

NORTH SAGAMORE WATER DISTRICT
MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 15, 2023

The North Sagamore Water District Board of Water Commissioners held their meeting on Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at 2:00 pm at the North Sagamore Water District office, 14 Squanto Road, Sagamore Beach, MA.

Those in attendance at the start of the meeting were: Chairperson Mark Bergeron, Commissioner Mark Melchionda, Commissioner Stephen Mealy, Superintendent Matt Sawicki, Treasurer Maureen Fruci, Assistant Treasurer Chey Phillips and GHD Engineer Russ Kleekamp. Representatives from all bidders were in attendance as well.

BID OPENING FOR WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

GHD Engineer, Russ Kleekamp welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending the bid opening for the water main project. He explained the bids will be opened and will be reviewed to make sure all checklist items are included. Bids can be viewed after the opening is complete. A canvas of bids will be made available to all six bidders. The bids were opened as follows:

1. **Albanese** - on time, bid bond, signed, no addenda, total base bid \$2,197,963, alt. \$412,908,
Total bid - \$2,610,871
2. **Celco** - on time, bid bond, signed, no addenda, total base bid \$2,045,562, alt. \$372,008,
Total bid - \$2,417,570
3. **CC Construction** - on time, bid bond, signed, no addenda, total base bid \$1,204,183, alt. \$239,336,
Total bid - \$1,443,519
4. **C Naughton Corp.** - on time, bid bond, signed, no addenda, total base bid \$2,425,400, alt. \$363,600,
Total bid - \$2,789,000
5. **CN Corp.** - on time, bid bond, signed, no addenda, total base bid \$2,185,050, alt. \$286,100,
Total bid - \$2,471,150
6. **Dig It Construction** - on time, bid bond, signed, no addenda, total base bid \$1,265,929, alt. \$243,020
Total bid - \$1,508,949

Mr. Kleekamp announced CC Construction as the low bidder. He said a full review will be done to confirm. With no questions from the Board or Superintendent, he announced the bids were available to look at. The full canvas will show all of the numbers. All bid representatives left the meeting.

Mr. Kleekamp informed the Board he has done work with CC Construction in the past. He said they will make sure the bid is complete. He said as far as the bids are concerned they have been seeing numbers like these since the pandemic. He continued on to say as the project came together the timeline was a concern but after contractors looked at the project and saw it was a straight shot they realized it was a good job to bid on. Commissioner Bergeron said there were large variations in the bids with 4 almost identical and the other 2 almost identical. Mr. Kleekamp said contractors that are busy will put a larger number on it. The more local contractors sharpened the pencil very hard. He went on to say CC Construction has put water mains in 6 towns on Cape Cod and they are now working in Brockton. Mr. Kleekamp said when he originally estimated the project he looked at all water main work on the cape. At that time, they were estimating water main jobs at \$200-\$500 a foot. Material was at the highest price at the time. He said the District can add up to 25% with

a change order because the price came in so low. Mr. Kleekamp said hopefully by the end of the week they will have a recommendation and a performance bond from CC Construction.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Superintendent Sawicki said he has never worked with CC Construction before. Commissioner Mealy asked if they have to go with the low bidder. The Superintendent said yes unless there is a real problem with any of their documentation.

Commissioner Melchionda asked the Superintendent if there is anything else he would like to add on to this project. Superintendent Sawicki said perhaps replacing gates or hydrants. He said it takes the District an entire day to replace a hydrant and the contractor can do three in a day. The Superintendent said he would like to check with the financial advisor regarding the bonding before we do that. He wants to be sure about the final bond amount and all the fees that need to get added into the final cost of the bond.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Mealy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:44 pm. Commissioner Melchionda seconded the motion. All Board members were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Fruci,
District Clerk