

MILL HILL SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE
DRAFT MINUTES

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A Regular meeting of the Mill Hill School Building Committee was held on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. via conference call bridge.

Members Present: Jeremy Budzian, Chairman Jason Li, Heather Nokta, Norm Roberts

Absent: Hector Guillen, Co-Chair Melanie Ruggieri

Also Present: Rob Kowal-Gilbane, Mark Schweitzer-Colliers, Amar Shamas-Gilbane

I. Call to Order - Chairman Jason Li called the meeting to order at 6:46 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes – 03/21/2023

The minutes of the March 21, 2023, were approved unanimously, 4-0. (Budzian, Li, Nokta, Roberts in favor).

III. Project Update

Mr. Kowal reported the project is complete. They will final bill and complete their contingency give back. Mr. Schweitzer added the library shelving from WB Mason has been delayed and is expected to arrive in July. Once the shelving is installed, the \$1,700 invoice will be paid.

IV. Approval of Invoices- Mr. Schweitzer reviewed three invoices with the Committee.

INVOICES			
Company	Invoice No.	Date	Amount
Gilbane	36	05/31/23	939.00
Colliers Project Leaders	833646	04/04/23	1,596.92
Colliers Project Leaders	843615	05/04/23	149.00
Total			\$2,684.92

Heather Nokta motioned to approve three invoices totaling \$2,684.92. Norm Roberts seconded the motion which carried unanimously, 4-0. (Budzian, Li, Nokta, Roberts in favor).

V. Approval of Owner Change Order 31

Mr. Schweitzer reviewed Change Order 31 which is Gilbane's give back from the project contingency balance, a \$-52,303.28 credit. Mr. Li noted they will give back to the Town \$300k, possibly \$400k.

Heather Nokta motioned to approve Owner Change Order 31. Jeremy Budzian seconded the motion which carried unanimously, 4-0. (Budzian, Li, Nokta, Roberts in favor).

VI. Approval of Dissolvement of Building Committee

Mr. Li explained he and Ms. Ruggieri will sign off on the last invoice for the shelving. He will then go before the BOS in September and it will be official that the Mill Hill Building Committee be dissolved and the project completed. He thanked everyone for their hard work through difficult times.

Norm Roberts motioned to dissolve the Mill Hill Building Committee. Heather Nokta seconded the motion which carried unanimously, 4-0. (Budzian, Li, Nokta, Roberts in favor).

VII. Adjourn

Heather Nokta motioned to adjourn the meeting on behalf of Harry Ackley and Tom Quinn at 6:56 p.m. Jeremy Budzian seconded the motion which carried unanimously, 4-0. (Budzian, Li, Nokta, Roberts in favor).

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Tesei
Recording Secretary

Fairfield Beach, Center Street, Pine Creek Pump Stations upgrade and Force Mains replacement - Design only

Project Cost - \$1,234,000

Previously Approved -\$900,000 (\$300,000 each)

Additional Request - \$336,000

Town Share – None; funded by WPCA

1. **Background:** WPCA completed an evaluation in 2018 of the sanitary sewer system infrastructure, including the eight (8) existing pumping stations and associated force mains, to determine compliance with the EPA and FEMA requirements. Based on this evaluation, due to age, safety and their location in high risk flood zones, three (3) pump stations (Fairfield Beach, Center Street and Pine Creek) were deemed in need of significant upgrades to the building structures, operating systems, and force main pipes. In June 2022 and September 2022 respectively, WPCF requested funds for the design of Fairfield Beach pump station and force main replacement (\$300K) and Center Street and Pine Creek pump stations and force main replacement (\$600K). The resiliency nature of this project makes it a potential candidate for grants and/or loans under CTDEEP's Connecticut Clean Water Fund which requires engineering services be hired through Quality Based Selection (QBS). A QBS Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was issued in June 2023 and the selected consultant, Tighe & Bond, developed a scope of services together with WPCF and Engineering to design the upgrade of these three (3) pump stations and their force mains.
2. **Purpose & Justification:** This project is necessary to upgrade and replace aged equipment and structural components of the stations and force mains to ensure continued and uninterrupted service to a critical part of our sewer system near Long Island sound, and to mitigate flood damage during major weather events.
3. **Detailed Description of Proposal:** Scope of services is comprised of 2 design tasks: Task 1 Survey and Investigative Services for the 3 stations and force mains, and Task 2 Design of Center Street, Fairfield Beach and Pine Creek Pump Stations. The investigation and analysis work under Task 1 includes site investigation to assess existing structural conditions, field survey and identification of easements, investigation of hazardous building materials, hydraulic analysis to confirm existing and future flows, confirmation of required force main sizes based on future pump rates, structural inspection of existing force mains if required based upon results of the hydraulic and force main sizing analysis, field survey of all force mains, development of an Engineering Report recommending the design approach for the upgrade of each pump station including an Engineer's Opinion of Probable Construction Cost. The design work under Task 2 includes geotechnical investigation, environmental soil sampling, permitting, energy evaluation, CTDEEP funding assistance, and development of the 30%, 60% and 100% design documents for construction bidding. The design shall include flood proofing the existing structures to withstand a 100-year flood event; this may require complete replacement of the existing structure and possible elevation of the structure. Electrical and mechanical equipment will be upgraded and elevated 3ft+ above the 100-year base flood elevation. Outdated structural components such as steel framing and grating, access hatches and ladders will be upgraded to current safety standards. Existing

