

Board of Public Works Meeting of February 23, 2023

A meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on Thursday, February 23rd, 2023, at 4:00 PM in the Auditorium at City Hall, 229 Main Street, Nashua, NH 03060.

Commissioner Moriarty, Chair, declared the meeting to order at 4 PM and called the roll.

I. Roll Call

Members Present:

Commissioner Kevin S. Moriarty, Chair
Commissioner Shannon Schoneman
Commissioner June Lemen
Commissioner Paul Shea

Also Present:

Lisa Fauteux, Director of Public Works, Clerk
Patti Rogers, Executive Assistant DPW
Jon Ibarra, Superintendent of Streets
Dan Hudson, City Engineer
David Boucher, Wastewater Superintendent
Bryan Conant, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation
Mark Saunders, Deputy City Engineer
Dr. Don Grossman, Entomologist for Arborjet
Jeffrey Lafleur, Superintendent of Solid Waste

Members Absent:

Mayor Jim Donchess

Commissioner Moriarty

We have a quorum and so we'll continue. Item number two, Commissioner Shea.

II. **MOTION:** Commissioner Shea to approve the agenda as submitted.

Commissioner Moriarty

Okay. All in favor of the motion, please say aye.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you. Item number three, Commissioner Lemen.

III. **MOTION:** Commissioner Lemen to approve the minutes of the Board of Public Works meeting of January 26th, 2023.

Commissioner Moriarty

That is the motion. All in favor please signify by saying aye.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

IV. Public Comment

Commissioner Moriarty

Item four is public comment. Is there any members of the public? Okay, seeing none, we will close public comment and move on to the Street Department.

V. Street Department

Commissioner Moriarty

I'm sorry. We're going to go out of order here and do the Street Department first if there's no objection by the other commissioners. Okay, so under Street Department Item A, Commissioner Shea.

- a. **MOTION:** Commissioner Shea to approve Change Order 1 to Perma-line of New England, Brockton, MA in the amount of \$10,000. Funding for this purchase is through Department: 161 Streets; Fund: General; Account Classification: 61 Supplies and Materials.

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you. Superintendent Ibarra.

Superintendent Ibarra

Thank you, Commissioners. Jon Ibarra, Superintendent Street Department. This is to add \$10,000 out of our operating budget to the sign vendor that we use. This year we've replaced a lot of faded worn out broken signs. We came up on our \$25,000 purchasing threshold. So, I'd like to add an additional \$10,000 out of my operating budget to that line so we can continue to work with Perma-line.

Commissioner Moriarty

Okay, seeing no questions then, we'll move for a vote. All in favor of the motion, please say aye. And opposed? No one.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you. Item B Commissioner Lemen.

- b. **MOTION:** Commissioner Lemen to approve the purchase of one 2023 International Cab and Chassis from Liberty International in Manchester, NH. In the amount of \$110,850 Pursuant to the State of New Hampshire Contract #8002661. Funding will be through Department: Street; Fund: Trust; Activity: CERF.

Superintendent Ibarra

Jon Ibarra, Superintendent Street Department. So, this will be replacing a frontline unit in our snow operations and our earthwork operations. It'll be used almost daily in one aspect or another. We will keep the old truck as a back line unit until it's no longer viable or feasible to keep it going. And as you may or may not know, these truck purchases that we're getting off CERF, we're seeing these trucks being delivered 18 months, almost two years from the time we approve them. So, we got lucky and found this one. Happy to answer any questions you may have.

Commissioner Lemen

I'm just curious. It doesn't have very many miles on it.

Superintendent Ibarra

These trucks are usually done by the hours.

Commissioner Lemen

Oh, okay.

Superintendent Ibarra

But excuse me. We do run them also in the most corrosive environment. So, the undercarriages take a beating, the bodies, the cabs, the wiring harnesses, and the frame rails.

Commissioner Lemen

Okay.

Commissioner Moriarty

No further questions. All in favor of the motion, please say aye.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Item C, Commissioner Schoneman.

- c. **MOTION:** Commissioner Schoneman to approve the purchase of (1) HV507 dump truck plow Up Fit Package from Viking Cives USA of Williston, VT for the total purchase price of \$134,600. Funding will be through Department: Street; Fund: Trust; Activity: CERF.

Superintendent Ibarra

Jon Ibarra, Superintendent Streets. This is the Up Fit Package, so the spreader, the iron, which is the plow, and the wing. And we'll also get a liquid application tank for our brine system. And again, happy to answer any questions you may have about that.

Commissioner Schoneman

It costs more than the truck-

Superintendent Ibarra

Commissioner Shea - oop, sorry.

Commissioner Schoneman

Sorry. It costs more than the truck?

Superintendent Ibarra

It's a lot of iron. It's state-of-the-art equipment, which allows us to do our job properly and efficiently.

Commissioner Schoneman

Okay. Sorry.

Commissioner Shea

And for the brining, do we only have one brine truck right now, so this will give us a second one?

Superintendent Ibarra

No, we have eight.

Commissioner Shea

We have eight. Okay.

Superintendent Ibarra

Eight liquid application tanks or 900-gallon tanks. And then we have I believe it's 10 Saddle tank trucks. So, we can either pre-wet or put liquid down.

Commissioner Shea

Thank you.

Superintendent Ibarra

What I mean by pre-wet is spray the salt or sand as it's coming off the truck before it hits the road.

Commissioner Shea

Okay.

Superintendent Ibarra

Minimizes balance, keeps it in the lane versus over to the gutter. And it activates the salt quicker.

Commissioner Lemen

The things you learn at the Board of Public Works.

Commissioner Moriarty

Okay. Any further questions? Commissioners? No. All in favor of the motion is please say aye.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Okay. Commissioner Shea, Item D.

- d. **MOTION:** Commissioner Shea to approve the purchase of one 2023 Ford F-550 4 Wheel Drive Dump Body Trucks from MHQ in Marlboro, MA, for the contract price of \$99,392.7. Pricing for this purchase will be from the Plymouth County Commissioner's contract. Funding will be through Department: 177 Park and Recreation; Fund: Trust; Activity: CERF.

Superintendent Conant

Good evening, everyone. Bryan Conant, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation. This is going to become a frontline truck. It's replacing a 2012. We use these trucks for various things, towing our equipment. You know, it's used heavily in the winter to treat the 14 schools in the eight inner city routes that we do. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

Commissioner Moriarty

Okay. No questions. All in favor, please say aye.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you so much, Commissioner. I mean, Superintendent. Moving on to Wastewater Department, Commissioner Lemen Item A.

