

**Board of Public Works  
Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** May 9, 2022

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Place:** Library Program Room  
Library Plaza

**In attendance for all or part of the meeting were the following:**

Robert Shaughnessy	Chairman
Dave Carriere	Vice Chairman
John Cusick	Member
Tom Reynolds	Superintendent
Dan Bowen	Assistant Superintendent
Rod Procaccino	Town Engineer – <i>not present</i>
Henry Ducey	DAV& Additional Members
Ann Marie Sacchetti	Board of Public Works Secretary

The meeting convened at 6:00 p.m.

Bob Shaughnessy motioned to open the meeting and reviewed the agenda which included one appointment, action items, items for discussion, minutes and Superintendent's report.

**Seconded** by Dave Carriere All in favor.

**ACTION**

1) Re-Organization of Positions – BPW after Town Elections

Bob explained that following a Town election for a seat on the Board of Public Works, it is customary to re-organize positions at the next Board meeting. The next Board Member who would be up for re-election, traditionally, is voted as the next Chairman. Board Member, David Carriere is currently serving his third year on the Board. He will be up for re-election next year, 2023.

**MOTION:** Robert Shaughnessy motioned to move his position from Chairman to Clerk, John Cusick will move from Clerk to Vice Chairman, and Dave Carriere will move from Vice Chairman to Chairman.

**Seconded:** John Cusick All in favor.

2) Estimates for Phase 3 Sidewalk Re-habilitation-Marshfield Hills

Dave addressed the issue describing the area to be re-habilitated. Tom indicated funding will have to be addressed at either in the fall or spring Town Meetings. There is not too much to do there. There is no funding at this time for the project. The project is in draft form and he asked the Board to wait after this fiscal year in order to obtain actual costs. Design will be done in house saving an expense.

Bob asked about Complete Streets. Tom indicated that we are in the Tier II process at this time. They are reviewing our plan and we have been granted the \$37K to do our plan. By October we will apply for the \$400K from the Complete Streets Program. We will then be eligible for the \$400K every three years.

3) New Septage Hauler Permit / Avon Septage

Tom stated that Joseph Aiello of Avon Septic has applied for a septage haulers permit. The application has been reviewed and approved by the Wastewater Staff on 5/3/22.

**MOTION:** Dave Carriere motioned to award the new permit to Avon Septic.  
**Seconded:** John Cusick All in favor.

#### APPOINTMENT

6:15 p.m. DAV/Abatement Issue

John Cusick opened the discussion and indicated that he has met with Henry Ducey regarding the issue. He indicated that the organization is a non-profit group. Users of Peter Igo Park are allowed to use the rest rooms in the DAV. The problem of excessive water use developed during covid which at that time the facility was not open. Tom stated the bill has been paid and whatever amount is abated, would be credited to their account. Dave said he is inclined to abate the first period but would question if its appropriate abate the second period. Bob said he would be in favor of abating the first period; for the second period we could negotiate it so as not be such a hardship on the group. Bob stated that the Town owns the building, they are doing a service to the Town, it is a shared responsibility; and make it whole. Their decision is as follows:

**MOTION:** Dave Carriere motioned to credit the first high billing to normal usage. The second high use is going to be 60% of the high use to be credited back.  
**Seconded:** Robert Shaughnessy All in favor.

#### 4) Resolution to Seek Additional Town Roadway Funds for Fall STM

Tom stated that this is much needed funding. Amounts vary each year on what funding the Town gives us. This year we have been given no funding. His concern is that going forwarding some of the other projects may be penalized. As we get closer to Town Meeting, we will need to prioritize what our most important issues are. Dave stated that he would like to have the \$200K funds. Tom stated that the BOS are supporting \$120K for sidewalk design in Brant Rock at the Fall STM. They guarantee it will be on the warrant. There are so many different projects and having the lack of funding over the last ten plus years sets us back even further. Now with the cost increases of 30 or 40%, limits what can be done for the dollar now. Dave indicated we still need to seek a draft for funding and to go forward with the resolution.

**MOTION:** Dave Carriere motioned that we will bring forward additional funding at the Special Town Meeting barring the unforeseen.  
**Seconded:** John Cusick All in favor.

#### 5) Amendment for Engineering Oversight for Plymouth Ave. Force Main

Tom addressed the amendment. On February 18<sup>th</sup> the sewer force main in Plymouth Ave. from the Plymouth Ave. Pump Station had a significant leak, causing the main to be taken off-line for repair. Septage haulers were called in to bypass the untreated wastewater entering the station to drain the force main in order to make the repair. The Town obtained emergency authorization on February 25<sup>th</sup> from DCAMM to waive advertisement requirements to allow our consultant to shorten public bidding process to expedite repair. Environmental partners Group (EPG) will provide engineering services to prepare specification to solicit proposals from qualified contractors to construct a temporary bypass to divert flow from entering the Plymouth Ave. Pump Station to allow inspection of the force main by Camera to evaluate the sewer force main and determine what type of liner is needed. The proposal includes four tasks for a total of \$144,430. Staff recommends authorizing funding to conduct Task 1 and Task 2 on a time charge plus expense basis for engineering services to conduct emergency procurement. Additional tasks will be added by amendment upon receiving construction proposals. Project status; the Plymouth Ave. force main repair project was bid and awarded. Work is scheduled to start within the next two weeks. Town meeting approved the STM article #16 for \$3 million. Two million dollars will be borrowed to complete the Force Main project, to complete necessary valve

replacement, wet well modifications and engineering costs for pumping modifications. The contract amendment authorizes Task 3 and Task 4.

