

INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING

A G E N D A

Monday, January 25, 2010

6:00 p.m.

Hampden Town Office

1. Minutes of 11/23/2009
2. Old Business
 - a. Update on Route 1A MDOT project (PW Director)
 - b. Road Opening language (not ready for discussion)
 - c. Mayo Road Resident meeting update (PW Director)
3. New Business
 - a. Sewer Manhole Cover Risers (PW Director)
 - b. Truck & Loader Bids (PW Director)
4. Public Comments
5. Committee Member Comments

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MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2009

6:00 P.M.

HAMPDEN TOWN OFFICE

Attending:

<i>Mayor Matthew Arnett</i>	<i>Joe McElvin, Glacial Energy</i>
<i>Chairman Thomas Brann</i>	<i>Shawn Lewin, Glacial Energy</i>
<i>Councilor William Shakespeare</i>	
<i>Councilor Andre Cushing</i>	
<i>Councilor Shannon Cox (6:10 p.m.)</i>	
<i>Town Manager Sue Lessard</i>	

1. Minutes of 10/26/09 Meeting – *The minutes of the 10/26/09 meeting were reviewed and no changes or amendments were proposed.*
2. Old Business - *None*
3. New Business
 - a. MDOT Bridge replacement Update – *The Public Works Director explained that the DOT has originally proposed to replace the Old Grist Mill Bridge near the Water District during 2010 with a new style of bridge that utilizes plastic forms filled with concrete. If that had occurred, the Town would have had to move and upgrade its sewer lines that run under that bridge. Due to the nature of the water activity there, including ice dams, the DOT has decided to put off the project for at least the next year.*
 - b. Sewer Ordinance Language – Request from Bangor – *The Public Works Director explained that he had met with a representative of the City of Bangor in regard to language that is included in the agreement that Bangor has with the Town of Hampden for use of its sewer treatment facility. That required language is not included in the Town's Sewer Ordinance. It was the consensus of the committee members that the staff develop language for consideration by the Committee at its next regular meeting*
 - c. Liberty Mutual Fire Department Grant – *The Town Manager distributed flyers for the Liberty Mutual Grant Program. Employees will receive a notice in their paychecks to participate. If the Town has the most online votes – it can win up to \$10,000.*
 - d. Glacial Energy – Alternative to Standard Offer – *The Town Manager presented information related to the alternative supply offer for the Town's small electric meters that had been submitted by Glacial Energy. The proposal comparison showed that the Town would have saved approximately \$1700 if it had made the change in the prior twelve month period. There is no fee for participation, there is no contract requirement, billing is done via email and payment is made a direct debit ach transaction. If the Town is unhappy with the program it can simply call and switch back to the standard*

offer through Bangor Hydro. Mr. McElvin and Lewin provided the Committee with some background information on the company and its history. Motion by Andre Cushing, seconded by William Shakespeare that Infrastructure recommend to the full Council that the Town Manager be authorized to transfer electric suppliers from the Standard Offer to Glacial Energy. Vote 5-0.

- e. Road Opening Language – Referral to Planning & Development Committee – The Public Works Director discussed his desire for a policy in this regard that was consistent with the State policy. It was the consensus of those in attendance that the Staff should provide the Committee with proposed language for consideration at its next meeting.*
- f. CSO Tank piping problems – The Public Works Director explained to the Committee the problems that the Town had been having in regard to the Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Tanks near the Water District. For the past year they have been leaking and investigations as to what was wrong had not provided any answers. This week the Town had the line across Route 1A cameraed and discovered that the line was essentially in a state of collapse. The old clay pipe is broken and cracked in a number of places, which results in the sewage overflow draining out of the tanks and into the ground. The proposed repair of the problem is to have a firm do a directional bore across Route 1A and then install new piping to prevent further leakage of sewer overflow into the ground. The approximate cost of the boring is \$8,500 to \$9,000 and the approximate cost of the construction to install the pipe is \$9,000. Since both items are less than the bid ceiling, motion by Matthew Arnett, seconded by Shannon Cox to authorize the Town Manager to proceed with the emergency repairs to the CSO system. The vote was unanimous.*

4. Public Comments

5. Committee Member Comments

- The Public Works Director reported that he and the engineers had met with some Mayo Road residents in regard to the upcoming project and that the meetings were positive and productive. Once the design is finalized, a meeting will be held for all Mayo Road residents in order to update them on the status of the project.*
- Councilor Brann asked the Manager to check with Bangor Hydro to see if the time for the walk light for the crosswalk at Route 202 and Western Avenue could be lengthened.*
- It was the consensus of the Committee that the closure of Town Office and operations surrounding the Christmas/New Year holidays be left to the discretion of the Town Manager.*

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m. by Chairman Brann.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Lessard, Town Manager



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January 20, 2010

To: Sue Lessard
From: Chip Swan
Subject: SEWER MANHOLE COVER RISERS

WE have 72 manhole cover risers to buy for the 2010 paving program. The cost of these risers is \$10,500.00. Etheridge Foundry in Portland is the only vendor to produce these pre-cast risers. I would like to recommend we waive the bid process and award this to the Etheridge Foundry.

I would like this subject added to the January 25th Infrastructure Meeting.

Yours truly,

Chip Swan, PWD



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To: Sue Lessard
From: Chip Swan
Subject: Truck & Loader bids before July

I would like to have the truck and loader bid put on the January 25th Infrastructure committee meeting.

Last year we bid the new truck early and we received it in October in time for the winter season.

I would like to bid the truck and loader in March and open in April. We would receive this equipment after July, which will be in the next budget.

Yours truly,

Chip Swan, PWD