

Public Works Committee Meeting

September 3, 2008

MINUTES

Chairman Tarr called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

Present: Hon. John Tarr, Chairman
Hon. Ellen Richardson
Hon. John Howard

Mr. Michael Cosby
Mr. Robert Ritter
Mr. Ray Rosenberger
Mrs. Ray Rosenberger
Ms. Nancy Conklin
Mr. John Jester
Ms. Ruth Lane

Public Participation – none

Mr. Tarr motioned to adopt the agenda, which was seconded by Ms. Richardson. The motion was approved unanimously.

1. **Public Works Monthly Report August 2008.** There were no questions regarding the August 2008 report. There was a lengthy discussion on possible changes to the sidewalks and entrances at the Shore Stop property on Main and Church.
2. **Status of Requests From August Meeting** – Mr. Cosby updated the committee on the status of sixteen items discussed at the last committee meeting.
3. **Public Works Plan Reviews** – The committee discussed several issues concerning the completion of plan reviews. Mr. Tarr suggested that Mr. Ritter, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Anderson and Mr. Cosby get together to look at this process and get some procedures in writing.
4. **Request to Modify Branscome Contract** – Mr. Cosby outlined some of the options for the consideration of this request. The committee did not wish to grant the request.
5. **Discussion of Public Works Priorities** – Mr. Tarr asked Mr. Cosby to come up with a priority list with estimated costs for the Public Works department. Mr. Cosby agreed to do so.

6. **Committee Member Comments** – Ms. Richardson asked about a sight distance situation at Beebe Road and Main Street. Mr. Ritter stated that staff would work on this problem and that they may be already. Ms. Richardson also inquired about the fire cleanup activities at a property in Misty Meadows. Mr. Ritter responded that staff was addressing this situation.

Mr. Howard asked about the status of the drain cleaning equipment. Mr. Cosby replied that he had spoken to a vendor this summer who expressed that he would get something for us to look at.

Mr. Jester mentioned that Supervisor Thornton has some special project funding for Chincoteague. He also stated that there was some help available for safety reviews and asked Mr. Ritter about the status of a property line question at Bunting Road and Main Street. Mr. Ritter responded that staff was working on this question. Mr. Jester also suggested that we could use the Federal Services supply contract for the purchase of the budgeted waterworks generator.

Mr. Tarr raised the possibility of more than one Public Works Committee meeting per month and asked Mr. Cosby to think about it.

Mr. Howard motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Ms. Richardson seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 1, 2008 at 6:00 pm.