

MINUTES

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Monday, August 29, 2022 As Adjourned to from the Select Board Meeting

Regular Meeting

Location: Eastham Town Hall, Earle Mountain Meeting Room

Present: Aimée Eckman, Chair; Arthur Autorino; Jerry Cerasale; Suzanne Bryan; Jamie Demetri; Jacqui Beebe, Town Administrator; Richard Bienvenue, Assistant Town Administrator/Finance Director

Aimée Eckman called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Recommendation to Award:

Wes Stinson and Jackie Tupper joined the meeting. They confirmed the original budget was \$2.5 million for Contract 13, District H Well Supply but updated this since that first budget due to supply costs. Contract 13 is part of Phase 2D which is under budget by \$1.4 million.

Contract 13, District H Well Supply is ready to be awarded. The lowest bids are as follows and came in slightly below estimate. The recommendation to award these bids are in the agenda packet for this meeting.

- Award to Dig It Construction, LLC \$3,195,000.00

Jerry Cerasale made a motion to approve Contract 13 to be awarded as recommended to Dig It Construction, LLC for \$3,195,000.00

Arthur Autorino seconded the motion

VOTE: Aimée Eckman, Yes; Arthur Autorino, Yes; Jamie Demetri, Yes; Jerry Cerasale, Yes; Suzanne Bryan, Yes

Phase 2E – Plan and Discussion

Wes Stinson confirmed that this Phase includes Contracts 22 and 23 and plans are in the design phase now. The plans should go to SRF in October and out to bid in the winter.

Jacqui Beebe reviewed the concern about pulling water all the way up and the concern about the waste of water due to constant flushing as many people will not hook up. Jackie Tupper explained that if we put the lines all the way in and no one hooks up, the minimum age of the water sitting in the pipes is 7 days. Jacqui does recommend that for Fire Protection we should bring lines to a lesser point. Also we can hold money as a fund to utilize to hook people up in the future.

The Board discussed this in further detail and asked if we could poll the owners of the homes in this area to determine if they would hook up or not. Jacqui will obtain the information for the Board to consider.

Environmental Partners Group would like a decision from the Board by October but can wait for a final decision until January/February.

Possible Wellfleet Extension

Jacqui Beebe asked EPG to do a plan and cost estimate to hook up a portion of Wellfleet up to

our system. It would go past the drive-In and would benefit us as we could use the loop of the system back to Massasoit Road. The cost would be approximately \$1.7 million. Eastham would borrow for it to fund the hookup and Wellfleet would pay for that. Eastham would then earn the revenue for the water provided to the Wellfleet property.

Board Reorganization

Jerry Cerasale made a motion to nominate Aimée Eckman as Chair

Arthur Autorino seconded the motion

VOTE: Aimée Eckman, Yes; Arthur Autorino, Yes; Jamie Demetri, Yes; Jerry Cerasale, Yes; Suzanne Bryan, Yes

Aimée Eckman motion to nominate Jamie Demetri as Vice Chair and Suzanne Bryan as Clerk

Jerry Cerasale seconded the motion

VOTE: Aimée Eckman, Yes; Arthur Autorino, Yes; Jamie Demetri, Yes; Jerry Cerasale, Yes; Suzanne Bryan, Yes

ADJOURNMENT

Arthur Autorino made a motion to adjourn at 7:30PM

Jerry Cerasale seconded the motion

VOTE: Yes 5; No 0

Respectfully submitted,



Laurie Gillespie-Lee

Public documents for this meeting can be viewed on the town website through this link:

<https://www.eastham-ma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/1775/08-29-2022-BOWC-Packet>