

Town Building Committee  
Special Meeting Minutes  
Of March 18, 2014

Present: Raymond O'Connor  
John Rhodes  
Abe Fisher

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March 20 2014 AT 3:25 AM (PM)  
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EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

Also Present: Mel Wiese-Owner  
Gary Waters-PM Wiese Construction  
John Erickson-PE Wiese Construction  
Ernest Wiese-Owner  
Bill Sheer-Town Engineer  
First Selectman Paul Formica

1. Call to Order. Chairman O'Connor called the March 18, 2014 Town Building Committee Special Meeting to order at 5 p.m.
2. New Business.

Post bid review with Wiese Construction for Boardwalk Reconstruction:

Mr. Wiese reported there will be an improved road and temporary fence during beach season. Public access to the beach will be available during beach season via temporary gates. Escorts will be handled by the Town. The new road from the pavilion to the hole-in-the-wall underpass will remain after project is complete.

Mr. Sheer reminded Mr. Wiese that during Celebrate East Lyme the road will be turned over to the Town. The Sunday after it, the road will be turned back to Wiese Construction.

Mr. Wiese provided resumes of staff and similar project references. Mr. Waters will be on site during all activities as Project Manager.

Mr. Wiese stated he plans to clear access to the far East end and work back toward the West.

Mr. Wiese informed the Committee that Wiese Construction has purchased a vibratory pile driver for use with an excavator. No crane will be used for this project, unless necessary. Mr. Sheer stated AMTRACK would prefer not to use a crane due to the high voltage overhead track wires.

Mr. Rhodes asked when it is used will it fit? Mr. Wiese replied it will. He added we will improve the road to the east end.

Mr. Wiese was asked for value engineering suggestions. He mentioned concrete mix design and recycling of existing rocks.

Mr. Rhodes asked will you remove the AMTRACK fence. Mr. Wiese replied the black fence has been demolished by the storms and any remnants will be removed.

Mr. Sheer showed a photo display of the area before Irene, after Irene and after Sandy.

Mr. Sheer informed him we would like to reuse whatever rocks we can. Mr. Wiese replied any large rocks will be saved. Mr. Sheer asked when you have used whatever rocks you can for this project; will you be able to get rid of the remainder? Mr. Waters stated we plan to use 100% of the rock. Whatever is left over can be buried or sold.

Mr. Sheer stated all 20# crushed stone must be new.

Mr. O'Connor asked will you supply fencing and railing as specified. Mr. Wiese replied carried such in their bid.

Mr. Rhodes asked would it be worthwhile to walk us through the sequence. Mr. Wiese replied we would have mobilization activity to set up erosion controls and use AMTRAK approved rap to the access location.

Mr. Rhodes asked will there be a sorting area? Mr. Wiese showed a pedestrian area on the plan. Mr. Sheer informed Mr. Wiese we are planning to repave the parking lot after this project.

Mr. O'Connor asked when you will need to know if we want to use an alternate. He was informed the sooner the better. Mr. Sheer added AMTRAK will also need to know.

Mr. O'Connor asked will you have bonding and insurance within ten days. Mr. Wiese replied they will.

Mr. O'Connor asked what manpower will be available during this project. Mr. Wiese replied Mr. Waters will be the full time Project Manager and Mel and Ernest Wiese will be on site. We will hire as needed. The railing and fences will be subcontracted. A subcontracted electrician will take care of permanent grounding.

Mr. O'Connor asked when is the latest date you can pour concrete. Mr. Wiese replied it is weather dependant but he felt November. Mr. Rhodes stated if you were not able to pump concrete due to late contract award of doing in the Spring would require remobilization.

Mr. Waters questioned the requirement to pour sidewalk in 25 foot maximum lengths while expansion joints were shown to be 30 feet apart. Mr. Sheer said we can discuss with Parsons(the Engineer).

Mr. O'Connor discussed liquidated damages. Mr. Wiese liquidated damages will not be an issue as long as dates are negotiated prior to signing contract.

Committee member John Rhodes left the meeting.

Mr. Sheer stated AMTRAK will bill him directly for flagman and other required AMTRAK staff.

There was discussion on possible overlapping of insurance. Mr. Steer will investigate.

Mr. Wiese stated he has granite quarries which will meet specifications. Mr. O'Connor said the Engineer will have to approve all materials delivered to site.

Mr. Wiese agreed to provide an updated schedule and certified prevailing wage payrolls with monthly invoices. There will be 5% retainage.

Mr. Wiese stated materials will be delivered on site. All steel in the contract needs to be purchased immediately to avoid a price increase. Mr. Wiese stated as materials come in we will need a separate invoice in order to avoid interest charges after thirty days. Mr. Sheer agreed to have discussions with the steel company regarding its pricing.

Mr. Sheer asked how many employees Wiese has. Mr. Wiese replied thirty. Mr. Sheer informed those present on March 19 a Town Meeting will be held for funding for this project.

Mr. Wiese was asked how long the base bid is good for. He replied 90 days from the bid due date of February 21, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Gheri, Recording Secretary