

**Utility Commission
SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 6, 2009**

The Special meeting of the Delmar Utility Commission was called to order by Council Member Pase. In attendance were Commission Members Dickerson and Dewald, Council Member Thompson, Town Manager Bynum-King and Clerk of Council Fisher. Absent: Commissioner Hodgins.

New Business

Town Manager Bynum-King reported that this special meeting is being held so that the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade can be discussed. She said that the Town has already gone through the bidding process for the upgrade, having 6 (six) contractors bidding. Jason Loar, Project Mgr, w/ DBF has reviewed the bid documents and verified that the bids were accurate and correct as prepared. It is his recommendation that the Town award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder which is Bearing Construction. Bearing Construction is a company out of Suddlersville, MD and their bid was \$5,884,000.00. She did report that they are licensed in both Maryland and Delaware. The bids ranged from the lowest bid of \$5,884,000.00 to the highest bid of \$8,100,000.00. Town Manager Bynum-King reported that although we didn't make the first round selection for stimulus projects, for the BNR/ENR project, we still could potentially be eligible for some of the stimulus funding. She said that in order for the Town to be potential recipients of stimulus funds we must meet the state criteria, as well as receive final approval from the State on all the Bid documentation and the Notice to proceed to contractor must be issued to the contractor before mid June.

Council Member Thompson made a motion to recommend to the Joint Council the acceptance of DBF's recommendation to award the BNR/ENR Wastewater Treatment Upgrade Project in the amount of \$5,884,000.00 to Bearing Construction. Commission Member Dewald seconded the motion, which passed with 4 ayes and 1 absent.

Adjournment

Commission Member Dickerson made a motion for adjournment, which was seconded by Council Member Thompson. The motion passed with 4 ayes and 1 absent.

Cindy Fisher
Clerk of Council