VI. Wastewater Department

- a. **MOTION:** Commissioner Lemen to approve the User Warrants as presented.

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you. That's the motion. All in favor, please say aye.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Item B, Commissioner Schoneman.

- b. MOTION:** Commissioner Schoneman to approve the contract with Wright Pierce to provide preliminary design plans and specifications for the Phase I Upgrades project in an amount not to exceed \$166,515. Funding for this contract will be through Department: 169 Wastewater; Fund: Wastewater; Activities: Phase I Upgrades.

Superintendent Boucher

Good evening. Dave Boucher, Wastewater Superintendent. Wright Pierce is the engineering firm we hired to do a 20-year facility plan. This facility plan found projects that need to be done over the next 20 years, urgent projects, and they broke it out into three different phases. So currently we're working on the first phase. So, this motion is to hire Wright Pierce to do the preliminary design work on these projects. Some of the projects that are covered under this is concrete repairs to several different parts of the facility, some of our tanks, and some of our buildings. We have replacement of six large process gates. Also, in this addition of a second catwalk for our chlorine contact tanks, the replacement of two flow meters, they're on the ground flow meters.

And we have a sludge pumping building that needs repair on all three floors. New HVAC system, chlorine piping, new pumps, an addition of a third chlorine storage tank. Also include the project to reroute some plumbing on the ground that carries tank drain liquid to a different part of the process for better management of the process. Wright Pierce has done several projects throughout the facility. They're a good company, we think by using them. They had done some of the initial investigation work on these projects. So, by using them, we could see some savings finishing some of the preliminary designs quicker and at a lower cost. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

Commissioner Moriarty

Yes, Commissioner Schoneman.

Commissioner Schoneman

So, this is just the cost to do the designs. It seems like a really extensive project. Do you have an idea what this project is going to cost in total?

Superintendent Boucher

I do not know total cost because it's several small projects, but to lump it all into one contract is the goal.

Commissioner Schoneman

Okay.

Commissioner Moriarty

Okay. Seeing no further questions, we'll move the motion. All in favor, please say aye.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you. Thank you, Superintendent. Moving on to the Engineering Department.
Commissioner Shea. Item A.

VII. Engineering Department

- a. **MOTION:** Commissioner Shea to approve the Sewer Service Permits and Fees as submitted.

Commissioner Moriarty

That is the motion. All in favor, please say aye.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Item B Commissioner Lemen

- b. **MOTION:** Commissioner Lemen to approve the Pole License Petition as listed in the staff report.

Commissioner Moriarty

Again, that is the motion. All in favor, please say aye.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Item C, Commissioner Schoneman.

- c. **MOTION:** Commissioner Schoneman to approve Amendment 2 to the engineering services contract for tasks required by the EPA MS4 Permit with Hazen and Sawyer, PC of Manchester, NH in an amount not to exceed \$123,339. Funding will be through Department: 169 Wastewater; Fund: Wastewater; Activity: Stormwater Abatement.

Dan Hudson

Good afternoon. Dan Hudson, city engineer. So as noted, this is work that's required by the EPA. We are permitted under the MS4 Permit, which allows us to have our drainage discharges to waterways. We have over 359 of those throughout the city. As part of this EPA permit, we're required to go sample at each of those. And then as we find illicit discharges to chase those upstream and remove them. We're required to prepare and submit an annual report as part of the permit. So, each September, there's a quite a complicated permit to submit to stay in compliance with this permit requirement. So, it's a lot of work. We've engaged Hazen for the last few years to help with this. And we're seeking to extend their contract to encompass the work that's required this year.

Commissioner Moriarty

Commissioner Schoneman.

Commissioner Schoneman

To be clear, this is not part of wastewater. This is strictly city sewers unrelated to the stormwater system that wastewater is doing.

Dan Hudson

Yes, that's correct. So, the wastewaters covers a lot of combined systems where the stormwater is combined in with the sewer system and goes to the treatment plan. This is not that, this is addressing the other outfalls where there's collection from catch basins and pipes, and that gets discharged directly to waterways. So that's under a different permit regime, so to speak, as the wastewater stuff.

Commissioner Schoneman

I see. So, there's a whole different stormwater system.

Dan Hudson

Yes.

Commissioner Schoneman

And that is city not wastewater?

Dan Hudson

That's in the more urbanized areas. There's less of that separation. You tend to find that in other places that have developed later in time. But yes, we have an extensive combined system in the city, but this permit doesn't address that. It addresses everything else. So yes, I don't know if I could get you a better statistic. It's not a 50 / 50. It's probably more wastewater than separated drain, but we do have quite a bit of separated drain. And over time we've been working to separate additional areas as we can. The most recent project we did I think was on Marshall Street, where we went and put a whole new drain line in separate from the sewer to be able to disconnect the drainage from the sewer.

Commissioner Schoneman

So interesting. And if I could ask, you know, just out of curiosity, this stormwater that runs off can go directly into the waterways and doesn't have to be treated in the same way. Why is that?

Dan Hudson

Well, I could spend an hour talking about that. It's just how the things have come to be with the permitting. Some communities are trying to separate everything because that is the current permitting requirements. But, you know, what we anticipate is over time is going to be more stringent requirements. Part of this permitting is you've got to test the outfalls. If you find issues, then they're going to make us go and address those over time upstream. So, Nashua has taken kind of a different approach where we haven't necessarily tried to separate everything. We've done a hold in treat type of system where actually the combined stuff still goes to the treatment plant and there's nothing better for water treatment than wastewater treatment plant. So, we'll see where it all goes in the future. But right now, the permit requires at least this sampling and later years, it's a multi-year thing. But in the later years of the permit, they're going to require more and more work to try to address whatever we find as part of the sampling work.

Commissioner Schoneman

Interesting. Because we spent just an unbelievable amount of money to meet what the EPA has said, to take all the stormwater, extra runoff, and put it into the wastewater system, like you said, building a whole new system. Except for the stuff that doesn't have to go there. It seems odd.

