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Committee Members

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

Committee Staff

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

**MATTABASSETT REGIONALIZATION BUILDING COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 30, 2014  
82 BERLIN STREET, MIDDLETOWN, CT**

**Members Present:** Philip Pessina, Co Chair  
Councilman Thomas Serra  
Councilman James Streeto (arrived 7:04 pm)  
Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano  
Dale Aldieri, WPCA Chairman  
John Giuliano, WPCA Commissioner  
Marie Hurley, CCPD  
Tina Gomes (arrived at 7:10 pm)

**Members Absent:** Todd Berch, Co Chair  
Joseph Bibisi  
John Parker

**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:** Charles Chiu, CDR Maguire  
Art Choquette, Prime AE Group, Inc.  
Joseph A. Cermola, III, Cardinal Engineering Assoc.

**1. Chair Calls Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Philip Pessina, Co Chair at 7:00 p.m.

Philip Pessina, Co Chair requested a motion to amend the agenda to add Item 1.A Resignation of Todd Berch, Co Chair and Item 5.2C Minutes FPVC Pull Back Meeting held on December 23, 2014.

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Motion by John Giuliano and seconded by Councilman Sebastian Giuliano to amend the agenda to add Items 1.A Resignation of Todd Berch, Co Chair and Item 5.2C Minutes FPVC Pull Back Meeting Held on December 23, 2014. The motion was approved unanimously.

1.A Philip Pessina, Co Chair read a letter received from Todd Berch, Co Chair informing the committee that he was resigning as Co Chair and thanking the committee for the pleasure of working with them. He also commended their previous work and continued work for the best interest of Middletown residents and those that will benefit from the project.

Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra and seconded by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano to nominate Dale Aldieri as Vice Chairman to fill in for Philip Pessina, Chairman if he is not available. The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra and seconded by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano to approve Dale Aldieri, Vice Chairman's signature to be equal to Philip Pessina, Chairman's signature on all forms. The motion was approved unanimously.

## **2. Public Comments**

There being no comments from the Public the Public Comment portion of the meeting was opened and closed at 7:03 pm.

## **3. Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra and seconded by John Giuliano to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 25, 2014.

Dale Aldieri noted under Item 5.2B it states "The Mattabassett District Bid" which should be corrected to read "The MDC Bid".

Councilman James Streeto enters meeting at 7:04 pm.

Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra and seconded by John Giuliano to amend the motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 25, 2014 with a correction of Item 5.2B "The Mattabassett District Bid" changed to "The MDC Bid". The motion was approved with 6 members voting in favor there of and one abstention by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano.

## **4. Financial Reports**

4.1 Elise McDermott, Finance Department updated the committee that CDR Maguire Amendment #13R has been changed to Amendment #15 Additional Force Main On Call

Construction Phase Engineering Support Services. The prior Amendment #15 Design Fee Increases at present does not have a new number assigned.

Elise McDermott also informed the committee that the first reimbursement from the State in the amount of \$2,269,320.66 was received.

Motion by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano and seconded by Dale Aldieri, Vice Chairman to approve the budget as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2A Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer informed the committee that he had reviewed CDR Maguire Inv. #5 Force Main in the amount of \$16,084.59 and recommended approval.

Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra and seconded by Councilman James Streeto to approve payment of CDR Maguire Inv. #5 Force Main in the amount of \$16,084.59. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2B Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer informed the committee that he had reviewed CDR Maguire Inv. #1 Pump Station Bidding in the amount of \$18,236.24 and recommended approval. This is under Amendment #14 which has been approved by the committee but the actual signatures to encumber the funds have not been completed.

Motion by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano and seconded by Councilman Thomas Serra to approve payment of CDR Maguire Inv. #1 Pump Station Bidding in the amount of \$18,236.24 pending receipt of all proper documentations. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2C Sandy Pasculano, Recording Secretary informed the committee that Suburban Stationers Inv. #389204-0 in amount of \$6.63 was for a ream of paper and recommended approval.

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Dale Aldieri, Vice Chairman to approve payment of Suburban Stationers Inv. #389204-0 in the amount of \$6.63. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2D Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer informed the committee he had reviewed Prime AE Group, Inc. Inv. #7 in the amount of \$98,331.63 and recommended approval.

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Dale Aldieri, Vice Chairman to approve payment of Prime AE Group, Inc. Inv. #7 in the amount of \$98,331.63. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.2E Joseph Fazzino, Chief Engineer informed the committee that he had reviewed Northeast Remsco Inv. #5 in the amount of \$2,453,327.19 and recommended approval.

Motion by Dale Aldieri, Vice Chairman and seconded by Councilman James Streeto to approve Northeast Remsco Inv. #5 in the amount of \$2,453,327.19. The motion was approved unanimously.

Tina Gomes entered meeting at 7:10 pm.

4.2F Philip Pessina, Chairman requested a motion to approve the Recording Secretary payroll in the amount of 7 hours.

Motion by Councilman James Streeto and seconded by Dale Aldieri, Vice Chairman to approve the Recording Secretary payroll in the amount of 7 hours. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.3 Director Guy Russo informed the committee that CDR Maguire Amendment #15 in the amount of \$131,700 was submitted to CT DEEP for their comments a month ago and the City has not heard back from them. If approved by CT DEEP it would make it eligible for the 20% funding and their review.

Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra and seconded by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano to approve CDR Maguire Amendment #15 in the amount of \$131,700 pending CT DEEP approval. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.4A Motion by Councilman Thomas Serra seconded by Councilman James Streeto to approve a transfer from Contingency to Engineering Design Phase FM, PS, WP \$131,700 pending CT DEEP approval of CDR Maguire Amendment #15. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.4B Director Guy Russo informed the committee that the request for transfer from Contingency to Property Acquisition is for two parcels at a cost of \$1,250 per parcel. The amount listed in the agenda was \$1,250 and should be increased to \$2,500. The two parcels include a waste stockpile area and a temporary and permanent easement of property of JR Marino for the construction of the pipe over the Sumner Brook backwater area.

Motion by Dale Aldieri, Vice Chairman and seconded by Councilman Thomas Serra to approve the transfer from Contingency to Property Acquisition in the amount of \$2,500. The motion was approved unanimously.

5.1 Director Guy Russo updated the committee on the meeting that was held with the sub committee and CT DEEP in September with the CT DEEP Division Heads of the Municipal Facilities Section and Clean Water Fund Financing. Discussion was held on where the project was with various aspects of the project including getting approval of CDR Maguire Amendment #15 and on going discussions with CDR Maguire on their claim for additional compensation.

Director Russo informed the committee that CT DEEP was adamant administratively that they really did not have a mechanism by which to address a lot of the CDR Maguire claims because they were never apprised at the time that the fees were being incurred. It appears that CDR Maguire Amendment #15 should be addressed but the additional CDR Maguire compensation claims will need to be addressed by the City and not Clean Water Funding.

5.2A & 5.2 B Director Guy Russo informed the committee that a meeting was scheduled for January 8, 2015 at 9:30 with the Mayor, City Attorney, Philip Pessina, Chairman and himself and Sub Committee Members Councilman Thomas Serra and Dale Aldieri and CDR Maguire to discuss the their additional compensation claims.

5.2C Director Guy Russo informed the committee that the FPVC Pull Back Minutes provided to the committee were concerning the FPVC pipe failure during the pull back of HDD#1 (East) on December 23, 2014.

5.3A. & 5.3B Director Guy Russo requested approval of the committee for the hiring of Evan Noglow Appraiser for Easement Acquisition for two parcels at the State negotiated price of \$500.00 per parcel. Also the approval for legal services for the easement acquisition of the two parcels at a City negotiated flat fee of \$750 per parcel.

Motion by John Giuliano and seconded by Councilman James Streeto to approve the hiring of Evan Noglow for the appraisal of two parcels at a cost of \$500.00 per parcel and the approval of legal services for the easement acquisition of the two parcels at a cost of \$750.00 per parcel. The motion passed unanimously.

## **6. Construction Update**

6.1 Art Choquette, Prime AE Group Inc. informed the committee that the force main is completed on Dekoven Drive from the south end of the project up to the ramp where it goes under the railroad tracks which is a run of about 1200 feet. He also stated that by the end of January the waste stockpile area should be emptied of controlled material. In putting the pipe in the ground for the directional drilling there was a pipe failure in two locations. It is in the process of being evaluated.

Director Guy Russo said the City is awaiting a procedure to be submitted to have the section of pipe removed and inspected to determine why it failed. The pipe will be sent to the lab to be analyzed and a structural test done to render an opinion of what the likely cause of the failure was. This should be done within the next couple of weeks.

Art Choquette, Prime AE Group, Inc. stated that it is the responsibility of the contractor to send a submittal to explain what they think happened and how they propose to fix it going forward.

Director Guy Russo informed the committee that the contractor has made a proposal to extend the directional drilling north by about 200 feet to avoid conflicts with the Buckeye Pipe and Yankee Gas lines. The contractor has not yet submitted the plan for review but the work will be additional cost to the contract.

## 7. Engineering Updates

7.1 Discussion of the Force Main was done under Agenda Item 6.1.

7.2 Director Guy Russo informed the committee that Ct DEEP suggested a second non mandatory pre bid meeting be held so that all bidders would have access. The pre bid meeting will be held on January 8, 2015. The timeline for questions on the contract was moved from January 9, 2015 to January 16, 2015 and because of the MDC Project the bids are due on the January 27, 2015.

Councilman Thomas Serra and Councilman James Streeto left meeting at 7:48 pm.

Charles Chiu, CDR Maguire stated that two addendums have been issued on the Pump Station Project including one to extend the bid date and the second to schedule the second pre bid meeting. A third addendum will be issued shortly to answer questions that were received since putting the project out. There are three permit applications in process for the Office of Long Island Sound Program, Flood Management Certificate for work in the 100 Year flood plain and the Army Corp of Engineers for the crossing of Sumner Creek and the drainage from River Rd. up to the Pump Station. The plan is to have all permits finalized by the end of February 2015

## 8. Old Business

There was no old business discussed.

## 9. New Business

Philip Pessina, Chairman explained to the committee that the Mayor has the choice to appoint a new Co Chair or proceed with him being the Chairman.

## 10. Adjournment

Motion by John Giuliano and seconded by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano to adjourn at 7:56 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Attest:



Sandra S. Pasculano  
Recording Secretary