pumps, piping, valves and control systems will be replaced and third pump to the system with an included pump by-pass provision that is accessible from ground level. Replace the existing stand-by generators with a new natural gas/propane fueled generator at an elevation to protect from flooding. Upgrade the wet well and dry well ventilation system. The existing force mains will be replaced with new if deemed necessary by results of hydraulic analysis and/or structural conditions.

4. **Reliability of Estimated Cost:** Cost estimate is 10 out of 10. This is for design.
5. **Increased Efficiency:** Buildings will be up to code with the latest energy efficient pumps and controls. New piping and building upgrades will ensure long service life and protection from major storm flooding that could cause environmental impacts.
6. **Additional Long-Range Costs:** Maintenance of the station will be bore by the WPCA out of the operating budget.
7. **Additional Use or Demand on Existing Facilities:** None
8. **Alternatives to this request:** No other alternatives other than upgrade existing structure and equipment to address current standards and flood mitigation. The Do Nothing alternative means stations and their system components continue to age and deteriorate while also remaining high risk for flood damage that could have potential environmental impacts.
9. **Safety and Loss Control:** Safety will be improved to the building, equipment, personnel and the environment upon completion.
10. **Environment Considerations:** Will be addressed in construction documents and plans to properly protect Long Island Sound.
11. **Insurance:** All selected participants will be required to carry the necessary insurance as directed by the Town of Fairfield
12. **Financing/Project Life:** Funded by the WPCA fund balance. Following CTDEEP requirement for Quality Based Selection (QBS) of design consultant, future construction of this project may be eligible for grants and/or loans under the Clean Water Fund (CWF).
13. **Other Considerations:** None
14. **Other Approvals:**

	<u>Previous Request</u>	<u>This Request</u>
WPCA	6/15/2022, 9/21/2022	9/20/2023
BOS	6/20/2022, 10/3/2022	
BOF	6/20/2022, 10/18/2022	
RTM	6/27/2022, 10/24/2022	

Toll House, Mill River, Eastfield and Willow Street Pump Stations and Force Mains Investigation - Design only