Dan Hudson

Yes. I mean, some areas aren't even feasible to separate really just because of grading issues. So, yes, we'd never get to a hundred percent separation probably. But regardless we're under this permitting criteria. I mean, everything used to go straight to the river. So at least now we've got the majority of the wastewater taken care of. And now we're addressing through permitting, through this MS4 permit, we're addressing the stormwater.

Commissioner Schoneman

Okay. Thank you.

Commissioner Lemen

When you find something, since you're sampling, and you said it's over time, so when you find something showing up that's not supposed to be there, what do you do next? Just, I want to know.

Dan Hudson

Well, the first thing is you go back in another storm and test it again. Just make sure that what you're finding is consistent. It wasn't an anomaly basically. But then we'll have to do additional sampling and testing and monitoring, working our way upstream. It depends on what it is. If its bubbles are coming out, it's like laundry detergent. You can hopefully you can

chase that up and find out who the offending party is discharging that to our system. But other things, you know, it's possible there's still a sewer connection somewhere that, you know, got missed at some point in time and needs to be connected and cut over and connected. So, this is the beginning of the investigation process, and they will require that we chase those things to their ultimate conclusion, as we go forward in future years.

Commissioner Lemen

Okay. Great.

Commissioner Moriarty

Okay. All in favor of the motion, please say aye.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Moving on to item D, Commissioner Shea.

- d. **MOTION:** Commissioner Shea to approve the award of the construction contract for the 2023 Paving Program - Contract 2 to Sunshine Paving Corporation of Hudson, NH in the amount of \$6,185,248.50. Funding through Departments: 160 Admin/Engineering and 169 Wastewater; Funds: Bond, Trust and Wastewater; Activities: Paving, Sewer Improvements and Stormwater.

Mark Saunders

Good evening, Mark Saunders, Deputy City Engineer. So, this is the second contract for our annual paving program. To give you a quick couple quick highlights of this contract, it's looking to pave about 15 and a half miles of roadway. That encompasses 90 roadways and about 37,000 tons of asphalt. This is the second contract. This is focused on residential roadways. We put this contract out to bid in early January, and we received bids middle of February, several weeks ago with Sunshine Paving being the qualified low bidder. Also accompanying this motion, we did attach the next Item E, which is informational, which will give you the street list as well as a map. And I'm happy to answer any questions on this contract.

Commissioner Moriarty

Commissioner Schoneman.

Commissioner Schoneman

I don't recall. I don't have the paperwork, but the first contract, what was the total on the first contract that we approved? Do you know?

Mark Saunders

Just around 1.8 million.

Commissioner Schoneman

Okay. So, is this it for 2023? This \$7 or \$8 million?

Mark Saunders

Yes. These two contracts together will be 2023's pavement program. Correct.

Commissioner Shea

And this has already been bonded by the Alderman?

Director Fauteux

Yes, it has approved to bond by the Alderman. They won't be bought. It's usually the way it works is they bond after the work is done. So, it's kind of strange. But yes, the approval is bonded, so we had an original five years, it's seven and a half million approved. We went through that part. And then the Board of Aldermen approved another five years, at seven and a half million, which will get most of our streets up to speed. And we had fallen so far behind that there was just no way that we could get them up to speed without bonding. And because it was never funded appropriately. Now right after this program, we'll make sure that it's funded appropriately so we don't get back into the situation again.

Commissioner Shea

Which is an excellent approach.

Commissioner Moriarty

Go ahead, Commissioner.

Commissioner Schoneman

Can I ask the Director, how do we do debt service for these kind of bonds?

Director Fauteux

So that's a financial question. I could ask CFO Griffin to come and speak to that at our next meeting if you'd like.

Commissioner Schoneman

Okay. So just as a note, when they come to us to approve digging into streets that are in moratorium.

Director Fauteux

Mm-hmm <affirmative>.

Commissioner Schoneman

This is the reason why I object. This is a lot of money and it's our kids that are going to pay for it. So, that's my objection. And maybe, I don't know if it's appropriate to say it here, but this is a lot of money. \$8 million total. I know it needs to be done.

Director Fauteux

Right.

Commissioner Schoneman

And I know that it's important, but if we're going to spend this amount of money to pave the roads and get them done, let's not dig into them in the first year or two. And I feel like we should have the right to say no. We're not going to prove this hardship request because it's, destroying the streets that we just paid 8 million for, or we just borrowed \$8 million for. So that's it.

Director Fauteux

Yes. And that certainly is the board's right to deny those requests.

Commissioner Schoneman

Sure. Except that we've given away that right. At least with Liberty, with some of them we've said okay, well you can just dig into whatever you need to dig into. That's my objection.

Director Fauteux

But the flip side of that is, those you're talking about the level two requests -

Commissioner Schoneman

The level two yes.

Director Fauteux

Yes, those have to be done though. You really would not have the authority really to say no. I mean, you could say no, maybe temporarily, but the PUC would force that work to be done, which the city does not have the authority to say no to the PUC. So, we wouldn't be able to say no to those, unfortunately. But I understand with your point that it's unfortunate to spend all this money and then cut into streets. To some degree we've created this problem also. Just to be fair, because we are doing so much paving in such a short amount of time, that, you know, there are times when there just are truly hardships that need to move forward. And there the utilities have been great with working with us and trying to get everything done, but things do unfortunately come up.

Commissioner Shea

I kind of have a procedural question or I guess like a board authority question. So, I see that we've gone with the lowest bidder for the paving contract. I mean it's quite clearly the best bid. But I also see Newport Construction listed as an interested party that applied to a bid on

the contract. So, my question is, we consider the costs as far as dollars go, when considering contracts like this, to what extent do we have the ability to consider community impact in supporting a business that has applied a bid? It's my understanding that Newport is still seeking to build an asphalt facility in the downtown area. And I know that it's not relevant to this because what's being put before us is to approve a contract with Sunshine. But in the future, I'm curious to what extent we as a board, if we have a conscientious objection to the asphalt plant, to what extent we have the authority to object to a contract on grounds outside of the dollar amount.

Director Fauteux

That's a good question. I guess I defer to Attorney Bolton for that, and I could ask him. He would appreciate that question. And then either have him come or provide you with the answer.

Commissioner Shea

Because I don't know how other Commissioners feel on this issue. But where we have so much interaction with asphalt and I see this issue coming up again and again in the community, people are very concerned. I'm just wondering to what extent we have any ability to dissuade the construction of the facility that's really my interest. So, I appreciate it.

