

## Committee Meeting Minutes

November 10, 2021, seventh session of Meeting that began September 22, 2021  
Basin Harbor Road Culvert Replacement Committee Meeting continuation  
Bridport STP MM (18(6)) Project  
Bridport Highway Garage Meeting Room

This session of the Meeting was attended by Dusty Huestis and David Bronson in person and by Joan Huestis by phone and began at 7:15 A.M.

The request by Debisschop Excavating, LLC for approval of an increase of \$41,907.29 above its originally agreed \$328,010.00 price for the construction work was discussed. It is understood at least much of the increase was caused by the discovery of old bridge abutments while excavating that needed to be removed and also resulted in more excavating and replacement materials than expected. It was assumed the extent of such additional work was not fully known until the abutments were completely excavated and that stopping work then to get a change order approved could have extended the time to complete the project and had an expense to Debisschop of not being able to use equipment and labor as planned. It appeared for Debisschop this may have created a "catch 22" situation on how best to proceed. To the extent any increase is approved by VTrans, it is expected the Grant money would cover 80% of such increase.

Katie had reported recently receiving a \$194,001.44 reimbursement from the State under the Grant.

Dusty moved and Joan seconded to approve of a \$194,001.44 payment to the National Bank of Middlebury on the \$321,500.00 Grant Anticipation Loan for this Project. All approved.

Joan moved and Dusty seconded to approve the payment to GPI of Invoice #326510 dated November 1, 2021 for \$17,383.25 subject to the approval therefore of Ande DeForge before payment. All approved.

All approved of the Meeting being recessed to Wednesday, November 17, 2021, at 7:10 A.M. at the Bridport Highway Garage Meeting Room.

Session ended at 7:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted By:



David A. Bronson