



SELECT BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 15, 2023
8:00 AM
VIRTUAL MEETING

Present: Jim Snyder-Grant, Fran Arsenault, David Martin, Alissa Nicol

Absent: Dean Charter

- 1.** Approve Letter from Select Board to State Officials Regarding Necessary Coordination of Timelines for the MassWorks-funded Sewer Extension Under Route 2 and the Acton Housing Authority's McManus Manor Project.

Mr. Mangiaratti briefed the Board on the history of the sewer construction to support McManus Manor which has all its permits and financing and waiting for us to confirm with 100% certainty the town will be building the sewer in the spring, except lacking the required permit from MassDOT. This has delayed the process to begin construction in the right of way changes at rt 2 and Main street location and need to make sure they are comfortable with it to avoid change orders and hoping to be done before this month ends. Need to express to MassDOT a sense of urgency to get the required permit. The letter is intended to explain this on behalf of the chair and the Board. If we send the letter and they say they can't approve until January, in this case the AHA will have to request an extension on financing or pivot to consider installing septic which would trigger a new design concept. Ms. Nicol questioned about the 1 million dollars in CPA funding and presented the number to the CPC and if we exclude the 1 million (2 500,000 CPA grants) the sewer commissioners waived almost \$600,000 in sewer privilege fees, the ACHC committed \$275,000 and the property was purchased for \$1.8 million, so the town is looking at \$2,950,000 and recommends the amount from the town be changed to \$2 million. The AHA waitlist of 2000 includes those that are not eligible for the McManus Manor senior/disabled adult housing, and requests the wait time of 5-6 years for the applicant at the top of the waitlist for senior housing to be used instead. Mr. Mangiaratti noted the town also appropriated \$250,000 in ARPA funding. Mr. Martin commented that the letter should begin with a statement of the date the Board voted to send the letter.

Mr. Martin moved, seconded by Ms. Arsenault to authorize the chair to write a letter to the DOT based on the draft presented and comments of the Board members and approved 3-0-1 by roll call vote.

Documents Used

- Agenda, Select Board, November 15, 2023
- Draft Letter to MassDOT