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## **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

Regular meeting of the Public Works Committee was held on Thursday, September 14, 2017, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by the Chairman.

Present: Councilman Kenneth J. Hopkins, Chair  
Councilman Trent M. Colford, Sr.  
Councilman Paul J. McAuley  
Councilman Paul H. Archetto  
Council President Michael J Farina

Absent: Councilman Christopher G. Paplauskas, Vice-Chair  
Council Vice-President Michael W. Favicchio

Also Present: Councilman Steven A. Stycos  
Councilman John E. Lanni, Jr.  
Christopher Rawson, City Solicitor  
Ken Mason, Director of Public Works  
Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees  
Heather Finger, Stenographer

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

On motion by Council President Farina, seconded by Councilman Colford, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and they stand approved as recorded. Motion passed unanimously.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Request from National Grid for pole location at Brayton Avenue.** Referred to Public Works Committee 9/11/2017.

On motion by Council President Farina, seconded by Councilman Colford, it was voted to approve this request. Motion passed unanimously.

**Request from National Grid for pole location at Sockanosset Crossroads.** Referred to Public Works Committee 9/11/2017.

**Mr. Mason** asked that this request be denied and referred back to National Grid since this is a State road.

On motion by Council President Farina, seconded by Councilman Colford, it was voted to deny this request and refer it back to National Grid. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Councilman Paplauskas:**

- **Edgewood area and Meshanticut State Park area trash receptacles – Status Update from Administration.**

**Council President Farina** indicated that Chairman Paplauskas is out of State. He asked Mr. Mason if he could address the above item.

**Mr. Mason** stated that he does not have an update at this time.

On motion by Council President Farina, seconded by Councilman Colford, it was voted to continue this item to next month's meeting for follow-up by the Administration. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Councilman Archetto:**

- **Administration update on Gladstone St. curb.**

**Mr. Mason** stated that the road was reconstructed and curbing was installed.

- **Dumping behind Arlington Manor.**

**Councilman Archetto** asked how the Administration is going to proceed on the cleanup. Mr. Mason stated that the City has received a letter from DEM. A meeting was held with DEM the end of August and the area DEM asked to be cleaned up has been cleaned up. Councilman Archetto stated that he went there and it seems the City has a handle on it. He asked how the City will proceed in the future to prevent dumping. Mr. Mason stated that the Police will be installing cameras there.

- **Bike path discussion.**

**Councilman Archetto** stated that we need to be vigilant on the bike path of people hanging around and causing problems. Mr. Mason questioned what area. Councilman Archetto stated the Oaklawn Ave. area. Mr. Mason stated that he can contact the Police Department and make them aware of this.

**Councilman Lanni** stated that he has concerns with the dumping going on at the slope below, behind Pocasset Village. He asked who would be responsible for that area to be cleaned up. Mr. Mason stated that they would be under the pervue of the City to clean up.

**Chair** congratulated Mr. Mason for sending letter to CVS regarding the cleanup of the overgrown bushes facing Pontiac Ave. He stated that he noticed that they started working on this.

**Chair** questioned the status of the railroad tires near Park View. Mr. Mason stated that the Constituent Affairs Director has been working on having the railroad tires cleaned up and has received commitment to have them cleaned up by next week.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Rosalba Zanni  
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees