

## TOWN OF EDGARTOWN

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# TOWN OF EDGARTOWN BOARD OF WASTE WATER COMMISSIONERS

# MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF MAY 7, 2013

#### WASTE WATER COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mr. James K. Carter, Chairman Mr. Glen S. Searle, Commissioner

WASTE WATER COMMISSIONER ABSENT: Mr. Timothy K. Connelly

#### **EWWD STAFF PRESENT:**

Ms. Shelley Reed, Assistant/Operator Mr. David Thompson, Chief Operator Mrs. Pia Webster, Administrative Assistant

### **OTHER(S) PRESENT:**

None

#### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

The Board of Waste Water Commissioners of the Town of Edgartown held a Special Meeting at 8:15 a.m. on Tuesday, May 7, 2013, in the conference room at the Edgartown Waste Water Treatment Facility, located at 330 West Tisbury Road, Edgartown, Mass. At 8:15 a.m., Chairman James K. Carter called the meeting to order.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

# DISCUSSION/VOTE: AWARD OF ODOR CONTROL SYSTEM COATING REPLACEMENT CONTRACT.

Chairman Carter announced that the Department had received a single bid for Contract No. 2012-1, Odor Control System Coating Replacement at the EWWTF. R.J. Forbes Painting Contractor, Inc. had bid \$147,900 for a job for which the Department's expected costs were about \$25,000, he said. "About thirty-five thousand," Chief Operator David Thompson corrected, "so it was a fourfold jump in cost." It being mid-May, continued Mr. Thompson, he recommended that they "let it rest until September and then start over."

Commissioner Glen S. Searle asked how much money there was to spend on the project. We have about \$32,000 left, answered Mr. Thompson.

Commissioner Searle made a motion to reject the low bid \$147,900 from R.J. Forbes Painting Contractor, Inc. for Contract 2012-1, Odor Control System Coating Replacement at the Edgartown Waste Water Treatment Facilities, because the bid figure exceeded the Department's budget. Chairman Carter provided a second.

Chairman Carter asked for assurance that the Board could, in fact, reject the bid. Admin Assistant Pia Webster quoted from page 42 of "The Chapter 30B Manual":

"You are not required to award a contract.... Once bids are opened, you may reject all the bids if you determine that such action is in the best interest of your local jurisdiction. For example, it is in the best interest of your local jurisdiction to reject all bids if the lowest price exceeds your budget ..."

The Chairman then conducted a voice vote on Commissioner Searle's motion, which carried unanimously.

Mrs. Webster offered to call the bidder with the news and to inform him formally by letter as well.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chairman Carter asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Searle offered a motion to adjourn, seconded by the Chairman. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote, and Chairman Carter adjourned the meeting at 8:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pin Webster

Pia Webster

Administrative Assistant

APPROVED:

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James K. Carter, Chairman

Glen S. Searle, Commissioner