

Minutes of the Board of Public Works Meeting of May 16, 2006

A meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on Tuesday, May 16, 2006 at 6:00 P.M. in the 3rd floor Auditorium at City Hall.

Members Present

Mayor Bernard A. Streeter, Chairman
Daniel Gagnon, Vice Chairman
James Hall, Commissioner
Timothy Lavoie, Commissioner (6:05)

Rick Seymour, Director
Steve Dookran, City Engineer
Scott Pollock, Superintendent, Streets
Rich Reine, Superintendent, SW
Nick Caggiano, Superintendent, Parks
Mario Leclerc, Superintendent, WWTF
Wayne Husband, Superintendent, Traffic
Jeanne Walker, Project Manager, Engineering
Kathie Berube, Administrative Assistant III

David Deane, Aldermanic Liaison

Chairman Streeter called the meeting to order at 6:00 and stated that all commissioners were present with the exception of Commissioner Lavoie who would be arriving any moment.

Chairman Streeter requested to address item VI. E before item VI A under Engineering.

The Board concurred.

I. Motion: To approve the Agenda as presented.

MOTION: Commissioner Hall to approve the Agenda and to address item VI. E. before item VI.A under Engineering.

SECONDED: Commissioner Hall.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

II. Motion: To approve the Minutes of the Board of Public Works Meeting of April 3, 2006.

MOTION: Commissioner Hall to approve the Minutes of the Board of Public Works Meeting of April 3, 2006 with the following correction to page 5 under Engineering; to add North East Blvd and Murphy Drive to the Engineering Project List.

SECONDED: Commissioner Dyer.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

III. Administration

A. Informational: Communication from Gottesman & Hollis, representing Stabile Baseball, LLC with regard to the bleachers at Holman Stadium

Chairman Streeter informed the Board that he was going to request that the Board vote on the question of the bleacher removal from the Holman Stadium that evening.

Chairman Streeter asked that Alderman Tabasco, (a representative of the Pride Work Group, subcommittee of the Board of Aldermen) to address the Board.

Alderman Tabasco presented the Board with a memorandum from himself and other members of the Pride Work Group. This memorandum provided a favorable recommendation on the removal of the bleachers to include a provision allowing for the Board of Public Works approval to be contingent upon Board of Aldermen approval of an amended concession agreement. (Said favorable recommendation was thereby issued). The memorandum also included that an approval from the Knights of Columbus was obtained.

John Stabile, Owner, Stabile Baseball, LLC addressed the Board and explained that the intension of the bleacher removal was to build a children's environment with activities adding that while some family members enjoy the game others can enjoy the other activities.

David Lozeau, Food Service provider at Holman Stadium, informed the Board that he was very excited about working with the Pride and that hot dogs were to going to be sold at \$1.00 each.

A brief discussion was had regarding the actual removal of the bleachers, whether or not the metal would be recycled and if the old press box was going to be removed.

Mr. Stabile stated that his son would be removing the bleachers, recycling the metal and that there were no immediate plans to remove the old press box at this time.

Director Seymour thanked David Lozeau for providing the funds to reinstate Children's Day on July 4th this year.

MOTION: Commissioner Lavoie to allow the bleachers at Holman Stadium to be removed.

SECONDED: Commissioner Dyer.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

IV. Public Comments

Alderman Dick Flynn was present and informed the Board that a neighborhood meeting was had and that the overall information presented about the upcoming construction at the Wastewater Treatment Facility was satisfactory except for the anticipated truck traffic issue on *Wynn Street*. (?)

He added that the Wastewater Treatment Facility has been a good neighbor over the years but several of the area homes have barely any frontage and stated that he was concerned about potential damage to people's property.

Director Seymour replied that an additional meeting could be had with the neighborhood to discuss further concerns and that are options to be looked at such as private property access which was applied when the digester was built.

V. Aldermanic Referrals- NRO O-06-17: ADOPTING CERTAIN TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ON A PORTION OF LEDGE STREET

MOTION: Commissioner Hall to forward a favorable recommendation to the Board of Aldermen concerning NRO O-06-17.

SECONDED: Commissioner Gagnon.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

VI. *Engineering Department*

- A. **Motion:** *To approve the improvements on a Class VI highway portion of Edson Street to be constructed by Vigilant Properties as shown on plans dated March 24, 2006 by Hayner/Swanson, Inc.*

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SECONDED: Commissioner Gagnon.

