#### **SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

# PEQUANNOCK RIVER BASIN REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

## May 6, 2020

Minutes of the special meeting of the **Pequannock River Basin Regional Sewerage Authority** held on May 6, 2020 via Teleconference. Chairman Verdonik called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

On roll call:

PRESENT: Chairman Verdonik, Commissioners Gall, Howard,

Lampmann, Metcalfe and Voorman

ABSENT : None

ALSO PRESENT: Jamie Avagnano, Authority Administrator;

Christopher H. Falcon, Esq., Maraziti, Falcon LLP;

and Daniel D. Kelly, P.E., Kelly Engineering

#### **OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT**

Chairman Verdonik introduced the "Open Public Meeting Statement" indicating that adequate notice of the Authority's special meeting had been publicized in accordance with law by posting notice on the bulletin board at the Butler Municipal Building by providing notice to the municipal clerks of Bloomingdale, Butler, Kinnelon, and Riverdale, and by providing notice to the official newspapers of the Authority.

## 1. Contract PRB-19-1: Change Order No. 2

The purpose of the meeting, Administrator Avagnano explained, is to approve Change Order No. 2 on Contract PRB-19-1 in the amount of 71,972.38. The information on the Change Order was previously distributed to the Board including Mott MacDonald's April 30, 2020 letter along with the form of Change Order and the backup documents. Chairman Verdonik asked if the Board had any questions on the Change Order.

Commissioner Lampmann pointed out that Change Order No. 2 also included a 6 day time extension which would bring the project end date to August 18, 2020.

Commissioner Metcalfe asked if all of the approximately \$60,000 portion of the change order was solely related to the additional depth which Mr. Kelly had advised is 2.4 feet deeper than the original design. Mr. Kelly confirmed that the additional expenses were related to the additional 2.4 feet depth. He explained that the increased depth substantially increases the difficulty and the risk in the project with additional dewatering and difficulty in installing tight sheeting for the jacking pit and receiving pit as well as the structures themselves.

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Vice Chairman Voorman asked if additional change orders should be expected. Responding, Mr. Kelly said that due to the inherent risky nature of this type of underground construction work additional change orders for unforeseen conditions were certainly possible, yet this change order covers the most difficult portion of the job with multiple utilities interfering with the sewer line construction is hopefully the worst area.

In response to the Board's question on completion deadlines, Mr. Kelly said there are two hard deadlines the construction contract completion date which is now August 18, 2020 including the additional 6 days per Change Order No. 2 and the two year deadline imposed by Green Acres which he said he believes expires in June 2021. Commissioner Howard inquired if further Special Meetings would be necessary to handle any additional change orders. Mr. Kelly responded, advising that normally change orders would be discussed in the regular meeting. However, since the next meeting was late May and approval of Change Order No. 2 was required to move the project forward, Chairman Verdonik requested that a special meeting be held to avoid further delays on the project.

With that Chairman Verdonik requested a vote on approval of Resolution No. R-20-5-1 for Change Order No. 2 as presented

Commissioner Lampmann moved Resolution R-20-5-1 as follows:

Resolution No. R-20-5-1

# RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 TO CONTRACT NO. PRB-19-1 (RE-BID) WITH MONTANA CONSTRUCTION CORP.

WHEREAS, the Pequannock River Basin Regional Sewerage Authority ("the Authority") is in receipt of a Request filed by Jamie Avagnano, Administrator, recommending approval of Change Order No. 2 for the following:

Change Order No. 2 to Contract with Montana Construction Corp. in the amount of \$71,972.38 for all time and materials as well as a six (6) day time extension recommended by and certified for payment by Mott McDonald, the Authority's Project Engineer, as set forth in the application and certification for payment.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Pequannock River Basin Regional Sewerage Authority in the Counties of Morris and Passaic and the State of New Jersey on this 6th day of May, 2020 as follows:

- 1. The Authority hereby approves Change Order No. 2 to the Agreement with Montana Construction Corp. as described in the Request for Change Order No. 1 of even date in the total amount of \$71,972.38 including a six (6) day time extension.
- 2. The Chairman is authorized and directed to sign the said Contract Change Order in the foregoing amount and in the form prepared by the Project Engineer dated April 30, 2020.

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3. This Resolution shall take effect as provided by law.

That motion was seconded by Commissioner Gall which passed unanimously on the following roll call vote:

AYES :

Chairman Verdonik, Commissioners Gall,

Howard, Lampmann, Metcalfe and Voorman

NAYS

None

ABSENT

None

**ABSTAIN** 

None

## **OPEN MEETING FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

There being no members of the public present, Chairman Verdonik dispensed with the public participation portion of the meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At approximately 5:10 pm, Commissioner Lampmann moved for adjournment. That motion was seconded by Commissioner Metcalfe and was approved unanimously on voice vote.

At approximately 5:10 pm, the special meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Avagnano
Recording Secretary

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