

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Councilman:

Bachalis - present

Esposito - present

Gribbin - present

Pullia - present

Rodio - present

Wuillermin - present

Mayor DiDonato - present

PRESENT ALSO

Brian Howell, Town Solicitor

Jerry Barberio, PWM/Business Administrator

Bob Vettese of ARH, Engineer

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of this meeting has been posted and given to official newspapers. Please familiarize yourselves with the fire exits to the right and rear of the Council Chambers. Please do not proceed beyond the front benches without invitation from the Mayor to do so. Also, each person who wishes to address Council will be allotted 5 minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATION & PUBLIC HEARD FOR GRAPE, PACKARD, PRATT AND 2ND STREET PROJECT

Linda Esposito – questioned when the trees are being planted to replace the ones that were removed. Mayor DiDonato made clear that the project is not complete and the contractor will not be paid 100% of their fee until all the trees are replaced.

Kay Silipena - wanted to know if she can choose not to have the trees replanted in front of her yard, as not to uproot her sidewalk again

Mike Kelly – tree damaged by the digging during project & have had several big branches fall into the tree; he has requested the tree be removed.

Susan Danson – requesting that the town limit the traffic coming down grape street because of the damage being done

Councilman Gribbin suggested that we put up signs that say “Road Closed, local traffic Only” (Marandino will supply) Councilman Gribbin also said that he’d talk to the Police Chief about increased police presence. Councilman Rodio suggested that residents write down the license plate numbers to report to police.

Matt Bonnan (639 Grape) – Reported that school bus traffic has not been able to get through Grape St, because there are so many cars parked on either side of the street. Bus sideswiped a car and it’s a danger to students waiting for the bus. He also inquired about the timeline for Grape to Liberty to be done. Mayor DiDonato said we were not awarded that section of the street and we’ll look into it more in the future.

Ken Cirillo – Reported that he had received no recycling pickup for the last month, due to construction vehicles being in the way. Jerry Barberio said he’d notify ACUA. Mr. Cirillo also advised that he wants to ask fellow residents of Grape Street to petition for a three way stop at Grape and Packard. Bob Vettese said that Kevin Dixon (town Traffic Engineer) said that a three way stop would not be warranted in that area. Councilman Pullia

suggested we look into it further, recommending that Brian Howell follow through with procedure to see if we can do the three way stop at Valley & Grape.

Paul Raffa, (347 Grape) – cut the wrong tree down in front of his house; left the tree with the “X”

John Gary, (106 S. Packard St.) – mentioned buses “flying down the street” from Bellevue to Packard. He also inquired about whether there will be leaf pickup on the roads during construction. Jerry Barberio said yes, but not in the same manner (vacuum) like we use on other roads.

Councilman Bachalis asked about school buses and meeting with the school transportation department to insure the buses are adhering to construction are signs and procedures and are maintaining safety.

Mary Triboletti, (102 Packard) – Informed the engineer that the sidewalk is swelling from her crooked sidewalk, next to the straight new piece that the construction company put in.

James Volpi, (532 Grape) – Has a French drain under his pavement, but when the concrete company put it in, they cracked his asphalt driveway and took out his step, which created a large hole. He is also concerned about speeding on Grape, once the street is completely done and paved; asked about possibility of speed bumps. He also mentioned a large tree at Valley & Grape, with giant limbs that are hanging over the street; has been to the environmental commission. He wants to know if the town can trim some of the limbs.

Change Orders #2, 3 & 5 (total \$1180.53)

Change order # 2 (deduct of \$165.00 to the Contract), Change Order #3 (deduct of \$187.34 to the Contract) and Change Order #5 (deduct of \$826.53 to the Contract)

Motion by Councilperson Wuillermin, seconded by Councilperson Rodio, the above change orders are approved.

ROLL CALL

Councilman:

Bachalis – yes

Esposito – yes

Gribbin – yes

Pullia – yes

Rodio – yes

Wuillermin – yes

Mayor DiDonato – yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

Change Order #4 (add of \$36,639.92 to the Contract)

Motion by Councilperson Wuillermin, seconded by Councilperson Rodio, the above change order is approved.

ROLL CALL

Councilman:

Bachalis – yes

Esposito – yes

Gribbin – yes

Pullia – yes

Rodio – yes

Wuillermin – yes
Mayor DiDonato – yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARD

No one desired to be heard.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Motion by Councilperson Gribbin, seconded by Councilperson Bachalis, the meeting is adjourned.
Motion carried.

Monica Newton, Deputy Clerk