Director Fauteux

I'm happy to ask that question.

Commissioner Shea

Yes, thank you.

Director Fauteux

You're welcome.

Commissioner Lemen

I have a question that's just about the way the streets are listed in the packet. So, if I'm reading this correct, because I live on Manchester Street, so I picked a street that I know so Ayer I know where that is. So, Ayer to Manchester and then to Concord is because like Farley. It says Farley, City Limit, City Limit. So, does that mean all of Farley until the city limit?

Mark Saunders

So, Farley Road is kind of an island. It's a part of Nashua, but you have to go through Hollis to get there. So, the limit of that would be the city limit to the city limit. So, okay, in the case of Ayer Street, it's Manchester to Concord. Okay. All these on a very rare case, we'll break up a street into segments. There's usually a reason for it, but it's usually start point to end point and the whole streets completed.

Commissioner Lemen

Okay, great. Thank you.

Commissioner Moriarty

Mark, to that point, I have a question and it's a selfish question because I live in the area.

Mark Saunders

What's the street?

Commissioner Moriarty

Okay, well I saw on your list, Berkeley Street was going from Laton Street to the end. Right. And then I saw Raymond Street, which is of interest to me, went from Courtland to the end, so it didn't go until late into the end.

Mark Saunders

So, with those two roads, there's a lot of utility work going on out there. Gas was just in there. This is to touch on your point about the moratorium. We do try to tell the new work the gas is doing. So, gas just updated all the infrastructure on Raymond Street, but we're actually going to break that street up into two segments. One segment's going to get a more in-depth treatment, which is going to be reclamation, that's going to be Courtland to Layton, while the other half Courtland to the dead end of Berkeley is going to get just a resurface.

Commissioner Moriarty

That explains it. Thank you.

Commissioner Lemen

This list is alphabetically?

Mark Saunders

Yes. So, with the list we sent, we did send it alphabetically, but that's per treatment. And then when we go into the next treatment, it's also alphabetically. So, for example, Raymond comes up two times in this list. We break it up for this so that the contractors know what treatment goes to what road. We will be posting on our website as this contract moves through the approval process, a more of a stripped-down version that's just all the roads in alphabetical order for the constituents and residents to go in and look at and not be so much confusion, but it's set up this way to benefit the contractors who are bidding on the package.

Commissioner Schoneman

My road's not on there.

Commissioner Moriarty

Okay. Any further questions on the motion? The paving motion, seeing none will go for a vote. All in favor, please say aye. Opposed? No one.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

- e. **INFORMATIONAL:** 2023 Paving Program Contract 2 - List of Roadways and Map
- f. **INFORMATIONAL:** Street Opening Permits issued for Streets in Moratorium.

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you. Item E is informational, which is the Paving Program Contract list of roadways and map. Item F is also informational, Street Opening Permits issued for Streets in Moratorium, so no motion is required.

VIII. Park and Recreation

- a. **INFORMATIONAL:** Irrigation installation cost around bandshell at Greeley Park.

Commissioner Moriarty

From there, we'll move on to the Park and Rec Department. Also, we have informational items with no motion involved. So, Item A, and after I read these, should there be any questions the Superintendent is here. So, item A would be irrigation installation cost around bandshell at Greeley Park. We'll start with that one. How about that superintendent?

Superintendent Conant

Yes, absolutely. Thank you, Commissioner Moriarty. Bryan Conant, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation. It was several meetings ago. I think it was you, Commissioner Shea, had asked me to look into this.

Commissioner Shea

Thank you.

Superintendent Conant

I did some cost evaluations, investigations, and this is what I came up for materials, installation, and a new water service that would feed this irrigation system. So, I'd be happy to answer any questions if there are any.

Commissioner Shea

I think, would the water service be like a third of this cost?

Superintendent Conant

What's that?

Commissioner Shea

Would the water service itself be like a third of this cost?

Superintendent Conant

No, I think the water service installation was right around \$8,000 or \$9,000.

Commissioner Shea

And is there some sort of like, I know we have a plan for paving. Is there some sort of plan that we could incorporate this into so that we can expect to budget it at some year in the future?

Superintendent Conant

Do you want to answer that, Director?

Director Fauteux

Mr. Superintendent has lots of ideas.

Commissioner Shea

I mean, if there isn't, I know that there's a lot of moving parts and I'm not asking you to establish one if there isn't.

Director Fauteux

So, I mean, this is something that we could talk about when we have our budget workshop. Things that you all feel, Commissioners feel are important that should be incorporated into the budget. This would be something, I think that would be the time when we could talk about that. And then ultimately it would be up to us to appeal to the Board of Alderman to fund it. So, this is something, this is in your capital request, I think?

Superintendent Conant

Yes. I was going to comment on that.

Director Fauteux

So, we have put this in a capital request, so-

Superintendent Conant

We asked for three and a half million dollars in our capital request for Greeley Park improvements. So, and that would cover fencing improvements, paving this irrigation system, improvements that are needed to the bandshell, the stone house, and the wading pool.

Director Fauteux

So, we can go over all of those things, if you'd like, during our budget workshop and get you to put on what you think is important.

Superintendent Conant

Thank you.

Commissioner Shea

And thank you for the pretty pictures of the playground.

Superintendent Conant

You're welcome.

Commissioner Shea

Much appreciated.

b. INFORMATIONAL: Arborjet Inc. Bronze Birch Borer Study

Commissioner Moriarty

Well-

Commissioner Shea

Nice to see some color.

Commissioner Moriarty

Let's not jump the gun here now.

Commissioner Shea

I'm sorry.

Commissioner Moriarty

Let's get to item B, which is the Arborjet Inc. Bronze Birch Borer Study. Superintendent, if you want to explain that?

Superintendent Conant

Yes, I'm sorry. Dr. Grossman is here too. If you have any questions for him. I think this is a great opportunity. This is a common practice and trees that you'd like to preserve. This would be at no charge to us. That's why I thought it was something that we should take advantage of. I don't know if you have any questions, and proposals if you're interested seeing copies.

Commissioner Moriarty

Well, sir, why don't you come to the mic, introduce yourself and give us a little blurb on it. Okay. For the residents of the city.

