

REPORT OF MEETING

SUBJECT: Public Information Meeting – City of Milford

DATE OF MEETING: February 26, 2015

BRIDGE:

<u>Bridge No.</u>	<u>Project No.</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>Route</u>	<u>Location</u>
06755	83-263	Milford	Route 162	Turtle Creek

LOCATION OF MEETING: Parsons Government Center – Milford, CT

IN ATTENDANCE:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>	<u>EMAIL/Phone</u>
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Nick Giardina	BL Companies – CTDOT Liaison	ngiardina@blcompanies.com
Justine Ziobron	BL Companies – CTDOT Liaison	jziobron@blcompanies.com

One (1) Milford resident and two (2) State Representatives were also in attendance.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The project was presented using Microsoft PowerPoint and key project plans were on display. Handouts of the general project information were also available to the attendees. After the presentation, the meeting was opened to additional questions and comments. The following is a summary of the presentation and comments.

Replacement of Bridge No. 06755 – State Project No. 83-263

Bridge No. 06755 carries Route 162 (New Haven Avenue) over Turtle Creek in the city of Milford, and is located approximately 300-feet east of Old Gate Lane. The existing structure consists of three 65-inch by 40-inch by 80-foot long asphalt-coated corrugated metal pipe arches (culverts) with a concrete headwall and endwall. The purpose and need for the project is to address the structural deficiencies and functional obsolescence of Bridge No. 06755. The culverts are structurally deficient due to the serious condition of the corrugated metal pipes and the roadway carried by the culverts is functionally obsolete due to inadequate curb-to-curb width. The existing culverts are also considered hydraulically inadequate based on the 50-year design storm event.

The recommended course of action involves replacing the structure with a new twin precast concrete box culvert with new headwalls, cut-off walls and wingwalls. The northern edge of road of Route 162 will be realigned slightly to the north to add additional pavement width across the new culvert and to clearly define the northern gutterline. The proposed vertical alignment will match existing. The culvert replacement will require approximately 350-feet of roadway construction along Route 162. The proposed bridge will support three 11-foot travel lanes and two variable width shoulders.

It is anticipated that two lanes of traffic will be maintained on Route 162 at all times during construction. The proposed culvert replacement will be constructed in four stages. Route 162 will be temporarily widened to the south to maintain two lanes of traffic on-site during Stage 2 and Stage 3. Pedestrians will be maintained via the existing sidewalk to the north throughout construction.

As a result of the proposed construction activities, the following permits are anticipated: CT DEEP IWRD Flood Management Certification, CT DEEP OLISP Structures, Dredging and Fill Permit as well as a Tidal Wetlands Permit, and Army Corps of Engineers General Permit (Category 2).

Impacts to three private properties are anticipated as a result of this project. This includes partial acquisitions, temporary construction easements, temporary rights of access denied and a permanent right of access denied.

Both underground and overhead utilities are located within the construction limits. The overhead services consist of electric and communication lines which run along both sides of Route 162. The underground services are spread across the road and include communication, gas, water and sewer.

The estimated construction cost for the replacement of Bridge No. 06755 is between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000 and the project is anticipated to be funded using Federal and State capital.

Work under State Project No. 83-263 is anticipated to begin in the spring of 2017. The schedule is preliminary and is predicated upon the availability of funding, the issuance of the requested environmental permits and the resolution of all property and utility impacts.

TRANSACTIONS AND DETERMINATIONS:

Representatives of CTDOT and BL Companies spoke to one of the affected property owners regarding the project impacts and the anticipated schedule. The resident remained for the full project presentation. No major concerns were raised. A representative from CTDOT – ROW notified the owner that they'd be contacted by the Department as the project advances.

Following the presentation, two State Representatives arrived and asked how the job is being funded and if legislative help is required. A representative from CTDOT – Bridge Design noted that the project is anticipated to be funded using Federal and State capital. No additional legislative help is required at this time.

The State Representatives asked if we could make the powerpoint presentation available to the public. BL Companies will forward a copy of the presentation to the State Representatives.

The project was generally accepted by those in attendance.

Any questions or comments regarding this project or minutes should be directed to the Connecticut Department of Transportation, Attention: Mr. Theodore H. Nezames, P.E., Manager of Bridges, 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06111.

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