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TOWN OF EDGARTOWN BOARD OF WASTE WATER COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF MAY 1, 2014

WASTE WATER COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mr. Glen S. Searle, Chairman
Mr. Scott Ellis, Commissioner
Mr. Sean E. Murphy, Commissioner

EWWD STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. David Thompson, Facilities Manager
Mrs. Pia Webster, Administrative Assistant

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

The Board of Waste Water Commissioners of the Town of Edgartown held a Special Meeting on Thursday, May 1, 2014, at 4:00 p.m. in the conference room at the Edgartown Waste Water Treatment Facility, located at 330 West Tisbury Road, Edgartown, Mass. At 4:00 p.m., Chairman Designate Glen S. Searle called the meeting to order.

NEW BUSINESS:

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD.

Administrative Assistant Pia Webster indicated that it was time to appoint a Chairman officially. Waste Water Commissioner Scott Ellis made a motion to make Mr. Searle the Chairman, seconded by Waste Water Commissioner Sean E. Murphy. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

DISCUSS/VOTE: AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR RESIDUAL SOLIDS MANAGEMENT.

The Board members considered a three-year contract with Synagro Northeast, LLC titled "Agreement for Professional Services for Residual Solids Management" with a service commencement date of July 1, 2014 and an expiration date of June 30, 2017. *[For*

background, see page 4 of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 17, 2014.] Responding to a question from the Chairman, Facilities Manager David Thompson explained that the cost per wet ton would be adjusted from the current price on July 1, 2014, based upon the Consumer Price Index for transportation in the Boston-Brockton-Nashua region. Commissioner Murphy asked if Town Counsel Ronald H. Rappaport had signed off on the agreement. Yes, Mr. Thompson replied, and the offending renewal-clause language had been removed. “Thank you,” said Chairman Searle.

Mr. Thompson remarked that the current cost of \$74.02 per wet ton was a “good price.” Commissioner Murphy wanted to know if the Facilities Manager had been happy with Synagro’s service, and Mr. Thompson said that he had been. Commissioner Murphy then made a motion to authorize the Facilities Manager to sign the agreement with Synagro on behalf of the Board. Commissioner Ellis offered a second, and the motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

DISCUSSION: INVITATION FOR BID – TRANSPORTATION OF DEWATERED SLUDGE CAKE TO DISPOSAL FACILITY.

Facilities Manager Thompson spelled out how the Invitation For Bid document for Transportation of Sludge Cake to Disposal Facility had evolved from conversations he had had with Town Counsel and Procurement Officer Jen O’Hanlon about the need to adhere to Chapter 30B requirements in arranging for the transport of sludge cake off-Island. [*Ibid.*, pages 4-5.] The text itself, he said, was from a facility in central Massachusetts. He was hoping, Mr. Thompson continued, to advertise – for two weeks – beginning the following week.

The Facilities Manager described as “open-ended” the Department’s current agreement with R.M. Packer Co., Inc. Can anyone else do this? Bruno’s? asked Commissioner Murphy. “Possibly,” answered Mr. Thompson, who related that Ralph Packer kept “a pocket of reservations” to use throughout the season, allowing him a degree of flexibility that other carriers might not have.

One thing to consider, the Facilities Manager went on, was that Packer took the cargo to a yard in New Bedford belonging to ABC Disposal Service, which in turn took it to the Synagro incineration facility in Woonsocket, R.I. The cost of ABC’s part of the arrangement had been built into Packer’s price. So it was possible that ABC, which now did business on the Island, would consider taking on the entire route at a lower cost to the Department.

After a few more questions, Commissioner Ellis said, “Go ahead. Take whatever actions are necessary.” The Chairman and Commissioner Murphy agreed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Chairman Searle requested a motion to discuss the discipline or dismissal, or complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual, and not reconvene in Open Session. We’re going into Executive Session? asked

Commissioner Murphy. Yes, answered the Chairman. So moved, said Commissioner Murphy. Commissioner Ellis provided a second. Admin Assistant Webster then conducted a Roll Call Vote on the motion, with results as follows:

Mr. Searle	Aye
Mr. Ellis	Aye
Mr. Murphy	Aye

The Board of Waste Water Commissioners entered into Executive Session at 4:17 p.m.

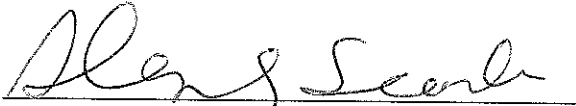
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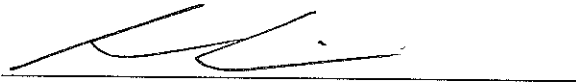
Pia Webster
Administrative Assistant

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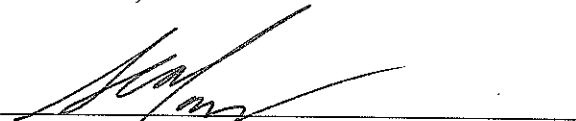
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