Dr. Grossman

Yes, thank you. Good afternoon, Don Rossman, Entomologist with Arborjet. We're a tree healthcare company at Woburn, MA. We specialize in tree injection, so we inject insecticide or fungicides into trees to protect them against different insects and disease problems. We've been very successful in protecting ash trees against emerald ash bore. Our product called triage is very effective for and treatment will last for two to three years. So, you have a very similar beetle, bronze birch bore, which is native to the United States that attacks birch. And we were looking at testing two. One is a product that's already registered called IMA-jet contains Imidacloprid. The other formulation is experimental. We're looking to combine two active ingredients together. We call it a broad spectrum. We want to test it to see how effective it is against bronze birch bore, as well as an aesthetic pest called birch leaf minor. And so, I approached, Mr. Conant about utilizing your city's trees or birch trees to include in a trial to evaluate these treatments. And we would inject, and we would monitor the trees over a year to two years. And all the product goes into the trees. There's no environmental impact outside. We're just looking for trees. There is no cost to the city. We're just looking to evaluate these products; how effective they are.

Director Fauteux

I just have a few. Now one of my questions, and I'll ask you the same question. There's no chance that this could damage our trees, is that correct?

Dr. Grossman

No. Okay. Well, there's a caveat. In order to get the product into the trees, we need to drill small holes around the base. We set a plug in those holes through the club. We actually inject the chemical. We're trying to access the tracheal or vascular system of the tree that carries water and nutrients from the roots up into the crown. So, we utilize that system to transport the chemical up into the crown to the target areas where the insects attack. There is slight wounding, but no more than what would occur if you were pruning branches or something like that. The tree compartmentalizes around the wound, it recovers again. There's no, all the chemical goes into the tree. We have never lost a tree as a result of our treatments. If you don't treat your tree and the insect attacks, it's going to die. So, we generally focus on those pests that are capable of killing trees. And again, because we do drill holes, we're trying to do the least amount of harm to the tree but be able to save it.

Director Fauteux

Thank you.

Commissioner Moriarty

Commissioner Shea.

Commissioner Shea

Is the birch bore like a beetle type bug, like the emerald ash bore?

Dr. Grossman

Yes, it's sister species. Same, the genus is called Agrilus. And is it both the emerald ash bore, and bronze birch bore are in the same genus.

Commissioner Shea

And is this a mild temperature migration creep issue? I'm sorry. So, I guess this is native to the US?

Dr. Grossman

Yes.

Commissioner Shea

And I believe are birch trees native to North America?

Dr. Grossman

Yes, the issue is that, sometimes under drought conditions, the trees become stressed. These beetles are somewhat secondary in that they come in and take advantage of the stressed tree and try to colonize it, and ultimately, they'll kill it. But if we were to treat them, the chemical will kill the insect as it tries to bore in and thus save the tree.

Commissioner Shea

I'm just wondering if this is like an emergent issue for the region, or if this is -

Dr. Grossman

Okay. This is, again, native insect that kills birch forever.

Commissioner Shea

Yes.

Dr. Grossman

But part of it is again, looking at, we have a treatment that we know works IMA-jet, we're looking at how does it compare to this new broad-spectrum treatment? Is that broad spectrum able to not only protect against the bronze birch bore, but also the leaf miner, which is something that the IMA-jet doesn't protect against. Okay. So again, we're trying to have something that can cover more broader bug targets.

Commissioner Shea

And so, just a follow up. So as a broad-spectrum agent, is there some probability that this may impact additional species of insects beyond the two target species?

Dr. Grossman

Yes. Except to say that, if other insects are attacking or feeding on the tree, yes, they may be controlled or killed as a result of the treatment, but generally, if an insect is attacking a tree, it's detrimental.

Commissioner Shea

So, are there some insects that have a symbiotic relationship with the tree where they help to facilitate seed drop or help to the seed, the tree kind of manage growth in their pruning activity?

Dr. Grossman

Good question. With Birch, I'm going to say not offhand. We do take into account, well, birch is wind pollinated, so it's not, bees are not affected. But regardless on our labels, we indicate that you should treat after flowering just on the precaution that, you know, we're not affecting beneficials. So, it's highly unlikely that beneficial insects are going to be affected as a result of this treatment. It's only detrimental insects that are feeding on the foliage boring into the tree, in some fashion that are going to be affected. And so those insects are usually considered detrimental, and you would want to try to control them or protect the tree against them.

Commissioner Shea

Yes. In terms of a cost benefit analysis, I'm a little concerned that I appreciate the need to kind of assess the effectiveness of this, so that it could be applied for real agricultural uses, and potentially preservation during periods of drought or some sort of climate shift. I am concerned that we would be applying this when it could potentially impact non-target insects while at the same time doing so in a setting where this is a native species that is not necessarily an emergent migratory tree destruction issue. And so, I am just concerned that we are taking on risk as a community and doing this without necessarily having any regional benefit for preservation. Like the emerald, the ash trees are truly in danger of being wiped out, like a Dutch elm or a chestnut light issue. I just don't know that it, you know, this is something that it doesn't cost us anything, but I don't know that it will benefit us. And there may be some risk that, you know, I don't know what bugs hang out on birch trees that also hang out on other trees that have some role with those trees. And that's a concern of mine.

Dr. Grossman

I understand. Yes. I'll say that these insects or bronze birch bore attacks just about all birch trees. So, there's paper birch, the European white birch is an ornamental tree that has been planted a lot. I don't know exactly when it was introduced, but a lot of people plant them for aesthetic reasons. They're a beautiful tree. Unfortunately, the bronze birch bore, because it's an exotic tree, the bronze birch bore is easily able to attack and kill those European white birch. And so, as a result, there's very few. People can't normally plant this European white birch because of the bronze birch bore problem. They also attack paper birch, gray birch, other things, but they're native and they're somewhat less susceptible, but the insect can kill these trees under stressful situations. So, again, what we're trying to provide products and equipment that would allow homeowners, city to treat their trees, to protect them if this pest

situation becomes more prominent. We're trying to evaluate if this new product is going to be as effective, if not more effective than our current option.

Commissioner Shea

Would you say the primary customer would be the planter of the ornamental trees?

Dr. Grossman

Homeowners that purchase trees for their property. Cities will try to diversify the tree species, so that they're not getting into trouble. Like with emerald ash bore. Too many ash trees were planted. Now they're getting-

Commissioner Shea

Well, and the just warmer climates is they're able to survive the winters and you know, it makes the migration shorter each year.