**MOTION:** Dave Carriere motioned to authorize amendment to EPG General Service Agreement to include Task 1 and task 2 of proposal dated February 28, 2022 from Environmental partners Group LLC, Quincy, MA for engineering services to conduct emergency procurement to inspect and repair and reline Plymouth Ave. Pump station Force Main for an amount not to exceed \$74,850 and to authorize the Chairman or designee to sign the contract amendment when the documents are prepared.

**Seconded:** John Cusick All in favor.

**MOTION:** Dave Carriere motioned to authorize to amend the Engineering Service contract with EPG to include Task 3 and Task 4 for Resident Engineering Services and Project close out for the Plymouth Ave. Force Main Repair Project for an amount not to exceed \$69,580 and authorize the Chairman or designee to sign the contract documents when they are prepared.

**Seconded:** John Cusick All in favor.

## DISCUSSION

1) Review of Restrictions on over 55 Residential Developments in regard to Town Services  
Dave addressed the issue. The previous Superintendent, R. Jeb Deloach had a question regarding Town services provided to the specific over 55 developments. Dave obtained the documents from the Planning Board that contain permitting information. He drafted a letter containing the information for Mr. Deloach on behalf of the Board members. The signed letter was sent including the respective document pertaining to the over 55 developments to be given to him as well.

2) Dave's Meeting with Select Board member Steve Darcey  
Dave met with Steve Darcy along with Town Counsel. They indicated that they wanted the indirect policy to be one page. Dave's immediate response is actual charges can have one page. The school department's budget should be included as well. We voted a policy back in 2019 that any negotiation between the Chair of the BOS and the Chair of the BPW would not be agreed to and cemented into place until each board had reviewed and commented. Bob stated that at the time of the policy in 2019 it was agreed that each board, on an annual basis, would open negotiations on any area that needed to be tweaked. He believes the process worked just needed to be tweaked. John stated the percentages were incorrect as the schools were not included. Board members agreed. Dave will proceed to draft a document regarding policy and bring to the Board members for review and input.

3) Actions being taken by the as Legislature on PFAS  
Dave addressed the issue. He provided Board members a listing of PFAS Use Categories. Included with the listing was further information regarding PFAS. PFAS are a family of chemicals used since the 1950s to manufacture stain-resistant, water-resistant, and not-stick products. Also found in firefighting foam and other fire retardants. The task force's recommendations fall into eight strategies and include regulatory and legislative actions. 1. Fund PFAS detection and remediation. 2. Support environmental justice communities. 3. Phase out PFAS in consumer products. 4. Expand PFAS regulation. 5. Encourage private well PFAS testing and remediation. 6. Support for firefighters and local fire departments. 7. Address PFAS contamination accountability. 8. Enhance public awareness. Bob Shaughnessy stated that Marshfield airport is not within a zone 2. We do not have a firefighting academy here. He has been to a PFAS conference. The chemical does not break down. We are fortunate in Marshfield. Dave stated that we will have to mitigate what we use when the time comes. Bob stated that we had a discussion with the BOH about the issue of education on the product. We were going to put into the CCR report. He is in favor of sending a letter to residents in the zone 2 areas regarding products that contain PFAS. John Cusick stated that he is a plumber and, in the industry, they use Teflon tape which goes right on pipes. It is also in dental floss. It is a serious problem.

VOTE TO ACCEPT MINUTES – 3/28/22, 4/25/22, 4/26/22 Open Meeting Minutes

**MOTION:** Dave Carriere motioned to accept the open meeting minutes of; 3/28/22, 4/25/22 and 4/26/22.

**Seconded:** John Cusick

All in favor.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Met with resident who has a handicap child to find out what she needed. The identified the Daniel Webster and Martin School playgrounds. There are handicap students at those schools. We are going to put grass mats so they can access the playground equipment. Also, the playground in the Hills was inspected and it was recommended that it be closed. Spoke to CPC, there is some money that could be used towards the playground especially for handicap access. As much as we would like to keep some of the equipment it could become a liability issue.

Willow Street water main ongoing. Ocean Street; the tap and sleeve were completed.

Pot hole repairs ongoing, out every day.

Seawall at Brant Rock is ongoing; on schedule and scheduled to be finished about the middle of June.

The Winter Road Recovery Program; the Town received some of the funds. We will be paving from the center of Town to Parsonage Street on Ocean Street. Then from Country Way to Adams Street on Ocean Street.

Drainage swales on Union Street have been worked on.

May 1<sup>st</sup>, we resume the Equipment Maintenance of the Admin. Fire and Police light vehicle fleets

Some of our new vehicles have arrived.

Ongoing tree work throughout Town.

965 Plain Street; ongoing construction; structure is taking shape. Metal building will come in sections.

Gas not in yet.

Dave; Jedediah's Path issue; circle being removed. Tom said Holly Road is another instance. That section is private and there is a circle there and it's an eyesore. Elimination of that asphalt and making it the width of the roadway may make more sense. Stoney Brook is another area with circles etc.

Bob is against taking the circle away. Leave it alone. Dave said it would be with the Planning Board and the ZBA.

NEXT MEETING – May 23, 2022

At this time Dave Carriers **motioned** to adjourn the meeting.

**Seconded** by Robert Shaughnessy

All in favor.

The open meeting of the Board of Public Works for May 9, 2022 adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ann Marie Sacchetti,  
Board of Public Works Secretary