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## **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

Regular meeting of the Public Works Committee was held on May 5, 2014, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

### **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:55 P.M. by the Chairman.

Present: Councilman Mario Aceto, Chair  
Councilman Richard D. Santamaria, Jr., Vice-Chair  
Council Minority Leader Michael W. Favicchio  
Councilwoman Sarah Kales Lee  
Council Vice-President Michael J Farina

Absent: Council Majority Leader Paul H. Archetto

Also Present: Councilman Steven Stycos  
Gerald Cordy, Director of Administration  
Jeffrey Barone, Director of Constituent and Government Affairs  
Michael Glucksman, Assistant City Solicitor  
Maria Medeiros Wall, City Clerk  
Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees  
Heather Finger, Stenographer

### **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:**

On motion by Council Minority Leader Favicchio, seconded by Councilman Santamaria, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and they stand approved as recorded.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**BASF**- quarterly Administrative update

**Mr. Cordy** stated that there is not update regarding this issue at this time as we haven't heard back from Dept. of Environmental Management.

**Storm water utility districts** Update from administration on feasibility. (Councilman Stycos) (Cont. from 8/5/2013 for presentation by engineering firm regarding Phase I feasibility study). (Cont. 1/6/2014).

**Mr. Cordy** stated that there is a meeting scheduled for this Thursday at 3 p.m. and any Council members are welcomed to attend. There is a second meeting to be held sometime in June or July, and then there will be a presentation to the City Council.

**Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation Appeal dated November 21, 2012 from ruling dated November 5, 2012 on Aug. 15, 2012 Fine Notice.** (Cont. 6/3/2013, 1/6/2014 & 2/3/2014). [[click here to view](#)]

**Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation Dec. 7, 2012 Appeal of Fine Notice dated Aug. 15, 2012.** (Cont. 6/3/2013, 1/6/2014 & 2/3/2014). [[click here to view](#)]

**RIRRC Appeal of DPW Director's Decision on RIRRC's Petition for Review of Modification to Industrial Wastewater Discharge Permit #1808.** (Cont. 11/4/2013, 1/6/2014 & 2/3/2014). [[click to view](#)]

**Mr. Cordy** stated that there is no new information at this time. Assistant Solicitor Kirshenbaum will be meeting in Executive Session in the near future to update the Council.

**575 Natick Ave.** Flooding due to new Driveway (Chairman Aceto)

**Mr. Barone** stated that on April 17<sup>th</sup>, there was a meeting held with the owner of the property and the Engineer of the owner. The owner agreed to take additional steps to mitigate the flooding. This will start within the next few weeks. Eva Lane notified of this and no one had any problems or concerns with this.

**Wilbur Ave. Flooding** Dirt and Drain Clean up Schedule (Chairman Aceto)

**Mr. Cordy** stated that a schedule will be made available to the Council from the State of when the work will be done.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Petition from National Grid and Verizon for new joint pole location at Wilbur Ave. Ratify the Action.** [[click to view](#)]

On motion by Councilman Santamaria, seconded by Council President Lanni, it was voted to approve this petition. Motion passed unanimously.

**Petition from National Grid and Verizon for new pole location at June Ave.** [[click to view](#)]

On motion by Councilman Santamaria, seconded by Council President Lanni, it was voted to approve this petition. Motion passed unanimously.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

**Councilman Santamaria** He asked that the Administration provide a report from Inspections of how many businesses have sign permits and are paying the sign fee. He is concerned that this is not being equally enforced throughout the City.

**Councilman Stycos** also requested report on that Stop and Shop on Warwick Ave. They has approximately ten flag signs. He asked if they pay a fee for ten signs or just for one.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Rosalba Zanni

Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees