Approved: May 24, 2022

Select Board Meeting March 31, 2022, 6:00 pm Conference Room, Town Hall

Present: Select Board: Edmund Jaworski and Brian Moriarty

Chair, Diana Szynal joining via remote access

Also present: DPW/Facilities Director Phil Genovese; Engineer, Mike Ohl, Mike Camisi and Gary Girourd from Comprehensive Environmental Inc., Fire Chief Bob Flaherty, Ryan Geeleher, Geeleher Enterprises, Inc.; and Town Administrator Marlene Michonski; West Street Residents, Liz Brown, Kay Marsh, Susan Berry, Atty. John McLaughlin, Ken and Janice Longstreeth, Dennis Routhier, Louis Routhier, Terry Sprecker, Sue Yurik, Virginia and David Canton and Jeff Bruscoe.

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm for the purpose of informing residents of construction plans for the Route 5 Water and Sewer Improvements Project.

Project is expected to begin early part of April. Introductions made from Engineer Mike Ohl for Comprehensive Environmental, Inc and his collogues Mr. Camisi, Project Engineer and Mr. Girourd, Field Representative. Mr. Girourd will be on site most often and shall be the contact person for CEI.

Ryan Geeleher, President of Geeleher Enterprises, Inc. is the contractor for the project. MassDOT has issued the permit to begin work week of April 1 per state calendar. Work will include dewatering, sewer main installation and sewer pump installation. Mr. Geeleher explained his crew will drill monitoring wells next week and mobilization will commence this week. An update of schedule will be forwarded to the Engineer.

Water shut-offs will cause minor interruption up to house #37 West Street.

Several residents raised concerns and issues they experienced last year during construction and provided photos of property damage. For some residents, equipment was parked on their property. Liz Brown at #35 West St talked about the gravel that went up the lawn. Questions asked if the homeowner is responsible for incurring costs to restore property. Mr. Geeleher will look at property and take care of restoration if it is a result of their work and equipment. Mr. Ohl explained that there is a right-of-way that is determined by the property line.

Work can start at 7:00 am. Updates will be posted on the town website and Facebook.

Mr. Routhier for #32 West Street speaking for his business, addressed his narrow entrance and guard rail and requested to see the layout plan. Referring to vegetation in the area, some of it may have to come out. Mr. Geeleher will assess area and stake out area end of April. Mr. Routhier feels the pump station will impact his entrance.

Regarding the road patching done last year, residents said it caused loud vibration from trucks traveling.

Discussion of the sewer pump, according to Mr. Ohl, the station will be equipped with an alarm and a generator backup for loss of power, adding the laterals will be typically 6 feet deep. Actual pump is 22 feet underground.

With no further discussion or questions, a motion was made by Mr. Jaworski to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Moriarty second the motion. Unanimous vote.

Respectfully, Marlene Michonski, Town Administrator