

Committee Members

Philip Pessina, Chairman
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Dale Aldieri, Vice Chair/ WPCA Chairman
John Giuliano, WPCA Commissioner
John Parker
Tina Gomes
Marie Hurley, CCPD

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

**MATTABASSETT REGIONALIZATION BUILDING COMMITTEE
MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2015
82 BERLIN STREET, MIDDLETOWN, CT**

Members Present: Philip Pessina, Chairman
Councilman Thomas Serra
Councilman James Streeto
Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano
Joseph Bibisi
Marie Hurley
John Parker
John Giuliano, WPCA Commissioner

Members Absent: Dale Aldieri, Vice-Chair/WPCA Chairman
Tina Gomes

Staff Present: Guy Russo, Director
Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer
Christopher Holden, Asst. Chief Engineer

Staff Absent: Robert Young, Deputy Director
Elise McDermott, Finance Dept.

Others Present: Art Choquette, Prime AE Group, Inc.
Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire

1. Chair Calls Meeting to Order

Philip Pessina, Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. Public Comments

The Public Comment Portion of the meeting was opened and closed at 7:01 PM with no comments from the Public.

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Philip Pessina, Chairman addressed the committee on two articles published in the paper concerning the project. There was an article that was written by the Executive Director of Associated Builders and Contractors who represents non-union jobs concerning the PLA as part of the project. There was also an article in response that was written by Cindy Dubrokway, Executive Dir. of Foundation of Fair Contracting which discussed the benefits of the prevailing wage and reinvesting in the community.

Philip Pessina, Chairman also requested a motion to amend the agenda to add two Northeast Remsco Change Orders #8 and #9 under section 4. 0 Financial Reports.

Motion by John Giuliano and seconded by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano to amend the Agenda to add Agenda Item #4.3 Northeast Remsco CO8 in the amount of \$4,800 and Agenda Item #4.4 Northeast Remsco CO9 in the amount of \$15,160. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of March 16, 2015. The motion was approved with six members voting in favor and two abstentions by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano and John Giuliano.

4. Financial Reports

4.1 Sandy Pasculano, Recording Secretary informed the committee that Elise McDermott, Finance Department could not attend the meeting. She informed the committee that the Financial Report that was in the packet for the meeting did not include the costs for Northeast Remsco Change Orders #8 and #9.

4.2A Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer informed the committee that he reviewed CDR Maguire Force Main Inv. #7 in the amount of \$28,287.15 and recommended approval.

Motion by Joseph Bibisi and seconded by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano to approve the payment of CDR Maguire Force Main Inv. #7 in the amount of \$28,287.15. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2B Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer informed the committee that he reviewed Prime AE Group, Inc. Force Main Inv. #11 in the amount of \$39,572.52 and stated that there was an error of two cents that he will discuss with Prime AE Group but he recommended approval.

Councilman Thomas Serra requested that Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer make the committee aware of any line items that he is projecting that might be a problem with future funds available before it becomes a problem.

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to approve the payment of Prime AE Group, Inc. Force Main Inv. #11 subject to further review. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2C Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer informed the committee that he reviewed Northeast Remsco Force Main Inv. #9 in the amount of \$12,796.14 and recommended approval.

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to approve payment of Northeast Remsco Force Main Inv. #9 in the amount of \$12,796.14. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2D Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer informed the committee that he had checked the math of Providence & Worcester RR Inv. # ENG100564 in the amount of \$78,883.58 but would need to have Art Choquette, Prime AE Group check the hours being billed.

Art Choquette, Prime AE Group stated that he has paper work for the people used in the field but not for the office staff. He did say that the hours billed for the office staff looked reasonable. Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer and Art Choquette, Prime AE Group recommended approval.

Motion by Joseph Bibisi and seconded by John Giuliano to approve Providence & Worcester RR Inv. #ENG100564 in the amount of \$78,883.58. The motion was approved unanimously.

Philip Pessina, Chairman requested a motion to approve the Recording Secretary Payroll of 9 hrs.

