

MINUTES

WALPOLE EDIC
TOWN HALL

Room 116

December 2, 2013

6:00 p.m.

Present:

Bernie Goba, Chair EDIC
Richard Shields, Vice Chair EDIC
Leo McCormack, EDIC
John Morris, EDIC
Mark Resnick, EDIC Treasurer
Roger Mann, EDIC

Michael Boynton, Town Administrator
Robin Chapell, Board of Health
Stephanie Mercandetti, Economic Development
David Foss, Fuss and O'Neill
Jason Panos, Kopelman & Paige

There being a quorum present Chair Goba called the meeting to order.

The minutes from the November 19, 2013 meeting (which were earlier distributed electronically to all members) were read.

Mark Resnick motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Richard Shields.

It was voted: 6 ayes
0 nays

There was a general discussion regarding the Final Report from Fuss & O'Neill. In general, the consensus was that they had completed their work satisfactorily. There were no comments on the report.

The Chair commented that he would like to see an extension of the study to expand beyond the current sites. This was to include a "reaching out" to incorporate a walking trail design beyond the site to the high school to the south and to the north of the site. The intent was to make the site remediation a town wide initiative. There was a consensus. No vote taken.

The Chair submitted Invoice 018852 for services from Fuss & O'Neill. This was the final payment for services under the agreement between Fuss & O'Neill and the EDIC regarding land use/site studies/treatment plant location. A motion by Mark Resnick to approve the bill for payment was seconded by Richard Shields.

(MARK FORWARD COPY OF INVOICE FOR FILES)

It was voted: 6 ayes
0 nays

The Chair submitted the invoice to EDIC Treasurer Mark Resnick for payment.

Discussion regarding next steps was held. Michael Boynton advised EDIC that an application to proceed with the Brownfields Covenant Not to Sue was in process with Kopelman & Paige (K &P) Jason Panos of K & P. Jason Panos is seeking a vote to proceed from Board of Selectmen tonight. Jason confirmed that the covenant will require four months of work and start the process with an informal filing with the Attorney General's office. Michael Boynton is meeting with the PRPs tomorrow as an on going process to move the negotiations forward.

There being no further comments on the studies process or the November 2013 Fuss and O'Neill Report a motion by Mark Resnick to accept the report was seconded by John Morris.

It was voted: 6 ayes
0 nays

There being no new business to discuss a motion by Richard Shields to adjourn to the meeting with the Board of Selectmen was seconded by Roger Mann.

It was voted: 6 ayes
0 nays

Meeting reconvened with Board of Selectmen; Chair Gallivan, Cliff Snuffer and Chris Timson with EDIC in main meeting room. David Foss presented the results of their site study.

The report was favorably received by the BOS and the public in attendance. Several major concerns; development of a "concrete, global time line". It was felt that the firmness of a schedule will enhance the AG's timely response to our Covenant Not to Sue.

The EDIC Chair advised the BOS that the EDIC had voted to accept the Fuss & O'Neill Report.

The Board of Selectmen motioned and seconded to accept the report by Fuss & O'Neill.

It was voted: 3 ayes
0 nays

In conjunction with the technical review of the documents for the Covenant Not to Sue and with the encouragement of the BOS a motion by Mark Resnick to extend Fuss & O'Neill's contract with a not to exceed \$5000.00 limit was seconded by Richard Shields. The funds for the extension shall come from the EDIC design fund account.

It was voted: 6 ayes
0 nays

David Foss will prepare an amendment to our agreement.

There being no further business before the EDIC a motion by Richard Shields to adjourn was seconded by Leo McCormack.

It was voted: 6 ayes
0 nays

Next EDIC meeting date TBD

Meeting adjourned 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully,

Bernie Goba Chair
Acting Clerk