

LANDFILL CLOSURE PROJECT
WEST ST. SANITARY LANDFILL

PROJECT REVIEW

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The project consisted of the closing and capping of the Town's dump site located on West St., a requirement of Dept. of Environmental Protection.

A review of the Board of Selectmen's meeting minutes reflect that on May 6, 1991 Mr. Sisitsky, Director of DPW recommended closure of the landfill.

It appears some discussions concerning closure took place between this date and August 1, 1994.

On October 2, 1995, Don Tata of Tata & Howard updated the BOS, advising the Board the Landfill was no longer in use and the Town was working with DEP to close it out.

The process of closing the landfill continued from October 2, 1995 through it's final closure and capping sometime in the year 2000.

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

1. West St. Sanitary Landfill Closure Project
Solid Waste Relocation

Engineer: Tata & Howard

General Contractor: George R. Cairns & Sons Inc.
21 Old Ferry Rd.
Methuen, MA

Bid Date: Unknown

Bids Received: Unknown

Notice to Award: Unknown

Notice to Proceed: Unknown

Amount: \$192,450.00

Contract Date: Unknown. The Board of Selectmen on September 20, 1994 voted to award the contract.

Limited documents were available to review concerning this contract.

Based upon invoices paid by the Town of Natick, Cairns & Sons Inc. was paid \$252,554.75. No documentation was available to determine the \$60,104.75 increase in the contract amount.

2. West St. Sanitary Landfill Closure Project
Contract 2A - Sanitary Landfill Preliminary Grading Plans

Engineer: Tata & Howard

General Contractor: ETL Construction Corp.

Bid Date: September 10, 1997, 2:00 P.M.

Bids Received: Unknown

Notice to Award: Unknown

Notice to Proceed: Issued by Fred Conley, not dated, not signed by ETL

Amount: \$397,250.00

Project Time: 60 Days to Complete

Contract Date: Signed by Fred Conley and ETL Corp. No date is on the agreement.

Liquidated Damages: Unknown

Payment/Performance Bonds: Issued

Insurance Certificates: Issued

Change Orders: Unknown, no documents found to date

Final Contract Amount: Based upon a review of invoices paid to date, E.T.L. Co. has been paid \$477,660.27. No documentation was available to determine the \$80,410.27 increase in the contract amount.

A review of contracts awarded by the Board of Selectmen during 1997 on file in the Selectmen's office shows no record of the Board voting to award this contract.

3. West St. Sanitary Landfill Closure Project

Engineer: Tata & Howard

General Contractor: Foster Wheeler Environmental Corp.

Bid Date: December 4, 1998, 2:00 P.M.
Contract No. 2

Bids Received: Five Bids Received

Firm	Base Bid	Alt. #1	Deduct Passive Gas Vent
1. Foster Wheeler	\$3,802,184.00	\$536,553.00	\$53,544.00
2. R. Bates & Sons	\$3,799,295.00	\$524,125.00	\$62,560.00
3. ET & L Corp.	\$3,997,940.00	\$463,820.00	\$ 920.00
4. DR Corp.	\$4,375,230.00	\$575,850.00	\$18,400.00
5. WES Const. Corp.	\$4,202,595.00	\$609,500.00	\$46,000.00

Based upon a review of available documents, the Town of Natick did not accept Alternate #1 and the deduct for the passive gas venting. As such, Foster Wheeler was the low bidder in the amount of \$3,319,175.00.

Three addenda 1, 2 & 3 were issued during the Bid Phase.

Notice to Award: Issued by Fred Conley on 12/21/98 in the amount of \$3,413,986.00. No document is available addressing \$94,811.00 difference.

Notice to Proceed: Issued 1/29/99, no Start Date stipulated, Completion Date 9/30/00.

Contract Date: 1/29/01 Contract No. 2

Contract Signed: Fred Conley, Town Administrator. The Board of Selectmen voted to award the contract on December 16, 1998.

Amount: \$3,413,986.00

Project Time: Unknown

Liquidated Damages:	1 st – 30 th Day	\$1,000.00
	31 st – 90 th Day	\$1,750.00
	91 st – thereafter	\$2,500.00

Payment/Performance Bonds: Issued

Insurance Certificates: Issued

Change Orders: Three issued during Construction.

Number	Amount	Description	Town Authorization
CO 1	\$75,000.00	Excavate Jennings Pond	5/6/99 Fred Conley
CO 2	\$73,987.20	Unknown	
CO 3	\$367,207.70	Gas Flare Golf Course	

Final Contract Amount: According to the Change Orders issued during construction, the final contract amount would have been \$3,930,180.27

Based upon invoices paid by the Town of Natick, Foster & Wheeler was paid \$3,697,661.16.

There is no documentation which explains the reduction in the contract amounts.

4. Jennings Pond Project – Construction of Outlet Modification Contract 94-1
Natick Conservation Commission

At the time of this review, it was not known how this contract may have impacted the Landfill Project.

Engineer: Consolidated Design Group Inc.
Framingham, MA

General Contractor: Cali Corporation

Bid Date: October 13, 1994, 2:00 P.M.

Bids Received: Unknown

Notice to Award: October 26, 1994 George Wallace

Notice to Proceed: December 1, 1994 issued by George Wallace, Start Date 12/15/94,
Completion Date 2/13/95

Contract Date: 12/1/94 Natick Con. Com. George Wallace

5. Other Contracts

During the review of the Landfill Capital Project Summary, it appears the Town of Natick paid out additional invoices for construction work at the Landfill Site.

No document or records are available, nor is there any vote of the Board of Selectment to award such contracts.