

# **Town Council Agenda Report**

Date: July 14, 2020 Item No. 7

To: Honorable Mayor and Town Council

Subject: AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE

KISSEL LIFT STATION SEWER LINE PROJECT

From: Douglas Robertson, Town Manager

Submitted by: Brad Miller, Town Engineer

**Engineering Department** 

Budgeted Item: 

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

### RECOMMENDED ACTION

Award a Professional Services Agreement to Merrell-Johnson for the Kissel Lift Station Sewer Line project subject to "Approval as to Form" by the Town Attorney and "Approval as to Content" by the Town Manager.

### **BACKGROUND**

With the recent completion of the Nanticoke gravity flow trunk line that delivers wastewater to the VVWRA Sub regional facility, there is an opportunity to construct a bypass sewer main that will relieve the existing Kissel Lift Station. Town staff analyzed the existing conditions and prepared a feasibility study determining the best alternative to reroute the existing lines that lead to the lift station. Through the study, it was determined that the lines can be rerouted north on Central Road and connect with the existing line leading west on Standing Rock Road. Once the line has been rerouted, the Kissel Lift Station can be abandoned.

# **ANALYSIS**

On April 12, 2020, Engineering staff issued a Request for Proposals seeking a design engineering consultant to prepare the Plans, Specifications, and Engineer's Estimate for the subject project. Staff reviewed consultant submissions and concluded that Merrell-Johnson Companies is the most qualified to proceed with the project for the following reasons:

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- Strength of the project team members and balance of engineering, research, and local knowledge;
- Understanding of the project area and depth of research conducted prior to the interview;
- Ability to provide value engineering and alternative designs while maintaining continuity with local design standards.

For all the reasons mentioned above, staff recommends that Merrell-Johsnon be awarded a Professional Services Agreement totaling \$39,582.50 for the Kissel Lift Station Sewer Project.

### FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for this project has been appropriated in the adopted FY 2020-2021budget.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

A. Project Location

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