

The Public Works Committee meeting was called to order on April 24, 2008 at 6:06PM by Councilman James Johnson, Chair. Committee members Councilman Shay Nagarsheth, Councilman Curran, Councilman Calandrino and Councilman Rotello (entered at 6:25PM) were also present.

Also in attendance were Mayor Mark D. Boughton; David St. Hilaire, Director of Finance; Antonio Iadarola, P.E., Director of Public Works; Sandy Moy, Executive Director of Tarrywile Park ;Nick Kaplanis, Director of Recreation.

Ex-Officio members Councilman Cavo, Councilwoman Stanley, Councilman Seabury, Councilman Levy, Councilwoman Diggs, Councilwoman McMahon Councilwoman Teicholz and members of the public were also present. Councilman Arconti entered the meeting at 7:20PM.

Director of Finance, David St. Hilaire turned the discussion to the Director of Public Works, Antonio Iadarola, P.E. Mr. Iadarola gave a brief recap of the reorganization of the Public Works Department last year. The Construction Services Division was created to bring outside services in-house. The Public Works Administration was created from employees from other departments. He gave an overview of the soft savings on some of the past year's building projects.

Mr. St. Hilaire stated that 2 Lead Park Maintainers have been added and that Public Works bears, to a large extent, the utility cost increases the City has been experiencing.

Public Buildings: No discussion

City Hall Building: No discussion

Library Building: No discussion

Police Station Building: Maintenance of Building and Structure were discussed.

Senior Center Building: No discussion.

Old Library Building: Heating fuel cost estimates and cleaning services were discussed.

Park Buildings: Cleaning was discussed.

Director of Public Works: Positions and salaries were extracted from the Highway and Engineering Departments for the new department. Professional Services was discussed.

Highways: Overtime salaries, leased equipment, curbs and sidewalks, anticipated reduction in State funding and sidewalk maintenance were discussed.

State Aid-Highway Project: No discussion

Snow and Ice Removal: The shortfall carried down from State cuts and Magic Salt were discussed.

Street Lighting: Maintenance, responses from CL&P regarding repairs and utility costs for streetlights were discussed.

Park Maintenance and Forestry: Discussion regarding the extraction of the Forestry Department from the Park Maintenance Department.

Forestry: Establishment of new department, two new positions to allow for maintenance of Greenways and proportional funding from Parks Maintenance Department were discussed.

Public Buildings Maintenance and Repair: Honeywell contract and systems and outside services were discussed.

Equipment Maintenance: No discussion

Recycling/Solid Waster: Outside services were discussed.

Engineering: The reorganization, engineering positions and professional services were discussed.

Construction Services: Extraction of positions from other department for new department was discussed.

Sewer Fund: Indirect revenue was discussed.

Water Fund: Seasonal water usage, water levels, pending orders from D.E.P. and nitrogen credits were discussed.

Recreation Department: Part-time Park Ranger positions, fee structure and concession lease at Danbury Town Park were discussed.

Tarrywile Park Authority: Gerry Daley, Chair of the Tarrywile Park Authority spoke regarding additional requests for the park. Sandy Moy, Executive Director; read and discussed a list of additional budget requests. Mayor Boughton indicated that there may be some funding available for only the capital side of the requests. Revenues from the rentals of the facility were discussed.

Cultural Commission: No discussion

Lake Kenosia Commission: No discussion

Ives Center for the Performing Arts: Funding, season programming, outside services, funding for Director's salary and transition costs were discussed.

Danbury Museum Authority: Transition funds and revenues were discussed.

Councilman Calandrino moved to accept the budget as presented. Second by Shay Nagarsheth. **Motion approved by unanimous vote.**

Councilman Curran moved to adjourn at 8:15PM. Second by Councilman Calandrino. **Motion approved by unanimous vote.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary