

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 3, 2021**

*NOTE: Due to COVID-19, this meeting was held virtually (via ZOOM),
and was live streamed on the City's website*

Mayor Casavant called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

Roll Call: William Embiser, John McCurry, Jr., Stephen St. Cyr, Amy Clearwater, Norman Belanger, Michael Ready, Doris Ortiz, Marc Lessard

Ashanti Williams was excused.

*Discussion/Update: **Emergency authorization to move forward with necessary work for repairs to the River Walk due to recent storm damage collapse***

Code Enforcement Officer Roby Fecteau and Public Works Director Jeff Demers gave an overview and update on the recent storm damage collapse of part of the River Walk wall. With 6.72 inches of rain over the weekend, part of the River Walk wall at 2 Main Street sustained some major damage that needs to be addressed ASAP.

It has been confirmed that the City is responsible for the entire damaged section, so options for funding are being considered. Those funding options include:

- Filing an insurance claim, which is not expected to pay anything
- Roby is filing a Declaration of Emergency with MEMA in hopes of getting Grant money
- The Council may consider using the surplus funds in the current budget.

Motion by Councilor Belanger, seconded by Councilor Ready to proceed with advising Staff to move forward with installing a cofferdam to keep water away from this area; and to do an engineering inspection in order to investigate the damage and come up with a plan and design to fix the River Walk, along with any associated costs for the repair.

Vote: Unanimous.

Motion by Councilor Lessard, seconded by Councilor McCurry to adjourn.

Vote: Unanimous.

Time: 11:56 a.m.

Attest by: _____
Carmen J. Morris, City Clerk