

MINUTES OF PUBLIC WORKS & ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE MEETING
EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM

October 26, 2016 – 3:50 P.M.

Committee Members Present:

Councilor Dale Sprague, Chair
Councilor David Witham
Councilor Soldati

Staff Present:

Bob Belmore, City Manager
Mike Bobinsky, Dir. of Public Works & Util.
Scott Smith, Dir. of Fin. & Admin.
Elise B. Brelis, Deputy City Clerk

Chairman Sprague called the meeting to order at 3:56 p.m.

APPROVE PAST MEETING MINUTES

Councilor Witham, seconded by Councilor Sprague, made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on October 11, 2016. The motion passed, 2-0, with Councilor Soldati abstaining.

SOLAR

Councilor Witham said that the Finance Committee wants to put this to the full Council. ***He moved that the Public Works and Environment Committee put this to the full Council with the understanding that staff continues negotiations with the firm, NH Solar Gardens. Councilor Soldati seconded the motion which passed, 3-0.***

MISCELLANEOUS

City Manager Belmore informed committee members that Local Realtor Dave Francoeur is trying to finalize a property sale to BonFire on High Street and that they will need to cut in to the street because the project needs an increased, 4 inch, line to allow for pressure for the required fire suppression system. There is currently a five year moratorium on cutting into pavement, but the Tri City line does not have adequate capacity. Councilor Witham and PW Director Mike Bobinsky identified another large project which will likely also need reconsideration at some point in the future. The City Manager said that they will be looking for letter about the project. Mr. Bobinsky will find out the size of the water line down Tri City. Councilor Sprague suggested that they could perhaps use a booster pump. Director Bobinsky said that there are ways to protect the pavement.

The committee briefly revisited the Fairpoint/Eversource poles discussion. Director Bobinsky will meet with them and then report to the City Manager.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Witham, seconded by Councilor Sprague, made a motion to adjourn. The motion passed, 3-0, and the meeting was adjourned at 4:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elise B. Brelis, Deputy City Clerk