



RAYNHAM BOARD of SEWER COMMISSIONERS

RAYNHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 8, 2018

PRESENT: Mr. Gordon Luciano, Chairman; Mr. Joseph Bettencourt, Commissioner; Mr. Edward Roster, Commissioner and Mr. John McGarry, Raynham Sewer Superintendent.

CALLED TO ORDER:

Mr. Luciano called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2018

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Roster and seconded by Mr. Bettencourt to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2018 as printed. Discussion: None. Vote: 3-0

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. John McGarry

Construction update

CN Corp is continuing to install the force main over the Church Street Bridge. The steel hangers have been installed and the steel sleeves have been welded. A portion of the force main was inserted into the steel sleeves today.

Pump Station

The Paddock Road Pump Station is complete. This week, the pump station finished and finalized the operational testing of the pump, emergency generator, and building heating and alarm system. The pump station will be on line starting Monday. The area surrounding the pump station has been cleaned and the area will be loamed and seeded in the spring.

Mr. Luciano asked about the issues resulting from the installation of the pump station presented by Mr. Caron a couple of weeks ago. Mr. McGarry informed that they will be submitting the information from Mr. Caron to the Town this week.

Paramount Pump Station

The design for the Paramount Pump Station is complete and the project is out to bid. There were approximately 5 bidders onsite today and Mr. McGarry is hopeful that a recommendation will be available for the next meeting.

I&I Project

Field Inspection for Phase 3 & Phase 4 is scheduled to begin on Monday. A pre-construction meeting was held today in the Sewer Department office.

North Raynham Odor Eliminators

No new update since the last meeting.

Wastewater Flow to Taunton

Mr. McGarry distributed a spreadsheet to the Board with the total amount of wastewater given to Taunton for the past month. Mr. McGarry informed that there were approximately 65 homes that tied in to the system this past year.

NEW BUSINESS

(A) Discuss meeting with Taunton officials regarding their wastewater treatment plant expansion

Mr. Bettencourt informed that he and Mr. McGarry met with the City of Taunton recently to review the concerns with the wastewater treatment plant in Taunton.

The cost for replacement of the main pumping station to the treatment plant in Taunton will be approximately \$20M. The cost portion from Raynham at 15.5% would be \$3,150,000.

There is also an additional cost of \$75M for the reconstruction of the main plant. The project would involve the removal of phosphorus. At the moment, the project is in appeals stages with the federal courts and if the City of Taunton wins the appeal, the project cost would only be \$50M. Again, the cost portion from Raynham would be 15.5% with zero percent interest. The City of Taunton informed that they are not looking to expand their sewer system and will not be constructing any new sewer lines due to budget reasons.

(B) Review & approve Sewer Department FY2019 Budget for Town Meeting

To help in the budget process, a spreadsheet was created for the budget that consists of salaries, pensions, benefits, etc. of all employees. The Town will be submitting a final figure for health insurance, pension and life insurance to Mr. McGarry shortly. Collective bargaining agreement increases for salaries have been factored in to the budget.

The total FY2019 budget (\$2,368,000) is less than FY2018 budget (\$2,503,000) due to a reduction taken in the budget for repair and maintenance. In 2018, the I&I budget was \$391,000 and this year Mr. McGarry is proposing only \$200,000 for the FY2019 Budget.

Because the Sewer Department is an Enterprise Account, the Department needs to show that they will generate enough revenue to support the budget. Mr. McGarry informed that the recent increase approved by the Board for sewer usage will aid in balancing the budget for this year. Sewer bills for the period of July 1-December 31, 2017 were mailed out today for a total 6-month revenue of \$971,000 projected.

MOTION: Moved Mr. Bettencourt and seconded by Mr. Roster to approve the FY2019 Budget as presented with amendment to (health insurance, pension and life insurance) once the final figures are obtained from the Town. The FY2019 Budget will then be presented to the Finance Committee followed by a presentation at the Town Meeting. Discussion: None. Vote: 3-0.

Mr. Luciano asked Mr. McGarry to inquire as to who will be the designee from the Finance Committee that will be looking over the Sewer Department's Budget presentation.

Tax Collector

Mr. McGarry submitted information to the Board regarding the bond and debt payments. For FY 2018 the debt payment was \$1,263,182.00.