Project Cost - \$235,000

Town Share – None; funded by WPCA

1. **Background:** WPCA completed an evaluation in 2018 of the sanitary sewer system infrastructure, including the eight (8) existing pumping stations and associated force mains, to determine compliance with the EPA and FEMA requirements. Based on this evaluation, due to age, safety and flood zone locations, the stations have been prioritized into two rehabilitation phases (I & II). Phase I consists of three (3) pump stations (Fairfield Beach, Center Street and Pine Creek) in high risk flood zones that are deemed in need of significant upgrades to the building structures, operating systems, and force main pipes. Phase 2 consists of four (4) stations (Toll House, Mill River, Eastfield and Willow Street) that are in need of structural, operating and safety upgrades, with Mill River and Toll House also being in flood zones. The resiliency nature of this project makes it a potential candidate for grants and/or loans under CTDEEP's Connecticut Clean Water Fund which requires engineering services be hired through Quality Based Selection (QBS). A QBS Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was issued and the selected consultant, Tighe & Bond, developed a scope of design services with WPCF and Engineering for Phases I and II. It was deemed cost efficient to perform the investigation phase for both Phase I and II concurrently. As such, Phase I will progress with the investigation phase through to final design; Phase II will progress with the investigation phase to develop the best design approach with estimated future construction costs for these four (4) stations.
2. **Purpose & Justification:** This project is necessary to upgrade and replace aged equipment and structural components of the stations and force mains to ensure continued and uninterrupted service to a critical part of our sewer system near Long Island sound, and to mitigate flood damage during major weather events.
3. **Detailed Description of Proposal:** Proposed scope of services includes Task 1 Survey and Investigative Services for the four (4) stations (Toll House, Mill River, Willow Street and Eastfield) and two (2) force mains (Toll House and Mill River). The investigation and analysis work under Task 1 includes site investigation to assess existing structural conditions, field survey and identification of easements, investigation of hazardous building materials, hydraulic analysis to confirm existing and future flows, confirmation of required force main sizes based on future pump rates, structural inspection of two (2) existing force mains (Toll House and Mill River) if required based upon results of the hydraulic and force main sizing analysis, field survey of all force mains, and development of an Engineering Report recommending the design approach for the upgrade of each pump station including an Engineer's Opinion of Probable Construction Cost.
4. **Reliability of Estimated Cost:** Cost estimate is 10 out of 10. This is for a design investigation to develop the best design approach for the four (4) stations.
5. **Increased Efficiency:** Buildings will be up to code with the latest energy efficient pumps and controls. New piping and building upgrades will ensure long service life and protection from major storm flooding that could cause environmental impacts.

6. **Additional Long-Range Costs:** Maintenance of the station will be bore by the WPCA out of the operating budget.
7. **Additional Use or Demand on Existing Facilities:** None
8. **Alternatives to this request:** No other alternatives other than upgrade existing structure and equipment to address current standards and flood mitigation. The Do Nothing alternative means stations and their system components continue to age and deteriorate and Mill River and Toll House will remain at risk for flood damage during major storm events that could have environmental impacts.
9. **Safety and Loss Control:** Safety will be improved to the building, equipment, personnel and the environment upon completion.
10. **Environment Considerations:** Will be addressed in construction documents and plans to properly protect Long Island Sound.
11. **Insurance:** All selected participants will be required to carry the necessary insurance as directed by the Town of Fairfield
12. **Financing/Project Life:** Funded by the WPCA fund balance. Following CTDEEP requirement for Quality Based Selection (QBS) of design consultant, future construction of this project may be eligible for grants and/or loans under the Clean Water Fund (CWF).
13. **Other Considerations:** None
14. **Other Approvals:**

WPCA 9/20/2023
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Bishop, Timothy

From: Brian McCann <blmccann@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2023 3:56 PM
To: Thomas, Lukas; Bishop, Timothy
Subject: Conservation Commission

Messrs. Thomas and Bishop,

I have unfortunately reached the decision that I must resign from the Fairfield Conservation Commission. Work and family commitments have really filled my schedule lately. Thank you both very much for your excellent leadership and commitment to the environment - your efforts and results are truly admirable.

If my schedule changes - I would like to come back to the Commission as an alternate. Hopefully there will be a spot open and I can rejoin.

This decision has not been easy - both because of the commitment that I made as well as how well the Commission is run and its effectiveness. However, I must admit, the decision is a little easier knowing that we have several amazing and diligent alternates and one will fill the role admirably..

Thank you for the opportunity. It was an honor.

Sincerely,
Brian

From: null@town.fairfield.ct.us <null@town.fairfield.ct.us>
Sent: Monday, February 21, 2022 10:58 AM
To: Carpenter, Jennifer <JCarpenter@fairfieldct.org>
Subject: New submission for form: Boards and Commissions Interest Form (ID #215)

Boards and Commissions Interest Form

Record #215 submitted from IP address 68.192.91.132 on 2/21/2022 10:58 AM

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ID	215
First Name	Kathryn
Last Name	O'Mahony
Street Address	140 Mill River Road
Zip Code	06824
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Cell Phone	203-521-2247
Home Phone	203-254-8494
Work Phone	
Voter Registration Status	Yes
Political Party Affiliation	Democratic Party
Board or Commission	Conservation Commission
Read the Boards Role	Yes
How You Learned About the Position	Board member
Who You Have Spoken To	Other Board Members

