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**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**NOVEMBER 16, 2021**  
**8:30 PM**

**PRESENT:** Aldermen Miller, Cahoe, Marcier, Rushbrook, Alderwomen Ulfers and Musk, Mayor Allhands

**ABSENT:** Aldermen Barragree and Garfield

Alderman Miller opened the meeting at 8:30 pm. There was no public comment. Mayor Allhands stated Robert Langellier has contacted him regarding his property at the east end of Oak St. He has been offered \$500 and now is coming back to the city asking for \$1,000.00. After some discussion about the location of the property and what the city could/would do with it

**Alderwoman Ulfers makes a motion to recommend to the Council to offer Mr. Langellier \$750.00 for his property at the east end of E. Oak St. Alderman Marcier seconded. Roll call carried 7-0.**

Public Works Director Dustin Standish reported on the following projects:

**Streets:** Ran street sweeper, cleared storm inlets, repaired potholes, mowing of city properties, branch clean up, installed new salt spreader on 3 ton dump truck and replaced lights at city hall on both sides.

**Sewer:** repaired sewer at 3<sup>rd</sup> & Adams, and at 3<sup>rd</sup> St. & Mulberry St.

**Parks:** Repaired Christmas lights and helped hang wreaths, winterized bathrooms, swept the path at LakeView Park, and removed the pumps from the ponds.

**Work Report:** 165 locates

Alderwoman Musk asked about the trees that were taken down along Walnut St. Public Works Director Dustin Standish stated this was talked about in the August or September meetings and with the state coming in next year to repave Rt 24 they needed to come down before then. Marquis Tree Service cut the trees down and when spring comes the sidewalks will be replaced where they have heaved over the years. There was also general discussion about what the sidewalk corners the state will be responsible for and what the city will be responsible for.

Alderwoman Musk also asked about the trees that were cut down on North St. Dustin stated  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the tree was on city property and  $\frac{1}{4}$  was not. Alderman Miller stated those trees have been dead for years.

Alderwoman Musk then asked if Dustin could provide a list of projects being done like the previous Public Works Supervisor. Dustin stated he has a different style than the last public works director but he will see what he can do in the future. Dustin also stated he has done away with the timeline in a journal that used to be kept per the request of Jason Langellier and Austin Kidwell.

Dustin stated he is getting quotes on new wreaths for next year as the current wreaths are beginning to show signs of deterioration.

Alderman Miller makes a motion to adjourn at 9:02 pm and Alderman Cahoe seconded. Roll call carried 7-0.

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Don Miller, Chairman