

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Public Works, Lewes, Del. 117  
was held in the Council Room of the Town Hall on Thursday night,  
June 15, 1978 at 8:00 o'clock.

Members Present : Messrs. W. James Bell, Jr., Henry S. Redmile, William R.  
Beauchamp and Howard H. Seymour (arrived at 8:20 P.M.)

Member Absent: Messr. Sidney L. Downs, Jr.

Others Present: Mr. John P. Curtin, General Manager  
Mr. Douglas D. Marshall, Board's Attorney  
Mr. Barnard Muir, Plumbing Inspector  
Mr. William S. Reynolds, Jr.  
Mrs. Naomi Warren, City Councilwoman  
Mr. Bill Sherrod, Delaware Coast Press Reporter  
Lt. Rod Evans, U.S. Naval Facilities  
Mr. Melville Taylor  
Mr. & Mrs. Tedd Meinersmann  
Mr. Joe Stokes  
Mr. John Brittingham, Jr.  
Mr. John Rhodes, City Councilman  
Mr. Dennis Forney, Whale Reporter  
Mr. Joseph LoBiondo  
Mr. Cliff Diver

President Bell Presiding:

Minutes 1. Motion was made to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting  
May 19, 78 May 19, 1978 as written.

Motion - Mr. Redmile Seconded - Mr. Beauchamp

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Mr. Redmile	x	
Mr. Beauchamp	x	
Mr. Bell	x	

1978  
Station  
Wagon for  
Board

2. Mr. Curtin distributed comparison sheets to the Board Members  
and news media.

He reported that he had received letters of proposal, opened  
by him in the presence of Mrs. Steelman and Mrs. Lehman so  
that the integrity of all the proposals remained in tact.  
Said letters remained in Mr. Curtin's office since that time.  
At this time, he reviewed the comparison sheet with the  
Board, pointing out the defects in some of the proposals.  
(Defect being an item that did not meet the specifications.)

He noted that only one of the proposals had met the speci-  
fications 100%. That being C.P. Diver Chevrolet of Lewes,  
Delaware. That bid amount \$5,488.00. Also, the fact that  
C.P. Diver was in Lewes and a taxpayer with a considerable  
amount of taxes and utility bills being paid to the City.

Based on the fact that there are no defects in the bid and

Mr. Diver is a local businessman, Mr. Curtin recommends that the car be purchased from C.P. Diver Chevrolet-Olds in the amount of \$5,488.00.

Motion was made to accept the bid of \$5,488 for a 1978 Chevrolet Malibu Station Wagon from C.P. Diver.

Motion - Mr. Redmile      Seconded -

Motion died for lack of a second.

Motion was made to purchase the Plymouth Volare at \$5,429.33 from Rehoboth Chrysler Plymouth.

Motion - Mr. Beauchamp      Seconded

Motion died for lack of a second.

Mr. Redmile suggested that the matter be tabled until Mr. Seymour arrives.

The lawyer stated that it was in order to do so.

Clarifluccu-  
lator

3. Mr. Curtin stated that Mr. Seymour and he had ordered, substantially, a new clariflucculator that will take 35 weeks for fabrication. The change will be made in January or February of 1979. The cost of materials ordered will be \$48,500 (equipment delivered on site). The work of installing it will be contracted out.

Mr. Curtin mentioned that this had to be done in order to continue to treat sewage until we expand and upgrade our plant.

Mr. Bell asked how many clariflucculators are at the Sewage Plant. Mr. Curtin answered that we have one. The Field Engineer from Dorr-Oliver has pulled it down and has estimated that the maximum life expected at this time is 6 mos.

(Mr. Seymour arrived at this time.)

Mr. Redmile brought up a question of authority. Did the General Manager have the authority to sign the contract authorizing the \$48,500 expenditure? Mr. Seymour stated that he had given Mr. Curtin the authority. After discussion, it was decided that the Board should take some action.

Mr. Curtin then requested the Board to reaffirm the action taken by Mr. Seymour and him.

Motion was made to ratify the signed contract for the clariflucculator.

Motion - Mr. Beauchamp

Seconded - Mr. Redmile

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Mr. Beauchamp	x	
Mr. Redmile	x	
Mr. Seymour	x	

Mr. Curtin then reported on the condition of the digester at the Sewer Plant. The digester must be cleaned. It has not been cleaned for 16 years and is about 2/3's full of beach sand which infiltrates through the combined sewers over the years.

After discussion about the problem, the following motion was made:

Motion was made to have the General Manager look into companies that do this kind of work and advertise for bids. Bids are to be opened at the next Board meeting.

Motion - Mr. Beauchamp

Seconded -

(Motion died for lack of a second.)

