

**Board of Public Works Meeting
Meeting Minutes
March 25, 2021**

A meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on Thursday, March 25th, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. via a Zoom Conference Call.

Mayor Donchess

As Chair of the Board of Public Works, I find that due to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Governor's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this public body is authorized to meet electronically.

Please note that there is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously to this meeting, which was authorized pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Order. However, in accordance with the Emergency Order, I am confirming that we are first: Providing public access to the meeting by telephone, with additional access possibilities by video or other electronic means: We are utilizing Zoom through the City's IT Department for this electronic meeting. To access Zoom, please refer to the agenda or the City's website for the meeting link. To join by phone dial: 1-929-436-2866. The Meeting ID is: 988 7358 4127 and the password is: 966908. The public may also view this meeting on Comcast, Channel 16.

Second, providing public notice of the necessary information for accessing the meeting: We previously gave notice to the public of the necessary information for accessing the meeting, through public postings. Instructions have also been provided on the City of Nashua's website at www.nashuanh.gov and publicly noticed at City Hall and at the Department of Public Works Administration Building at 9 Riverside Drive.

Third, by providing a mechanism for the public to alert the public body during the meeting if there are problems with access: If anybody has a problem accessing the meeting via the phone or by Channel 16, please call 603-821-2049 and they will help you connect. In the event the public is unable to access the meeting via the phone number I just mentioned, the meeting will be adjourned and rescheduled. Please note that all votes that are taken during this meeting shall be done by roll call.

Let's start the meeting by taking a roll call attendance. When each member states their presence, also please state why you are physically not present for the meeting and also state whether there is anyone in the room with you during this meeting, this being required by the Right-To-Know Law.

Diane would you please the roll?

I. Roll Call:

Mayor Jim Donchess

Here, I am socially distanced as a result of the pandemic and I am alone in the room.

Commissioner Frank Teas

Present, I am participating in a socially distanced fashion because of the pandemic. I am at my home, alone in a room.

Commissioner Tracy Pappas

I am home by myself and I am home due to the pandemic.

Commissioner Kevin S. Moriarty

Yes, I am present, attending remotely due to the Coronavirus pandemic. I am in my office by myself.

Commissioner Shannon Schoneman

I am here and I am attending remotely due to the Governor’s Emergency Order. I am alone in this room in my house.

Mayor Donchess

Alright, thank you all. Well the first item is a motion to approve the agenda.

Also Present:

- Ms. Lisa Fauteux, Director, Division of Public Works
- Tim Cummings, Director of Economic Development
- Ms. Julie Chizmas, Transportation & Long Range Planner - Community Development
- Mr. Jeff LaFleur, Solid Waste Superintendent
- Mr. Deb Chisholm, Waterways Manager
- Ms. Sarah Marchant, Director of Community Development
- Mr. Dan Hudson, City Engineer
- Mr. Dave Boucher, Wastewater Superintendent
- Mr. Jon Ibarra, Street Superintendent

II Motion: Commissioner Moriarty made a motion to approve the agenda as presented:

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

Yea:	Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Pappas, Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman	5
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Nay:		0
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Approval of Meeting Minutes

February 25, 2021

III. Motion: Commissioner Teas made a motion to approve the minutes of the Board of Public Works Meeting of February 25, 2021

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

Yea:	Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Pappas, Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman	5
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Nay:		0
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IV. Public Comment

Mayor Donchess

We are now at Public Comment, is there any member of the public who would like to speak to the Committee?

Laurie Ortolano Yes, Laurie Ortolano.

Mayor Donchess

Could you please go ahead, just give your name and address.

Ms. Ortolano: Sure, Laurie Ortolano, 41 Berkeley Street. Two things – one I was just want to weigh in on the barriers and I know Director Cummings is going to give an update so I am going to pay attention and listen to that. I am just not certain that we should be (inaudible) into making those barriers a permanent thing in Nashua without maybe studying it a little more closely and looking at potential traffic impacts particularly as we develop downtown with the Art Center and additional housing units. And there is a cost associated with putting them in and taking them down and I just think we should maybe do a little more investigating on that and studying to make certain it is the right decision.

Secondly, I know that the Burke Street property sale is going to be discussed today. But I did bring up an issue at the Board of Aldermen meeting and I don't know who was control of the building project anymore. The bond was approved by the Board about 18 months ago but it is not the same project it was back then. And I think the quote for the project is now pretty dated. Construction costs have changed a lot, lumber costs, everything. And I don't know what Burke Street is going to sell for. And I think that project should be voted – pulled back and reviewed again. We should get a new cost estimate on building the DPW Office facility because it is a different time and place now and we shouldn't be purchasing something that we approved – by the time we get going on this, you know, a year and a half or two years ago, that isn't the same project any longer. So I think it would be good to take a second look at it again. Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Alright, thank you very much. Any other members of the public wish to speak to the Committee? (There were none). If not, we will go to the update from Economic Director Cummings, is he on the meeting? I assume he was?

Lisa Fauteux, Director of Public Works

Yes he is.

V. Update from Director Tim Cummings regarding Main Street barriers and Burke Street

Tim Cummings, Director of Economic Development

Yes, I am Mayor, thank you. For the record, Tim Cummings, Director of Economic Development. I am here this evening to give you an update on the Burke Street purchase 141-143 Burke Street. My update is going to be relatively brief and a quick, high level overview because essentially things are still on track and still trending in a positive direction. The P&S is still active and the current, perspective purchaser is looking to buy the property. They have extended their option to purchase a couple of times now and we are slated to close now on April 22nd though I think it is fair to say that I think it will be extended probably a month or two; again, that's an assumption on my part but, nonetheless that is kind of how I am seeing it at this time. I hope it closes sooner but right now it is too early for me to say whether it will or not.

Why? What has brought about this extension? So during the due diligence phase, the perspective purchaser realized that there was an issue with some turning movement, some turning radiuses couldn't be achieved. So they have come back to the City and asked if we could provide them some assistance in terms of helping them make the turning movements that they are looking to make. I am going to share my screen for just a moment here where I'd like to visually show you what I am trying to describe if that's ok. Bear with me. So hopefully everyone can see on their screen now where my cursor is right here, this is Burke Street we are looking to sell. Here's the new parcel that we created that we are going to keep. Right in and along here where my cursor is outlining the back perimeter of the building, 18 wheeler trucks need to back into the loading dock here and they are finding it is just a little difficult to make that turn right here that my cursor is showing. So they have approached the City and asked the City if we would entertain allowing them to do that or not. We are just in the discussions now of how we might be able to do that and what it would take. So we are still working through those details which is one of the reasons why I think they may look to extend their P&S a little bit while longer. But I am still very confident that they will be closing.

What I should say, I am going to stop sharing my screen now, now that I've showed you visually what it is that I was talking about. The Purchase & Sale articulated a purchase price of \$3.65 million; we have \$100,000.00 deposit in escrow. We have non-refundable \$25,000.00 already paid and then every month that they extend, which is not credited to the purchase price, they have to pay an additional \$10,000.00. They have done that for 2 or 3 months now, so we have in total \$155,000.00 paid to us in some fashion. And I think that that number could probably get us up to more like \$3.7 or thereabouts by the time this closes. So at any rate, I just wanted to provide you all that update so you had an idea of where things stood. I think we will be looking to close this sometime this spring.

Mayor Donchess

Alright, are there any questions or comments about the Burke Street Building. Why don't we do that now and then get to the barriers as a second subject? Commissioner Pappas.

Commissioner Pappas

If nobody else has a question I just a question and a comment. I assume they got to inspect the building, that was part of the reason I voted against the purchase of Burke Street is we had to take this "as is" purchase. But my question about the turnaround. Is that due to land that we have that we kind of scoped out for ourselves; sketched out for ourselves?

Director Cummings

No, no it's what their plan is for their use. So my understanding is they are looking to use the space as a warehouse or warehousing type use and they know that they are going to need to put 18 wheelers in the back; that's what they are thinking that they would like to do. So they are trying to figure out the best way to get circulation around the building.

Mayor Donchess

But the easement would be over a portion of the property that, yes we did subdivision off for use at the treatment plant, ultimate use at the treatment plant. So yes, it is the land that we carved out.

Commissioner Pappas

So it is because part of that land is causing a problem for their vehicles to swing around, that was my question if it wasn't clear.

Mayor Donchess

Correct.

Commissioner Pappas

OK, thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Did you have another question?

Commissioner Pappas

No I made my comment. Well the other question I have probably can't be answered in that if we subdivided, I am just wondering if it is possible to sell them part of the land but I know that's probably because that was the negotiation of sale. You probably can't answer that.

Mayor Donchess

Alright. Anybody else have any questions or comments on the report? Yes, Commissioner Teas?

Commissioner Teas

Thank you. So two comments. One is I agree building costs have gone up. Ms. Ortolano makes a valid point for sure. And one thing that I have been steadfast on is ensuring that we don't overpay either costs or otherwise. I think we have to, as we reevaluate the costs of the property, we also need to be mindful of interest rates too. We are going to be borrowing likely over \$6 million dollars for this facility and we need to ensure that we consider that in our evaluation of the entire cost of the property. A 1% jump in interest rates could increase the cost on an annual basis on our financing by \$60,000.00 annually. So just be mindful of that.

And then secondly, Director Cummings, you had mentioned that \$25,000.00 of the deposit is non-refundable plus that \$10,000.00 monthly. Is any other part of the deposit become ours after a period of time or only upon closing?

Director Cummings

Only upon closing the \$100,000.00 would become. The \$25,000.00 became non-refundable after due diligence expired and those two things get credited to the purchase price and then after, every time they extend every month they pay an additional \$10,000.00 which is above and beyond the purchase price.

Commission Teas

Thank you very much.

Director Cummings

And if I could just clarify because I just want to make sure everyone understands. I am going to share my screen again one more time. So as you see here, right over along here, the dash line, that's an existing easement that needs to be maintained and that provides access on up through for anyone a part of this association in through and on up to Burke Street up here. So this is your access. And why is that important? It is so that vehicles in and along through the south end here don't go through the Saw Mill Neighborhood, but go on up through Burke Street. I don't want to get too much into the details but I do want to just clarify that we have actually asked that this gets shifted and run along the border here, which would actually free up this land for a better development and it also would allow for that turning radius to be better. Will we actually have an easement in and along here within our property line? I don't know yet and that is something we are still working

to explore to try to work out. And we are trying not to go in that direction as much as possible. But it is really just too early to tell. Because they've told us that they have this issue we are seeing if we can maybe just swap the easement as a way of trying to find a solution. It would actually behoove us to do that, it makes this land a little bit more usable because right now we need to honor this easement. All of this is still in the works and details to be figured out so more to come. I just want to clarify and make sure folks understood that.

Commissioner Pappas

Mr. Mayor, can I ask one more question?

Mayor Donchess

Yes, of course.

Commissioner Pappas

It sounds like things aren't finalized but do you have a sense as to who would be responsible for the upkeep of the easement?

Director Cummings

I am not sure I understand the question. When you say "the upkeep of the easement", anyone who is party to the association would have access to the easement.

Commissioner Pappas

I don't mean access, I mean responsibility for the easement if something happens or something breaks or you have to fix something on that land area, you know, in the event that there is flooding or something like that. I guess who actually owns the easement and who is held responsible if something goes wrong?

Director Cummings

As I understand it, it is the Association's easement. Anyone that is party to the association.

Commissioner Pappas

So by "association" would that be us and the buyer, the City and the buyer, is that what you are saying?

Director Cummings

And other property owners in the area.

Commissioner Pappas

Didn't we just take off a piece of land for the wastewater treatment plant or did we take the land off to sell to someone else. I guess I am unclear, are there other property owners in that area I guess would be my question.

Director Cummings

There is, as I understand it, historically that area was parceled out with an association, with the common infrastructure underground being owned through this association, very similar to the mill yard in Nashua. And so it would be the abutters essentially in the area, all members of this association.

Commissioner Pappas

I don't remember getting any kind of information about that in the past. I don't know if anybody else finds that – I find it actually a little bit disconcerting, but that's me. Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Now if this project, when this parcel sells and when it gets time to then to turn the construction of the Public Works Building, if it is determined that the building would cost more than the \$3.7 plus the \$6 million that's authorized, plus the \$200 that was escrowed, I think it was \$200. Either the size of the project would have to be scaled back to conform with the authorized expenses or the Board of Aldermen would have to authorize more money after a Public Hearing. I mean the authorization cannot be exceeded without an increase in the bonding authority and that requires a public hearing. So there would need to be, once this closes you know, Public Works is in charge of this project and we would have to look at the costs and try to determine how to recommend proceeding. Alright, does anybody else have any questions, comments about the sale? If, not can you give us a brief update on the Main Street barriers, please? Mr. Cummings? You are muted.

Director Cummings

Thank you, my apologies. So yes, for the record, Tim Cummings, Director of Economic Development. The barriers – we are looking to put the barriers out again this year. We are looking to do it on the 29th. You may have already seen some barriers go up, that happened on the 15th or 16th of March. You are going to see basically pretty much the same layout that you saw last year relative to the barriers. There will be some additions and some minor tweaks around the edges but we are trying to keep it, as much as possible, consistent as to what we did last year. Some new elements, we are adding in a bike lane so there will be a bike lane this year. We are having the barriers painted and trying to make them more aesthetically appealing. That was one of the comments and feedback that we got last summer that we understood and we knew we needed to address. We are trying to add in some parking along some of the side streets to try to create some additional parking opportunities where possible. But overall, we are trying to maintain, as much as possible, this similar type of design that we had last year.

The barriers will be up, as of right now, from now up until November 15th and then there will be a question with the Board of Aldermen as to whether we do something again in the following years. And I would invite everyone here, if they have an interest in this subject, to be part of that conversation that takes place at the Board of Aldermen. That's all I have at this time for a barrier update. Happy to take any questions on it.

Mayor Donchess

Any questions or comments? Commissioner Pappas.

Commissioner Pappas

Unless someone else had a question, I don't want to always go first.

Mayor Donchess

I don't see anyone else.

Commissioner Pappas

So I just had some comments that folks are concerned about the traffic if you are heading north on Main Street that it was a bit of tough-going. I sense that people really do want to support Main Street and I think they realize with COVID that they are willing to maybe grit their teeth and grin and bear it for another year. But before there is any kind of traffic updates, that it would be extremely, it would not be the responsible thing to do

to say we are going to do this permanently. Now what I had noticed with the Fire Department, I remember when we put in a raised crosswalk on Manchester Street, the Fire Department was very upset, they said it had a major impact on how they are going to get to fires or get to folks who were having a medical issue. And I can't help but to imagine that having a main thoroughfare go down from 4 lanes to 2 doesn't impact that.

And the other issue that people have expressed concern about is that we have in our hospital, we have a hospital downtown and I know that other communities have done this. But the difference between say Manchester and Nashua is that Manchester has a lot of streets that run parallel to Elm Street, so it's not that hard to get around it. And I think with Main Street it makes it that much more difficult. Suggestions I've had, some of the suggestions is, you know, let's do this one more year and then maybe just on say Thursday through Saturday or Sunday have a certain period of time where do you like Memorial Drive and down in Boston where you cut it off so it is just a pedestrian area because that way you don't tie up traffic from March through November. And people can get to the hospital and I think the difference between shutting it down during the summer on weekends for certain hours, I think that it allows for less of a traffic impact than if we do it every single day forever from March through November.

I think having access to the hospital is really important. And not only that, we have 180 Main Street, we have doctor's offices, you have dentist's office and that sort of thing. And I think that it makes it kind of difficult to get down there and it may have a significant impact on other types of businesses besides restaurants. Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Anybody else have questions or comments? (There were none.). Thank you Mr. Cummings.

VI. Parks and Recreation Department

A. Informational: Sandy Pond Treatment Program

Director Fauteux

And I think Mayor we have Deb Chisholm, our Waterways Manager here to speak to that this evening.

Mayor Donchess

OK Ms. Chisholm?

Deb Chisholm, Waterways Manager

Mayor, thank you, Director Fauteux. I am just really here to support Jason. Jason being the new guy, this is his first spring on the job and I know he's got a lot going on.

Mayor Donchess

Let me introduce you. So Deb Chisholm is the City's Waterways Manager involved with licensing's and the dam and any river-related issues, handling the operation of the dams etc. So she's involved with the Sandy Pond Project as well. So sorry to interrupt, but I am not sure Public Works has met you before.

Ms. Chisholm

Thank you, I appreciate that. The Invasive Species Management is something that we do on both the Nashua River upstream of the Mine Falls Dam all the way up almost to the border with Hollis. We do that every year; every other year we also do the Mill Pond behind Conway Arena and the Canal all the way down through the downtown area. This year we are skipping that, this is our off year for that. But every year we also look at Sandy Pond and when I came on board in 2018 that was something that Nick was doing. So it's really for ease of paperwork and labor that we put a contract together with a company called Solitude, that is one that is

actually selected by the State Department of Environmental Services for us, to do the Nashua River and when we do the Mill Pond and the Canal. And so it is just as easy to wrap Sandy Pond right into everything else and it is much more efficient to do it that way.

So for the amount of the contract for the Sandy Pond work of a little over \$2,500.00, our total contract with Solitude will be around \$78,000.00. So Sandy Pond, just a small piece, but it is for the people that live in that neighborhood, Sandy Pond is a really nice resource and we want to make sure that we continue to apply herbicides as needed so that that pond will stay as nice as it is.

Mayor Donchess

Questions or comments for Ms. Chisolm?

Commissioner Pappas

I received very positive feedback about this program and I think it's great.

Ms. Chisolm

Well thank you.

Mayor Donchess

I don't see anyone else. If not, thank you Ms. Chisolm. We will now go on to Solid Waste.

VII. Solid Waste Department

- A. Motion by Commissioner Schoneman:** To approve the Cooperative Service Agreement between the City of Nashua and the USDA Wildlife Management Service not to exceed \$83,987.58 for FY22. Funding for this agreement is through Department: 168 Solid Waste; Fund: Solid Waste; Account Classification 55 Other Services.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

And I believe Mr. LaFleur is here to address this?

Jeff LaFleur, Superintendent of Solid Waste

Yes, Mayor, Jeff LaFleur, Superintendent of Solid Waste. This contract is with USDA APHIS, it is a company out of Concord, New Hampshire. They do all of our wildlife surveys, they help us with managing any of the seagulls or any of the turkey vultures that are in the area which is a part of our permit. They help scare them off the properties, they also go around and they check out a lot of the condominiums. If there are any problems with seagulls or turkey vultures they'll go around and take care of them for us. They also take care of other vectors such as woodchucks, foxes, coyotes in the landfill if there's any issues with those.

Mayor Donchess

Alright. Anybody have comments, questions. Could you please call the roll?

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

Yea: Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Pappas,
Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman

Nay:

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B. Motion by Commissioner Teas: To approve an increase in the pricing for accepting deliveries of contaminated soils, street sweepings and catch basin debris from \$16/ton to \$25/ton.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Mr. LaFleur?

Mr. LaFleur

Thanks again. Mayor, Jeff LaFleur, Superintendent of Solid Waste. We have been noticing with Massachusetts closing down a lot of the landfills, we are getting a lot of requests to take in contaminated soils at the landfill. We have taken in quite a bit over the years. We are going to take an opportunity to increase the cost, the \$25.00 a ton to help out with the revenues. We are going to try it for a while and make sure that we are getting enough materials; we need this contaminated soil for our cover, to cover our daily cover of our landfill. So we are just going to try it and see how we do; make sure we have enough cover coming in.

Mayor Donchess

All right. Questions or comments from the Commissioners?

Commissioner Pappas

So I guess my question would be, I assume it is ok with DES that we use contaminated soil as a cover?

Mr. LaFleur

Yes, Commissioner Pappas, it is the same cover that we've been taking in for years. It is all approved through DES. It is lightly contaminated soils, we go through all the analyticals with a fine tooth comb to make sure that everything is proper.

Commissioner Pappas

So what kinds of contamination and who tests it?

Mr. LaFleur

We make sure that the companies that want to send the soils to us do all the testing. We have a guideline that every 250 tons up to 5,000 tons has to be tested to make sure that it is not overly contaminated. I am not 100% sure on the exact contaminants that we do accept. I know that they are very low; it is a standard that Massachusetts actually follows. So it is very lightly contaminated but the State will not let us use that as a clean fill so I couldn't place it outside the landfill.

Commissioner Pappas

So, but obviously if you use it as fill it is not taking up landfill space.

Mr. LaFleur

I'm not sure ... contaminated soils cannot go outside of our landfill so I'd be usually for daily cover. Clean fill, I'd be using it on the outside of the

Commissioner Pappas

Right. OK. Well \$25.00 a ton....

Mayor Donchess

It takes up a little space but it is required by the permit that there be daily cover.

Commissioner Pappas

So it wouldn't matter what we used for fill whether it was smashed glass or ok, alright. Well \$25.00 a ton sounds a lot better than \$16.00 a ton. Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Definitely. Anyone else? (There were none.). Could you please call the roll?

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

Yea: Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Pappas,
Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman 5

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

VIII. Street Department

A. Motion by Commissioner Moriarty: To approve Change Order 1 to sole source vendor Permaline of New England of 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.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Mr. Ibarra?

Jon Ibarra, Superintendent Street Department

Thank you Mr. Mayor. Jon Ibarra, Superintendent of the Street Department. So this is a budgeted line item and a vendor that we use to supply everything from delineator posts, to street signs, stop signs, one-ways, do not enters. And just based on our historical usage and what we are projected to do with signage this year before the end of this Fiscal Year, I would like to have this change order approved so we can continue to work with Permaline. And I am happy to answer any questions.

Mayor Donchess

Commissioners? (There were none.). Could you please call the roll?

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Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman 5

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

B. Motion by Commissioner Teas: To approve Change Order No. 1 to the 2020 Pavement Markings Contract with K5 Corporation of Rockland, MA in the amount of \$162,000. Funding for this contract is through Department 161: Streets; Fund: General; Account Classification: 54 Other Services.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Commissioners, any comments? Mr. Ibarra, sorry we didn't get your explanation yet.

Mr. Ibarra

Thank you Mr. Mayor. So this is K5 Corporation, formerly it was Highway Safety. Last June we went out to bid for our annual striping contract and Highway Safety, who is now K5 Corporation, took the bid and this, again, is a budgeted line item. And I'd like to encumber the funds because they have reached out and told us they would honor their pricing through June of '22. So, again, this is our annual striping. Any questions, I'd be happy to answer?

Mayor Donchess

Commissioners? (There were none.). Could you please call the roll?

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Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman 5

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

C. Motion by Schoneman: To approve the purchase of a 2021 Hamm HDiVO Oscillating Vibratory Asphalt Roller from Nortrax Equipment, Pembroke, NH for a price of \$74,069 pursuant to the Sourcewell Contract. Funding will be through Department: 161; Fund: Trust; Activity: CERF.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Mr. Ibarra?

Mr. Ibarra

Thank you Mr. Mayor. This is a contract through Sourcewell so it is the equivalent of a Government funded contract that we can match the pricing. This is a CERF replacement; it was scheduled for Fiscal '20. But with COVID and what we were doing, we never got to it. But we are doing more and more larger projects to try and offset the expense to the City. We are saving a lot of monies with utilizing our street crews and we are taking

larger projects that are paving. We have grown our mill and fill program and as part of the some of the larger project like Lincoln Park, we have done the entire parking lot. This will be a bigger, better compacting roller. We will get a better, longer lasting finished pavement by utilizing this tool. And I am happy to answer any questions related to that purchase?

Mayor Donchess

Commissioners?

Commissioner Pappas

If I may, Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Donchess

Please go ahead.

Commissioner Pappas

I applaud that and I appreciate your attempting to use our City employees more with this happening and I say thank you.

Mr. Ibarra

Thank you, we've got a great team.

Commissioner Pappas

You do.

Mayor Donchess

Could you please call the roll?

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Nay:		0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

IX. Wastewater Department

A. Motion by Commissioner Teas: To approve Change Order #1 for the purchase of chemical Sodium Hypochlorite in the amount of \$60,000 from Borden & Remington of Fall River, MA. Funding will be through: Department: 169 Wastewater; Fund: Wastewater; Account Classification: 61 Supplies & Materials.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Mr. Boucher?

Dave Boucher, Wastewater Superintendent

Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Dave Boucher Wastewater Superintendent. So the Wastewater facility uses Sodium Hypochlorite, we dose it continuously for disinfection, whenever we have storms or process upsets, we have to increase the amount of Sodium Hypochlorite we use. It is also the first year we have used it continuously in our odor control system at the Wastewater Plant. So currently we are using above what we have historically used so this is an estimated cost we'd need to cover the cost for Sodium Hypochlorite for the rest of the season or the rest of the Fiscal Year.

Mayor Donchess

Commissioners? (There were none.). Could you please call the roll?

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Nay:	0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

B. Motion by Commissioner Schoneman: To approve the purchase of the Master Control Panel (MCP) upgrade on the Three Aeration Blowers in the amount of \$59,327 from BCV Systems in Springfield, MO. Funding will be through: Department: 169 Wastewater; Fund: Wastewater; Account Classification: 81000 Capital Outlay Improvements.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Mr. Boucher?

Mr. Boucher

Dave Boucher, Wastewater Superintendent. The Wastewater Facility has three high efficiency blowers that are serviced by a company called BCV Systems. We recently had them in to trouble shoot our blowers. We have had issues with them, providing air to our secondary process. It was discovered that the program that is in the blower mast control panel is an older programming system that limits our controls on the blower. This company has redeveloped a program for the system, which would allow us to have better controls. We also have had issues, seasonally providing air to our secondary process as the temperatures get warmer. This new program would allow us to provide more air to the system and run the blowers more efficient.

Mayor Donchess

Any Commissioners?

Commissioner Pappas

Mr. Mayor, if I may? So one of the things that I think that we've really tried to do at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, and I think we've done well, is to try to know when we replace stuff and to kind of keep on a program. So when you say we are on a program, is there a certain period of time where you know you are going to have to have that either maintained or replaced or both? I am thinking in terms of a car, we have our cars inspected every year, so there are standards are to when you switch your tires, just certain items that have to be maintained or replaced. Does this program involve something like that, so that we are able to say, OK we

replaced it in 2021 so we are going to do some maintenance on it and say 2025 or we are going to replace it in 2028; I'm just pulling those years off the top of my head.

Mayor Donchess

Mr. Boucher?

Mr. Boucher

Yes I think this is, when the blowers were first purchased it came with a program. I think over the years they have found bugs in the program. Every facility uses the blowers different so they keep adding to the program designing it different so operators have better controls over it. It's hard to determine when you first put out a product when you are going to need upgrades to the program. They don't come out with new programs annually. But the issues we have had in the past, there's a lot of different facets to the aeration system that we have at the facility. There's diaphragms there's piping, there's a lot of things that we tried to replace and correct the issue first before we went to the more expensive blowers, it wasn't until BCV came in and discovered that the blowers weren't doing what they could be doing with the existing program. So they recently developed a new program for another facility that would work in our facility. So I don't know if down the road there will be any other changes, I can't determine that.

Commissioner Pappas

So I guess my question is, do you just have to wait until there is a problem and then call them in and have them take a look at the program. I guess that's my question.

Mr. Boucher

Most issues with programs can be resolved differently, you know? If there's just a minor problem with the program, something malfunctions or something. But this is a part of the program that tells the equipment what to do. And it tells it to do something different versus just fixing what it is supposed to do, like what it currently does.

Commissioner Pappas

OK, thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Anyone else? (There were none.) Could you please call the roll?

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

Yea: Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Pappas,
Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman 5

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

X. Engineering Department

A. Motion by Commissioner Moriarty: To approve the Residential and Commercial Wastewater Service Permits and Fees as submitted.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Is Mr. Hudson here, I'm sure you are.

Mr. Hudson

Yes I am Mr. Mayor. Dan Hudson, City Engineer. There is a list of 9 permits in the list here, happy to answer questions about any of them but they are there for your consideration.

Mayor Donchess

Any discussion? (There was none.). Could you call the roll?

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

Yea:	Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Pappas, Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman	5
Nay:		0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

B. Motion by Commission Teas: To approve the following Pole License Petitions: PSNH #21-1562, PSNH #21-1537, PSNH #21-1549.

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

Yea:	Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Pappas, Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman	5
Nay:		0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

C. Motion by Commissioner Schoneman: To approve item tabled from February 25, 2021 Meeting, To consider the hardship request from the Nashua Transit System to excavate in Elm Street to facilitate the Transit Center Retrofit Project.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Mr. Hudson?

Mr. Hudson

Thank you Mr. Mayor. I'll introduce the item and then Director Marchant can talk maybe a little more about the project if people have questions. But the Transit System intends to reconstruct and upgrade the Transit Center next to City Hall. That work is going to necessitate some roadwork and some utilities which abut Elm Street, which is an area that was repaved following sewer reconstruction. The work will match into the edge of Elm Street because there is curbing and driveways and that sort of thing. So the request is to allow that as a hardship request. What we have suggested is that it be treated under the pilot program whereby just the

shoulder of Elm Street will be milled and repaved not the entire width, because it is new pavement and most of it will not be disturbed as part of this project. So with that, I don't know if Director Marchant would like to ...

Mayor Donchess

Ms. Marchant? Are you here? Well we have received a Federal Grant to redo ...

Sarah Marchant, Director of Community Development

Sorry, can you hear me now?

Mayor Donchess

Yeah, go ahead.

Director Marchant

I apologize. Yes, so Director Marchant. Thank you so much. We received a nationally competitive 5339 Grant to upgrade the safety and infrastructure of the Transit Center. That funding was delayed a bit in how it got to us but it is here now. And we have the project out to bid and we are very much looking forward to beginning this project this summer. It is incredibly important to redo the underlying infrastructure. I'm sure if you have walked by City Hall or driven by it, you can see the ruts in the pavement and in the road and we have a whole number of other safety and security improvements that we are making to the Transit Center with this project. I am more than happy to answer any other questions you have?

Mayor Donchess

Any comments/questions from the Commissioners? Commissioner Moriarty?

Commissioner Moriarty

I am just wondering if all of the work will be done by outside contractors? Are we planning on using any Public Works?

Mayor Donchess

On the Transit Garage?

Commissioner Moriarty

Yes.

Mayor Donchess

OK. Ms. Marchant?

Director Marchant

All of the work will be done by outside contractors.

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Anyone else? (There were none.). Could the Clerk please call the roll?

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

Yea: Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman	4
Nay: Commissioner Pappas	1

MOTION CARRIED 4 –0– 1

D. Motion by Commissioner Moriarty: Tabled from February 25, 2021 Meeting: To consider the hardship waiver request from Liberty Utilities to excavate in moratorium streets for Grade 2 leak repairs through Calendar Year 2021.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Mr. Hudson? And I think, Director Marchant, you are through, so thank you for coming. Mr. Hudson?

Mr. Hudson

Yes, thank you Mr. Mayor. So we introduced this item a month or two ago. This is Liberty Utilities requesting approval to excavate for Grade 2 leaks. Grade 2 leaks are leaks that they need to be repaired within the same calendar year and within 6 months of their discovery, whichever comes first. Last year the Board granted them kind of a blanket approval to be able to make those through the end of the calendar year. So Liberty Utilities is requesting the same thing this year. That enables them to make those repairs more quickly which improves safety and then the Board is notified each month, we summarize all the excavations, all the permits that are issues on moratorium streets, we summarize that each month for the Board so the Board has the full information. But I know the Board had questions for Liberty about leaks and why they aren't discovered prior to paving and that sort of thing. So there are representatives on the call to answer those.

Mayor Donchess

Alright. Who is here from Liberty?

Brad Marx, Liberty Utilities

Hello, this is Brad Marx, I am from Liberty Utilities. I can answer any questions regarding this request and thank you for hearing our request. Essentially what happens is we get a list of streets from the City that they intend to pave at the beginning of every season. And we go through and leak survey all the streets on the list that have gas facilities. Any leaks that are found at that time get repaired prior to the streets getting paved. The process works ok, but sometimes we do find that within that 5 year moratorium, even though we didn't find the leak prior to paving, leaks do occur within that 5 year moratorium through the frost season and then the thawing after the frost every year, it can take a toll on the joints in our pipe.

So unfortunately we do find leaks after a street is paved. In the past, we were submitting requests individually on specific streets for us to excavate and repair the leaks. What this request does is to get an approval to do any Grades 2 leak repairs in moratorium streets for the calendar year, this will allow us to work with the

engineering department and go through our typical permitting process with them. So that is essentially what our request is. It is just to kind of get a blanket approval for all Grade 2 leak repair in moratorium streets.

Mayor Donchess

Alright. Commissioner Teas?

Commissioner Teas

Thank you Mr. Mayor. Mr. Hudson can you please explain to me, you said something about any Grade 2 leak, I think you said must be repaired within 6 months. So in my mind, it kind of sounds like we don't have a choice. But I would just like to know, there's the safety reason that I'd like to learn about and also is there a legal reason as well. Thank you.

Mr. Hudson

Sure I'd be happy to address that and if Brad has anything to do add he can do that. But it is a Public Utilities Commission requirement that if they find those leaks of that classification that those be repaired timely. Leaks are characterized as different grades; Grade 1 is an emergency, that needs to be repaired immediately so there is no – they do those permits after the fact with us, but those have to be addressed as soon as we find them. Grade 2 leaks are less severe but still important to fix and there's a six month requirement or end of the calendar year. So if they find one December 1st, they have to fix it before the end of the calendar year. And if they find one now, then they have six months to make that repair. It is obviously in everyone's interest to fix them as soon as possible.

Commissioner Teas

Can I ask an additional question?

Mayor Donchess

Yes, of course.

Commissioner Teas

So if we didn't grant permission, obviously there's the safety issue. But what happens? Do they get an Executive Order, or do they just go ahead and do it? How does that work?

Mr. Hudson

So the process has been and previous to last year how it was handled is each one of those requests is brought as a separate item to BPW for consideration. So we would add it to the Agenda and they would come and speak to that issue and seek the approval and then make the restoration in accordance with the moratorium requirements.

Mayor Donchess

Anybody else? Commissioner Moriarty?

Commissioner Moriarty

Mr. Hudson, I think what Commissioner Teas is saying, if the Board decides to vote against allowing this, then what is the next step but Liberty Utilities? It seems fruitless that we even have this since they are required, you are saying by law, to repair it within six months.

Mr. Hudson

So yeah I mean excavations in moratorium require approval for various conditions, I guess Grade 2 is not considered emergency like Grade 1 emergencies, you know, by Ordinance they are allowed to just go make because they are emergencies. Grade 2 leaks require the Board's permission. But your point is well taken. They have to bring this in as an individual and for consideration but they are required to make them. So as you know, they are required to do that so their hands are kind of tied one way or the other.

Mayor Donchess

Anyone else?

Commissioner Teas

Yes I have another question Mayor.

Mayor Donchess

Yeah go ahead.

Commissioner Teas

Yes, this is for Mr. Marx. I am sure you work throughout the State. I was wondering if there are other communities in New Hampshire that have these moratoriums on paving and if so, what is the typical length of the moratorium?

Mr. Marx

Yeah we work throughout the State and every town and city has their own different length on moratoriums and there are a few that don't have any. But yes, five years is a typical length that we encounter for moratoriums. And if you are wondering, yes, this does happen in other towns and cities where we find leaks on moratorium streets and we need to excavate and repair them.

Mayor Donchess

Alright. Anyone else? Commissioner Pappas.

Commission Pappas

No I am going to let Commissioner Schoneman go because she had the question last month, so go ahead.

Mayor Donchess

Commissioner Schoneman?

Commissioner Schoneman

It is still my feeling that these requests should be brought to us monthly so we can deal with them on a case by case basis. There's a big difference in my mind between fixing a leak which is not a big emergency, but it is important when the paving job is 4/4 ½ years old versus when it is 6, 7 or 8 months old it makes a big difference, a huge difference. So I really feel like it is in the interest of taxpayers to look at these on a case by case basis.

Mayor Donchess

Commissioner Pappas.

Commissioner Pappas

So I would absolutely agree with what Commissioner Schoneman said. I know that our meetings are long and people might not want to hear every single request, but some of us are maybe tuned in to the public than others and might say, well why are they digging into this newly paved road. It is really helpful to have this stuff on hand. The other issue is part of the reason we have these pilot programs for example. When you say it is a pilot, the last item we had, well you can just dig into the side of the street. Well we are being told by the engineer that it is ok. But I have looked through testimony from a case of Manchester and Concord versus I think it was Liberty. And it could have been one of the other utilities, but I think it was Liberty. When you cut into a road, no matter how little the cut, it does absolutely lessen the life of a road. Clearly, gas leaks can be an issue but if you say you have six months to fix it, if something just got replaced and let's say you wait the six months, that will go ahead and that will help keeping the road for a longer period of time. And I think the taxpayers have been very generous that we have a very big paving program and at the very least they should be able to hear these cases every month. I don't think that that's too much to ask, given how much the City has spent.

I can't recall saying "no" to a leak but I can tell you that if something gets paved this summer and Liberty comes back in October, I don't mind asking, "hey can you wait the six months" because we did have a paving workshop and very clearly right at the beginning of the new paving of a road, that's when the most damage is done. So I don't think it hurts anyone to ask the utility to come every month to get the approvals and just to answer possible questions from the Board. That's my view. Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Anyone else?

Rayna Acampora, Liberty Utilities

Yeah hi, my name is Rayna Acampora I also work with Liberty Utilities, I am on the construction side of the house assisting Brad on this phone call. I think the reason that we are requesting this, I mean trust me, none of us want to be digging into your streets after they have just been paved, but because you do have a very aggressive program, I mean Brad can attest. There is no other town or city in the State that does as many paving of streets as you guys do a year. So we are actively trying to stay on top of that. And like you guys said earlier, I heard someone say like when a car breaks down, right, I mean this year we could have, the street could get paved and we are clear. We walk out that whole street and survey it and then next year or the year after as frost comes in and it comes out and it comes in and it comes out and like Brad said, that's when we see our problems.

And so a Grade 2 leak is a Grade2 based on how close it is to the home, the percentage of gas in the ground. Now those can escalate to a Grade 1 if we just let it sit. So our request of trying to get these permits ahead of time is so those don't escalate into something more and create an unsafe situation. And we don't mind reaching out and notifying the proper personnel when we do plan to dig, I mean we do have a schedule in place and we can see if the City could put it on the Facebook, the Twitter, etc. if you guys would be willing to work with us on that. It's more from a safety perspective. We do have six months, yes. But it does not mean that Grade 2 cannot get worse.

Mayor Donchess

Commissioner Moriarty?

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you Mayor. Yes and thank you for those comments. I would have to agree Mayor, if there's a leak I want that thing fixed sooner rather than later. I don't want to be on this Board with the liability that we turned it down and then there's a major problem and explosion because it wasn't fixed because our board denied it. If there's a leak it is a safety factor. I am in favor of repairing these things, I'm sorry.

Ms. Acampora

And I agree, you guys have never turned one down, it is just getting it done sooner than later.

Mayor Donchess

Anyone else?

Commissioner Schoneman

If I may comment, please?

Mayor Donchess

And who is this, Commissioner Schoneman?

Commissioner Schoneman

Commissioner Schoneman.

Mayor Donchess

Go ahead, please.

Commissioner Schoneman

I think the issue and question is not should we repair the leaks; we should probably repair the leaks. Number one, I think that the surveying to find these leaks before they are paved I think is a priority. Second of all, the issue in question is, do we do them one at a time or do we do them all at one time. And I really don't think it is in our interest to do them as a blanket all at once. Yes, they should be fixed, yes we don't want to be liable for something terrible happening like it did down in Lawrence and Andover. But truly there's no reason why we can't bring them to the Board every month, I don't think.

Mayor Donchess

Anyone else?

Commissioner Pappas

Mr. Mayor, I recollect, this is Commissioner Pappas.

Mayor Donchess

Commissioner Pappas.

Commissioner Pappas

We never had a problem approving them every month. I know Commissioners want to get out of the meetings quickly and if that's the case, you know, I know that people have busy schedules. But I think that we are answerable to the taxpayers. If it is a Grade 1 leak, then get it done; but if it is a Grade 2 leak I don't think it is unreasonable for us to ask for monthly approval. But my understanding in talking to another engineer, you've got six months and it is not going to hurt anyone to just go ahead and kind of keep things up above board once a month to come to the Board. Certainly, six months is a long period of time, and things like this never get put off for months and months and months and months and months. And it was not Liberty that had requested that I think it was somebody on the Board that had requested that we just do it blanket for the year. Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

So what happens on a leak on December 15, it has to be fixed by the 31st right. Correct?

Ms. Acampora

Correct.

Commissioner Pappas

Well you have six months.

Mayor Donchess

No, it is the earlier of the end of the year or six months.

Ms. Acampora

Yeah if we get one like January 1st it needs to be repaired six months from then. But if we get anything past that, it has to be fixed by the end of the year. So August, September, October, those timeframes, we have to have it finished by December 31st of that same calendar year.

Mayor Donchess

And you are saying a Grade 2 leak can get worse and should be fixed ...

Ms. Acampora

Grade 2's can upgrade to Grade 1's.

Mayor Donchess

Right. Alright any other questions/ comments?

Commissioner Pappas

Well Mr. Mayor, my question is, if you have six months, just because of someone's business being different from if it happens December 15, you still have six months from December 15th.

Mayor Donchess

I think the law, the PUC Regulation, I believe but let's ask Liberty again, I believe they are saying that the PUC Regulation says that it could be sooner or the earlier of the end of the year or six months. Is this a PUC rule or is this something else?

Ms. Acampora

This is PUC, Department of Safety who regulates this.

Mayor Donchess

So sometimes you have six months, but sometimes you have two weeks.

Commissioner Pappas

Ok so maybe we can adjust it to December doesn't have to go in front of the Board. For example we were supposed to have gotten the – we were supposed to have evaluated our Wastewater fees every single year by July by Ordinance but we didn't do it. But it just didn't get done; I realize it is not a safety issue. But what I am saying is, if you have a leak July 1st and they come in our August and September meeting we can approve it. But if you want to adjust things so that if people are concerned that it has got to get done by December, maybe we can put in exceptions for November and December if it is a legal issue. Just a suggestion. Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Alright, any other comments?

Commissioner Teas

So based on the information that I have heard from both Mr. Hudson as well as Liberty Utilities, I believe it would be in the best interest of citizens, this Board that the leak Grade 2 be fixed immediately and I intend to vote in favor of this motion.

Mayor Donchess

Anyone else? (There were none.). Could you please call the roll.

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

Yea: Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, & Commissioner Moriarty	3
Nay: Commissioner Pappas, Commissioner Schoneman	2

MOTION CARRIED 3 – 0 – 2

E. Motion by Commissioner Schoneman: To consider a hardship request from Weston Associates to excavate in Amherst Street to make driveway, utility, and site improvements for development of the property at 546 Amherst St.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Mr. Hudson?

Mr. Hudson

Thank you, Mr. Mayor. As described in the Memo for this and in the motion, the owner of 546 Amherst Street is requesting approval to excavate in Amherst Street which was last paved in July of '19. This is for a commercial development. They need to tie in their sewer service and their driveway and they are also reconstructing a portion of their median island in Amherst Street, so that they can add a left turn lane into their access roadway. They are also making some modifications to the signal out there, all to accommodate this development. We have met with them and reviewed their plans and they understand the moratorium requirements and that they would need to mill 20 feet beyond any of their work. We have worked out those details with them. A representative is here from the engineer, TF Moran should the Board have any questions for them.

Mayor Donchess

Commissioners?

Commissioner Schoneman

Yes, I'd like to comment, please. Commissioner Schoneman.

Mayor Donchess

Yes, go ahead.

Commissioner Schoneman

Again, there's an issue. This is a very young paving job and they want to ... and it is a very busy road that's going to get a lot of traffic and they want to just chunk into it and basically shorten the life of a very expensive project to pave Amherst Street. So I really don't see how that's a good investment. Thank you.

Commissioner Pappas

Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Donchess

Commissioner Pappas.

Commissioner Pappas

I agree. If it was maybe six months off, I think that's the only time I have voted OK for a moratorium if there's maybe six months left and they were willing to actually do a lot of the paving, I said, "hey that's fine". But the taxpayers invested a lot of money in this paving program and I almost feel like we are giving these waivers out like candy. It almost makes a mockery of the law. And I'll tell you my street is getting paved, I got the postcard in the mail and I know where I want to have a gas generator, we have an old gas line here. And I said to my husband, you know what? Get this checked out before or else or otherwise we will have to do propane because we are going to have 5 years before we can cut into a road. I don't know if they are going to get to it this year, next year or when it is going to get to but I got the card in the mail and I know that.

If indeed we do need to cut into the road for the gas, if I wait and I drop the ball on it, it falls on me. And I won't be coming in front of the Board asking for a hardship because it is not a hardship. Those are our rules, we have rules there for a reason and I don't support this. Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Commissioner Teas?

Commissioner Teas

I am wondering, I don't know if Director Cummings is still, I see him on, I don't know if he's literally seated at his desk. But this existing property is taxed at X and there are going to be some improvements there that will cause it to be increased in value and then increase the tax base coming to the City. And I am wondering, putting Director Cummings on the spot, if he might be able to ballpark the difference in taxes, the opportunity cost if we do not approve this project.

Mayor Donchess

(inaudible) a single family home? Is the engineer on here? What's the development?

Chris Rice, TF Moran

Well currently the site is vacant that houses the former Southern NH University Building.

Mayor Donchess

OK.

Chris Rice, TF Moran

The proposed use is for a 16,000 square foot retail building out of the 5,000 square foot out parcel building tucked a little bit in the back of the property. And right now the property has 3 existing curb cuts all going onto Amherst Street and they are all right out only. This proposal would reduce that to 2 curb cuts and provides access to a signalized intersection at Blackstone Drive so that anybody who wants to head west now on Amherst Street does not have to make a right hand turn on Amherst Street and make U-Turn somewhere down the road; whether that be on, I think it's Thornton Ave. is the next one down that you could do that on. So it is quite a distance down before you can make that turn. There are some other businesses that do tie into the rear portion of our site, Capital Street. So that would also afford them access to a signal. So in discussion with City Staff and Planning we felt it was a good idea for traffic, that it is going to alleviate traffic on Amherst Street giving people access to a signal rather than having them have to U-Turn somewhere along the Amherst Street border. So that was one benefit of the project.

And then the second was that the owner had agreed to a \$14,000.00 contribution for wireless communications between a couple of the signals in that area. Dan you might be able to speak more clearly as to what exactly ones those are. I know it is a few signals along the corridor but that is part of this proposal as well.

Commissioner Teas

Director Cummings, I want to let you know I looked up the assessed value, it's \$1.4 million today.

Director Cummings

Mr. Mayor, if I could?

Mayor Donchess

Yeah go ahead.

Director Cummings

Thank you. Tim Cummings, Director of Economic Development. As soon as this issue came up, I looked up on Google to confirm what I thought which is this is a 100% vacant building that has sat idle for I would say the better half of the last 4 or so years when Southern NH vacated and consolidated their operations all up in Manchester. It is a priority site for us. It is along an established corridor. We want to see it get redeveloped, I am not going to speak to the exact assessment and the value change without doing the analysis. What I am going to speak to is Commissioner Teas just referenced is the opportunity cost. I can't stress to everyone here who hard it is to try to backfill space and try to stay full. And we should be conscious of the need that we have to do this because we want to create an economic environment that is positive for the City.

The last thing that you want is to have multiple vacant buildings on a corridor. And I am very sensitive to the Amherst Street corridor right now because it is a heavy retail strip. From an economic development perspective, when I was listening to this commentary, my first thought was if you use an eye towards trying to be pro-growth, and pro-development and pro-economic development, you want to be very sensitive to these types of moratoriums because a commercial real estate development is not going to be as nimble as a single family, residential-type of development. When an opportunity comes along, you have to work with them. And so I guess that's my ask of you this evening is to work cooperatively, so we can send a message that we want to see this vacant building filled which will add jobs, potentially increase the value and move one of our priority development sites off of our list and hopefully get it back and in active use. So thank you for the opportunity to speak.

Mayor Donchess

Anyone else? Who is ... Commissioner Moriarty?

Commissioner Moriarty

I still have questions.

Mayor Donchess

Yeah go ahead.

Commissioner Moriarty

I thought a month or so at our last meeting we approved some changes at where the Cumberland Farms is going on Amherst Street, the paving there so that's not too far down the road. I hate to see all of this myself. Amherst Street was federal money wasn't it that we got. Wasn't that from what was left over from the bypass?

Mayor Donchess

Yes.

Commissioner Moriarty

OK that's what I thought that wasn't part of our paving program. So anyway, I hate to see the roads ripped up too, I think we all do. But I am also in favor of making Nashua a better place to live. Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Did I hear Commissioner Pappas seeking to be recognized?

Commissioner Pappas

Yes. Are the taxes currently up-to-date on the building?

Mayor Donchess

I don't know that we have a report on that.

Commissioner Pappas

I mean I assume if that University owns the property, that they are paying the taxes on it.

Unidentified Speaker

I'm sorry. Southern NH University does not own the property any longer, Weston Associates does. I would have to check with them on the taxes, but to the best of my knowledge everything is current.

Commissioner Pappas

OK so the City is receiving taxes for that property. Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

When the transfer from the University took place, I mean that's not going to happen without the taxes being brought up to date, if they were in arrears.

Unidentified Speaker

And I think that sale was, don't quote me exactly but I want to say it transferred hands about a year ago. We received our Planning Board approval back in December of 2019 and then we started working with DPW and City Staff, getting all the paperwork and the outside plans reviewed and approved. And we did receive an extension from the Planning Board for the approval of this project given that we were still in the process in working out all of the details for the improvements.

Mayor Donchess

Alright, any other Commissioners? Comments or questions? (There were none). Could you please call the roll?

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

Yea: Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, & Commissioner Moriarty	3
Nay: Commissioner Pappas, Commissioner Schoneman	2

MOTION CARRIED 3 – 0 – 2

F. Motion by Commissioner Teas: To consider a hardship request from Sylvain Lacasse to excavate in Gosselin Road to make driveway and utility improvements for development of the property at 23B Gosselin Road.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Who is here on this? Well first we have Mr. Hudson.

Mr. Hudson

Sure. Mr. Mayor, I will just introduce it. But Mr. Lacasse is the owner of 23B Gosselin Road and he is requesting to excavate in Gosselin Road which was last paved in August of 2017. That excavation is for sewer and water service work and curbing for a new driveway. He has been informed about the moratorium requirements and restoration requirements and is prepared to do that. If he has any other comments and the Board would like to hear from him, he's here tonight.

Sylvain Lacasse

Yes I am here, can you all hear me?

Commissioner Pappas

Yes.

Mr. Lacasse

Yeah so I purchased this property back in November and we were looking to build a home there, possibly move there. We currently reside at 73 Pioneer Drive. Come to find out that there was a 5 year moratorium so we kind of got held up there a little bit. I figured I would wait until the spring to basically bring it to the Board and to see if it is something that we could move forward on.

Mayor Donchess

Alright, Commissioners, comments or questions for Mr. Lacasse or Mr. Hudson?

Mayor Donchess

Yes Commissioner Pappas.

Commissioner Schoneman

Go ahead Commissioner Pappas.

Commissioner Pappas

So I guess a question and a comment. Number one, as I said I received that little card in the mail and should I come and ask to have my road cut into, you guys can slam me with it. But number two it sounds like Mr. Lacasse purchased the property so he probably did not get that postcard. So my question / comment is that wouldn't that be part of what the realtor should let someone know? There are certain things that realtors are required to let people know and owners are required to let people know. And that seems pretty important.

Mr. Lacasse

In this particular case it wasn't brought to me by a realtor it was brought to me by the owner's daughter. Mr. Bergeron owned the property and he had passed. And I had developed Number 21 and Number 25 Gosselin back in either 2005 or 2007, I can't remember. But I had a very good relationship with Mr. Bergeron and he asked his daughter to see if I had a, before he passed obviously, that if something was to happen that he wanted me to have the first right of refusal to purchase the property. So it wasn't brought to me by a realtor but I guess maybe the daughter or someone should of probably have known as well but it wasn't, that's kind of how it went down. But we are 4 years into this moratorium.

Commissioner Pappas

Right. Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Anyone else? Commissioner Moriarty?

Commissioner Moriarty

My question is, Mr. Hudson, I can't remember reading all these motions, is this the one where we can use your pilot program with the improvements or no?

Mr. Hudson

No this isn't one because we need to excavate well into the road for the utility services so this why they will have to do the full trench restoration and mill beyond each end of that restoration.

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Anyone else?

Commissioner Schoneman

Yes, I'd like to comment please, Commissioner Schoneman.

Mayor Donchess

Please, go ahead.

Commissioner Schoneman

I know I am going to seem really inconsistent but this is why I think, why I voted for Liberty to continue to come to us each month because I think we should look at things on a case by case basis. And I think that the previous motion is very different from this motion. And I feel like we are over 4 years into the moratorium on this street. It is a small street, a small residential street. And I think that it would be OK to say "yes" in this case, you know, case by case basis, we should consider whether this is truly a hardship to wait whatever it'll be, 8 months to approve it versus giving it to the go ahead now. So I would be willing to approve it. Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Anyone else? (There were none.). Would the Clerk please call the roll?

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

Yea: Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas,
Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman

Nay: Commissioner Pappas

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MOTION CARRIED 4- 0 – 1

G. Motion by Commissioner Moriarty: To approve the purchase of manhole and catch basin castings from Concord Winwater Works Co. of Concord, NH in the amount of \$362,038.50. Funding will be through: Department: 169 Wastewater; Fund: Wastewater; Activity: Sewer Structures

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Mr. Hudson?

Mr. Hudson

Thank you, Mr. Mayor. So again this year we have a fairly robust paving program. We are intending to pave over 23 miles of roadway. As part of that work, we replace all broken and non-standard castings, manhole covers, catch basins, that sort of thing. We purchase those in bulk for cost savings reasons. We purchase them, we stockpile them and we provide them to the contractors to install. That also provides us consistency in what gets installed across the City. So for most of 2019 Concord Winwater has been providing us those castings and we are seeking to continue that relationship for those reasons I mentioned; uniformity and we find their pricing competitive. And as noted, this is funded through sewer funds. It is done as part of the paving project work but it is paid for by sewer funds because they are sewer structures.

Mayor Donchess

Any Commissioners? (There were none.). Could you call the roll please?

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

Yea: Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Pappas, Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman 5

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

H. Motion by Commissioner Schoneman: To approve a change order to the asphalt testing contract with S.W. Cole Engineering, Inc. of Londonderry, NH in the amount of \$100,500. Funding will be through: Department: 160 Admin/Engineering; Fund: Bond; Activity: Paving.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Mr. Hudson?

Mr. Hudson

Thank you, Mr. Mayor. So as part of the paving program this year, we intend to place over 66,000 tons of hot mix asphalt. It is important to make sure that the material is properly graded and that it is produced in a quality fashion and installed in a quality fashion. So S.W. Cole Engineering has, for a number of years, provided services both the field density testing, concrete inspection, laboratory analysis to ensure that we are getting what we are paying for. So we are requesting again to contract with them this year for that work.

Mayor Donchess

Commissioners? (There were none.). Could you please call the roll?

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

Yea: Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Pappas, Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman	5
Nay:	0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

- I. Motion by Commissioner Teas:** To approve the engineering services contract amendment with Hayner/Swanson. Inc. of Nashua, NH in the amount of \$242,500 for the management and construction administration of the paving program. Department: 160 Admin/Engineering; Fund: Bond; Activity: Paving.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Mr. Hudson?

Mr. Hudson

Thank you, Mr. Mayor. So as noted we have a robust paving program. It's on a scale that it is hard for us to support it independently. We do have engineering staff that is dedicated to this paving program. But we really need the outside support of an engineering firm. Hayner/Swanson has provided that work for the last couple years. They work as an extension of our staff, providing in the field testing and helping administer the program, you know, checking the invoices that the contractor submits and all those things. So it is a service we need and a service that they dutifully supply to us and we seek a continuation of that relationship.

Mayor Donchess

Could you please call the roll?

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

Yea: Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Pappas, Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman	5
Nay:	0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

- J. Motion by Commissioner Moriarty:** To approve Change Order No. 3 to the 2020 Sewer Replacement Project with SUR Construction West, Inc. of Winchester, NH for an amount not to

exceed \$1,300,000. Funding will be through Department: 169 Wastewater; Fund: Bonded; Activity: Sewer Repair.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Mr. Hudson.

Mr. Hudson

Thank you, Mr. Mayor. So last year we had a competitive bid SUR Construction West was contracted for our sewer rehabilitation work, that's the dead work sort to speak where pipes have deteriorated to the point that they actually have to be dug up and replaced or repairs made, sections of pipe sometimes manholes reconstructed or replaced or added. So we have identified additional work that needs to be done through the CCT work, the inspection work that we do via a different program. So we have identified quite a bit of work that needs to be done this year and we are seeking to change order SUR West to contract to be able to do that work. We found their work to be satisfactory and their pricing when we bid was very reasonable, much less than any of the other contractors. So we feel that we are getting good value and seek to change order this to contract that additional work.

Mayor Donchess

Commissioners? (There were none.). Could you call the roll please?

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

Yea:	Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Pappas, Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman	5
Nay:		0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

K. Motion by Commissioner Schoneman: To approve a Drainlayer’s License for Ultracraft Enterprises, of Atkinson, NH in accordance with Nashua City Code §255-19 Issuance of Drainlayer's License, and authorize the Division of Public Works to temporarily suspend the license if work is found to be unsatisfactory during an initial 6-month probationary period.

Discussion:

Mayor Donchess

Mr. Hudson?

Mr. Hudson

Thank you, Mr. Mayor. So Ultracraft Enterprises reached out to us about seeking a drain layer's license. We reviewed their references and they were satisfactory. But in reviewing the work they have done, there wasn't as much experience as we would normally like. But as I noted their references were satisfactory. So what we'd like to do in a little twist on this motion is to move ahead with approval but have the Board grant us the additional authority to suspend the work should they start working and we find any issues with their work. The Board has the right to rescind the license so that would buy us time to be able to come back and ask you to

rescind it should we get there. I mean that's not something we anticipated but it is something that, if at any time with the contractor doing work in the City, that they'll understand that they need to go do the job and follow all of our regulations and our processes. So that additional authority request we added in for this one where maybe some others we haven't.

Mayor Donchess

Commissioners, any questions or comments? Commissioner Pappas.

Commissioner Pappas

I'll say in all the years, this never happened, I will admit it makes me a little uncomfortable. But I appreciate the candor on that provision. Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Anyone else? Commissioner Moriarty.

Commissioner Moriarty

I would just say I really appreciate that too, I think we should do that on all the licensees, you know, that's great to have. If you don't like it they are gone.

Mr. Hudson

It is in the City's interest to have a lot of improved drain layers so that work can get done, right? And it is one of those things that if everybody requires years and years of experience, if every community does that, nobody can get started, right? So the idea was we are comfortable that they will be able to do a good job. This is kind of a map out for people to gain some experience, prove that they can do it. And then move forward without those additional requirements.

Mayor Donchess

Anyone else? (There were none.). Could you please call the roll?

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

Yea:	Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman	4
Nay:	Commissioner Pappas	1

MOTION CARRIED 4– 0 – 1

L. Informational: Street Opening Permits issued for Streets in Moratorium

Discussion

Mayor Donchess

We have an informational item which is Item L, are there any questions on that? If not, we will go on to Administration and we have the DPW Facility Update and the Director's Report. We will turn to Director Fauteux.

XI. Administration Department
A. Informational

- a. DPW Facility Update
- b. Director's Report

Director Fauteux

Sure, thank you Mayor. So you heard Director Cummings earlier, there is no update on the DPW Facility, we still don't have a closing date for Burke Street. As soon as we do though, we plan to get started and we will certainly look at our estimates before we get started to make sure that we stay on track and within our Budget.

I'll just move to the Director Report, Diane if you could pull that up. Thank you. The first is a picture of a sewer pipe lining that Kenyon Pipeline did for us on Forest Drive on March 9th. Next this is a picture of school zone signs that were recently installed at Charlotte Ave. school. They have radar speed feedback on them.

Commissioner Pappas

Can I ask a quick question, Director?

Director Fauteux

Sure.

Commissioner Pappas

So when I see those signs it just reminded me I had to go to Nashua North a couple of weeks ago. And I had noticed we don't have signs at Broad Street School. I thought we used to.

Director Fauteux

You mean School Zone signs?

Commissioner Pappas

No I thought most of our schools we tried to have those speed limit signs that shows people's speed?

Director Fauteux

I don't think we have – we should school zone flashers but I am not sure that we have the radar feedback signs at all the schools Commissioner Pappas. But I can look into that and let you know.

Commissioner Pappas

Yeah I am just not sure if they had, because I do think and I don't mean to single out a certain group of people but there are a lot of kids that I know that the schools have not been as busy this year, but you have people rushing to the high school. And a lot of people do speed on that street. And before, all the potholes kept people a little slower, but now that we have paved Broad Street, I think that's something we might look at. But I could have not noticed the blinking sign but I really did try to pay attention because I was surprised not to see it because I've noticed them in front of our other elementary schools.

Director Fauteux

Fair enough. I will look into that and get back to you.

Commissioner Pappas

Alright thank you.

Director Fauteux

You're welcome. The next is a sewer service installation that was done by SUR West at 40 to 42 Orange Street. This is gutter installation that we did at Stellos underneath, it's actually near the team rooms but underneath the bleachers we were having a lot of run off and it was starting to erode some of the concrete blocks. So we put in gutters to help prevent any further water damage and it is already showing that it is helping significantly.

We had a faulty fire sprinkler discharge and so we had to do some repairs in the Holman Suites. I believe those repairs have been completed. We have been doing a lot of winter tree work. The picture on the left is Deschenes

Oval and on the right is Chestnut Street Oval. We have been pruning trees in those areas and throughout the City. The Street Department has been at Holman Stadium repairing the cap on the wall. There's some deterioration on top on the cap, so on the top of the existing brick walls just due to age. So we have been working on repairing them. We installed the handicap ramp at the Greeley Park Boat Ramp and we do have few other things to do rails and other things but that should be ready for early spring to utilize. I expect that remaining work will be done within the next month or so.

This is one of our mill and fill programs on Amherst Street. Our Energy Recovery Upgrade is finally nearing completion. We did stack testing of the two new energy recovery generators and we are just waiting a final report to submit to the State for approval. And then pending the State's approval we should be able to start running generators again for continuous energy recovery. So that's exciting, that's been a long time coming. The Street Department was also doing some repairs at Wastewater, repairing underground structure access points. This is a picture of our Collections Crew cleaning our aeration basin. They remove solids and debris from the online tanks.

Here our truck is on Holly Drive cleaning the sewer so that we could get video footage for our engineering department. This is our crew at wastewater receiving annual training on the spill prevention controls and countermeasures plan. That is a requirement from NH DES because of the amount of the fuel that we keep on site and that fuel is kept in the event that we need our emergency generators. Our first Household Hazardous Waste Collection will be held on Saturday, April 17th from 8:00 to noon at the Park & Ride at 25 Crown Street. We had a lot of calls with the nice weather about when soft yard waste collections is beginning and we will start picking up weekly soft yard waste on Monday, April 12th; that's coming soon. And also, requests for bulky and oversized items, scrap metal, we will be starting to take those reservations on Monday, April 12th and the pickups will begin on Monday, April 19th. And that's it; any questions?

