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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
JANUARY 26, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:49 p.m. all present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: The clerk called the roll and recorded it as follows:

PRESENT: Kelly Mallozzi, Chairman, Tom Broderick, Vice Chairman, Jason Marsh, Matt Dunn, Ann Sather, Brian Walsh, Christine El Eris, Alternate, Mike Buswell, Alternate

ALSO PRESENT: First Selectman Vicki A. Tesoro, Chief Administrative Officer Cynthia Katske, Town Attorney Dan Schopick, Finance Director Maria Pires, Town Council Chairman Ashley Gaudiano, Chief of Police Michael Lombardo, Assistant Chief of Police Glenn Byrnes, Public Works Director George Estrada

DISCUSSION ITEM: The possibility of amending Chapter 17-Streets, Sidewalks and Highways of the Trumbull Municipal Code to include Section 17-98 – Removal of snow, ice and rubbish from sidewalks and other property.

- The Committee discussed amending Chapter 17 of the municipal code to require property owners to clear sidewalks of snow and ice.
- The ordinance was discussed in 2024 and held in committee in September and October of that year.
- Concerns included cost savings, man-hours, elderly residents' burden, and the town's current capacity to maintain sidewalks.
- George Estrada highlighted the town's limited resources and the need for property owners to clear sidewalks to maintain safety and efficiency. The town cannot manage more sidewalks without additional resources.

- Questions were raised regarding legal implications, ownership, and liability for homeowners.
- This item is a result of wanting more sidewalks in town but noted the town's current limitations in maintaining them.
- It was suggested prior research examples and sample sidewalk ordinance language from other municipalities (comparative models and past meeting minutes/recordings) be provided to the Public Works Committee to support future ordinance revision discussions.

Discussion item, no vote was taken.

1. RESOLUTION TC31-23: Moved by Marsh, seconded by Sather

BE IT RESOLVED, That Siena Research Institute is hereby designated as the consultant to conduct a survey of Trumbull residents to gather resident input that will inform evaluation, planning, and next steps related to a potential senior and/or community center. A representative from the Sienna Research Institute was not present at this meeting but would be at the full council meeting.

- The committee considered hiring Sienna Research Institute to survey residents on potential senior and community centers, the survey would cost \$25,000.
- The survey aims to gather public input for planning future projects. The need to address the failing senior center and the importance of senior programming was emphasized.
- The Public Works Committee will work with Siena on the survey and will present it to the full council. The council as a whole will determine how to handle the survey results and what should happen next.
- It was explained the resolution designates Sienna Research Institute as the consultant and would be funded by the one-year bond issuance authorization not the general fund unless it was decided it should come from the general fund.
- It was suggested to pass the resolution without recommendation since Sienna will be present at the full council meeting and further discussion is needed.

Moved by Marsh, seconded by Broderick to PASS without recommendation.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to discuss and upon motion made by Marsh, seconded by Sather the L&A Committee adjourned at 7:20 p.m. by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret D. Mastroni, clerk