## Minutes of the Light Commissioners Meeting July 25, 2018

**Present:** Mr. Jess Aptowitz, Chairman; Mr. Neil Rhein, Vice-Chairman; Frank DelVecchio, Clerk; and Mr. Michael Trowbridge. Commissioner Steve Schoonveld and Director Joseph Sollecito were not present.

Mr. Dumas, Town Manager was also present.

## 1. Open Light Commissioners Meeting

Chairman Aptowitz called the meeting to order at 8:28PM

# 2. Discussion and Consideration to Re-Install all Disconnected (70) Roadway Light Fixtures within the Cabot Industrial Park with Energy Efficient 54W LED Fixtures

Chairman Aptowitz stated that there were approximately seventy light fixtures in the Cabot Park that were turned off in 2011 for budget reasons, but there has been a request to turn them back on with LED fixtures. Mr. Dumas further explained that to save money half the lights were turned off. He noted the heads are still on the light poles, but they do not turn on at night. He stated that Mr. Sollecito suggested that these get turned on as this may help with economic development in the park and if the Town was upgrading other areas it made sense to upgrade these ones. Mr. Dumas stated the electric crews can handle the workload when they are in on Saturdays once a month. He commented that it would make the park look better, but also increase safety in that area and half the cost would be covered by a grant.

Mr. Rhein asked who made the request and Mr. Dumas answered that it came up in a discussion between himself and Mr. Sollecito.

**Motion:** To approve the re-installation of all the disconnected roadway light fixtures within the Cabot Industrial Park with Energy Efficient 54W LED Fixtures. (DelVecchio/Trowbridge) **Passes 4:0** 

Mr. Dumas then stated that Mr. Sollecito would be coming back to the Commissions to discuss the lights on Route 140. He stated that MMED owns the lights along Route 140 and he is looking into the cost to switch those to LED fixtures, but they are not as easily retrofitted. Mr. Trowbridge stated that he would like to know the history on that decision and why those light fixtures are not owned by the State.

#### 3. Resident Questions or Comments

There were no resident questions or comments.

### 4. Light Commissioners Comments

Chairman Aptowitz stated he had a conversation with Mr. Sollecito about increasing cell phone reception and there will be further discussion and having a uniform look and appearance once more research is completed.

#### 5. Any items not anticipated by the Chair 48 hours prior to this meeting

There were no other items.

#### 6. Adjourn

Motion: To adjourn the Light Commissioners July 25, 2018 meeting at 8:34PM. (DelVecchio/Trowbridge)

Passes

Signature

Sept 24, 2018
Date

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