Dr. Grossman

Sorry to interrupt. Part of this is also working with Canadian government as well as Bartlett tree company, they have operations in Canada as well. They're interested in trying to get our products registered in Canada as well. So, it's a dual-purpose type of trial. We want to find out how effective our treatments are. We're also helping these tree companies to see if we can gather enough data to support the registration of these products in Canada as well. So, Nashua would be helping overall to provide information that would allow us to get, get products registered for different purposes.

Commissioner Shea

I appreciate the insight. So, this program, this is for information for us to review. Is there any sort of, you know, do we have a role in advising on whether or not we move forward with this or, you know, to what extent has the conservation commission, have retouched base with them about the concept? I'd be interested to know.

Superintendent Conant

None of these trees that we would inject would be close to a wetland or a water body. So, I see no need to get the conservation committee involved. Just in Greeley Park alone, on the Stonehouse side, next to the gazebo, there's a beautiful paper birch, on the west side where our offices are, there's two native white birches. They're very old, they're magnificent in size. And I think this is something that we should probably be doing to prolong the life of some of our very mature trees. Birch trees, given their bark are very susceptible to insect damage. I think this is something we should be doing on some of our trees, regardless of if we're in this study or not. That's personally how I feel, Commissioner. Just be a good best management practice.

Commissioner Moriarty

Director Fauteux.

Director Fauteux

Commissioner Shea, to your point, we could request an opinion from the state arborist on this if you'd like.

Commissioner Shea

Yes. That would be much appreciated. Just the one thing that really sticks out for me is the broad-spectrum nature of the agent and the potential for you know, overspill, I know that it's confined to the tree, but you know, the tree has circulation and things eat the tree and the tree drops things on the ground. And so, that's my area of concern.,

Director Fauteux

Superintendent Conant, why don't we ask the state arborist for their opinion on this, okay?

Superintendent Conant

I'd be happy to do that.

Commissioner Shea

Thank you so much. And thank you for all the info.

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you. Don't go away yet-

Commissioner Schoneman

First of all, how many trees would you estimate Mr. Conant, you'd be able to use in your sample size? How many birch do we have citywide? Is it just going to be in the parks, just in Greeley, or is it-

Superintendent Conant

We were just going to look in the parks. Yes, commissioner. And off the top of my head, I think we could probably, I don't think we're going to get to that 30 threshold. I was thinking we'll probably be around 20. I think he was going to do this in combination, maybe with Manchester as well.

Commissioner Schoneman

Okay. So, you're looking for a sample size of 30 trees?

Dr. Grossman

At least.

Superintendent Conant

At least between the two.

Commissioner Schoneman

As many as you can get really.

Dr. Grossman

Need at least six replicates per treatment. We have five treatments, including untreated checks. And so statistically, to make it a valid trial, we need at least six replicates. Ideally, if we can get upwards of 10 per treatment, that's 50, that'd be great. So, the way things are moving, I'll probably need to visit with Manchester, either the city or cemeteries to see if I can find additional trees.

Commissioner Schoneman

Or Merrimack or you know, someplace that is close by, the more similar the environment. You can choose your trees of course. As you know, it's going to make your sample size or your sample that much stronger.

Dr. Grossman

Right.

Commissioner Schoneman

Right. The other question I had was, we have an elm tree in our yard, and our tree guy said, be careful of when you prune it, because the critter that carries the dutch elm can get in.

Dr. Grossman

You, have an elm or an ash?

Commissioner Schoneman

I have an elm.

Dr. Grossman

Okay. Dutch Elm disease, yes.

Commissioner Schoneman

Elm, an umbrella.

Dr. Grossman

So, the insect, the vector is a beetle that carries with it the fungus. It emerges in the spring, and it feeds in the branch crotches, and introduces the fungus. I imagine that this insect has, or is able to sense, plant volatiles or chemicals that are emitted from, stress trees and or if the trees are pruned. So more likely not if they're recommending a certain time. Yes, you

would want to be careful about when, but yes, you can treat the tree, inject some of the products as well, that'll protect it against the disease.

Commissioner Schoneman

My question is, well, the tree guy said that the tree is vulnerable after you prune it. So, like you said, maybe the insects can, can sense the volatiles and, you know, sense those and hey, there's a way into this tree. When you treat the birch, does it, does it operate in a similar way? Does the bronze birch bore, does it look for vulnerable points or can it make its own way in-

Dr. Grossman

Yes, it-

Commissioner Schoneman

Without any trouble.

Dr. Grossman

It's going to lay eggs on the bark surface, and then the larva hatch and start to bore through the bark into the cambium tissue. It's the layer just under the bark, but not into the wood. So, yes, all these, a lot of these insects have the capability of detecting certain chemicals that are emitted from their host species. And so, part of management is you're trying to reduce the stress that the trees are experiencing. So, if it's drought, you needed water. If it's you're disturbing the roots that's going to stress trees out. So, you try to reduce that damage as much as possible, so on so forth. So yes, there is a very small chance that by drilling, we are releasing a little bit of those volatiles, but not to the extent that would be very attractive. The tree, yes. It's more the overall health of the tree. If it's stressed, we had that bad drought last year, they're probably stressed and it's going to take a while for those trees to recover. We have had better rains, so they're starting to recover. But if something else happens, again, whether it be wind damage, ice damage, root damage as a result of excavation, these are all things that are going to stress the trees out. And so by treating them with this insecticide, we can reduce the potential for actual colonization and mortality.

Commissioner Schoneman

Great. I think we should do everything that we can to preserve these old, beautiful trees as much as possible.

Dr. Grossman

Right. We've come up with calculations, for like emerald ash bore and ash trees that we can treat a tree for 34 years before the cost of treatment exceeds the cost of removal and replacement of the tree. So, it's really to the homeowner's advantage to treat if necessary and continue to treat as long as that danger is present.

Commissioner Schoneman

Excellent.

Commissioner Moriarty

Dr. Grossman? I may missed it, but what's the timeline on this study? When do you plan begin plan to begin?

Dr. Grossman

So, the beetles emerge in May/June, so we want to treat a little bit before that, but after the flowering of the birch, so it'll be probably late May, early June. We are still working on the formulation of the broad spectrum. So, our formulator chemist has been requested to try to come up with something that we can test by May. And then, so we'll treat in May. We'll follow it through the fall into next year. And assuming that we're seeing reasonable results, we will probably follow it for another year after that. And after a single treatment, we won't be treating again, at least for this trial.

