

BOARD OF FINANCE
MONDAY, MAY 13, 2014

Present: Mayor Louras, President Allaire, Commissioner Wennberg, Engineer Pilachowski, Treasurer Wilton, Purchasing Agent Magro, Superintendent Wight and Scott Taggart.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 3:07 pm.

Playground Equipment-Recreation Dept.

Superintendent Wight recommended awarding the Merry Go Round and two Diggers to the low bidder Pettinelli & Associates. Superintendent Wight recommended awarding the group swing to O'Brien and Sons who was the low bidder that met the specifications. She explained that they would like to purchase two group swings so one at Meadow Street could be replaced. The money to purchase all the playground equipment would come from the White's Playground \$15,000.00 budget. The Mayor made a motion to purchase a Merry Go Round in the amount of \$2,600 and two Diggers at \$700.00 each from the low bidder Pettinelli and Associates. Motion was seconded and passed. The Mayor made a motion to purchase two group swings for \$4,450 each from O'Brien and Sons for a total of \$8,900. Motion was seconded and passed.

Northwest Sewer Separation Project Phase 1

Engineer Pilachowski stated that five bids were received and reviewed by Otter Creek Engineering. The low bidder was Kingsbury Companies, LLC of Waitsfield, Vermont. Engineer Pilachowski explained that this company has been around for decades. He has checked references and found that there had been a few hiccups but that mostly was dependent of the strength of the Superintendent on the job. Engineer Pilachowski explained that this is a big, complex project and that Otter Creek Engineering will be the resident engineer. The total of Kingsbury's bid was \$4,084,220. The second lowest was Belden Co at \$4,250,661.00. Mayor Louras asked if the City has any latitude within the specifications to chose the supervisor to ensure that they are extremely mindful of the needs of the residents. Engineer Pilachowski explained that the City will rely on Otter Creek for PR with residents. President Allaire asked if there were any concerns if the City were to wait an additional two weeks to find out more about the company. Commissioner Wennberg read a letter from Otter Creek Engineering stating that they could find no reason not to award to the low bidder. Engineer Pilachowski stated he was not looking to award the bid, just a recommendation to concur with the State. The Mayor made a motion to recommend to the State to approve Kingsbury, LLC. Motion was seconded and passed.

DPW Water Sampling

Scott Taggart asked the Board to approve the water sampling to Analytical Services in the amount of \$9,924.00 for 24 samples plus any additional samples that may be needed. He explained that Analytical Services is the only State certified lab. Mayor Louras made

the motion to approve the water sampling to Analytical Services in the amount of \$9,924.00 plus any additional samples that may be needed. Motion was seconded and passed.

The Mayor moved to adjourn at 3:35pm. Motion passed.

Respectively submitted,
Sara Magro