

Committee Members  
Councilman Philip Pessina, Chairman  
Councilman Thomas Serra  
Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano  
Councilman Robert Blanchard  
Joseph Bibisi  
Dale Aldieri, Vice Chair/ WPCA Chairman  
John Giuliano  
Elise McDermott  
David Bauer  
Brian Gartner

Committee Staff  
Joseph Fazzino, Director

**MINUTES**  
**MATTABASSETT REGIONALIZATION BUILDING COMMITTEE**  
**MEETINGS**  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2019**  
**5:30 P.M.**  
**82 BERLIN STREET, MIDDLETOWN, CT**

**Members Present:** Dale Aldieri, Vice Chairman/WPCA Chairman  
Councilman Robert Blanchard  
Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano  
John Giuliano  
Joseph Bibisi  
David Bauer  
Elise McDermott

**Members Absent:** Councilman Philip Pessina, Chairman  
Councilman Thomas Serra  
Brian Gartner

**Staff Present:** Joseph Fazzino, Director

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

**1. Chairman Calls Meeting to Order**

Dale Aldieri, Vice Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

**2. Public Comments**

The Public Comment portion of the meeting was opened and closed at 5:31 PM with no comments from the Public.

**3. Approval of Minutes**

Motion by John Giuliano and seconded by Councilman Robert Blanchard to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 18, 2018. The motion was approved with

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six members voting in favor of the motion and Councilman Sebastian Giuliano abstaining.

#### **4. Financial Report**

4.1 Elise McDermott informed the committee that there have been no changes to the Financial Report.

Motion by John Giuliano and seconded by Councilman Robert Blanchard to accept the Financial Report as presented.

4.2A,B,C Joseph Fazzino informed the committee that invoices from the December committee meeting, that had not been reviewed at the time of the meeting, were approved by the Sub Committee. The invoices approved were Prime AE Group, Inc. Inv. #55 \$150,666.01, Walsh Construction II, LLC Inv. #22 \$1,277,408.71 and Tighe & Bond Inv. #20 121890226-228 \$52,066.19.

Motion by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano and seconded by John Giuliano to approve the ratifications of the Sub Committee. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.3A,B,C Joseph Fazzino informed the committee that he had reviewed Prime AE Group, Inc. Inv. #56 \$71,518.00, Walsh Construction Co. II, LLC Inv. #23 \$1,246,573.22 and Tighe & Bond Inv. #21 011990072-073 \$77,609.11 and recommended approval of the invoices.

Motion by John Giuliano and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to approve payment of Prime AE Group, Inc. Inv. #56 \$71,518.00, Walsh Construction Co. II, LLC Inv. #23 \$1,246,573.22 and Tighe & Bond Inv. #21 011990072-073 \$77,609.11. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.3. D Motion by John Giuliano and seconded by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano to approve the Recording Secretary Payroll of 6 ½ hrs. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.4 A Motion by David Bauer and seconded by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano to approve the elimination of Prime Amendment #3 Task #9 On Call Consulting Services- Negotiations \$25,000.00. The motion passed unanimously.

4.4 B. Guy Russo requested the committee to table Prime AE Group, Inc. Amendment #4 till next month's meeting.

Motion by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano and seconded by Joseph Bibisi to table Prime AE Group, Inc. Amendment #4 Engineering Fees till the February committee

meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.4 C Joseph Fazzino, Director informed the committee that the cost for Walsh Construction Co. II, LLC CO #5 credit (\$11, 251.42) was revised to add other items. This increased the cost from a credit of (\$11,251.42) to an amended total of \$11,716.15. He is awaiting some backup information for the CO.

Motion by Councilman Robert Blanchard and seconded by David Bauer to approve the amended figure of \$11,716.15 for Walsh Construction II, LLC CO #5.

Discussion:

David Bauer requested that the motion be amended to approve the change order with a limit no greater than \$12,000.

Motion by David Bauer seconded by Councilman Robert Blanchard that Walsh Construction II, LLC CO#5 be approved with a limit no greater than \$12,000.00. The amended motion was approved unanimously.

## **5. Staff Update**

Joseph Fazzino reported to the committee that the Planning, Legal Department and the Mayor's Office have approved Tighe & Bond Amendment #3. A meeting has been setup with the Purchasing Dept. to schedule the advertising and bidding of the Decommissioning of the River Rd. Treatment Plant in the spring.

## **6. Construction Engineering Updates**

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

- Two electricians on site to do a conduit run starting with the first of the electrical cabinets in the electrical room.
- Mechanical heaters are in and the HVAC duct is being finished up. The mechanical piping is continuing.
- The painters have begun work with the grit chamber. The walls are 100% done and the flat work and inlet work for the channels are pretty much done.
- The progress meetings are being held the last Thursday of the month and coordination meetings are being held on the first Tuesday of the month.
- All the block filler is in.
- The mason continues to work and the east wall facing RT. 9 is finished. The north wall is almost done and he will be starting on the cast stone on the front of the building.
- The four pumps are on site and will be installed once the work on the back of the building is completed and the scaffolding is removed.
- The four staircases should be in within a week.

- The carpenter and roofer are just about finished with the cupola.
- Updated schedule has been received from the contractor with startup and training at the end of May. The project will be substantially complete on May 31<sup>st</sup> minus the retaining wall and detention areas, seeding and landscaping, final paving and the River Road portion of the project. Switchgear and permanent power online is estimated at the beginning of May.

Paul Malmrose, Tighe & Bond informed the committee that the original substantial completion date was February 6<sup>th</sup> has been revised to May 31<sup>st</sup> and the finals items such as punch list items and landscaping was to be completed by May 17<sup>th</sup> and has been revised to August 26<sup>th</sup>.

John Giuliano questioned if the request to remove the trees to open up the view of the building had been taken care of.

Guy Russo, Prime AE Group, Inc. said he is working with Sara Mendillo, Mayors Chief of Staff to setup a meeting with the Mayor and the CT DOT Commissioner to discuss the removal of the trees.

## **7. Old Business**

The estimated cost of the bronze City Seal and etching of Francis T. Patnaude at the Pump Station entranceway is estimated at \$7,000.00. It was determined after a meeting with Mayor Drew, Landmark Architects, Prime AE Group, Inc. and the Chairman that the difference between the cement casting and the bronze would need to be paid from the project. The City would own the permanent mold of the City Seal that could be used in the future on other projects.

## **8. Executive Session**

Motion by John Giuliano and seconded by Councilman Robert Blanchard to enter into Executive Session to update the Mattabassett District negotiations review and strategy at 6:06 PM. The motion was approved unanimously.


Present in Executive Session were Dale Aldieri, Vice Chairman, Councilman Robert Blanchard, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Joseph Bibisi, John Giuliano, Elise McDermott and David Bauer.

Motion by Councilman Robert Blanchard and seconded by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano to come out of Executive Session at 6:24 PM. The motion was approved unanimously.

**9. Adjournment**

Motion by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano and seconded by John Giuliano to adjourn at 6:26 PM. The motion was approved unanimously.

Attest:

  
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Sandra S. Pascualano