Commissioner Moriarty

So, what I'm thinking is that what we will probably revisit this next month would a vote by the board. It's not here for a motion, it's just informational. They're going to take the information home, review it, we're going to get an opinion from the state arborist. And then, with any luck, it'll be on the agenda for next month for a vote to proceed. That's why I was starting to get at what your timeline was, so that in March-

Dr. Grossman

Yes, we have time.

Commissioner Moriarty

You have time. Is there any further questions.

Commissioner Shea

No, and thank you for your patience as we get and gather more Information.

Dr. Grossman

Appreciate your Interest. Yes. Thank you.

c. INFORMATIONAL: Atherton Park Playground Design Concept

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you. Okay. Informational, item C, the Atherton Park Playground Design Concept.

Superintendent Conant

Superintendent Bryan Conant, Parks and Recreation. We had come to this body and proposed the Atherton Park playground without the conceptual design, and I apologize for

that. And here it is. So, I'd be happy to answer any questions. I've talked to the vendor; the congos aren't that loud. I'm sorry, Commissioner Moriarty.

Commissioner Moriarty

Good.

Commissioner Lemen

I have a question. Yes. What does the thing that kind of looks like, it's on the third page that kind of looks like a cross between an artist palette and a flower. What does that do? Oh, it's a bongo drum.

Commissioner Shea

Yes, drum. Yes. I would assume.

Superintendent Conant

Yes, it is.

Commissioner Lemen

Oh, very cool.

Superintendent Conant

Those are the congos.

Commissioner Lemen

Looks great. It looks fun.

Superintendent Conant

Yes, it does.

Commissioner Shea

I would say that this is a rad design.

Superintendent Conant

I showed my four-year-old son this design. He loves the T-Rex head. So that's all I've heard about from him.

Commissioner Shea

My three-year-old's going to be terrified of it. We were at the barbershop today. He's like, what's in that cabinet to the barber? And he's like, oh, it's a tyrannosaurus rex. He's like, oh,

I'm scared of those. Not all dinosaurs, just the ones with the big teeth. So, I'll surprise him. It'll be fun.

Commissioner Moriarty

Alright, that's fun. Any other questions for the superintendent regarding the playground design? Okay, great. Thank you so much.

Superintendent Conant

Thank you everyone. Have a nice night.

IX. Solid Waste Department

Commissioner Moriarty

Moving on. Solid Waste Department item a, Commissioner Lemen

- a. **MOTION:** Commissioner Lemen to increase the fee the Solid Waste Department charges for contaminated soils from \$25 per ton to \$35 per ton.

Commissioner Moriarty

Superintendent.

Superintendent Lafleur

Jeff Lafleur, Superintendent of Solid Waste. As you guys know, we take in contaminated soils for our daily cover. We have to cover trash every day with six inches of cover material. So, we took the opportunity. We've been charging the companies \$25 a ton, and with all of the materials down in Massachusetts and all of their landfills closing, we're seeing an uptick that a lot of people want to bring material up to us. So, we're taking this opportunity to increase the price and make some revenue off of it. I'm welcome to take any questions on this.

Commissioner Lemen

You think that's enough of an uptick?

Superintendent Lafleur

Oh, absolutely. We could probably try to go for more, but we don't want to limit ourselves. We, as I said, we need the material to cover every day. I don't want to, you know, take the chance of us not getting in enough of material in the next few months, if we see that we're getting plenty of offers to bring in material, we'll definitely bring it before you guys to raise it again, but we're just keeping an eye on what's going on.

Commissioner Moriarty

Commissioner Schoneman.

Commissioner Schoneman

When you say contaminated soils, can you give me an idea of what you usually see as far as contaminants?

Superintendent Lafleur

We're state regulated, so we take in mildly contaminated. I mean, you say the word contaminated, it's very mild. Like there's some very little fuels in it. Very little. There's no lead. We don't accept any lead. We don't accept PCB. So, there's a limit of materials that we do accept at a threshold that we won't take over that.

Commissioner Schoneman

Okay. And there's some kind of testing process, or you're taking them at their word?

Superintendent Lafleur

No, it's a painstaking process that we have. The companies do a test. They do it every 250 tons. So, if they're bringing in a thousand tons, they're doing, you know, they're doing four samples for every time. We're very stringent on that. And my environmental engineer, Darren Santos, that's the bane of his existence right now. He's reviewing test after test after test. But you know, it's good for us. We need it. It's good for a revenue source for us. So, we're welcome to do it as often as we have to.

Commissioner Schoneman

Okay. Thank you.

Commissioner Moriarty

No further questions. All in favor of the motion, please say, aye.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you. Item B, Commissioner Schoneman.

- b. MOTION:** Commissioner Schoneman to approve a purchase order for Core & Main to provide 4,520 feet of 6-inch HDPE perforated piping and elbows, tees, and fittings for various on-going landfill gas recovery well-field maintenance and expansions in the amount not to exceed four \$44,000. Funding through Department: 168 Solid Waste; Fund: Bond; Activity: Landfill Gas Expansion.

Superintendent Lafleur

Jeff Lafleur, Superintendent Solid Waste. We're taking this opportunity. I have some really good operators up at the landfill. We do gas expansions yearly or fairly close to yearly at the landfill. I'm going to buy a whole bunch of material and hopefully be able to do it ourselves. If

we can't do this, the material will still be used by the vendor that'll come in and install it. I'm very confident that we can do a lot of this work ourselves and, you know, save the city some money. I just lost my train of thought. I'm sorry. We can do it. We're going to do it as best as we can, and we're going to try to recoup as much money as possible for the city.

Commissioner Shea

Great. Is there any special licensure required to do that work?

Superintendent Lafleur

There's no special licenses for it. There's some special tools like welding equipment. We already have most of that on stock because we raise our wells ourselves. So, this is just another added feature that we'll be able to do. If we have an emergency where we see some gas emissions coming out, we can go in there and immediately take care of it.

Commissioner Shea

Thank you.

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you. No further questions. All in favor of the motion, please say aye.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you. Thank you, superintendent. Moving down we have Administrative Department, Director's Report.