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Councilman Thomas Serra to approve payment of the Recording Secretary Payroll of 9 hrs. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.3 Philip Pessina, Chairman requested a motion to approve Northeast Remsco CO#8 Test Pits in the amount of \$\$4,800.00.

Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra and seconded by Councilman James Streeto to approved Northeast Remsco CO#8 in the amount of \$4,800.00. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.4 Philip Pessina, Chairman requested a motion to approve Northeast Remsco CO#9 for Trench Rock Excavation, Disposal and Backfill and Saw Cut, Removal & Disposal of Concrete Road Base in the amount of \$15,160.00.

Motion by John Giuliano and seconded by Councilman Thomas Serra to approve Northeast Remsco CO#9 in the amount of \$15,160.00. The motion was approved unanimously.

5. Staff Updates

5.1A Director Guy Russo informed the committee that there was a request from CDR Maguire for additional design fees for sub consultants and FHA approval in the amount of \$206,515. Submitted were estimates that were carried in the original scope for Tighe & Bond, Landmark Architects, JKMuir, Electrical sub contractor, Arcadis Value Engineers, Fitzgerald and Halliday, Inc. for additional permitting and CDR Maguire. He stated that it was known early on that from the time when the Urban Act money was used up from CRISP until the time that there was Clean Water Funding they continued to work with the City to move the Project along with DOT and answer all the Federal Highway questions to get to the point of getting permits and bidding the Project.

Director Russo also stated that he had contacted the sub contractors and verified the amounts with them and he met with sub committee members Dale Aldieri and Councilman Thomas Serra to review the request and the recommendation would be to recommend approval.

Councilman Thomas Serra brought up the fact that the question of how the sub contractors get paid still needs to be discussed with the City Attorney and guidance given to the committee.

Councilman James Streeto recommended tabling the issue until the City Attorney gives his decision on how to proceed with the payment for the sub contractors. Director Guy Russo will discuss the issue with the City Attorney and report back at the next committee meeting.

5.1B Director Guy Russo informed the committee that approval was received from CT DEEP for Northeast Remsco CO#7.

5.1C Director Guy Russo discussed with the committee the cuttings from the first HDD drilling that are in the area next to the Water Dept. There is no more room to wait for the material to dry out. He has requested a proposal from John Kolman to take all the cuttings and mud from the next three HDD drillings that will be done. The proposal was for an estimated quantity of 1200 cu yds. of cuttings at a lump sum price of \$8,000.00. At the end of the project the contractor will have generated about 80,000 gals of mud. This will be reprocessed but some of the fluid which is unusable will need to be disposed of. Mr. Kolman's proposal was a unit price of \$350 for every 10,000 gals. of mud.

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by John Giuliano to approve the authorization for John Kolman to manage on his property 1200 cu yds. of cuttings and mud at a lump sum fee of \$8,000.00 and 100,000 gallons of fluid disposal at a cost of \$3,500.00. The motion was approved unanimously.

Councilman Thomas Serra requested that the contractor be contacted to make sure the City Streets leading to the Kolman Property are kept clean.

Director Guy Russo stated that the contractor could be mandated to use RT. 66 to the Kolman Property.

6. Construction Updates

Art Choquette, Prime Engineering AE Group updated the committee on the construction of the Force Main. The contractor has completed the relocation of the 10-inch water main at the north end of the project. They are starting shoring for a jacking pit at the north end of the project and they will also be completing the pullback for the first directional drill.

Art Choquette also informed the committee that jacking was to be done in the north end of the project to avoid a conflict with utility poles and an underground vault. Providence and Worcester RR has now requested a siting or spur line off of the main rail to service Daniels Propane. He stated that because of the alignment some of the pipe might require protection. The decision for the spur line has not been officially made but the RR is reserving their right to install it. This issue was not known until the realignment plan was presented to Providence and Worcester RR.

Director Guy Russo suggested putting the realignment in the way it is shown on the plan with no protection of the pipe under the spur line, close out the project and leave a commitment if or when they ever do a spur line for Daniels Propane an excavation would be done. A reinforced concrete mat would be installed where the pipe goes under the spur line, backfilled and the rail would be placed on top. Art Choquette, Prime Engineering AE Group will keep the committee informed on the issue.