Explanation of Interest and Contribution	<p>My family moved to Fairfield in 1974 and one of the reasons they chose Fairfield was for its natural beauty and it is also a reason my husband and I chose Fairfield to raise our 4 children.</p> <p>When our eldest son was in elementary school I began volunteering for Mill River Wetlands Committee in their River Lab program and truly loved showing children the beauty of nature in their own backyard. I have now been involved with MRWC for 16 years and have been a board member for 5 years. During these last 5 years as a board member in addition to assisting with the River Lab program I have helped in advocating for protection of the Fairfield watershed. I have had the privilege of partnering with CT DEEP, Rivers Alliance, Southwest Conservation District, local legislators as well as other environmental organizations in advocating for the best stewardship in protecting our watershed and local environment while also engaging our community in our efforts.</p> <p>I hope that with a position on the Conservation Commission I would be able to continue to use the knowledge I have gained about our local environment to further advocate for Fairfield's future. I believe our future generations should enjoy our natural beauty as much as we all have.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration.</p>
Resume or Bio	Kathryn O'Mahony CV.pdf
Additional Comments	

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KATHRYN MESSINA O'MAHONY, RN, BSN

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Home Address: 140 Mill River Road
Fairfield, CT 06824
Home Telephone: (203) 254-8494
E-mail: kateom140@gmail.com

EDUCATION

1992 B.S. Nursing, University of Connecticut, *Cum Laude*
Member Sigma Theta Tau

WORK HISTORY

2013-current *Volunteer Medical Reserve Corp*
On stand by to assist in case of community medical need.
Currently assisting with vaccination clinic at the Fairfield Health Department.
Helped to create program to vaccinate at risk homebound population. to homebound.
Assist in pre screening of candidates for homebound program and educating caregivers.
Primary nurse in homebound administration of vaccinations.

2004-2016 *Parish Nurse St Thomas Fairfield*
Assist with setting up community health screenings and patient education programs.
Assisted in bringing mobile mammography mobile mammography to community setting

2001-2004 *Norwalk Hospital, Norwalk, CT*
Per diem staff nurse on general oncology unit which included inpatient hospice care.

2000-2001 *Yale-New Haven Hospital, New Haven, CT*
Per diem staff nurse on the general oncology team.

1996-1999 *Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, NY*
Staff nurse on the Hepatobiliary GI Medicine unit. Worked with a multidisciplinary team caring for patients with primary GI malignancies. This included post-operative care and teaching regarding liver resections, embolizations, hepatojejunostomies, cholecystectomies, and other procedures. Included in addition was the administration of chemotherapy, precepting of new staff, and mentoring third year BSN students in summer internship.

1994-1996 *VNA Healthcare, Hartford, CT*
Clinical case coordinator for an inner city oncology population. Worked with local cancer centers following patients at home throughout treatment. Teaching families and patients to function at home during aggressive chemotherapy regimens. Worked closely with social services to obtain housing, transportation, food, psychiatric care, and follow up care in an underserved population. Administered chemotherapy in the home.

1992-1994

Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, NY

Staff nurse on Neurology/Pain Unit. Treatment of primary and secondary CNS malignancies. Due to nature of illness, worked closely with families as well as outpatient departments to ease the burden of difficult mental and physical disabilities. Cared for postoperative craniotomies, shunts, and administered chemotherapy.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

- Self Governance Committee – assisted in change to self contained units
- Quality Assurance Committee
- Education Committee

VNA Healthcare

- Chosen as delegate to provide outreach for fourth year medical students to experience inner city healthcare
- Member of hospice team

HONORS & CERTIFICATES

Member of Oncology Nursing Association

Member of Local ONS Chapter

Chemotherapy Administration Certification

Sigma Theta Tau Honor Society – Mu Chapter

LICENSES

Licensed Registered Nurse, Connecticut

Licensed Registered Nurse, New York (expired)

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Board Member Mill River Wetland Committee

Advocacy Coordination

Work with local and state agencies on collaborative efforts to promote best stewardship practices of our natural resources. Duties include testifying at state hearings, participating in panel discussions, attending town meetings related to environmental concerns and educating residents on environmental.

Community Bible Study- Leadership- Facilitator of small discussion groups of women in world wide ecumenical bible study

Volunteer Everytown for Gun Safety- Moms Demand Action

Notre Dame Catholic High School-Volunteer

Parish Nurse Program, Archdiocese of Bridgeport

Coordination of food donation to Operation Hope through St. Thomas Church

St Thomas Aquinas School Volunteer including HSA Board member, Fairfield, CT
Habitat for Humanity