

Memorandum

Date: February 23, 2012



To: Essex Junction Board of Trustees
David Crawford
Jim Jutras

From: Brad Aldrich, P.E.

RE: Recommendation to Award – High School Pump Station

We recommend that the Essex Junction Board of Trustees authorize David Crawford, Village Manager to enter into a construction contract with Kingsbury Companies for Contract No. 2 – High School Pump Station Upgrade, in the amount of \$1,013,656.

This project was publicly advertised for bids with a public bid opening conducted on January 25, 2012. Kingsbury Companies was the low bidder (out of nine bids) at a cost of \$1,013,656.

The bid amount exceeds our earlier opinion of probable construction cost of \$964,430 (a variance of \$49,226). We have worked with Kingsbury to identify “value engineering” changes that could lower the construction cost without lessening the durability, reliability and performance of the pump station.

We have identified (9) nine changes with a net savings of (\$4,758). These changes will be added to the contract by change order at the contract signing, reducing the contract amount by the net savings.

The balance of the variance can be funded through savings in other project budget line items. An updated Total Project Cost Summary is attached to demonstrate this fact.

Vermont DEC will require that a construction contingency (5% of the cost of construction or \$50,680.00) be carried to cover changes made during construction to deal with unforeseen conditions and enhancements that you may wish to make. If the entire construction contingency is spent, you will still below the bond authorization of \$1,257,000 by roughly \$13,500.

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MANAGER’S RECOMMENDED MOTION:

“The Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Village Manager to award the High School Pump Station Construction Contract to Kingsbury Companies in the amount of \$1,013,656 and to sign all related documents and Change Orders for this project. The Manager is further authorized to preorder equipment prior to signing the Construction Contract documents in order to expedite delivery.”