## TOWN OF CASTLETON

## SEWER COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Monday, November 14, 2022 6:45 p.m.

Zoom Virtual Public Meeting

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**ATTENDING**: Mike Jones, Town Manager, James Leamy, Chair, Joseph Mark, Parliamentarian, Richard Combs, Mary Lee Harris, Robert Spaulding

Attending Via Zoom: Allison Harvey, Recording Secretary

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

# The meeting was called to order by Select Board Chair, Jim Leamy at 6:45 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ML Harris made a motion to approve the agenda. R. Spaulding seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 10/10/22

ML Harris made a motion to approve the minutes of 10/10/22 as presented. J. Mark seconded.

J. Mark stated the votes on all motions should all be changed to be consistent; he would prefer them to all read Motion Carried.

R. Spaulding recused himself. All others voted in favor. Motion carried 4-0.

HEATER REPLACEMENTS FOR WWTF

M. Jones explained the proposal and stated the replacement was overlooked in the 20-year upgrade proposal, they are rotting and need to be replaced. If the heaters are not replaced and fail in the future, they will have a problem with the resulting solutions coming from the plant being at the correct temperature. R. Combs asked for clarification of the quotes, what is being recommended and what’s on paper do not match. M. Jones stated their policy is normally to go with the low bidder, however Penta, who bid $5,763.40 is the one doing the work there now. It is up to the board, however he would recommend staying with policy and go with the low bidder. He was not the one that prepared the bids, so it would be difficult for him to say otherwise. J. Mark stated the Mountain Air quote of $5,248 is expired. J. Mark made a motion to authorize the Manager to contract with Mountain Air for the replacement of heaters at the Wastewater Treatment Facility for an amount not to exceed $5,248 unless Mountain Air is unwilling to honor that quote in which case we would authorize the Manager to sign a contract with Penta for an amount not to exceed $5,763.40. R. Combs seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

HYDRANT REPLACEMENT

M. Jones stated this hydrant is used to provide water to the auger monster that is at the plant and also used for fire suppression or water for any other purpose if they need it down there. He had asked them to do this, he knew it was a problem a year or so ago and this replacement also never got into the 20-year upgrade plan. J. Mark questioned the bid of Penta, if the $3,046.97 included the figure of $1,582.77 on the next page. M. Jones stated he felt the $3,046.97 included the other figure. J. Leamy asked if three bids were solicited. M. Jones stated yes, this was all they got back. R. Combs made a motion to authorize the Town Manager to contract with Penta Corporation to replace the hydrant adjacent to the auger monster for a cost not to exceed $3,046.97. R. Spaulding seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

CITIZENS COMMENTS AND CONCERNS (Items not on agenda-Wastewater Related)

## None at this time.

## SEWER BOARD COMMENTS AND/OR CONCERNS

## M. Jones stated in the packet the board members received there was a purchase order for $11,339.25 for the rebuild of a pump at the Bomoseen pump station, which was an emergency authorization that he authorized because of the timing of the rebuild. He further explained this was one of two pumps, if the other one failed, they would have no way to pump sewage and it would start coming up out of the ground. Commissioners decided to authorize this expenditure in the regular Selectboard meeting coming up next.

## R. Combs asked if the subsidy they are received will cover the sewer expenditures they just approved. M. Jones stated they would be included.

## 6:59 pm-ADJOURN

## R. Combs made a motion to adjourn at 6:59 p.m. R. Spaulding seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

## Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Allison Harvey

Recording Secretary

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