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Charles Avenue Engineering Agreement: Green Mountain Engineering, Inc. The agreement is attached.

This project was postponed in 2017 awaiting adequate funding. Project funding comes from Highway, Water, Wastewater, and Sidewalk capital accounts. The total engineering fee for the project is \$69,950. As you can see in the agreement, Item 8 is the on-site Construction Review Services and is estimated at \$54,700. The majority of the design is complete being partially funded last year. This project is scheduled to bid in mid-February.

I request the Committee to recommend the Agreement to the Select Board.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Evaluation – Engineering Selection.

The engineering review sub-committee interviewed three (3) engineering firms. They were Aldrich & Elliott, Hoyle, Tanner Inc., and Tata & Howard.

While all three of these firms could perform adequately, the committee was most comfortable with Tata & Howard's submittal and interview. I have attached a few pages from their qualifications submittal. References from current and past clients are being checked.

The review committee requests the Committee recommend to the Select Board, Tata & Howard to conduct the evaluation of the WWTP. A contract negotiation for their service is required.

Shard Villa Bank Stabilization and Road Improvement Project – Engineering firm selection

Engineering proposals are due January 8 (Monday afternoon). I will post results and a brief summary before the committee meeting on Thursday morning.

Flood Resiliency Project

Amy Sheldon (Landslide Natural Resources Planning) and Roy Schiff (Malone & MacBroom) will discuss project plans, timetable, and the steps needed to present a bond vote for this project to the voters in March.

Projects Update

Chipman Park-South Street Project

The contractor, J. Hutchins, Inc. has requested Contract Time Extension. Some of the time extension is justified but more is not. An official winter shut-down will be required which suspends daily liquidated damages for the period. The winter shut-down recommended by Green Mountain Engineering would be from December 15th through May 1st, 2018. I can have Jamie Simpson (GME) attend the next Committee meeting in February to review Hutchins' request and the scope of liquidated damages.

Water Planning Loan

The Engineering Service Agreement with Dufresne Group (DG) for preparation of a water system model report has been sent to the Water Division and has been given a positive 'nod'. The agreement has two components; Basic Services (\$44,000 Lump Sum) and Special Services (\$24,000 NTE) for a total of \$68,000. The duration of services is expected to be 90 calendar days from notice to proceed.

I discussed the planning loan process with Ashley Lucht (DWSRF Project Lead) this week. We will need to submit a new FY2018 Priority List Application by February 15th. She expects we would make the list and that construction loan funds would be available. This means we could have a project underway in 2019. She does think a possible bond vote in November is optimistic, with March of 2019 more realistic.