Discussion was held. Mr. Curtin pointed out the reason that he had contacted Inland Pumping & Dredging prior to the meeting was that Mr. Larry Turner, City Manager of Rehoboth Delaware had a similar problem 2 years ago. Out of four companies that bid, Inland Pumping & Dredging was the lowest. Rehoboth was very well satisfied with the company's performance. However, no purchase order has been issued to them for the work. Again, he pointed out that the work is needed. Some decision, either to go with Inland Pumping & Dredging or prepare invitations to bid, should be made at this time.

Motion was made to have the General Manager prepare specifications and the invitations to bid on this project. Sealed bids to be opened at the next regular meeting of the Board.

Motion - Mr. Beauchamp

Seconded - Mr. Redmile

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Mr. Beauchamp	x	
Mr. Redmile	x	
Mr. Seymour	x	

WaterGrant  
\$17,500

4. Mr. Curtin reported that several weeks ago, Mr. Seymour and he had a meeting with a representative of an engineering firm and a representative of a Congressman exploring the

Mr. Curtin stated that money would have to be spent to put in pipe for drainage. The question being who would pay for the pipe, the city government or the Board of Public Works. The matter will be looked into.

Mr. Bell suggested that those attending the meeting whose problem pertained to Market Street drainage leave their names with Mrs. Steelman, so Mr. Curtin will have someone to contact to find out more information.

Bulk Water Sales  
Resolution

7. Mr. Douglas Marshall read the resolution regarding Bulk Water Sales that he had been directed by the Board to prepare. A copy of the resolution is included with these minutes.

Motion was made to adopt the Bulk Water Sales Resolution as read.

Motion - Mr. Seymour      Seconded - Mr. Beauchamp

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Mr. Seymour	x	
Mr. Beauchamp	x	
Mr. Redmile	x	

The question was raised on how the resolution would be enforced. If the demand for a facility exists, then the Board would establish a loading point. There would be a locked valve and a locked meter. If a barge came along that wanted 50,000 gallons of water, it would have to contact the business office. The water department would then unlock the valve, load them out and get a ticket for the amount used. The office would then send out a bill.

If they were to use an existing facility, the amount of gallons would certainly show up in the usage for that facility. Then, those customers offering their facility would have to be warned first; then if warning was not sufficient, more severe steps taken.

Mr. Curtin could foresee no problems.

1978 Station  
Wagon

8. The matter of a new car was brought up once again.

Motion was made to accept the bid of Rehoboth Chrysler Plymouth for the Plymouth Volare in the amount of \$5429.33 for immediate delivery.

Motion - Mr. Beauchamp

(Motion died for lack of a second.)



Motion was made to purchase the Chevrolet Station Wagon from C.P. Diver for \$5,488.00.

Motion - Mr. Redmile                      Seconded -

Yea      Nay

(Motion died for lack of a second.)

Mr. Marshall stated that a brief synopsis of what had transpired earlier before Mr. Seymour arrived should be given. Then the motions should be made in the order that they were originally were made. Mrs. Steelman then read the minutes.

Motion was made to purchase the Chevrolet Station Wagon from C.P. Diver in the amount of \$5,488.00.

Motion - Mr. Redmile                      Seconded -

(Motion died for lack of a second)

Motion was made to buy the Plymouth Volare from Rehoboth Chrysler Plymouth in the amount of \$5,429.33.

Motion - Mr. Beauchamp                      Seconded - Mr. Seymour

Yea      Nay

Mr. Beauchamp	x	
Mr. Seymour		x
Mr. Redmile		x

After discussion, this motion was made.

Motion was made to accept the bid from C.P. Diver Chevrolet olds for a 1978 Chevrolet Malibu Station Wagon in the amount of \$5,488.00.

Motion - Mr. Seymour                      Seconded - Mr. Redmile

Yea      Nay

Mr. Seymour	x
Mr. Redmile	x
Mr. Beauchamp	x

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

*Ruth Ann Steelman*  
Secretary

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A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS  
OF THE CITY OF LEWES, DELAWARE

WHEREAS, It has come to the attention of this Board that there may be a need for large quantities of water for use in connection with proposed offshore petroleum exploration and recovery, as well as other industrial and commercial activities, all of which would take place beyond the three mile limit off the Atlantic Coast; and

WHEREAS, The recovery of such large quantities of water would hasten the need, as well as create a need for large capital expenditures in the form of additional pumping capacity and eventually new water wells;

RESOLVED, That the cost of water shall be \$ 1.65  
per 1,000 gallons to any individual, group, partnership or corporation who purchases water in lots, shipments or amounts greater than 5,000 gallons for commercial, industrial or domestic use beyond the three mile limit off the Atlantic Coast.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED THIS 15 DAY OF JUNE, A. D., 1978.

APPROVED:

James Bell  
President, James Bell

ATTEST:

W. S. Redmile