

Town of Montville Public Works/Solid Waste Sub-Committee  
Regular Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, June 27, 2012  
5:30 p.m. – Room 102 – Montville Town Hall

1. Call to Order

Chairman Longton called the regular meeting of the Public Works/Solid Waste Sub-Committee to order at 5:30 p.m. after establishing a quorum.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Present were Councilors Caron and Longton. Absent was Councilor McFee. Also present was Public Works Director, Don Bourdeau and Volunteer Coordinator, Sandie Gregory.

4. Presentations – none.

5. Alterations to the Agenda

Motion made by Chairman Longton to add a discussion under New Business (b) regarding the RFP's for curbside recycling and town wide trash pickup and to move old business before new business on the agenda. Discussion, none, voice vote, 2-0, all in favor, motion carried.

6. Approval of the May 23, 2012 meeting minutes.

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Longton, discussion, none, voice vote, 2-0, all in favor, motion carried.

7. Remarks from the Public Regarding Items on the Agenda

Chairman Longton asked three times if there was anyone present who would like to come forward to address the Committee.

8. Old Business

a. Discussion regarding re-use/free items and tag sales.

Ms. Gregory stated sales are down, stating organizations used to make two thousand a month and now they are lucky to make one thousand dollars each month. She thinks that it may be due to low donations for the sale due to the hard economic times. She requested a lock for the left hand door on the shed at the Fair Oaks building because

someone got into it while the building was unoccupied. Councilor Longton inquired regarding the cost of a camera to install at the site to record anything that is going on outside the building while it is unoccupied. Councilor Longton asked Mr. Bourdeau to look into controlled access to the site for the next meeting. A discussion was held regarding drop off areas for donations and the best place for people to drop off items.

- b. Discussion regarding the Adopt a Road program.

Mr. Bourdeau stated he does not have any new volunteers and nothing new to report.

- c. Discussion regarding road repairs and chip sealing/paving.

Mr. Bourdeau stated his goal is to pave Forsyth Road and Lathrop Road this season and to micropave Raymond Hill Road. He discussed the roads that are scheduled to get chip sealed this year.

- d. Discussion regarding Transfer Station Operations.

Mr. Bourdeau discussed the design of the Transfer Station and stated he is looking into applying for a STEAP grant for a new design for the facility. The entrance will be on Rt. 163 allowing for better traffic flow. He distributed a copy of the plan and pointed out the improvements he is proposing for the facility. He anticipates traffic flow to increase one hundred percent and reduce safety issues. He anticipates the costs to be approximately eight or nine hundred thousand dollars and he is hoping to apply for a five hundred thousand dollar grant and to do the improvements in phases. He discussed the possibility of a composting pile that could allow the town to save money on organic fertilizer to be used on the town fields in the future. He discussed the various improvements he is proposing for the new site with the Committee. A discussion was held regarding installing storm water basin to discharge clean water and prevent pollution to the stream close to the site. Mr. Bourdeau discussed OSHA rules that will require compliance at the site, safety precautions that are proposed for the site and reviewed the drop off areas for various materials. Mr. Bourdeau will forward copies of the concept plan for the Committee members. He stated he will apply for the grant in July and if it is accepted he hopes to get started as soon as possible with Phase I.

- e. Discussion regarding bridge repairs.

Mr. Bourdeau stated the town is still waiting on Norwich to secure their portion of the money to repair the Montville Road Bridge.

## 9. New Business

- a. Discussion regarding the removal of trees from the vicinity of power lines.

Mr. Bourdeau distributed a current list from CL&P that indicates the roads they will be trimming while they are in town. He explained they will be trimming by circuits that are most critical to them. He explained in some cases they will trim some trees on certain roads but may not do the entire road. He stated they will be trimming through September. He has a copy of the circuit maps in his office from CL&P that he can mail to the Committee members. He stated that he has had very few complaints regarding the tree trimming to date.

b. Discussion regarding the RFP's for curbside recycling and town wide trash pickup.

Mr. Bourdeau distributed a draft of the RFP's for the Committee to review and he asked them to review the document and to come back to him with any questions or comments they may have. Discussions were held regarding curb side pickup for recyclable materials and the options available for town wide recycling and town wide trash pickup.

Mr. Bourdeau distributed copies of a flyer for the Southeastern Connecticut Regional Resources Authority (SCRRA) regarding the household hazardous waste collection schedule and information for 2012.

#### 10. Remarks from the Public

Ms. Gregory discussed the bag program for trash pickup and stated she is in favor of the current system. Mr. Bourdeau stated the current system gives residents options but is not the best option for recycling and it costs the town money.

Chairman Longton asked three times if there was anyone present who would like to come forward to address the Committee.

#### 11. Remarks from the Councilors

Councilor Longton stated he did not receive notification from Councilor McFee regarding his absence from the meeting, stating it is common courtesy to let the Committee know whether or not you will be in attendance to ensure a quorum.

Councilor Longton is interested in moving the RFP forward in a timely fashion and he will get his comments back to Mr. Bourdeau by the end of the week.

#### 12. Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Caron, seconded by Councilor Longton to adjourn the meeting at

Respectfully Submitted by:

Audrey Ulmer, Recording Secretary for the Town of Montville