

Committee Members

Councilman Philip Pessina, Chairman  
Councilman Thomas Serra  
Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano  
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John Parker  
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Marie Hurley, CCPD  
David Bauer

Committee Staff

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

**MINUTES  
MATTABASSETT REGIONALIZATION BUILDING COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2015  
82 BERLIN STREET, MIDDLETOWN, CT**

**Members Present:** Councilman Philip Pessina, Chairman  
Councilman Thomas Serra  
Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano  
Councilman Robert Blanchard  
Dale Aldieri, Vice Chair, WPCA Chairman  
Joseph Bibisi  
John Giuliano, WPCA Commissioner  
Marie Hurley, CCPD  
David Bauer

**Members Absent:** John Parker  
Tina Gomes

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

**Staff Absent:** Robert Young, Deputy Director

**Others Present:** Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire  
Joseph A. Cermola, III, Cardinal Eng. Assoc.

**1. Chair Calls Meeting to Order**

Councilman 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 7:00 pm with no comments from the Public.

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### 3. Approval of Minutes

3.1 Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 24, 2015. The motion was approved unanimously.

### 4. Financial Reports

4.1 Elise, McDermott, Finance Dept. inquired as to the signed paperwork for the transfer for CDR Maguire Amendment #17. Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer said it is being processed.

Director Guy Russo informed the committee that there have been problems with the way the Force Main Project has been administered by the item through the City's Admins Program. He recommended to use a standard AIA Form with the Pump Station Project the same as what was used with the Middletown High School Project.

Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra and seconded by John Giuliano to waive the rules to allow the committee to endorse the use of the standard AIA Form for the Pump Station Project. The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra and seconded by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano to waive the rules to endorse the use of an AIA format for the purpose of processing payments for the Pump Station and associated work. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2 Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer informed the committee he had reviewed Agenda Items 4.2A CDR Maguire Force Main Inv. #16 \$1,741.80, 4.2B Prime AE Group, Inc. Force Main Inv. #19 \$35,422.36 and 4.2E Northeast Remsco Force Main Inv. #17 \$1,057,220.23 and recommended approval.

Motion by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to approve payment of Agenda Items 4.2A CDR Maguire Force Main Inv. #16 \$1,741.80, 4.2B Prime AE Group, Inc. Force Main Inv. #19 \$35,422.36 and Northeast Remsco Force Main Inv. #17 \$1,057,220.23. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2 C and D Councilman Thomas Serra recommended tabling Providence and Worcester RR Inv. #ENG 100636 Rev. \$90,148.65 and Inv #ENG 100673 \$48,050.27 until the Sub Committee could meet with Ronald J. Boremski, CT DOT.

Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra and seconded by Dale Aldieri to table Providence and Worcester RR Agenda Item 4.2C Inv. #ENG 10036 Rev. \$90,148.65 and Agenda Item 4.2D Inv. #ENG 100673 \$48,050.27. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2F Motion by Dale Aldieri and seconded by Councilman Robert Blanchard to approve payment of the Recording Secretary Payroll totaling 8 hours. The motion was approved unanimously.

## **5. Staff Updates**

5.1 A&B Director Guy Russo reported to the Committee that the Sub Committee had worked on the CDR Maguire Amendment #17 and finalized the cost at \$174,973.00 which also included the additional work from Tighe & Bond for additional hazardous waste and Fitzgerald and Haliday for environmental work. CT. DEEP approved \$169,973.00 as they do not pay for the environmental permitting cost of \$5,000.00. The Committee also approved the transfer of funds in the amount of \$174,973.00.

Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to approve the Sub Committee Report. The motion was approved unanimously.

## **Construction Updates**

6.1 Director Guy Russo informed the committee that the excavation work in the area south of Washington Street is complete, the valve chamber is in. Providence and Worcester RR is scheduled to start replacing the track in this area. Also, the contractor is now putting in Junction Chamber #2 where the two HDD pipes came out underneath the Arrigoni Bridge. There have been no problems with frac outs or breaching in the Mattabasset River. Delivery of 1700 feet of pipe will start within the week and will be spliced together in Cromwell down in the hollow. The last day of the contract is May 25, 2016 and includes re-grading, loaming, seeding and cleanup.

Director Guy Russo distributed correspondence to the Committee from Carlos Esguerra, Sanitary Engineer, CT DEEP and Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire concerning the FMC application and the waste stockpile area for the Pump Station Project. Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire requested to meet with Jeff Caiola, CT DEEP Flood Management and Inlands and Wetlands Div. for clarification on why the DOT rail spur property that was used to stockpile contaminated soils for the Force Main Project cannot be used for the Pump Station Project. The State is requesting that the waste stockpile area be above the 500-year flood. The cost to construct a new stockpile area is between \$100,000 to \$250,000 for the purchase of land and construction of the area.

Councilman Philip Pessina, Chairman requested Director Guy Russo to look into finding some sites if the State requires the use of a new waste stockpile area above the 500 year flood.

Director Guy Russo suggested the possibility of the City finding and funding a one or two acre site close to the center of town that can be developed and held for the long term

for future Economic Development Projects. The committee requested that the Director Russo check with Planning and Zoning for possible available areas.

Councilman David Bauer suggested looking into the Wesleyan University hazardous waste site on Wadsworth Street to inquire whether the City could use the area for stockpiling the material from the project. Director Guy Russo will look into the possibility of this location and report back his findings at the January Committee meeting.

Director Guy Russo also informed the Committee that he had met with JR Marino on acquiring a permanent temporary easement on the old Omo Site for access for the bridge crossing. A price from the appraiser will be submitted to the Committee at the January meeting.

Director Guy Russo informed the Committee that there is a WPCA Land Committee and if acceptable they would negotiate the area of the easement with the property owner for the construction and commit to a formal plan for both temporary and permanent easements which will then be given to the appraiser. Once the appraised value is received it will be reviewed and recommended by the Director to the WPCA Land Committee for their review and approval. The Committee was acceptable to using the WPCA Land Committee and Director Russo to report back with their recommendation.

## **7. Engineering Updates**

7.1 Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire reported that there was an issue on the warranty period for the hatches that is being looked into.

7.2 Mark Kopchak, CDR Maguire reported that the plans for the Pump Station should be in by the end of January 2016. They will need to be reviewed and approved by CT DEEP. A report from Tighe & Bond on the additional hazardous waste work will be presented at the January meeting of the Committee.

## **Correspondence**

Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to approve the CT DEEP approval of CDR Amendment #17 CWF Eligible in the amount of \$169,973.00. The motion was approved unanimously.

## **9. New Business**

There was no discussion on this agenda item.

## **10. Old Business**

There was no discussion on this agenda item.

**11. Adjournment**

Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to adjourn at 7:41 pm.

Attest: *Sandra S. Pasculano*  
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Recording Secretary