Gerry Prunier, Esquire commented that under State law improvements must be approved to be petitioned to the Board of Aldermen to convey the property.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

- B. **Presentation:** *Wet Weather Flow Treatment Facility by Jeanne Walker, Wastewater Project Manager.*

Jeanne Walker, Project Manager presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Wet Weather Flow Treatment Facility proposed for the Nashua Wastewater Facility.

- E. **Motion:** *To approve the request of Ashwood Development, Inc., 84 Lake Street, Nashua, NH 03060 for reimbursement of funds paid to the Pine Brook Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$109,385.00*

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SECONDED: Commissioner Lavoie.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

- B. **Motion:** *To approve the Residential Wastewater Services Permits and Fees as submitted.*

MOTION: Commissioner Hall to approve the Residential Wastewater Services Permits and Fees as submitted.

SECONDED: Commissioner Gagnon.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

- C. **Motion:** *To award the contract for Route 101A Widening and Improvements – Part A Design Services to McFarland-Johnson in an amount of \$332,010.98*

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SECONDED: Commissioner Gagnon.

Mayor Streeter informed the Board that the Finance Committee had already approved this contract award.

City Engineer, Steve Dookran informed the Board that Somerset Parkway to Celina Drive has been funded through the D.O.T. plan. He added that Joe Mendola is the Project Manager and that he will be working the Nashua Regional Planning Commission on this project.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

- D. **Motion:** *Sewerage Works Improvements, Ledge Street Area Project, Contract No. 007 Construction Contract, Change Order # 4*

MOTION: Commissioner Hall to approve Sewerage Works Improvements, Ledge Street Area Project, Contract No. 007 Construction Contract, Change Order # 4
SECONDED: Commissioner Gagnon.

Commissioner Hall asked if they had had improvements before.

Superintendent Pollock stated that there was one in the 90's.

OPPOSED: Commissioner Hall.

MOTION CARRIED: Majority.

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MOTION CARRIED: Majority.

F. Informational: NPDES Phase II MS4 Stormwater Permit, 2006 Annual Report.

MOTION: Commissioner Hall to place the NPDES Phase II MS4 Stormwater Permit, 2006 Annual Report on file.

SECONDED: Commissioner Lavoie.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

G. Informational: Quarterly Report (due April 1, 2006) on Compliance per the Consent Decree as sent to Environmental Protection Agency and Department of Environmental Services.

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SECONDED: Commissioner Lavoie.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

H. Informational: Project List Update

MOTION: Commissioner Hall to place the Project List Update on file.

SECONDED: Commissioner Lavoie.

Commissioner Hall requested that NE Boulevard and Murphy Drive be added to the project list.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

VII. Street Department

A. Motion: To approve the petitions for new pole locations at various locations throughout the city.

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SECONDED: Commissioner Gagnon.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

B. Motion: To approve the retirement of Mr. Domingo Pacheco from the position of Foreman at the Street Department.

MOTION: Commissioner Hall to approve the retirement of Mr. Domingo Pacheco, with much regret, from the position of Foreman at the Street Department.

SECONDED: Commissioner Dyer.

Commissioner Hall and Superintendent Pollock shared that Domingo was a superb employee, very well respected and a good manager. They did not want to accept his retirement.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

C. Motion: To approve the award of the contract for the purchase and installation of granite curb to J & B Granite of Concord, NH in the amount of \$21,052.50. Funding for this work is found in account #353-45035-6922-6516(North Southwood Road) in the amount of \$10,187.50 and account #653-05(Sidewalk Program) in the amount of \$10,865.

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SECONDED: Commissioner Dyer.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

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MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

E. Motion: To approve the purchase of two Emergency Response Traffic Control Trailer Units with Equipment from the low bidder, Nations Rent of Candia, NH in the amount of \$53,820.60. Funding for this purchase is found in Special Revenue Account #332- 6319(FEMA Grant Funds)

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SECONDED: Commissioner Lavoie.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

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SECONDED: Commissioner Gagnon.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously

VIII. Solid Waste Department

A. Informational: Asbestos Response Team – Senior Center Remediation Final Project Costs

Commissioner Hall commended the group and suggested that the Director write a letter of praise for the individuals' personal files.

