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BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS  
March 8, 2022

Convened: 6:59 PM

Present Francis Cain- Acting Director of Public Works  
Casey Berube - Deputy Superintendent  
Thomas Pereira- Chairman  
Stephen White-Secretary  
Brian Richards- Member  
Brittany Rash- Senior Clerk

Reading of the minutes of the February 8, 2022 meeting waived and approved vote 3-0.

**Public Participation:** None.

**City Councilor Communications:** None.

**Department of Public Works Monthly Report:**

Monies are being requested to be encumbered per the Mayor's request to keep the department operational throughout the remainder of the fiscal year. The Department is working with the Mayor, City Engineer, and Gas & Electric on roadway resurfacing efforts for this construction season. Union St and Holyoke Rd are scheduled for this spring. The Department is finalizing their list for crack sealing pavement preservation for this spring. With pothole season beginning, all available department resources are being put into road repair and maintenance. During the last wind storm (March 8, 2022) approximately a dozen trees/limbs came down. No major property damages reported. The Department continues to work with Conservation Commission to resolve a drainage issue on West Rd. The project is currently on hold due to legal right of entry. We will need consent from the property owner. Sewer infrastructure investigation and repairs are needed on Grand St and Mechanic St. the St. Rocco's Club located at 300 Elm St had a successful sewer lateral service repaired recently. An investigation of illicit Stormwater connection on Meadow St is underway. Money has been encumbered for the ponding issue/drainage improvements on Springdale Rd by Savage arms. The work is to begin this spring. The Department continues to work with the Personnel Department to fill vacant positions. The Department is operating at approximately 2/3 staffing. There are currently 14 vacant positions (2 SHMEO's, 7 MEO's, 2 Craftsmen, 2 Laborers, and one working foreman). The work for the new Water Treatment Plant and piping from Springdale Rd is to begin this spring.

**City Engineer Update:** none.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 PM.

  
Secretary