Art Choquette, Prime Engineering AE Group let the committee know that the Buckeye pipe located in the area of the second directional drill, which was the original design, was modified by CDR Maguire to shift the drill to the north and east about six months ago. Buckeye now has concerns about the location and should be submitting their comments within the week.

Director Guy Russo informed the committee that he contacted the Deputy Commissioner's Office of CT DEEP to make them aware of the situation with Buckeye.

7. Engineering Updates

7.1 Art Choquette, Prime Engineering AE Group informed the committee that the RFI's for the air valves should be near completion.

7.2 Director Guy Russo informed the committee that he has had discussions with Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire to get ready for rebidding. There will be six addendums that will be incorporated into the main body of the bid to avoid confusion. The City Attorney's Office has reviewed it and redrafted the PLA as there were some areas that appeared as though each sub contractor had to meet the State required MBE, WBE distribution on labor.

Director Guy Russo was also notified by Nancy Raczka, Risk Manager that she is having discussions with the City's Insurance Consultant concerning the insurance limits based on what the Mattabassett District used for their project.

Philip Pessina, Chairman updated the committee on the Contingency balance noting that there was \$258,300 left in the remaining balance and items approved earlier in the meeting totaled \$\$237,975 leaving a balance of \$20,325. He also stated that the Pump Station Construction Line Item has not been used and that if approved by the committee a transfer could be made to keep the Force Main Project commencing until funds become available to bid the Pump Station.

8. Old Business

Director Guy Russo informed the committee that he met with CT DEEP along with Joseph Cermola, Joseph Cermola, III, Cardinal Eng. Assoc. and Art Choquette, Prime Engineering AE Group to discuss some alternatives to the Pump Station. There was a request for permission to discuss with Northeast Remsco the pipe under Rt. 9 going all the way back to River Rd. for a way they would propose to do the work by Change Order. CT DEEP said they would be willing to take a look at a change order for that piece of the work. They also indicated that they would also consider if an acceptable price was received to extend the limits on the 30-inch ductile pipe under Sumner Brook to the front gate of the Pump Station. If Northeast Remsco has a way of taking the pipe where it ends now directly into the site they would also take a look at that.

Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire updated the committee on the Hobas Pipe that was recommended last month in order to eliminate the outer sleeve going under the State Highway and Railroad. Hobas Pipe can be directly jacked or covered beneath the ground without a casing pipe. Ductile Iron Pipe can also be direct jacked under the State Highway and does not need a casing pipe around it.

Director Guy Russo met with CT DOT and also CT DEEP concerning the Hobas Pipe and they said that the Ductile Iron Pipe is as good as Hobas Pipe for this application.

Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire recommended that the entire pipe be Ductile Iron on the Project and the Hobas Pipe recommendation by eliminated.

Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire also informed the committee that they had sized the pipe based on the pipe that is presently in River Road that is a 42" pipe. He is recommending down sizing the pipe from the 42" pipe to 36" pipe in the rebid which will be a cost saving. The belief is that 36" pipe is more than sufficient to get the job done. The cost savings would be in downsizing the pipe and there would be less material to be displaced as a result of the jacking and there would be less labor costs based on the size of the pipe.

Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to get pricing on reducing the 42" pipe to a 36" pipe from River Road to the Pump Station contingent upon meeting the pressure and volume in the pipe and also taking care of future volume at maximum peak. The motion was approved unanimously.

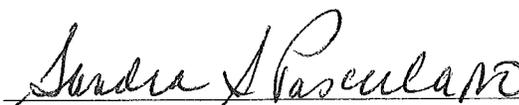
9. New Business

There was no new business presented.

10. Adjournment

Motion by Joseph Bibisi and seconded by Councilman James Streeto to adjourn at 8:15 PM. The motion was approved unanimously.

Attest:



Sandra S. Pasculano
Recording Secretary