

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Regular meeting of the Public Works Committee was held on Thursday, September 11, 2008 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 P.M. by the Vice-Chair.

Present: Council Member Maria A. Bucci, Chair
Councilman Richard D. Santamaria, Jr., Vice-Chair
Councilman John E. Lanni
Councilman Jeffrey P. Barone
Council President Aram G. Garabedian

Absent: Councilman Emilio L. Navarro

Also Present: Council Vice-President Paula McFarland
Ernest Carlucci, Director of Administration
Vito Sciolto, City Solicitor
Charles Garganese, Assistant City Solicitor
Pat Quinlan, City Council Legal Counsel
Corsino Delgado, Director of Finance
Anthony Sylvia, Director of Public Works
Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees
Heather Finger, Stenographer

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

On motion by Councilman Barone, 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. Motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Resolution authorizing the Abandonment of a portion of Moon Ave.** (Public Hearing) (Cont. 7/17/2008 and 8/14/2008).

Robert Murray, Esq. appeared to represent the applicant and stated that applicant wishes to withdraw this application at this time.

On motion by Councilman Barone, seconded by Councilman Santamaria, it was voted to remove this Resolution from the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

8S-08-1 Ordinance in amendment of Title 8 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Health and Safety” (Mandatory Recycling). (Tabled 8/14/2008).

Mr. Sylvia appeared to speak and stated that he needs more time to work on the language in this Ordinance.

This Ordinance will remain tabled.

8S-08-2 Ordinance in amendment of Title 8 of the Code of the City of Cranston, 2005, entitled “Health and Safety” (Penalties for Environmental Violations). (Tabled 8/14/2008).

Mr. Sylvia appeared to speak and stated that he needs more time to continue working on all the language in this Ordinance.

On motion by Council President Garabedian, seconded by Councilman Barone, it was voted to continue this Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Works Director’s report on July, 2008 storm/flooding (requested by Councilman Navarro)

Councilman Barone indicated that Councilman Navarro, who requested this report, is not present and questioned if this should be presented when Councilman Navarro is present.

Mr. Sylvia appeared to speak and stated that he can report on this to the Committee and speak to Councilman Navarro regarding this. He stated that on July 23 and 24, significant flooding occurred and there was some blockage of drains in some areas, which caused some flooding. After the cleaning was done, he is confident that this will not occur again.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/NEW BUSINESS:

***Request for sewer tie in: Gerald McGraw, 2334 Plainfield Pike, Johnston, RI**

On motion by Councilman Lanni, seconded by Councilman Barone, it was voted to approve this request. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosalba Zanni
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees