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Committee Members

Philip Pessina, Chairman
Thomas Serra, Councilmatic Representative
Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilmatic Representative
James Streeto, Councilmatic Representative
Joseph Bibisi
Dale Aldieri, Vice Chair/ WPCA Chairman
John Giuliano, WPCA Commissioner
John Parker
Tina Gomes
Marie Hurley, CCPD

Committee Staff

Guy Russo, Director
Robert Young, Deputy Director
Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer
Christopher Holden, Asst. Chief Eng.
Elise McDermott, Finance Dept.

**MATTABASSETT REGIONALIZATION BUILDING COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 16, 2015
82 BERLIN STREET, MIDDLETOWN, CT**

Members Present: Philip Pessina, Chairman
Dale Aldieri, Vice-Chair/WPCA Chairman (entered mtg. 7:40 pm)
Councilman Thomas Serra (entered meeting at 7:35 pm)
Councilman James Streeto
Joseph Bibisi
Tina Gomes
Marie Hurley, CCPD
John Parker

Members Absent: Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano
John Giuliano, WPCA Commissioner

Staff Present: Guy Russo, Director
Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer
Christopher Holden, Asst. Chief Engineer
Elise McDermott, Finance Dept.

Staff Absent: Robert Young, Deputy Director

Others Present: Peter Georgetti, Prime AE Group, Inc.
Art Choquette, Prime AE Group, Inc.
Joseph A. Cermola, Cardinal Eng. Associates
Joseph A. Cermola, III, Cardinal Eng. Associates
Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire
Paul Malmrose, Tighe & Bond
Frederick Mueller, Tighe & Bond
Carlos Esguerra, DEEP
Stacy Pappano, DEEP
Charles Chui

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1. Chair Calls Meeting to Order

Philip Pessina, Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

2. Public Comments

The Public Comment Portion of the meeting was opened and closed at 7:11 pm, as there were no comments from the Public.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Tina Gomes to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting February 10, 2015. The motion was approved with five members voting in favor and one abstention by Joseph Bibisi.

4. Financial Reports

4.1 Elise McDermott, Finance Department informed the committee that the Financial Report included a breakdown of the Contingency Account from the beginning of the Project to date as requested by Councilman Thomas Serra. She also reviewed with the committee the list of ineligible costs, which will not be reimbursed by the State. CDR Maguire Amendment #14 & 15 are not included in a Loan Application but may be submitted with the Pump Station Loan Application. She will be updating this list monthly.

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to accept the Financial Report as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2A Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer informed the committee that he had reviewed Prime AE Group, Inc. Inv. #9 in the amount of \$29,583.09 and recommended approval.

Motion by Joseph Bibisi and seconded by Councilman James Streeto to approve the payment of Prime AE Group, Inc. Inv. #9 in the amount of \$29,583.09. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2B Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer informed the committee that he had reviewed Prime AE Group, Inc. Inv. #10 in the amount of \$41,403.59 and recommended approval.

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to approve payment of Prime AE Group, Inc. Inv. #10 in the amount of \$41,403.59. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2C Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer informed the committee that he have reviewed Northeast Remsco Inv. #7 in the amount of \$84,804.96 and recommend approval.

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to approve payment of Northeast Remsco Inv. #7 in the amount of \$84,804.96. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2D Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer informed the committee that he have reviewed Northeast Remsco Inv. #8 in the amount of \$91,673.76 and recommend approval pending the approval of Change Order #7 by the committee.

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to approve payment of Northeast Remsco Inv. #8 in the amount of \$91,673.76 pending the approval of their Change Order #7 by the committee under Agenda Item #5.1B. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2E Philip Pessina, Chairman requested a motion to approve the Recording Secretary Payroll of 11 hours.

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to approve the Recording Secretary Payroll of 11 hours. The motion was approved unanimously.

5. Staff Updates

5.1A Director Guy Russo updated the committee on the Sub Committee approval of an Emergency Purchase Order to John Coleman for the disposal of drillers mud when the contractor shut down their operations. The cost of the disposal was a fixed price of \$1,000.00.

Motion by Joseph Bibisi and seconded by Councilman James Streeto to approve the Emergency Purchase Order to John Coleman in the amount of \$1,000.00. The motion was approved unanimously.

5.1B Director Guy Russo informed the committee that he had contacted William Vasiliou to discuss a stockpile area on the Housing Authority Property on Silver St. Two acquisition maps will be needed one permanent and temporary on the JR Marino Property and the second for the temporary stockpile area on the Housing Authority Property. Prime AE Group, Inc. has presented a proposal for Professional Surveying Services and Preparation of Easement and Legal Description for both locations in the amount of \$4,000.00 and this would be added on to their existing contract.

Motion by Joseph Bibisi and seconded by Councilman James Streeto to approve Prime AE Group, Inc. Professional Surveying Services and Preparation of Easement and Legal Description for 50 Walnut St. and 1000 Silver St. in the amount of \$4,000.00. The motion was approved unanimously.

Director Guy Russo informed the committee that the Sub Committee approved Northeast Remsco Change Order #7 in the amount of (-\$2,930.00). Art Choquette, Prime AE Group, Inc. explained to the committee that the change order was for the jersey barrier and traffic control on RT. 9 SB right off Dekoven Drive and also to remove a water main on Union St. at the Dekoven Drive intersection. The water main was in conflict with the Force Main. The deduction was a result of reducing the bid quantity for conductor casing that will not be required.

