

Committee Members

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Joseph S. Fazzino, P.E., Director
Donald Fisco, Deputy Director
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**MINUTES
AUDIO CONFERENCE REGULAR MEETING
MATTABASSETT REGIONALIZATION BUILDING COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2021
5:30 P.M.**

Members Present: Councilman Philip J. Pessina, Chairman
Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chairman/WPCA Chairman
Councilwoman Meghan Carta
Councilman Anthony Mangiafico
John A. Giuliano
Joseph Bibisi
Elise H. McDermott
David Bauer
Brian K. Gartner, Jr., WPCA Commissioner

Staff Present: Joseph S. Fazzino, P.E., Director
Donald Fisco, Deputy Director

Staff Absent: Michele Leone, Finance

1. Chairman Calls Meeting to Order

Councilman Philip J. Pessina, Chairman called meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

2. Public Comments

The Public Comment portion of the meeting was opened and closed at 5:31 pm. There were no comments by email from the Public to Joseph S. Fazzino, P.E., Director as instructed on the meeting agenda.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion by David Bauer and seconded by John A. Giuliano to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 29, 2020. The motion was approved with seven members voting in favor and Joseph Bibisi and Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chair abstaining.

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4. Financial Report

4.1 Elise H. McDermott requested an explanation to the negative remaining balance shown on the Financial Report. Joseph S. Fazzino, P.E., Director explained that a payment was made out of the project line item and should have been made out of the purchase order line item. Upon final payment to the contractor the remaining encumbered balance will be returned to the line. At that time the negative number will be corrected.

Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chair also inquired as to the \$1,171,240.27 balance in the Bonding line item. Joseph S. Fazzino, P.E., Director explained the account is setup in all bonds by the City to be used for legal fees in case of any lawsuits that may arise. This line item will remain to the end of the project until everything it closed out.

Elise H. McDermott questioned as to whether there was a resolution to the Northeast Remsco claim. Joseph S. Fazzino, P.E. Director stated that there a meeting was held with a mediator, Northeast Remsco, CDR Magurie, City Staff and General Counsel for remediation. The Information presented at the meeting is being reviewed and when completed a second meeting will be held.

4.2 Motion by David Bauer and seconded by Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chair to approve Sub Committee Report Agenda Items 4.2 A Prime AE Group Inc. Amendment #7 \$8,000.00, 4.2B Tighe & Bond Inv. #41 102090018-019 \$9,490.86, 4.2C Tighe & Bond Inv. #42 112090013 \$3,445.02, 4.2D Walsh Construction Co. II, LLC Final Retainage Release \$559,779.60, 4.2E Recording Secretary Payroll 7 hrs., 4.2 F Aqua Solutions Inc. Dry Weather Submersible Sewage Pump \$68,882.00, 4.2G Committee Meeting Schedule 2021, 4.2H Transfer from Engineering: Design Phase Pump Station to Construction: WPCF Demo/Abandonment for tank coring \$15,000.00. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.3A. Joseph S. Fazzino, P.E., Director informed the committee that he had reviewed Tighe & Bond Inv. #43 012190026-027 \$6,161.27 and recommended approval.

Motion by David Bauer and seconded by Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chair to approve payment of Tighe & Bond Inv. #43 012190026-027 \$6,161.27. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.3B. Joseph S. Fazzino, P.E., Director informed the committee that he had reviewed Tighe & Bond Inv. #44 022190016 \$2,627.63 and recommended approval.

Motion by David Bauer and seconded by Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chair to approve payment of Tighe & Bond Inv. #44 022190016 \$2,627.63. The motion was approved unanimously.

Joseph S. Fazzino, P.E., Director informed the committee that Tighe & Bond is working on the final closeout for the WPCA Decommissioning of the River Rd. Plant. A final walkthrough was planned but postponed due to weather. They are finalizing all the comments for the closeout for O&M manuals and the report for CT DEEP for the fiscal sustainability as part of the project funding. The costs for this remaining work are encumbered.

4.3C Motion by John A. Giuliano and seconded by Elise H. McDermott to approve the Secretary Payroll 2-1/2 hrs. The motion was approved unanimously.

5. Staff Updates

Joseph S. Fazzino, P.E., Director stated that the majority of work has been completed for the Decommissioning of the River Rd. Plant that included the flushing of the pipes, TV inspection, removal of hazardous materials and containers offsite. A change order for the additional coring of the tanks is being processed. A purchase order for the fencing has been encumbered. Atlas fence will be returning when the weather improves to install the security fencing around the tanks. A final walkthrough meeting with Tighe & Bond will be scheduled with the field maintenance manager, Joseph Samolis, Planning and Zoning and Councilman Philip J. Pessina, Chairman.


David Bauer requested that the Building Committee members also be invited to the final walkthrough meeting. Joseph S. Fazzino, P.E., Director will notify the committee when the walkthrough is scheduled.

6. Construction Engineering Updates

Joseph S. Fazzino, P.E., Director updated the committee on the operation of the pump station and the collaboration with the Mattabassett District. The Director informed the committee that there have been two high flow events when all three wet weather pumps were running and the pump station operated properly. There was a minor issue of vibration where the pumps had to be restarted. This is being worked on with Tighe & Bond and also the manufacturer. The Mattabassett District is required to notify the State if they exceed their permitted limits for their normal operating flow and wet weather events. They also notify the town to address the wet weather flow. The WPCA will need to address in future the inflow and infiltration coming into the sewer system and going to the Mattabassett District. The pump station is designed for a 26,000,000 gal. day event which happened on Xmas Day and the pump station functioned as it was designed.

7. Adjournment

Motion by Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chair and seconded by John A. Giuliano to adjourn at 6:02 pm. The motion was approved unanimously.

Attest: 
Sandra S. Pasculano
Recording Secretary