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MINUTES OF MEETING OF FRIDAY, MAY 10, 2013

FREETOWN TOWN HALL- ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE
3 NORTH MAIN ST., ASSONET, MASSACHUSETTS

9:01 A.M. The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Paul G. Sadeck. Those present: Selectman Lee J. Baumgartner, Conservation Commission and Planning Board Chairman Keven Desmarais and Planning Technician Lauren Moreau and VHB Rep. Dave Taglianetti.

Consent Agenda

Board of Selectmen: Action relative to:

- Discuss with VHB representative road improvements on South Main Street south towards Exit 8B. Dave Taglianetti from VHB says they are moving into the final phase of the design. He would like to be the Selectmen up to speed on this. His understanding is that he would need to go before the Selectmen as Road commissioners. Selectman Sadeck would like to know what the status is of the property overtaking is. Mr. Brown asks to please go over the design of it first. Mr. Taglianetti will start at Stop and Shop drive, they are going to do a cold plane and overlay which means they are going to strip down and repave. This will go just past the driveway of Riverfront Business Park. Full depth reconstruction of the pavement. A reclamation project. This will be about 2800'. The right of way issue is relocating the utility poles on the easterly side and we would widen the westerly side. The house is 25' off the road way we would be then taking 10' from that property. We feel that the property would be impacted too much. So we decided to shift the widening to the other side. We now have an added cost to the project. However we will not impact the resident at all. It will cost approximately $20,000.00 per pole adding approximately $100,000.00 to $120,000.00 to the project; this is what the delay has been. There are very minor right of way impacts now. The impact now will be to the Rezendes and Babbachi properties. We have been speaking with those people and we feel we will be able to handle this privately. We won't need the Town to intervene. Selectman Sadeck asked what their main reason for doing this is. Mr. Taglianetti said that the road would not be able to sustain the trucks going through Exit 9. Also a fuel cost associated with it and in addition there was a commitment with this a verbal one with Stop and Shop that they would improve the road. Also the road isn't safe for 18 wheeler trucks. Stop and Shop is committed for this reason. Selectman Sadeck says need Conservation Commissions approval first. Mr. Desmarais says Rattlesnake and Terry Brook wetlands are involved. Mr. Brown says you would be able to do both concurrently. You can have the Board give the approval with the stipulation of the Conservation Commission's approval.

Selectman Sadeck asks when Conservation will review this? He wants to know when Mr. Taglianetti will submit something to them. He says it will be in June. Mr. Brown asks how you will manage traffic. Mr. Taglianetti says that they will close one lane at a time during the project. Mr .Brown asks that they work with the Police Dept. Mr. Taglianetti says that the contractor will work with them. Mr. Brown says the only thing you need from the Town is the Road opening and the Conservation approval. Selectman Baumgartner states if they have already dealt with every resident involved. Selectman Sadeck asks if DEP gets involved. Mr. Desmaris says no not really. It is sloped edging on the sidewalks. The drainage of the water today will stay the same. Mr. Taglianetti asks if the pavement design needs approval. Mr. Brown says to submit a letter to him. Mr. Taglianetti says that there was an 8" force main installed under this project by the contractor not by Stop and Shop. From the Town's prospective should this be continued? This was for Sewer. Mr. Desmarais does not know of this. Mr. Brown asks if this is a random line. Mr. Taglianetti says this is a random line. Mr. Brown asks what he is suggesting that we should do. From his conversations Stop and Shop is not going to extend this sewer line. Selectman Sadeck asks if this is this a public line? Mr. Taglianetti says he believes it is a private line to be maintained for the first 5 years and then to be turned over to be public. Mr. Brown read the agreement last night and he disagrees. Mr. Taglianetti says there are two separate issues. Selectman Sadeck says this new line that would be installed would it go to the manhole? Mr. Taglianetti said that it would go to it this was designed to go to it. Selectman Sadeck asks what is the cost? Rezendes says the cost would be estimated at $134,000.00. Mr. Brown said this would have to be competitively bid. Churchill and Banks is paying for a percentage of the project. This is a benefit to them. Mr. Brown says that this may not coincide with your time table. You need to understand that this will need to go through a procurement process. Mr. Desmarais how hard is it to put the design of the sewer line on the plans? Mr. Brown and Selectman Sadeck say at least 60 days plus Town Meeting. Mr. Brown says we would have to very careful. Mr. Brown suggest to have Rezendes put the sewer line in and then turn the Sewer line over to the Town and then we would waive his fees and waive the costs until Rezendes fees are recovered. Mr. Taglianetti said he will speak with Rezendes and have them call Mr. Brown. Selectman Sadeck said if we take over the sewer line what impact will that have over the sewer dept. Mr. Desmarais says that it will not have an impact now. He asks what the time frame on the construction is. Mr. Taglianetti say approximately 90 – 120 days. The wild card here is the utility pole relocation. No cost associated with the Town. Selectman Sadeck says this is good news for the Town of Freetown. The road is 22' it varies a little but it will be going to 31'.

Adjournment of Regular Meeting: at 10:00am Motion (Sadeck/Baumgartner) Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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