oil. Mr. Rozum said he would go out and show her after the meeting.

ITEM#8:Work Performance Update

Mr. Rozum passed out an update from August 1- 31 and the first part of September.

Mr. Rozum stated that bulk pickup is year round except for the winter months.

The pothole killer is done and finished. Mr. Rozum is waiting to get the total list so it can be posted and have a record of everybody that was done. The amount of work it was going to do was dependent on the amount of product the town had on site. The entire product on site was utilized, which should constitute the budget number of \$20,000.00.

ITEM#9:Transfers

There were no transfers.

ITEM# 10: Other Business

Motion for special meeting to go through and review a job description and posting to put out for the replacement of the Director of Public Works.

Motion: Phil Wilhelmy, Second: Wayne Finkle

Vote: 5- Yes, 0- No

ITEM#11: Executive Session (personnel)

No Executive Session.

ITEM#12: Public Comment

Robert Koskelowski, Jr, Poplar Drive, Seymour, thanked Dennis Rozum for all his hard work over the past years and that it was a pleasure working with him.

Sean Walsh also thanked Dennis Rozum. He hopes everything works out in the long run. It was fun working with him.

ITEM #13: Adjournment

A Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 PM.

Motion: Phil Wilhelmy Second: Yashu Putorti

Vote: 5-Yes 0 No 0-Abstain

Respectfully Submitted, Angela Chernesky