Mayor Donchess

Commissioner Pappas.

Commissioner Pappas

What about the big clean-up we have every spring, I think the Street Department does it?

Director Fauteux

Yes they do and that is scheduled and I will find the date if we want to continue, I'll announce the date. That

should have been in my report. But I can find it for you in just a second.

Commissioner Pappas

And if not, if people – is there any way to put it on the City Website instead of having to go to Public Works Website or no?

Director Fauteux

I think it is on the City Website, Commissioner Pappas, I'll verify that. It is also on Facebook. Appointments can be made by calling the Street Department, the number is 589-4750 from March 29th through April 5th and no calls will be accepted after April 5th. The collection will run from April 5th through April 16th and residents can put out brush, cut ends towards the street no larger than 4 inches in diameter and no longer than 8 feet. Shrubs that are cleaned of sand and soil, picnic tables wood only, doors the glass must be secured and the nails removed and wood posts without concrete. We don't accept metal goods or any household hazardous waste, of course, at this pickup.

Commissioner Pappas

Awesome, thank you so much.

Director Fauteux

You're welcome, thank you for mentioning that.

Mayor Donchess

Alright, thank you Director Fauteux. Now we have Commissioners' Comments.

XII. Commissioner's Comments

Mayor Donchess

Do any Commissioners have comments? Commissioner Teas.

Commissioner Teas

Totally unrelated to the conversation centered around Liberty Utilities and their ask for a waiver for the entire year, I was going to ask tonight if there are items on our Agenda that appear lovely, that are informational only or generally get 100% vote such as approval of the permits or something like that. Can we modify, or have we ever considered modifying our Agenda to have part of it be a consent agenda so the minutes and other items get approved with one vote and then there are other items that require a full vote and full discussion?

Mayor Donchess

Well I think that's a possible way to go. Commissioner Pappas.

Commissioner Pappas

I understand people are busy but if people take the time and trouble to watch a City Meeting, I think to have this stuff on the Agenda is important and to go over it. I don't that stuff takes a whole lot of extra time. I mean if people are busy they can maybe leave the meeting at a certain time or whatever. But I think it is important for

the public to see this stuff on there and if there are any questions to see it discussed. I never think that that's a bad idea to have more information as opposed to less. But that's just my opinion. Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Any other Commissioners comments? I don't hear anyone.

Commissioner Teas

I think Commissioner Moriarty is on mute, Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Donchess

Commissioner Moriarty?

Commissioner Moriarty

Sorry about that. Yeah I just had a comment to make. Director Fauteux, maybe this is directed to (inaudible) and that will get a lot of pot holes (audio cuts in and out).

Director Fauteux

I'm sorry, can you

Commissioner Moriarty

I see some potholes in the City and I wait a week or two to see if it gets filled and then I call the hotline and sure enough the City is so quick to fill it and they do a great job. I was just wondering why can't our City employees who are driving the trash trucks or the recycling, can't they report back that they have a pothole and we get that taken care of quicker. That's a union issue.

Director Fauteux

Yes in a perfect world they would do that. We've asked for that to happen. Sometimes it does but it's not nearly as efficient as it should be. You know, all the trash trucks are on every street every week so it would be very easy for them to report that. Unfortunately they are very focused on what they are doing and aren't really looking at other things. But it does happen, they do report some. But we do have boxes out now, we have three and this time of year they are all out. And we do have a pretty good reporting system between the (inaudible) and also our pothole hotline and DPW requests we do get a lot. A lot of them do get reported so like I said, we are out there on all the streets. So I think that works pretty well, but yes, it would be great if we had better reporting but we do try to do that, we try to encourage that.

Commissioner Moriarty

Thank. You.

Mayor Donchess

Any other comments?

Commissioner Pappas

Mr. Mayor, if I may. I would fully agree with Commissioner Moriarty. I've thought that through the years myself and you know, just like everyone else, a lot of times people will see a big pothole, I know there's been a terrible problem on Coliseum Ave. and a lot of people assume that others are going to go ahead and report it. I think for our City Employees that are on the roads, it is so helpful and I think people would be so appreciative if they can try to be more cognizant of it. So I would agree with Commissioner Moriarty. Thank you.

Mayor Donchess

Commissioner Teas.

Commissioner Teas

Sure. I just had one other question. I wanted to give some texture to my comment earlier about costs and interest rates. And I am really unsure what the bond length would be for the facility if it is 40 years, I presume that was the number and we were borrowing \$6 million dollars. I had an initial rate of 2.875 which is probably high but the math still works out. If interest rates go up; so we assume we borrow \$6 million dollars at 2.875 over 40 years to build this facility, we would pay, believe it or not, \$4.1 million dollars in interest on that facility. If interest rates went up by just 1% the interest paid over the life of that bond would go from \$4.1 million to \$5.8 million; so that's a \$1.7 million dollar jump. So as we begin the discussions on cost, I just want to make sure that we really have a full understanding on the time value of money and what interest rates could do over time if we decide to postpone it or alter it or whatever. A slight change in interest rates could dramatically make this project much more costly.

Mayor Donchess

We are likely to sell the bond for a shorter period of 40 years, 20 probably, potentially a little longer but not 40. And the interest rates that we are getting now or that we have gotten recently are really quite good. The last bond issue went out, we got about 2% or a slight amount under. So we are getting really good rates. That, as you suggest, that could change and hopefully it won't but it could.

Commissioner Teas

So if I may, I changed the amortization to 20 years and at 2% we would pay about \$1.2 million in total interest over the life and if the rate goes up just 1% to 3, that's \$2 million dollars in interest; so it is an \$800,000.00 increase. So still pretty substantial and I just want folks to fully understand the value of borrowing money that's all.

Mayor Donchess

You know the 2% is really low. We used to be paying much more than that and the environment could change as you suggest. And being in the banking industry, you are probably better at projecting future interest rates than anyone else here. So anyway, any other comments?

Commissioner Pappas

I guess if I may Mr. Mayor, I'll comment on Commissioner Teas, and certainly any time you borrow money it is going to add to the cost and just one of the reminders I've had, part of the reason that I voted against the project is that we are only dealing with the office building and we are not dealing with any of the health hazards over at the Street Department or the Parks & Rec Department. And I think when I asked the question when the contractor was there, off the top of their head they said dealing with those buildings would cost an extra \$50 to \$60 million dollars. So part of my concern is that we haven't dealt with those other two buildings at all. And I think we should be mindful of that.

Mayor Donchess

Alright, anyone else?

Commissioner Schoneman

I have a quick question.

Mayor Donchess

Commissioner Schoneman?

Commissioner Schoneman

I asked some, more than one resident how some of their property has been damaged by a City plow. Is there any recourse for them to have something done about that or what the procedure is if there is one.

Mayor Donchess

There is. Ms. Fauteux?

Director Fauteux

Yes, thank you Mayor. So Commissioner Schoneman I'm not sure exactly what the damage you are referring to is but if any resident has any damage they should email DPWREQUEST@NashuaNH.Gov and we will look into it. Sometimes there are things that are in the City right of way that shouldn't be and in those instances we normally won't cover the damage. But a lot of times there are sprinkler heads or lawn damage or maybe a mailbox, something like that. Those things we would definitely fix.

Commissioner Schoneman

In one case it was a rock wall.

Director Fauteux

OK we would have to look at that. But if the resident emails us we can go take a look at that and assess the situation.

Commissioner Schoneman

OK. DPWREQUEST@NASHUA...

Director Fauteux

NASHUANH.GOV is the best place.

Commissioner Schoneman

NASHUANH.GOV. OK thank you very much.

Director Fauteux

You're welcome.

Mayor Donchess

Alright anyone else, anything? Why don't we then go to personnel.

XIII. Personnel

A. Motion by Commissioner Moriarty: To accept the resignation of Spencer Radford, Landfill Equipment Operator, effective March 12, 2021.

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

Yea: Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Pappas,
Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman 5

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

B. Motion by Commissioner Teas: To approve and unseal the nonpublic minutes for Personnel from the Board of Public Works Meeting of February 25, 2021.

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

Yea: Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Pappas,
Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman 5

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

C. Non-Public Session

XIV. Possible Non-Public Session

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TEAS BY ROLL CALL THAT THE BOARD GO INTO NON-PUBLIC SESSION PURSUANT TO RSA 91-A(3)2B, "The hiring of any person as a public employee".

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

Yea: Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Pappas,
Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman 5

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TEAS BY ROLL CALL TO SEAL THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS NON-PUBLIC MEETING OF MARCH 25, 2021 UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE MAJORITY OF THE BOARD VOTES THAT THE PURPOSE OF THIS CONFIDENTIALITY WOULD NO LONGER BE SERVED

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

Yea: Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Teas, Commissioner Pappas,
Commissioner Moriarty & Commissioner Schoneman 5

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED 5 – 0 – 0

Adjournment:

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Moriarty to adjourn.

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

Yea: Mayor Donchess, Commissioner Pappas, Commissioner Moriarty
& Commissioner Schoneman 4

Nay: Commissioner Teas 1

MOTION CARRIED 4 – 0 – 1

Meeting Adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

