

**CAPITAL BUDGET OVERVIEW COMMITTEE**

Legislative Office Building, Room 201

Concord, NH

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Rep. Gene Chandler, Chair

Rep. John Cloutier

Rep. David Danielson

Rep. Mark McConkey

Rep. Frank Byron

Rep. Dan Eaton

Sen. Gary Daniels

Sen. Nancy Stiles

(The meeting convened at 10:30 a.m.)

**(1) Acceptance of Minutes of the May 10, 2016 meeting.**

CHAIRMAN CHANDLER: All right. We will call the Capital Budget Overview Committee meeting to order, and the first item is acceptance of the May 10<sup>th</sup> minutes.

**\*\*** REP. EATON: Move.

REP. DANIELSON: Second.

CHAIRMAN CHANDLER: It's been moved by Representative Eaton, seconded by who? Representative Danielson. Any questions or discussions? If not, all those in favor say aye? Any opposed no? The motion carries.

**\*\*\*** {MOTION ADOPTED}

**(2) Old Business:**

**(3) New Business:**

**(4) Miscellaneous:**

CHAIRMAN CHANDLER: Old Business, New Business, Miscellaneous. We'll go right through those.

**(5) Informational:**

CHAIRMAN CHANDLER: Informational. I do know we have a question on Administrative Services on the Bedford Toll Plaza. Representative Byron has a question on that.

REP. BYRON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I was looking at the information from the Department of Administrative Services, and if you go to the second page in there, which is headlined Administrative Services, Public Works Design and Construction, Monthly Summary of Project Bids, it talks that the bid amount was 836,000 with an estimated cost of 600,000. And the bid date was 4/13. Can you talk a little bit about why that bid was so out of sync with the estimate?

MICHAEL CONNOR, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services: Yes, Mike Connor from Administrative Services and with me is Ted Kupper, the Administrator of Public Works.

Basically, that was tied into the Bedford Toll Plaza. And Ted's going to go into it a little more detail here, too. But I believe he had one bidder on that, and it had a lot to do with working around the Turnpike and the construction issues. We have cancelled that bid, and I think Ted will go into more detail about what the next steps are.

THEODORE KUPPER, Public Works Project Manager VI, Bureau of Plant and Property Management, Department of Administrative Services: So the project involved coordination with the open road tolling lanes that they were going to be installing, and it required a portion of the building to be demolished to make room for the open road tolling lanes to be constructed next to or where the building was. And there was a number of complications associated with the building. You know, heating systems that if that portion of the building was demolished, wouldn't service

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the whole building; stairwells and tunnels that go under the highway and how those were going to be taken care of. And because we only had the one bidder, they anticipated a much more difficult construction project and we had suspect that's why their bids were so high. And as Mike had mentioned, those bids have been cancelled, and we're looking to re-bid the project.

CHAIRMAN CHANDLER: Further question?

REP. BYRON: So are you going to not do the project or you going to go back out and try to solicit more bidders or how is that going to work?

MR. KUPPER: The project is changing, and it will go out to bid again.

REP. BYRON: Okay. Thank you.

MR. KUPPER: You're welcome.

**(6) Date of Next Meeting and Adjournment:**

CHAIRMAN CHANDLER: Any other questions on any of the other items? If not, we will recess till the call of the Chair. Thank you.

REP. CLOUTIER: Excuse me, Mr. Chairman, do you anticipate we probably won't come back at least till August, Capital Budget won't --

CHAIRMAN CHANDLER: Well, Capital Budget probably won't be back here. We don't seem to be getting much but Long Range --

REP. CLOUTIER: Long Range, that other issue that we dealt with earlier.

CHAIRMAN CHANDLER: Yes. Okay. Thank you all for coming in.

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(The meeting recessed to the till of the Chair at  
10:34 a.m.)

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CERTIFICATION

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