OLD BUSINESS

(A) Discuss Phase 7 Sewer Expansion scope

Mr. Luciano would like to open discussions on a potential sewer expansion to be presented this year and what the project will consist of. The project will then need to be presented to the Finance Committee to be placed on the May Town Meeting Warrant followed by a debt exclusion vote in June. A presentation was given to the Board of Selectman about two weeks ago that included projects that have been completed and what still needs to be done. A list was presented to the Board of Selectmen as to the streets in Raynham that still need sewer service and those that will need a pumping station. Commercial use and full build-out for the Town was also discussed during the meeting.

With Phase 6 nearing completion, Mr. Luciano informed that the Board will need to discuss possibly Phase 7.

PROJECT-A

Park Place and Gatsby Drive were presented to the Commissioner's as a Citizens Petition. The Commission has already committed to the project. The project is 100% designed and the force main has been installed. The total cost for this project would be \$1.8M.

High Ridge Drive has a total of 12 homes for a total project cost of \$570,000.

Rt. 138 has a total of 7 homes for a total project cost of \$360,000.

Lounsbury Drive, Diniz Drive and Hewitt Drive – total project cost would be \$1.5M.

Total cost for all projects - approximately \$4.4M

PROJECT-B

To include the following six streets that requires sewer, but no pumping station: Cedarmill Drive, Rose Terrace, Juniper Hill, Mill Street West, Brook Street and Fair Lane. The total cost for this project would be \$1.8M.

Total cost for Project A & B - \$6.2M.

Betterment Costs

PROJECT A – The betterment cost per home would be approximately \$5,900 at the 25% rate.

PROJECT A & B – The betterment cost per home would be approximately \$6,500 at the 25% rate.

Project Schedule

The projects could begin in the summer of 2018 with a total construction time of 2 years.

Mr. Bettencourt stated that he would be in favor with the option to include both projects. Once Phase 7 is complete, the remaining number of homes in Raynham without service would be about 191 homes. These homes would require 4 pumping stations at a cost of \$1.8M – \$2M. The betterment costs would be well into 5 figures per home.

Mr. Roster informed that he would support either option, but would be like to see the latter option which includes the additional six streets.

A resident was present and expressed his feelings on the options presented. He felt that the option to include the additional 6 streets at an additional betterment cost of \$600 would be a better choice.

Mr. Luciano would be in favor to support the option to include the additional 6 streets for the residents of Raynham.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Bettencourt and seconded by Mr. Roster to support Phase 7 of the Sewer Expansion at a cost of \$6.2M but not limited to the following: Park Place, Gatsby Drive, High Ridge Drive, Rt. 138, Lounsbury Drive, Diniz Drive, Hewitt Drive, Cedarmill Drive, Rose Terrace, Juniper Hill, Mill Street West, Brook Street and Fair Lane. Discussion: None. Vote: 3-0.

(B) Sign Change Order for Phase 3 I&I study to add some field services
The Town had some issues with the contractor hired by AECOM for Phase 1 & 2, therefore, Mr. McGarry is recommending a Change Order to hire National Water Main Cleaning for Phase 3 I&I Services for South Street West through Pleasant Field. There will be a few changes to the scope of work for Phase 3 which include the use of GPS to locate the 114 manholes.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Bettencourt and seconded by Mr. Roster to approve the Change Order for Phase 3 I&I Services in the amount of \$24,030.30. Discussion: None. Vote: 3-0.

(C) Sign AECOM Masters Services Agreement for Phase 4 I&I study of Deer Hollow subdivision

Mr. McGarry informed that a Master Service was signed for Phase 1, 2 and 3, but since the Board added Phase 4 – Deer Hollow, AECOM requested that a new Master Service Agreement be signed.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Bettencourt and seconded by Mr. Roster to approve AECOM Master Service for Phase 4 I&I Services for Deer Hollow. Discussion: None. Vote: 3-0

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Luciano asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Moved by Mr. Bettencourt and seconded by Mr. Roster to adjourn from the Raynham Sewer Commission Meeting of February 8, 2018 at 7:22pm for the performance of administrative duties, signing bills with no business to be conducted afterwards.

Vote: 3-0

Transcribed from Recording

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Caradonna

Recording Secretary

Meeting dates:

Thursday, March 8, 2018 @ 6:00pm
