

Committee Members

Councilman Philip J. Pessina, Chairman
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Joseph S. Fazzino, P.E., Director
Donald Fisco, Deputy Director

**MINUTES
MATTABASSETT REGIONALIZATION BUILDING COMMITTEE
MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2019
5:30 P.M.
82 BERLIN STREET, MIDDLETOWN, CT**

(BUILDING IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE)

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Members Present: Councilman Philip J. Pessina, Chairman
Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano
Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chair/WPCA Commissioner
David Bauer
Elise H. McDermott, Finance and Budget

Members Absent: Councilman Robert S. Blanchard
John A. Giuliano
Joseph Bibisi
Brian K. Gartner, Jr., WPCA Commissioner

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

Others Present: Guy Russo, Prime AE Group, Inc.
Frederick Mueller, Tighe & Bond
Paul Malmrose, Tighe & Bond

1. Chairman Calls Meeting to Order

Councilman Philip J. Pessina, Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm.

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2. Public Comments

The Public Comments portion of the meeting was opened and closed at 5:36 pm with no comments from the Public.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano and seconded by Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chair to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 27, 2019. The motion was approved unanimously.

4. Financial Report

4.1 Elise H. McDermott, Finance and Budget reported that \$19,537.00 for Tighe & Bond Amendment #6 Fiscal Sustainability Plan listed on the agenda should be deducted from the remaining balance of the project as shown of the Financial Report. The revised remaining balance after all proposed expenditures would be \$164,778.88.

Motion by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano and seconded by Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chair to approve the Budget Items review. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2A,B,C Joseph S. Fazzino, Director informed the committee that the purchase orders requested shown under Agenda Items 4.2 A,B and C were for miscellaneous supplies for the Decommissioning of the WPCF and he recommended approval.

Motion by Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chair and seconded by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano to approve the purchase order of Ferguson Enterprises for miscellaneous supplies for the Decommissioning of the WPCF in the amount of \$2,000.00. The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion by David Bauer and seconded by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano to approve the purchase orders of Citibank, NA (Home Depot) for miscellaneous supplies in the amount of \$1,500.00 and J&J, Inc. for miscellaneous supplies in the amount of \$2,000.00 for the Decommissioning of the WPCF. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.3 Joseph S. Fazzino, Director notified the committee that a Fiscal Sustainability Plan was required as by CT DEEP in order to release the final 10% of the project funding. Tighe & Bond was requested to present a proposal to do the work which was done and the Director recommended approval.

Motion by Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chair and seconded by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano to approve Tighe & Bond Amendment #6 Fiscal Sustainability Plan in the amount of \$19,537.00. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.4A. Joseph S. Fazzino, Director informed the committee that he had reviewed Tighe & Bond Inv. #29 -091990006-007 for \$17,223.51 and recommended approval.

Motion by Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chair and seconded by David Bauer to approve payment of Tighe & Bond Inv. #29-091990006-007 for \$17,223.51. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.4B Joseph S. Fazzino, Director informed the committee that he had reviewed Walsh Construction CO II LLC Inv. 31 for \$407,393.09 and found a mathematical error in the 5% retainage figure and the invoice should be \$443,018.09. He also checked with Elise McDermott, Budget and Finance and both agreed to the revised invoice figure.

Motion by Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chair and seconded by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano to approve payment of Walsh Construction Co II LLC Inv. #31 up to \$443,018.09 pending verification from Walsh Construction CO II LLC. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.4C Joseph S. Fazzino, Director informed the committee that Walsh Construction CO II LLC Inv. #32 for \$617,568.61 is for the release of 50% of the retainage to date. Per CT DEEP once the contract is past the 50% mark the retainage can be reduced to 2 1/2 % from 5%. The project is 95% complete and the Director recommend approval.

David Bauer was concerned that there was enough retainage to cover any items still remaining to be done. Joseph S. Fazzino, Director stated there was enough retainage and there is also a maintenance bond and bid bond on the project that are not released till one year after the project is complete.

Motion by David Bauer and seconded by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano to approve payment of Walsh Construction Co. II LLC Inv. #32 for \$617,568.61. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.4D. Motion by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano and seconded by Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chair to approve payment of the Recording Secretary Payroll of 8 Hrs. The motion was approved unanimously.

5. Staff Updates

Joseph S. Fazzino, Director updated the committee on the Decommissioning of the River Road Treatment Plant.

- The department employees have begun work on the Decommissioning of the River Road Treatment Plant.
- A meeting was held with Frederick Muelle, Tighe & Bond and Amy Vaillancourt, Tighe & Bond to go over the scope of the decommissioning.
- Samples were taken of the paint on the metal concerning the level of PCB's on the items to be removed and how to dispose of them.
- A meeting was held with Environmental Services Inc. on site to look at the environmental remediation work that needs to be done. This will be done with a purchase order using State Bid prices and presented to the committee for approval.
- There will be other purchase orders for contractors on the site that will be presented to the committee as needed.
- Majority of work for the gravity thickener which is the tank closest to the road has been cleaned out and the mechanism within the tank has been demolished and the pipes were flushed out.
- The old railroad loading station has been decommissioned and the pipes cut and capped.
- The work on the secondary clarifier has begun with the stripping out of the mechanicals in one of the tanks.

6. Construction Engineering Updates

6.1. Frederick Mueller, Tighe & Bond informed the committee that work on starting up the systems is being done reviewing submittals on computer systems. Waiting on compiling the tracking data from Mattabassett District when submitted.

Paul Malmrose, Tighe & Bond also informed the committee that the Force Main testing had passed on September 20, 2019.

Guy Russo, Prime AE Group, Inc. updated the committee on the construction progress. the committee that

- With the passing of the last piece of pipe the final tie in should be done within the next couple of days. The pipe will then be filled with portable water and the air removed. October 1, 2019 the valve should be opened in chamber number one to let the water equilibrate. The strength and height will be checked in the surge tank to make sure it matches up with the overflow at the Mattabassett District.
- During the week of September 30, 2019 the pump will be turned on to check that the water is going thru the meter.

- During the week of October 7th delivery of flow on a scheduled basis will be made to the Mattabassett District. Walsh Construction will determine the schedule and the Mattabassett District will be notified.
- Drainage work is on going.
- The work on the retaining wall has begun that will circle the site.
- The pipe over the utility bridge has been installed.
- Once the connections are made in East Main St. and the balance of the drainage is completed the pipe crews will be working on River Road. There will be a closure of River Road on October 14, 2019 between Walnut St. and lower Union Street for one month.
- Discussions were held with the contractor concerning the preliminary dedication target date of October 29, 2019 and what project items would not be completed. Based on the contractors schedule the items would include the paving, the finishes and flooring, tile, bathrooms and the exterior and interior plaques.

It was the recommendation of the committee to move the dedication target date to November 12, 2019 due to the concerns over the project site items still not completed. The Mayor will be notified of the revised dedication date for his review.

6.2A. This item was discussed under Agenda Item 6.1

6.2B Councilman Philip J. Pessina, Chairman will contact Paul Pizzo, Landmark Architects to determine if the building plaques will be in by the November 12, 2019 dedication date.

6.2C This item was discussed under Agenda Item 6.1

7. Executive Session

It was determined by the committee that there was no need for an Executive Session.

8. Adjournment

Motion by David Bauer and seconded by Dale R. Aldieri, Vice Chair at adjourn at 6:19 pm. The motion was approved unanimously.

Attest:



Sandra S. Pasculano
Recording Secretary