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to approve Northeast Remsco Change Order #7 in the amount of (-\$2,930.00). The motion was approved unanimously.

5.2 Director Guy Russo informed the committee that a letter of approval has been received from Ct. DEEP for Northeast Remsco Change Order #6 in the amount of (-\$4,000).

6. Construction Updates

6.1 Art Choquette, Prime AE Group, Inc. informed the committee that the contractor has returned to the site with a small crew. They have done some test pits and have started to clean up the area in preparation of resuming the HDD work. Pavement maintenance has been done on Dekoven Drive and continues. There has been procurement of materials for a water main at the north end of the project. The pipe that was left on the ground will be inspected for suitability for reinstallation. The pipe that was in the ground and extracted will not be used.

7. Engineering Updates

7.1 Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire updated the committee on the air valve information, which has been reviewed by Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer, and the issue has been resolved. Northeast Remsco has sent in Request For Information #24 concerning the tie in location at the Mattabasset District that is different from where it is shown on the drawings and they are requesting a response by March 30, 2015.

Art Choquette, Prime AE Group, Inc. stated that Northeast Remsco Request For Information #22 concerning working pressure in the line and #23 concerning the location of pipe supports are still pending.

Councilman Thomas Serra entered the meeting at 7:35 pm.

7.2 Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire handed out a Project Cost Analysis for the Pump Station to the committee that was discussed with the Mayor on March 13, 2015. Included in the analysis were email responses from the Pump Station Bid Plan Holders

with their bid concerns. The issues that were recommended for the Re-Bid were to develop existing building drawings especially for 34 East Main St.; develop site drawings of the proposed 25 acre Housing Authority Property for a stockpiling area with a minimum of ½ acre; include a Letter Report from Tighe & Bond in the re-bid document to dispel some of the site condition uncertainty; include CT DEEP and Army Corps Wetlands Permit Authorization and Conditions of Approval which are close to completion in the bid documentation; that the City to review contract front end, including Insurance Requirements which Director Guy Russo is discussing with the Risk Manager and the Insurance Consultant; that the City clarify PLA requirements and consider alternative pipe and casing material for auger boring.

Dale Aldieri, Vice Chair entered the meeting at 7:40 pm.

Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire discussed with the committee the Project Cost Analysis from December 2013 to the present and the changes made to the project that resulted in a Pre-Bid Final Estimate on September 30, 2014 of \$23.6M. The Sole Bidder "As Bid" cost on February 10, 2015 was \$28.9M and the Revised Final Estimate with adjustments on March 13, 2015 is \$25.9M.

Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire also discussed M & P Jacking Corporation who consulted with CDR Maguire during design, which lead to a final design figure of \$1.1M. They in turn increased the price to \$1.8M as a bid offering to bidders. This was done due to the uncertainty of environmental issues and historical land uses. The committee held a discussion on whether there should have been more borings done in the area to eliminate the uncertainty. The Letter Report currently undergoing completion by Tighe & Bond should be included in the re-bid to correct some of the site condition uncertainty.

Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire also discussed an alternative pipe for the Ductile Iron Pipe called Hobas Pipe. CDR Maguire will research the pipe, which has been used for 45 years. The Ductile Iron 42" pipe is put into a 60" steel jacket. The 60" steel jacket is jacked and the Ductile Iron 42" pipe is installed into it. The Hobas Pipe is material suitable for direct jacking with no exterior jacket. The hydraulic characteristics of the Hobas Pipe are superior to Ductile Iron Pipe that may allow a reduction in the size of the pipe. This may result in a large potential savings.

Director Guy Russo suggested that Ct. Department of Transportation be contacted concerning the elimination of the steel jacket as they were adamant about having a carrier pipe under their highway and approval by them would be needed before the City could consider this suggestion.

Councilman Thomas Serra requested that Prime Engineers AE Group, Inc. and CDR Maguire give their recommendations on the use of the Hobas Pipe in place of the Ductile Iron Pipe at the next meeting of the committee.

8.0 Old Business

8.1 Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire presented a memorandum from Michael Narcisi, Army Corps of Engineers concerning the National Audubon Society, Inc. CT In Lieu Program. The cost of this permit is based on 3,224 SF of temporary impacts to wetlands K&L at \$10.11 per SF. As impacts are temporary, only 5% of the impact area is taken into account amounting to \$1,630.00. This will be a savings of \$26,370 from the original estimate of \$28,000.

8.2 Director Guy Russo informed the committee that discussions are underway with Bond Counsel and the Mayor's Office on how to proceed with the financing for re-bidding the Pump Station.

After discussion by the committee there was a recommendation to approve cancelling the Regular Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 31, 2015.

Director Guy Russo informed the committee that he had received correspondence from Steve Landry, CDR Maguire concerning their additional compensation request for non-contested items that needs to be reviewed. Two sub contractors had contacted him expressing their concern about outstanding invoices that have not been paid by CDR Maguire. Payment of the additional compensation request for non-contested items would take care of the sub contractors requesting payment. He would like approval from the committee to bring the request to the Sub Committee for their review and approval.

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to approve sending the request by CDR Maguire to the Sub Committee for their review and approval. The motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Thomas Serra and Dale Aldieri, Vice Chair requested that the letter from CDR Maguire be reviewed by the City Attorney and guidance give to the Sub Committee on the request for payment if approved and if payment can be made directly to the sub contractors.

10. Adjournment

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Tina Gomes to adjourn at 8:30 pm. The motion was approved unanimously.

Attest: 
Sandra S. Pasculano
Recording Secretary