IX. Parks and Recreation Department

A. Motion: To accept the resignation of Dan Stevens, Groundsman I

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SECONDED: Commissioner Gagnon.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

B. Motion: To approve the selection (to be announced) for the position of Groundsman I at the Parks & Recreation Department.

MOTION: Commissioner Hall to approve the selection of Patrick Jordan for the position of Groundsman I at the Parks & Recreation Department.

SECONDED: Commissioner Gagnon.

OPPOSED: Commissioner Dyer.

MOTION CARRIED: Majority.

B. Informational: Mine Falls Park Projects (this newspaper wrap appeared in the Telegraph in April of 2006.)

MOTION: Commissioner Hall to place on file the Mine Falls Park Projects Wrap.

SECONDED: Commissioner Lavoie.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

C. Informational: Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Greater Nashua.

MOTION: Commissioner Hall to place on file information regarding Tom Dwane participating in the Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Greater Nashua.

SECONDED: Commissioner Lavoie.

Commissioner Hall commended Tom Dwane, Recreation Coordinator for joining the organization.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

D. Discussion: Carry In-Carry Out trash policy

Alderman Deane discussed his frustration with the current policy of carry in carry out trash at the parks and informed the Board that it isn't working. He added that for passive recreation it was a good option but it wasn't working where organized sports were being played.

Parks Superintendent, Nick Caggiano stated that an internal meeting was had and some of the "hot spots" were identified. He stated that some changes to the trash pick up schedule would be applied in the next week.

Solid Waste Superintendent, Rich Reine told Alderman Deane that he had some ideas to help try and improve the situation and that he would return to the Board with a plan.

X. Wastewater Treatment Facility

A. Motion: To approve the User Fee Warrants as presented.

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SECONDED: Commissioner Gagnon.
MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

B. Motion: To approve the promotion of John Adie to Operations Foreman.Fee Warrants as presented.

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SECONDED: Commissioner Gagnon.
MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

C. Informational: Emergency repair to Primary Digester

Wastewater Superintendent, Mario Leclerc informed the board that the Primary Digester has developed a leak and that it was determined that that the egg must be taken out of service. He added that prior to the Board of Public Works meeting, an emergency contract for \$83,645.00 with P & H Senesac Inc, Milton, VT was approved by Mayor Streeter. Superintendent Leclerc concluded by stating that until the digester egg was empty the additional costs for the repair is unknown. He will return to the Board with further updates.

XI. Traffic & Parking Department

A. Motion: To approve the re-classification of the Traffic Control Supervisor position in The Traffic and Parking Department. This re-classification would be retroactive starting December 29, 2005. This would increase the salary of the Traffic Control Supervisor from \$42,292.26 to \$46,213.89. (An increase of \$3,921.63.)

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SECONDED: Commissioner Dyer.

A discussion was had regarding the re-classification of the Traffic Control Superintendent and the issue of retroactive pay.

Commissioner Hall suggested that until the Parking Department issues are resolved a stipend might be a better option than a reclassification in order to reevaluate appropriately.

Alderman Deane stated that he did not believe in stipends nor did he encourage paying retroactive pay.

Director Seymour and Traffic Superintendent Husband discussed the added responsibilities that the Traffic Control Superintendent has inherited since the Parking Manager left in October and supported paying him retro.

MOTION TO AMEND: Commissioner Lavoie to approve the re-classification of the Traffic Control Superintendent effective May 16, 2006 without retroactive pay.
SECONDED: Commissioner Hall.
OPPOSED: Commissioner Dyer.
MOTION CARRIED: Majority.

MOTION: Commissioner Lavoie to approve the motion as amended.

SECONDED: Commissioner Hall.
OPPOSED: Commissioner Dyer.
MOTION CARRIED: Majority.

XII. Director's Report

Director Seymour presented the Director's PowerPoint presentation report and highlighted several divisional projects throughout the city.

XIII. Commissioner's Comments

Commissioner Hall briefly discussed the paving of the New Fire Station on East Hollis Street with Alderman Deane.

Chairman Streeter informed the Board that because of time constraints he would call a non-public meeting to discuss some personnel issues next week.

XIV. Non-Public Session- N/A

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Commissioner Hall.
SECONDED: Commissioner Gagnon.
MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

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