

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
September 23, 2009**

The meeting of the Public Works Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Gene Gabel. Committee members present, in addition to Mr. Gabel were Raynard Spaide, Keith Endy, and ex-officio member Frank Deery.

Also present were Council member Patrick Maloney, Dennis Weller, Street Supervisor; Dennis Harman, The Pidcock Company; and a concerned citizen.

A motion to approve the minutes of the August 26, 2009 meeting of the committee was made by Mr. Gabel, seconded by Mr. Endy, and approved.

Street Supervisor Report

Mr. Weller reported on the activities of the department personnel during the month of September. A discussion was held concerning the removal of storm damaged trees at the park as a result of the August 18th storm. It was reported that Borough Manager Spaide has received one proposal from a tree service to remove all of the unusable timber from the park at no charge. An hourly rate proposal was supplied by the same tree service for additional clean-up activities, which included brush and limb chipping and stump grinding. There was no estimate of time given to accomplish these additional tasks; therefore, it was difficult to determine what the total clean up costs would be. It was decided that the Borough Manager would obtain one additional bid before the October committee meeting, and if this bid was similar, the committee is considering awarding the timber removal, including all unsafe hanging or leaning limbs, to one of the bidders and having the street department personnel remove the remaining brush and limbs as time permits.

Unfinished Business

Storm Water Inlet Inspections - Project tabled pending the completion of replacement of the storm sewer at East Philadelphia Avenue and Madison Street.

Biennial Bridge Inspection Report Second Street Bridge – This project is tabled pending completion of the storm sewer replacement at Philadelphia and Madison Streets.

Storm Sewer Madison & Philadelphia Avenue – Installation of the storm water pipe and inlets is underway. Contract Changes are pending for a time extension and additional labor and materials resulting from changed conditions relating to relocation of the waterlines.

Franklin Street Mini Park Sidewalk Public Sidewalk Replacement/ADA Curb Ramps – The contractor is nearing completion of installation of thirty-nine handicap ramps.

New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

Other Comments

There being no further business to conduct, a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. was made by Mr. Spaide, and seconded by Mr. Endy. The next meeting of the Public Works Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, October 21, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Spaide
Borough Secretary