

August 18, 2011

**Present:**

Lee M. Azinheira, Chairman  
Mark S. Nunes, Clerk

Manuel Branco, Vice Chairman  
David T. Hickox, Director

Carlos Cardoso, WPC Plant Manager  
Paul Pacheco, Superintendent Services & Infrastructure

Steven Sullivan, Superintendent Water & Sewer Division

The Chairman called the meeting to order at approximately 7:30 a.m.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**A motion was made by Mr. Branco and duly seconded by Mr. Nunes to approve and accept the warrants for the bills payable for the period ending August 18, 2011. So voted.**

**A motion was made by Mr. Branco and duly seconded by Mr. Nunes to approve and accept the payrolls for the weeks ending: July 22, 29, August 4, and 12, 2011. So voted.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Discussion regarding curbside recycling service and CIP requests**

Mr. Hickox reviewed the CIP requests options for both single and dual stream recycling. The current number associated processing single stream recyclables is \$30 a ton. Mr. Azinheira noted that Mansfield's current contract has an option for price sharing. Mr. Hickox pointed out that the Department generated \$92,000 in dual-stream recyclables in fiscal 2011. Mr. Nunes commented as market conditions change the Department can adapt accordingly. A brief discussion relative to lead time necessary to purchase and deliver equipment ensued.

**Discussion on Water Division Articles  
Unidirectional Flushing Proposal**

Mr. Hickox presented the proposal from Fay, Spoffard and Thorndike (F S & T) for the preparation of a unidirectional flushing program. He noted that F S & T worked on the Town's hydraulic model. He also pointed out that the program will make the process more efficient and will pay for itself over time.

**A motion was made by Mr. Branco and duly seconded by Mr. Nunes to approve the proposal presented by Fay, Spoffard and Thorndike for the preparation of a unidirectional flushing program for the lump sum amount of \$17,500. So voted.**

**New Source Approval – Panelli Well Site**

Mr. Hickox noted that at the last meeting they discussed the cost to develop a well field at the Panelli Well Site. It has been determined that there is additional yield at the site; 500 gallons per minute

of new source, with no restrictions for flow. Mr. Hickox added that he requested a more detailed proposal from the consultants to determine what could be completed by the Department in house. He reviewed the detailed listing provided by the consultants.

Mr. Hickox asked the Board if they wished to proceed with the new source development at the Panelli Well Site.

**A motion was made by Mr. Branco and duly developed by Mr. Nunes to award the contract subject to funding to AECOM to obtain New Source Approval for a new source of well supply at the Panelli Site. So voted.**

### **Landfill Mowing**

Mr. Hickox reminded the Board that the motion to award the landfill mowing was rescinded at a prior meeting due to solar panel project. Since that time the company that had received the original bid was notified, and thus has submitted a proposal to mow the remaining acreage.

**A motion was made by Mr. Nunes and duly seconded by Branco to accept the proposal submitted by T-Corp to hold the price per acre and adjust the acreage accordingly. So voted.**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Bid Award Recommendation – Water Main Re-Construction Elm Street, Lucy Street, Wilson Street, and Howland Street**

Mr. Hickox explained the water main project and its classification as a priority project in the Water Master Plan. The contractor plans to mobilize the second week of September. Mr. Azinheira asked what the compaction requirements are for the project. Mr. Hickox replied that it was specified as mechanical compaction. Mr. Azinheira noted that it might be worth the effort to have Tibbetts conduct a compaction testing at the beginning of the project. Mr. Hickox added that they will inform the contractor at the pre-construction meeting that there will be spot checking on the compaction. He noted that their goal is to have the project completed prior to Thanksgiving.

**A motion was made by Mr. Nunes and duly seconded by Mr. Branco to award the bid for Water Main Re-Construction at Elm Street, Lucy Street, Wilson Street, and Howland Street to the low bidder, ME Smith, Inc. of Spencer, MA. So voted.**

#### **Water Testing & Analysis Program**

Mr. Sullivan recommended keeping the current company due to the distance to the sample testing facility.

**A motion was made by Mr. Branco and duly seconded by Mr. Nunes to award the bid for water testing and analysis to Analytical Balance of Middleboro, MA. So voted.**

#### **Discussion regarding Assistant Water Pollution Control Plant Manager candidates**

Mr. Hickox informed the Board that the position was advertised. After a review of the candidates and based on qualifications, Mr. Cardoso and he recommend the individual that stood out amongst his peers. The individual's credentials were presented to the Board.

**A motion was made by Mr. Branco and duly seconded by Mr. Nunes to approve the Director of Public Works to extend an offer to top candidate for the position of Assistant Water Pollution Control Division. So voted.**

**Application for Licensed Utility Layer – Nathanyl Gomes Construction Corp. of New Bedford MA**

Mr. Hickox asked the Board to hold acting on the application until the insurance documents could be reviewed in more detail. The Board members agreed.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

The Chairman asked those present if they wished to discuss any other business that morning.

Mr. Hickox noted that Verizon is still on strike which has impacted the Dartmouth Street Reconstruction Project. Due to pole relocations the resurfacing of the roadway will be delayed. Mr. Hickox also informed the Board that the curb reveal for ADA on Bliss Corner was redesigned causing a step to one of the properties. The state is currently reworking the grades.

Mr. Hickox remarked that he wrote a letter to the state regarding his concern about the proposed method of pavement for the rehabilitation of Dartmouth Street overlay due to the change in conditions since the commencement of project. He received a response that instructed him to have our engineer review and recommend for their review. He noted that the paving was originally reviewed and the engineer had recommended a three inch cold plane with an inch and half leveler and an inch and half top, and the state denied the leveler. He said he would send a second correspondence denoting that the state had denied the original engineering paving recommendation.

Mr. Hickox took the opportunity to ask the Board's opinion as to whether or not the new Assistant Water Pollution Control Plant Manager should be part of the newly formed Steel Workers' Union. The Board members agreed that all the managers should be part of the same bargaining group.

The Board members agreed to meet again on September 8, at 7:30 a.m.

Having no further business to discuss that morning, at approximately 8:30 a.m. a motion was made by Mr. Branco and duly seconded by Mr. Nunes to adjourn the meeting. So voted.

Respectfully submitted:  
Michelle L. DeFranco, Administrative Assistant

Approved: 09/08/11