



Council Committee Notes – Streets, Sidewalks and Playgrounds

Date: June 2, 2011 **Time:** 8:30 AM **Location:** Town Hall **Chair:** Town Council member Shawn Donahue (absent) **Attendees:** Mayor Raymond Booth, Vice-Mayor William Smith, Town Council member Rebecca Nunn, Town Manager Tom Saunders

Visitors: none

Notes on Discussions:

1. TM Saunders reported that he hoped to have the open position on the Public Works staff, the one assigned to keeping the Steptoe's District clean, filled by the end of the week.
2. TM Saunders reported that staff had learned that there may have been a little progress on the demolition of the Davis building but not much. After much discussion the Committee agreed to recommend to Council that the Town seek a court order requiring the immediate removal of the unsafe structure.
3. The Committee discussed responses to Maintenance Code violation letters, both positive and negative. After much discussion the Committee agreed to recommend that Council ask the Planning Commission to review existing penalties and suggest revisions that would increase penalties for repeat offenders of the Town's Nuisance and Property Maintenance Code ordinances.

FYI Only:

1. TM Saunders advised that trial hanging baskets are not yet ready for display.
2. Saunders advised that installation of security cameras at the playground is taking longer than anticipated.
3. The Committee discussed the opening of the Town's Scottie Yard dog park. TM Saunders reported that he and James Seagle are looking into inexpensive ways to extend a water line to the site.

Recommendations to Council:

1. **Seek a court order requiring immediate demolition of unsafe structure next to Davis Dodge on Main Street.**
2. **Ask the Planning Commission to review the range of penalties for repeat violators of Nuisance and Property Maintenance Code**

Recommended for further study: