

WELLESLEY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS RECORDS
APRIL 4, 2022

The Wellesley Board of Public Works held a duly posted open online remote meeting beginning at 4:00 PM.

Remote participants included Commissioners Scott Bender and Ellen Korpi; Director David A. Cohen; Assistant Director Jeff Azano-Brown; Town Engineer David J. Hickey, Jr.; Water & Sewer Superintendent William J. Shaughnessy; Executive Assistant Debra Sumner; and, Advisory Subcommittee Liaison Pete Pedersen.

Chair Wechsler was not present due to a schedule conflict. Vice Chair Bender opened the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

CITIZEN SPEAK

Mr. Bender provided anyone participating remotely with the opportunity to speak regarding matters pertaining to the Department of Public Works. No one chose to speak.

Advisory Committee Liaison Update. Director Cohen invited Mr. Pedersen to bring any matters to the attention of the Board of Public Works. Mr. Pedersen confirmed with that Director Cohen would be available to participate in the Advisory Committee Meeting at 6:00 PM tonight and to provide any updates on the Walnut Street Reconstruction Project.

Bid Recommendation Contract # 22C-460-1691- Open-Cut Sewer Repairs. Director Cohen referred to the Bid Recommendation prepared by Water & Sewer Division Systems Engineer Matthew Herson, P.E. Mr. Cohen explained that the need for this work was identified in order to prevent potential system sewer collapses in a number of locations. The Director also noted 11 bids were submitted in response to the advertisements for this contract, which conveyed there is healthy competition for this work. Granese & Sons, Inc. the contractor selected, has had an extensive history of municipal sewer main replacement and has successfully completed a number of contracts in Wellesley.

Following a brief discussion and upon motion duly made by Ms. Korpi and seconded by Mr. Bender, it was unanimously,

VOTED: That the award for Contract No. 22C-460-1691, "Open-Cut Sewer Repairs" be made to N. Granese & Sons, Inc. of 59 Jefferson Avenue, Salem, MA 01970, all in accordance with our specifications and their bid in the amount of \$89,000.00 as the lowest responsible and responsive bidder.

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Surplus Land for a 4-8 Municipal Way for General Municipal Purposes. Director Cohen explained this action related to the Municipal Light Plant (MLP) property is to clarify that the MLP and Municipal Light Board has ownership of this land, not the Board of Public Works, which at one time oversaw the MLP. Under guidance from Town Counsel we are asking that the Board of Public Works vote that this property has no purpose for the Board or Department of Public Works and this action will free up the MLP to use the land without encumbrance.

Ms. Korpi explained, for the record, the land purchase for ownership by the Town made in 1924 was paid for by contributions of 25% by each of the following divisions: the Municipal Light Plant, Water Division, Highway Division and Select Board.

Ms. Korpi conveyed that while the Town owns the land, when the Municipal Light Plant (MLP) separated from the DPW, action was not taken to do the legal housekeeping to provide full control of this parcel to the MLP. This action did not become necessary until recently when the MLP was to sign a contract to lease energy storage equipment on this parcel of land and requires that the MLP have full control of that land.

Once each party has relinquished its interest, the action will be approved at the Special Town Meeting on April 11, 2022, after which a certificate will be provided by Town Clerk to the lender.

Following a discussion and review of a map (copy attached) with detailed clarification of the location and upon motion duly made by Ms. Korpi and seconded by Mr. Bender, it was unanimously,

VOTED: To move pursuant to M.G.L. c.40, Section 15A, to declare that 4-8 Municipal Way (Parcel ID 74-50) and shown as Map 74, Lot 50, on a Plan entitled – "Wellesley Municipal Facilities Activity and Use Limitation Areas", dated February 18, 2010, and which plan is recorded in the Norfolk Registry of Deeds as page 77 of 2010 in Plan Book 598, is no longer needed by the Board of Public Works for general municipal purposes and to direct the Director of Public Works to provide notice of this declaration to the Select Board. (2-0).

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Annual Town Meeting Preparation. Director Cohen conveyed that members of the Engineering Division Staff are evaluating the bids received in response to the Wellesley Middle School Parking Lot Improvement Project, which came in lower than the estimate, and enabled the funding request to be reduced by \$500,000.00.

Walnut Street Reconstruction. The Director conveyed he will have more information following the bid opening on April 28.

Article 19. Mr. Cohen also referred to the revised motion for this article due to the addition of funds from other projects.

Article 22. The Water and Sewer Loan Authorization will be addressed, as well as the Water Budget (Article 13).

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Korpi and seconded by Mr. Bender, it was unanimously,

VOTED: To adjourn (2-0).

Ms. Korpi – Aye
Mr. Bender – Aye

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Ellen L. Korpi
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Ellen Korpi
Secretary

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REMOTE ONLINE MEETING
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AGENDA

- Call to Order

- A. Citizen Speak
- B. Advisory Committee Liaison Update
- C. Director's Items
- D. Contract Award - Open-Cut Sewer Repairs
- E. Discuss and Vote Declaration of Surplus Land for a 4-8 Municipal Way for General Municipal Purposes
- F. Annual Town Meeting Preparation
- G. Topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chair prior to posting, if any
- H. New Business

- Adjournment

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