X. Administration Department
a. Director's Report

Director Fauteux

Thank you, Commissioner Moriarty. The first slide that you're looking at is some Main Street catch basin CCTV inspection. And this is for in preparation for our paving of Main Street Engineering and wastewater are working together to inspect storm drain structures and pipes using closed circuit television. So, this is a picture of wastewater inspecting some storm drain structures on February 10th on Main Street.

We have been preparing, diligently for our move. It's been a tremendous amount of work, more than we expected. We have information dating back to the 1800s, so you can just imagine how much, how much we're trying to put together. I think engineering has had the, the worst of it. But we're getting it done and getting ready for our move on March 13th. So actually March 6th. Then we'll be moving into the building on March 13th. So hopefully. Knock on wood, everything goes well. We do not have an occupancy permit yet, so the building department's watching. We certainly won't move in until we have that, but we anticipate having that hopefully the end of next week, I think Harvey is hoping to have at least a conditional occupancy permit because we won't be able to do all of the landscaping and until

spring. So, we'll have a conditional occupancy permit, and then we'll get the occupancy permit once everything's completed. But it's been a lot of work, but everybody's getting very excited. The furniture is almost in.

So, this is, you remember we talked about the West Pearl Street project that we're doing, and in preparation for that, engineering is coordinating with abutting property owners to gain access to building basements, to perform inspections. And inspections having occurred over several days in early February. And they've actually revealed some historic underground structures that will be accounted for in the final construction documents.

This is a picture of Greeley Park, which is very pretty, certainly one of our Treasures. This is a tree removal. There was actually a hazardous tree that was in danger of falling, located in the right of way at the corner of Webster Street and Bartlett Ave. Another hazardous tree removal that we performed at the corner of Webster and Bartlett.

It has been cold enough; it's been a crazy winter. But it has been cold enough to do some ice making. We have a chiller at Roby Park, so we've been able to maintain ice there. It's been difficult though, to maintain ice, elsewhere in the city. That's something that we'd like to look at purchasing another chiller so that, that we could maintain ice in another area. But we've had some conflict between hockey and public skating. We had a young woman who was injured. So, we'd like to look at getting another chiller so that we could maybe dedicate one rink to hockey and one rink to public skating.

This is some crowds that are gathered for sledding at Roby Park. We finally had some snow from that last storm. Bidy basketball is entering their playoff season this week. It's been an exciting year. We'll give you updates on how that goes. Hopefully, next meeting. This is a picture of our crews repaired a residential sewer line. It was backing up at 11 Monterey Ave. Our crews have been clearing brush from the side of the road. And this is a line of site issue on Baldwin Street. Our crews repaired a sink hole due to a broken sewer pipe at a 100 Factory Street.

We've been doing a lot of pothole repairs with the fluctuation of temperatures. This is a catch basin repair at 10 Bradford Street again, that our crews performed. We had the wastewater crews worked to create a temporary seal on one of our secondary clarifier gates. The clarifier had equipment failure, which resulted in the tank having to be taken down. The seal on the gate failed. It needs to be repaired. We did a temporary repair, but it needs to be engineered and we'll have to repair it, right. But right now, at least we were able to repair it well enough to be able to take it offline.

And you all have a poster from our 2023 recycling calendar contest. And the ceremony was held at City Hall on January 31st. So, we had a small group of kids that were able to attend, but they were enthusiastic and excited to see their artwork on the calendar. And the construction of our new vehicle shelter has started at the landfill. So, we'll be able to store our trash trucks primarily, but also other trucks under, to keep them out of the weather and elements and to keep the snow off our vehicles. So that's going to be a huge improvement too, as we move into our new building. And that's it. Any questions?

Commissioner Lemen

Is the old garage still going to be there?

Director Fauteux

At the landfill? Yes, for now. Until we can build a suitable garage, we'll need to use that for storage and other things. So that building will stay until-

Commissioner Lemen

Okay.

Director Fauteux

Until we have a garage.

Commissioner Moriarty

Director, with any luck will we be meeting at our new facility next month?

Director Fauteux

I'm not sure if it'll be next month. Definitely April, hopefully. Yes. Hopefully.

Commissioner Moriarty

Great.

Director Fauteux

It's going to be tight because they're still working on, I think, getting all the kinks out with the CCTV and the cameras and all that. So that'll all have to be ready to go before we have a meeting. But hopefully, if we can, we certainly will.

XI. Commissioner's Comments

XII. Personnel

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you so much. Alright. Commissioner's Comments are next. Any comments by the Commissioners? Seeing none we'll proceed then on the Personnel. Commissioner Shea, you can read motion A?

- a. **MOTION:** Commissioner Shea to approve and unseal the nonpublic minutes for Personnel from the Board of Public Works Meeting of January 26th, 2023.

Commissioner Moriarty

Great. Thank you. All in favor of that motion, please say aye.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you. Item B, Commissioner Lemen

- b. **MOTION:** Commissioner Lemen to accept the retirement of Robert Guidaboni, Groundskeeper Maintenance effective February 28th, 2023.

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you. That's the motion. All in favor?

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you. And Commissioner Schoneman, Item C

- c. **MOTION:** Commissioner Schoneman to accept the retirement of Tom Lones, Mechanic II effective February 24th, 2023.

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you for the motion. All in favor, please say aye.

MOTION PASSES: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

And that concludes Personnel, though I think we're going into non-public. Is that right?

Director Fauteux

So yes. We are non-public.

Commissioner Moriarty

Commissioner Schoneman if you could read that for us.

- d. **MOTION: Non-Public Session:** Commissioner Schoneman moved by roll call that the board go into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II(b) The hiring of any person as a public employee.

A Viva Voce Roll Call was taken, which resulted as follows:

Yea: Commissioner Moriarty, Commissioner Schoneman, Commissioner Lemen, Commissioner Shea	4
Nay:	0

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you. We're back in public session. Commissioner Schoneman.

XIII. Possible Non-Public Session

- a. **MOTION:** Commissioner Schoneman moved by roll call to seal the minutes of the Board of Public Works' personnel, non-public, meaning of February 23rd, 2023. Until such time as the majority of the board votes, that the purpose of the confidentiality would no longer be served.

A Viva Voce Roll Call was taken, which resulted as follows:

Yea: Commissioner Moriarty, Commissioner Schoneman,
Commissioner Lemen, Commissioner Shea 4

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

There's only one motion left, right?

Director Fauteux

Yes, correct.

- b. **MOTION:** Commissioner Lemon motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Moriarty

All in favor?

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM.